

# HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER



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By: María Dorn

Welcome to March! Back on February 2nd that crazy groundhog said there would be 6 more weeks of winter. Well, even though we've had some wintery days, we have had quite a few 'record' days of spring type weather, resulting for me anyway, in SPRING FEVER!! Bob and I survived babysitting the kids for two weeks last month, as we were able to get out on walks and even spent the day in shorts at the zoo. Our HIS trip to the museums was a lovely weather day too. Who would have thought that would happen in February??

March brings Mardi Gras and St Patrick's day along with Ash Wednesday and 40 days of Lent. Time to get outside and enjoy nature and celebrate this beautiful time of year! Reflect on the Resurrection of Christ and all we have with gratitude and God's magnificence and how each year He continues to sustain us, each year preparing the way for new life through the rebirth of grass, flowers and trees. Here at our parish we have lots of great activities this Lenten season to help us grow our relationship with our Savior. God is so very good to us!!

I added a new section called Prayer Time. Please submit any prayers you would like to share with others. Today's is the prayer Delores read last month as requested by several of our members.

If you ever have suggestions or an article that you think other members would enjoy, you can send email to <a href="mariadorn@hotmail.com">mariadorn@hotmail.com</a>. Be sure to put HIS in the subject line. Thanks and I look forward to keeping you 'in the know'.

# March's Featured Member - Jan Dollus

Jan Dollus has been married to Tom, another HIS member for 52 years and has lived in Holy Infant Parish for 19 years. They are blessed with two sons: TJ, a confirmed bachelor and Matt who is married with two children. One lives locally and one lives in Lexington, KY. Jan claims that one of her sons is a sweetheart like his dad and the other is a 'blabber mouth' like his mom. She doesn't identify who is who though, so when we meet them we can draw our own conclusions. Jan worked as a physical education teacher and loves to read, write, and ask people questions. One item on her bucket list is to zip line.

Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own. **Chinese proverb** 





## Bírthdays - March

#### By Carolyn Kraichel

## Wishing each of you, and anyone accidentally missed, a very Happy Birthday!

Mary Mathew	3/3	Mary Schlemeier	3/16
Bob Komor	3/5	Judy Silvagni	3/16
Maureen Richte	er 3/6	Glen Stafford	3/18
Al Jordan	3/7	Rose Wardenburg	3/18
Mary Werner	3/7	Joan Daues	3/23
MaryLou Bergn	nan 3/8	Elmer Williams	3/23
Lee Gebhardt	3/8	Nancy Quinn	3/26
Sue Rosswick	3/8	Ken Koepke	4/4
Paul Mallery	3/9	Tammie Rundle	4/4
Pat Ehlman	3/10	Ann Mosinski	4/5
Wally Lewis	3/16	Kim Waller	4/10



#### GREETINGS

By Pat Bouckaert

Since our last meeting the following greetings were sent or received:

- MARCH SYMPATHY CARDS Josie Valdeabella (Sympathy Card for Josie's brother, Rolando), Cathy Arnold (Sympathy Card for Cathy's brother, Jim), Patty Swain (Sympathy Card for Patty's Mom, Mary) Pat Bouckaert (Sympathy Card for Pat's brother, Tom)
- MARCH GET WELL Jo Dinkelkamp & Al Jordan
- MARCH THANK YOU CARD to Father Noah Waldman for our March Day of Recollection
- THANK YOU CARDS from Ginny Flenniken for Mass card for her husband, Member Maurice Flenniken. A thank you from Patty Swain for Sympathy Card for her Mom.
- THINKING OF YOU CARD for Marge Geen who is residing in a nursing home in O'Fallon, MO. <u>Cards, notes and/or visits are appreciated.</u> Her address is: Twin Oaks Nursing Home, 707 Emge Road, O'Fallon, MO

#### ADULTBINGO

Saturday, March 18, 2017 Holy Infant School – Upper Cafeteria 248 New Ballwin Road Doors Open at 6:00 P.M. Bingo Starts at 7:00 P.M.



\$20.00 per Person
Admission includes 15 Games of Bingo
Beer, Soda, Wine and Water
Food available for purchase
Sponsored by the Holy Infant
Knights of Columbus

# Prayer Time - New Year's Prayer Contributed by Delores Kammerer

Lord, this year I want to change, and I've said that in the past. But now my prayer is different 'cause I understand at last.

I wanted my own way before, I ignored your loving plans. But now I'm putting everything into your nail-scarred hands.

I promise to obey you out of gratitude and love. I won't be giving orders to my Father up above. I finally realize the truth and so I've changed my prayer. The safest place for me to be is in your gentle care.

Please be my shepherd, Jesus, that's all I ask of you. In good times and in bad this year, Take my hand and lead me through.

The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer someone else up

Mark Twain



The Spring 40 Days for Life this year is from March 1 - April 9, 2017.

