



HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER



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Newsletter FROM THE EDITOR

By: Maria Dorn

Merry Christmas! You have 17 more days to get it together, because it is coming ready or not. I love this time of year for the time we take to celebrate friends and family and worship God for the gift of his son, Jesus, our Savior. What I don't like is trying to figure out what everyone wants and then going shopping for those gifts. We should not make it all about the gifts, but the grandkids makes that seem impossible. They have so much and need nothing; however, they want more. I think I know how God feels every time I ask Him for more when I have everything I could ever need. Have a Merry Christmas and I'll see you next year!



My brother, Mark, who was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma last year, is taking a break from the chemo shots for now and will just continue to take the oral pills. The Doctor thinks the medication in the shot may be causing the leg pain. She says his myeloma numbers look like they are under control that he can take this break. Fingers crossed that the numbers continue to be 'under control' and that the leg pain lets up some. This takes him from 3 days a week at the hospital to one a month! Praise the Lord! He and our family appreciate your prayers on his behalf and ask that you continue to pray.

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



October's Featured Members - Jody and Bob Hauf

Bob and I were married on June 15, 1963 in a small town in upstate New York. We met in Buffalo, New York where we were introduced by my college roommate. Bob was in the Air Force and in the first few years of our marriage we lived in California and Omaha, Nebraska. Bob was discharged from the Air Force in 1965 in time for us to attend his brother's ordination to the priesthood. We lived in upstate New York for a few years then moved to St. Louis—south county in 1970. I taught in our parish (St. Matthias) day school. Bob worked in I.T. for Mc Carthy Brothers Construction Company. From there he went on to work for Southwestern Bell/SBC/AT&T, from where he retired in 2005. In 1973 I received a degree in nursing and began working at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. By that

time we had six children. Eric was born in California; Sue, in Omaha, Nebraska; Rob in New York; Mary and the twins, Joe and Jay were born in St. Louis. We moved west in 1985 and promptly joined Holy Infant parish. In 1999 we were graced with the addition of Widy to our family and we had a grace filled five years with him until he passed away in 2004. We our blessed with 14 grandchildren with whom we love to spend time. No great grandchildren yet. During our fifty-five years we have been so blessed— we have been privileged to be foster parents to over forty infants: we have been involved with giving Marriage Encounter weekends and we are presently involved in Teams of Our Lady: and for the past month we have been blessed with supporting and caring for a very dear friend with cancer, and privileged to be at his bedside when he went into the arms of Jesus with a smile on his face. God is good!



Sentiments

By Carol Laupp

- Get Well wishes were sent to Helen Gozdal.
- Thinking of You wishes were sent to Joe Conway.

ADULT BINGO



Saturday, January 19, 2018
 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



Odds and Ends

By HIS members

HIS Lunch Volunteers Still Needed – HIS Board

See HIS Lunch page at the back of this newsletter to see what this involves and consider stepping forward to help Linda with this ministry.

***Begin doing what you want to do now.
 We have only this moment sparkling
 Like a star in our hand and
 Melting like a snowflake.
 Marie Beynon Ray***



TRAVEL TIME

By: Mary Jane Bahr, Gene Bestgen Rosemary Bestgen

If we have enough interest, we will schedule a trip to the **Hofbrauhaus**, Belleview, Il for **Thursday, January 17th**. We will leave Ballwin at 3:00 p.m. and arrive in Belleview about 3:45 p.m. The music begins at 4:00 p.m. The bus transportation cost will be \$20 to \$23, depending upon how many riders we have. At the Hofbrauhaus, everyone will pay their own bill on beer and food. That way you can order what you want. We will get you a menu before the departure date so you can look it over. We would probably stay and enjoy the music until 6:30 or 7:00 p.m. If you haven't already signed up, you can do so at the Christmas Party.

Chicago Trip - May 1st, 2nd, & 3rd.

