



# HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE EDITOR - By: Maria Dorn

I hope that this is coming to you in person on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. As I write this, I'm skeptical because the weather hasn't been cooperating with the HI Seniors. We've moved past January with our New Year's resolutions, and February with cupid, love, roses, candy, and lots of hearts. Now we find ourselves ready to be blown around in March. By now we know if March came in like a lion or a lamb. Hoping for the little lamb myself. 😊

For my resolution I said I was going to finish something I've been contemplating for a while. Working with a team of several H.I.S. members, I was able to finalize this idea and am now ready to test the H.I.S. Meal Train Ministry. The purpose is to provide meals for a limited time to H.I.S. members in need of assistance during unforeseen circumstances (such as unexpected surgery or an extended hospital stay) to supplement meals from family and friends. For this to be successful we will need a minimum of 20 individuals willing to provide meals now and then. Please consider signing up for this ministry and reach out to me at 314-610-8784 with any questions after this is presented today.

Unfortunately, the Covid resurgence caused us to miss our January meeting and I'd already printed the Newsletter, so I'll be distributing two Newsletters this month. Dare we do the sing along we were planning for January?? **Remember, you can access the HIS Newsletter through the online bulletin by clicking on this link and scrolling down till you see HIS Newsletters. We have them from September of 2015.** <https://holyyinfantballwin.org/news/newsletter/>

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

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## Member of the Month - Paul and Mary Mallery

Paul grew up in DeSoto, MO and graduated from DeSoto High School. He attended Flat River Junior College (FRJC) for 2 years and graduated from Missouri University in Columbia with a BS in secondary education. He joined the Air Force in 1964 and after officer's training school and a stint in Mississippi, he luckily ended up stationed at Pease Air Force Base in Portsmouth, N.H. where he met Mary. Mary grew up in Portsmouth. She earned her B. Ed at Keene State College in N.H. and taught 3rd grade on the base at Pease Elementary. They dated and got married in July of 1968.

Paul finished as a captain and left the Air Force that Dec. They moved to Missouri in Jan. where Paul returned to Mizzou to get his masters degree. He taught science for the Rockwood School District, and after 30 years retired. Meanwhile, Mary stayed home with the 4 children: Mike 52, Matt 51, Jane 49, and Ryan 40. She kept busy with scouts, room mothers, soccer, basketball, baseball, etc. She returned to teaching at Most Sacred Heart in Eureka enjoying 2nd graders and retired in 2000.

Sadly, their 4 kids don't live as close as they'd like. Jane and husband Patrick live in Brentwood, CA with their 2 boys ages 10 & 12. Matt lives in Fayetteville, AR with Katie and their 5 children. Mike is outside Rolla, MO with Angie and the 3 girls, and Ryan is single living in Houston, TX. They enjoy traveling to see them and their 10 grandchildren. In his spare time, Paul likes gardening, reading, and exercising. Mary enjoys bridge, canasta, bunco, exercising and both love traveling with HIS and taking cruises.

They have belonged to Holy Infant parish for 48 years where all 4 kids attended grades K--8. They have been active in many parish organizations. Paul was a past President of HIS, a member of K of C, a Stephen Minister, and SVDP. Mary was secretary several times for HIS and currently the Historian. She serves as a Eucharistic minister and both work the food pantry, attend Bible Study, and have participated in many parish activities. They are very thankful for belonging to such a vibrant and welcoming parish.

If you or someone you know would like to be featured as the Member of the Month, please let me know at our meeting, by calling me at 314-610-8784 or emailing me at [mariadorn@hotmail.com](mailto:mariadorn@hotmail.com).

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## Travel & Tourism News

By: MaryJane Bahr, Gene Bestgen, Rosemary Bestgen

Our Trip Committee is gearing up again to plan some fun filled trips. They are looking at the last week of April for a bus tour of 'The Hill'. Be on the lookout for emails giving more details as plans are finalized. They are always looking for someplace new to visit though. If anyone has any ideas, please pass it along to our travel team.

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**NEW H.I.S Meal Train Ministry** – As Maria Dorn presented at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the purpose of this new ministry is to provide meals for a limited time to H.I.S. members in need of assistance during unforeseen circumstances to supplement meals they are already receiving from family and friends.