By: Linda Thien

Holy Infant's adopted day to pray for an hour in front of Planned Parenthood is Saturday, March 18th from 7 am to 7 pm. Sign-Ups for an hour to pray for the unborn will be in the Church lobby after all the Masses on Sat./Sun. March 4/5 and March 11/12. This is a legal, peaceful, prayerful time in front of Planned Parenthood to be a voice for the defenseless unborn. It has been proven that our presence really does make a difference to those Moms and Dads who are considering an abortion. We cannot continue to let 323,999 babies die at Planned Parenthood each year.

There is much cause for prayerful gratitude and hope this year for our Pro-Life Movement:

This is the first year that a Vice-President and his wife has spoken at the March for Life in Washington, DC; the Mexico City Policy has been reinstated and there will be no federal funding for international abortions; we are in the process of legislation to defund Planned Parenthood in the U.S., with that \$553 million tax dollars going to other health centers who will actually offer prenatal care instead of Planned Parenthood turning these women away from their facility when they ask for prenatal care; and we have a clearly pro-life candidate nominated for the Supreme Court vacancy.

Please prayerfully consider giving an hour to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Saturday, March 18th to save a life!



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By Kathie Hanneke

The following are activities planned to provide Holy Infant parishioners with opportunities to grow in faith and community this Lenten Season. Holy Infant's Adult Faith Formation Team invites you to make these events part of your 2017 Lenten journey. All are welcome! Invite a friend!

Ash Wednesday Masses: March 1st 6:00 AM, 8:00

AM, 7:00 PM

33 Days to Morning Glory:

Tuesdays, April 4th – May 9th, 7:00-8:30 PM in Rosario Hall

Daily Lenten Masses: 6:00 & 8:00 AM

Mass Before Dinner:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 5:30 PM Throughout the Lenten Season

SoulCore:

Tuesdays, February 28th – April 11th 7:00–8:00 PM in Rosario Hall

Fish Fries:

Fridays, 4:30–8:00 PM Upper Cafeteria By Men's Club (Excluding Good Friday) **Parish Reconciliation Night:** 

Tuesday, March 21st 7:00 PM in church & Saturdays, 3:30 PM until all are heard

Mass of the Lord's Supper: April 13th 7:00 PM,

then Seven Churches Tour

The Lord's Passion: April 14th 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass: April 15th 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday Masses: April 16th 7:00, 8:30 &

10:15 AM & Noon CRHP Retreats:

Men's: March 25th – 26th

Women's: April 1st – 2nd

Stations of the Cross: Mondays at 2:00 PM, Fridays at 7:00 PM, & Good Friday 3:00 PM Living Stations by Eighth Grade: April 11th 7:00

PM in Church



Mike Roberts
Former KSDK Meteorologist
Now Director of Client Services —
Home Care Assistance of St. Louis



David Williams
Former Charismatic
Protestant Theologian
Now Catholic Principal of St. John
Paul II Prep School and Founder of
the Devout Heart Program



Fr. Tom Vortriede Associate Pastor Holy Infant Church

- Parish Reconciliation Night, Tuesday, March 21, 7 pm, in church
- The Connection Between Joy and Suffering, Wednesday, March 22, 7-8 pm, in church Local TV
  personality Mike Roberts has begun a new chapter in life. Mike now pursues his passion for helping to
  make life as comfortable as possible for those who remain in their homes during health crises. Hear how
  Mike personally has lived out this work of mercy.
- Mega Church Preacher's Conversion to Mega Catholic, Thursday, March 23, 7-8 pm, in church While
  attending Oral Roberts University, David Williams' intent was to start his own church. You will be
  renewed by David's story of conversion to Catholicism and his pursuit to lead others to a deeper
  understanding and appreciation of the glory and beauty of our faith.
- Following in the Footsteps of Jesus: A Virtual Tour of the Holy Land According to the Gospels, Thursday, March 30 (Nazareth to Galilee), and Thursday, April 6 (Galilee to Jerusalem), 7-8:30 pm, Upper Cafeteria Follow the path of Jesus, with emphasis on the Gospel of Mark. Fr. Vordtriede will give us a better understanding of Jesus' life from His public ministry to His Ascension sharing maps and images of the holy sites where he lived.



### DID YOU KNOW .... BY JO LEW'S

- That you should never mix ammonia and bleach or vinegar and bleach as a cleaning solution? It produces a toxic gas.
- That the American Health Institute recommends 1 alcoholic drink for a woman and 2 for a man a day to maintain good health?



May flowers always line your path and sunshine light your day.

May songbirds serenade you every step along the way.

May a rainbow run beside you in a sky that's always blue.

And may happiness fill your heart each day your whole life through.