The cost for this trip is about \$500 each. Itemization of costs are:

Bus Transportation	90	Tommy Gunn's Garage Dinner	
Hotel for two nights	200	Show	60
Marriott Lincolnshire Dinner		Lunch Wed., Thur., and Friday(on	
Theater	65	your own)	40
Navy Pier on Tuesday -Lake		Total	485
Michigan Tour	30		

The hotel price is locked in. The dinner theatre prices are locked in. The Navy Pier Lake Michigan Tour is locked in. The only number that could change is the Bus. The above number is based on 38 passengers.

We have room for two more people. We will ask for a deposit of \$100 each at the January meeting. We need this to reserve the bus.



New Members for October

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Give people a piece of your heart instead of a piece of your mind
Sign on a church

FAITH

(F) FORWARDING
(A) ALL
(I) ISSUES
(T) TO
(H) HEAVEN

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES -

By Kathie Hanneke

Sponsored by Holy Infant's Adult Faith Formation Committee.

AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL TO ROLE MODEL

Leah Darrow

January 13, 2019 at 7 pm, Holy Infant Church

The Adult Faith Formation Committee is proud to present Leah Darrow, America's Next Top Model, who shares her transformation story of leaving modeling to devoting herself to speaking about the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She has helped people find their love, acceptance, and beauty in Him. Her message is for ALL ages, but teens, young adults and their families are especially encouraged to come and hear this important message.

Tickets go on sale in November. Teens: \$5; 18 and over, \$10.



Birthdays - December

By Carolyn Kraichel

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

DECEMBER

Mike	Calderone	12/01	Audrey	Westmoreland	12/15
Mary	Hyland	12/01	George	Rosswick	12/16
Jan	Dollus	12/02	Carol	Lodes	12/25
Cecelia	Conner	12/08	Ginny	Flenniken	12/26
Dave	Denzer	12/13	Bill	Linhoff	12/31
			Olivia	Pieknik	not listed



OUR THANKS GO OUT TO....

- The 'George-Schlemeier' group for a delicious sandwich.
- To Gene and Kathie Hanneke for all their work offering us special programs to enhance our knowledge of our Catholic faith which in turn makes us better people.
- To Pat Bouckaert for being Ticket Chairman for our Christmas party again, and again, and again.
- To Mary Calderone for helping us think about getting our 'cheer' for the holidays.



DID YOU KNOWBy Jo Lewis

- That eating a tomato a day can keep you r heart doctor away? Cooking them with olive oil gives you even more benefits.
- That extension cords are only for temporary use? Extended use is a violation of most fire codes.
- That if you want to lose weight, you should eat your biggest meal before 3 pm?
- That your hose should be disconnected NOW?
- That some people reported an improved mood if they received a hug that day? Some find it disconcerting; I guess it's up to you to know which you are!!!



Parish News

By Sandy Hughes

December 2018

2	5:30pm	Youth Group Presents - "O Holy Night" followed by dinner in the Upper Cafeteria
8	6, 8, 10am	Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) Masses
8	11:00am	Holy Infant Seniors Christmas Party - Upper Cafeteria
9	1:30pm	Ladies Advent Tea - Upper Cafeteria
16	10am-2pm	Holiday Boutique – Upper Cafeteria
24	4 pm	Christmas Eve Mass - Church
24	4:10pm	Christmas Eve Mass - Parish Center
24	6pm	Christmas Eve Mass - Church
25	Midnight	Christmas Day Mass - Church
25	8am & 10am	Christmas Day Masses - Church



STEPHEN MINISTRY

By Gene Bestgen

What Happens When You Ask for Help From a Stephen Minister? When you ask for help from a Stephen Minister, a Stephen Leader will contact you to talk more about Stephen Ministry and what it can mean to you. If your needs can be best served by a Stephen Minister, you will be matched with someone who will support you through this tough time. Confidentiality is a top priority for Stephen Ministers. You do not need to be concerned that other people will discover what you talk about with your Stephen Minister. You may call Patricia, 636 227-0802, opt. 3, or Gene at 636 527-5385, to learn more about Stephen Ministry. There is a confidential email as well stephenministryhi@yahoo.com that you can use if you prefer.

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