When someone identifies a H.I.S. member who needs meal assistance, they will reach out to the Organizer (a member of the H.I.S. Board of Directors), who will work with you to get the process started. This meal train is managed through a website and volunteers will receive emails notifying them of a need for meals. Volunteers will be able to access the site through the email by clicking on the link and the name of the individual and a summary of what they need and when they need it will be explained. Volunteers will then pick a date on the calendar that they could provide a meal. If you are not able to provide a meal at the time you receive the email, you simply ignore the request. The Organizer will be notified via email of all activity and the volunteer will be reminded via email of the date you committed your meal.

**To get this train out of the station, we need 20 volunteers.** If you are willing to provide a meal now and then, please put your name, phone # and email address on the volunteer list going around today. If you would like more information before you volunteer, you can call Maria Dorn at 314-610-8784.

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## Odds and Ends

By HIS members

### **Covid Tests: - Gene Bestgen**

Please let all our friends know that they can order 4 free Covid Test Kits per household by going to [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov)

### **Thank you letter to the Holy Infant Seniors – Pauline Nocifora**

Jan, helped compose this letter with Mary and then sent it to me to share in the Newsletter.

Mary Cook has been so excited about her birthday. She loves the album we made for her that she is showing it to everyone.

"To celebrate my 95th birthday on Sunday, November 21, 2021, my daughter Jan and her husband, Mark, flew in from California. My son, Rod, and his special lady, Donna, were also with me.

I went to the 10:15 am mass with my daughter. In the beginning of Mass, Father Stanger, with the largest mischievous smile on his face, made an announcement that it was Mary Cook's 95th birthday, and was also mentioned at the intercessions. At the end of Mass, the choir played "Happy Birthday" and everyone in church stood up and sang to me. It was like the church was my big birthday cake and all of the singers were the candles lit up on the cake. How much bigger a cake could you have?

Pauline and my daughter Jan communicated ahead of time to make Jan aware of the surprise visit we were planning. In the afternoon a group of the Holy Infant Seniors paraded up my street and into my driveway carrying balloons, flowers, and cookies. Nancy Turpin, wearing a clown outfit with a big red ball on her nose was amongst them. Five of the Adolphson children joined the celebration too. It was a beautiful afternoon with perfect weather for an outdoor gathering. On top of all of this celebration, the prior day, Olivia, dropped off flowers, balloons and a multitude of birthday greeting cards from the seniors.

May you all be blessed for the kindness shown to me."

Sincerely,  
Mary Cook

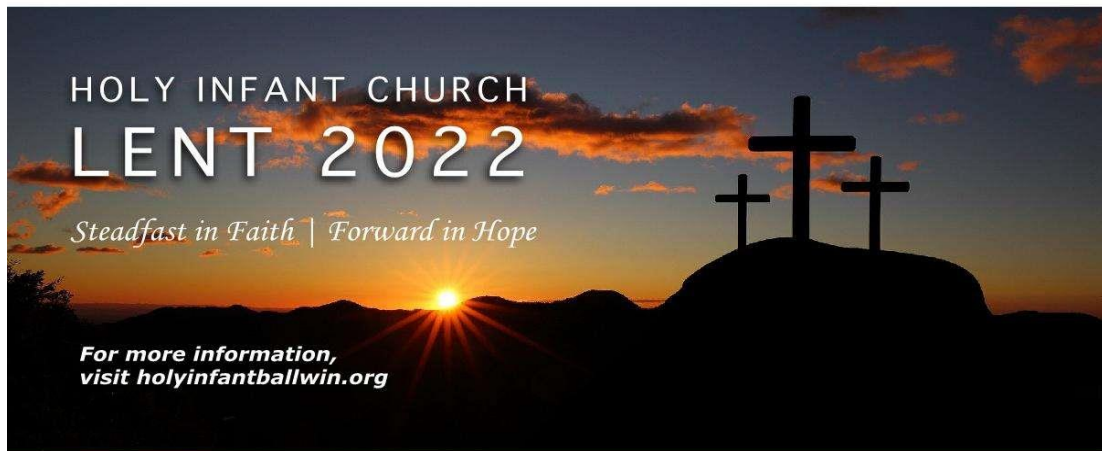




## ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By Kathie Hanneke

**JONAH PRAYER TEAMS** - To the Lord who knows the sufferings of all, we are encouraged to call upon His name in prayer. If anyone is in need of prayer or blessing, members of our Jonah Prayer team are available Saturday, March 19 at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 20 at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to come to the Holy Family statue for a special prayer.