- Irish Blessing

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#### PARISH REMINDERS -

By Sandy Hughes

#### March 2017

1	6,8am &	7pm Masses and Distribution of Ashes	18	7 pm	Knights of Columbus Adult Bingo-
2	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass		57 .C.	Upper Cafeteria
3	4:30 pm	Men's Club Fish Fry – Upper Cafeteria	20	7 pm	Baptism Preparation Class –
3	7 pm	The Way of the Cross – Church			Holy Infant Room
5		Holy Infant Shamrock Shuffle –	20	2 pm	The Way of the Cross Church
		Holy Infant Campus	21	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
6	2 pm	The Way of the Cross – Church	21-23	7pm	Adult Formation "Special Lent Program"
7	8 pm	Lenten Confessions Church			Church
7	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass	22	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
8	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass	23	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
9	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass	24	7 pm	The Way of the Cross – Church
10	4:30pm	Men's Club Fish Fry - Upper Cafeteria	24	4:30pm	Men's Club Fish Fry – Upper Cafeteria
10	7 pm	The Way of the Cross – Church	27	2pm	The Way of the Cross – Church
12	1-7 pm	St. Patrick's Celebration	28	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
14	5:30pm	Lenten Mass	29	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
15	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass	30	5:30pm	Lenten Mass
16	5:30 pm	Lenten Mass	31	4:30pm	Men's Club Fish Fry – Upper Cafeteria
17	4:30 pm	Men's Club Fish Fry – Upper Cafeteria	31	7pm	The Way of the Cross – Church
17	7 pm	The Way of the Cross — Church			Table 1885 / Wallet 1



#### OUR THANKS GO OUT TO ....

- Marilyn Tarleton and Mary Hutson for all their work, making sure all the linens used for our masses and liturgical programs are ready for use. It's a big job and thanks to all who help them. Many hands make light work.
- Mary Mallery for reminding us what we have done in the past that helps us to continue being an
  organization that wants to welcome all to our group.



#### Reminders

- The HIS Picnic will be June 1st. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend.
- There is a link to the HIS Newsletter in the
- weekly bulletin
- Bring can tabs to Tom Dollus
- Bring in your Campbell Soup labels

#### TRAVEL TIME



By: Mary Jane Bahr, Rosemary and Gene Bestgen

We have exciting travel news to report. This is a new adventure for the Holy Infant Seniors. Don't miss out of the fun! On Friday, July 28th, we've got a bus trip going to Arrow Rock, Mo. to see the show "Mama Mia" at the Lyceum Theatre.

- The day will begin by boarding our bus about 8:30 a.m. (Target Parking Lot). The trip to Arrow Rock is about 2 1/2 hours. There will probably be a rest stop, going to and coming from Arrow Rock.
- We will have lunch at the J. Huston Tavern in Arrow Rock.
- The matinee begins at 2:00 p.m.
- After the show, back on the bus. We should be back home by about 6:30 p.m.
- Arrow Rock is about 10-15 miles west of Columbia and then 15 miles north.
- The total cost of the trip will be \$85.00 per person.

We only have 40 tickets. Twenty seven people are already on the list. Let me know as soon as possible if you want to be included. We won't ask for payment until June. If you have to cancel after making payment, and we don't have a waiting list, you will be responsible for the \$35.00 bus fee and the show ticket, \$27.00. You wouldn't be responsible for lunch. I hope we have a waiting list so this will not be an issue.

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## STEPHEN MINISTRY

By Gene Bestgen

When You've Reached the End of Your Rope... If you're at the end of your rope, Stephen Ministers can help you tie a knot and hang on. For someone who will listen and help you find the resources you need to get through this tough time.

If you are going through a tough period, call Stephen Ministry. We want to help. Call Patricia, 636 227-0802 Option 3 or reach out to the confidential email: <a href="mailto:stephenministryhi@yahoo.com">stephenministryhi@yahoo.com</a>

I know that there are people who do not love their fellow man, and I hate people like that - **Tom Lehrer** 



As you go through your winter clothes and all of the holiday stuff that you didn't use or need, consider putting the stuff aside for Rummage Rampage! Holy Infant's big sale is in June, which is only three months away! By giving your gently used items to Holy Infant in June, you will gain more space and the parish benefits too!

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH - Chicken Dish

By: Brenda George



## Ingredients

- 4-6 Boneless chicken breasts
- Swiss cheese
- 1 can Cream of Chicken soup
- 1/4 cup Half & Half
- ¼ cup white wine
- 1 stick butter
- 1 canister Stove Top Dressing (if using box, you will need to crush it some)
- 1. Lay chicken in pan and put a slice of Swiss cheese on top
- 2. Mix soup, Half and Half and wine and pour over chicken
- 3. Put dressing on top of chicken
- 4. Drizzle with melted butter until moistened
- 5. Bake at 350 uncovered for 1 hour

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