### LENTEN PRESENTATIONS

- 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

Wednesday, March 2  
6 AM, 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 7 PM

#### DAILY LENTEN MASSES

Monday-Friday, 6 AM, 8 AM  
Saturday, 8 AM  
Tuesday-Thursday, 5:30 PM

#### CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays, 10-11 AM  
Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 PM  
Also by appointment (ph 636.227.7440)

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 7 PM (except Good Friday)

#### LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS / SCHOOL 8TH GRADE

Tuesday, April 12, 7 PM  
Wednesday, April 13, 10 AM  
(Church)

#### PARISH FISH FRYS

Fridays, March 4-April 8, 4:30-7:30 PM  
(Upper Cafeteria)

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

##### *Best. Prayerful. Lent. Ever.*

Prayer workshop to prepare for Lent,  
followed by Benediction  
Sunday, Feb. 27, 6:30-8 PM  
(Upper Cafeteria/Church)

##### *Parish Mission: Steadfast in Faith, Forward in Hope: A Great Catholic Adventure*

with nationally acclaimed speaker, author and theologian Marcellino D'Ambrosio (Dr. Italy)  
Wednesday-Thursday, March 9-10, 7-8 PM  
(Church)

##### *Lenten Music and Meditation Night*

with parish singers, musicians and lectors  
Wednesday, March 30, 7-8 PM  
(Church)

##### *Spiritual Rosary Exercise Class (via Zoom)*

with Rita Marie Hayek,  
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 12 PM

Holy Infant Catholic Church  
627 Dennison Dr., Ballwin, MO 63021  
Ph 636.227.7440  
All are Welcome Here!



Holy Infant  
Parish Mission  
2022

Wed-Thurs,  
March 9-10  
7-8 p.m.

STEADFAST IN FAITH | FORWARD IN HOPE  
**A GREAT CATHOLIC ADVENTURE**



Welcoming  
**Marcellino D'Ambrosio**  
"Dr. Italy"

- TV and Radio Personality
- Engaging, Entertaining and Challenging Catholic Speaker
- New York Times Best-Selling Author
- Professor of Theology
- Husband / Father of Five

Wednesday, March 9  
**WHY BE CATHOLIC?**  
Don't miss this story of a young rock 'n roller who fell in love with Christ. With his engaging personal witness, Dr. D'Ambrosio explains in a fresh, contemporary way that fullness of life comes from faith.

Thursday, March 10  
**DISCIPLESHIP AS THE GREATEST ADVENTURE**  
Our Catholic faith is a dynamic journey of adventure, full of continual surprises. The challenges and thrills of the first disciples' experience can and should be ours, too!

This Lenten program is provided by Holy Infant Catholic Church, 627 Dennison Dr., Ballwin MO 63021.  
All ages welcome! For more information, visit [holyininfantballwin.org](http://holyininfantballwin.org) or call 636.227.0802, ext. 3.  
Can't attend in person? Join us via live-streaming at [Facebook.com/holyinfantballwin](http://Facebook.com/holyinfantballwin).

# Lenten **Music** and **Meditation** Night

Thursday, March 30 | 7-8 p.m. | Holy Infant Church

Join Holy Infant singers, musicians and lectors for a presentation of Lenten music and meditations. Traditional and contemporary music selections will accompany meditations on forgiveness, forsakenness, compassion, trust, and newness.

**All ages welcome!**

Program provided by Holy Infant's Adult Faith Formation Team.  
Live-streaming available at [Facebook.com/holyinfantballwin](http://Facebook.com/holyinfantballwin).  
Questions: Contact [pfoley@holyininfantballwin.org](mailto:pfoley@holyininfantballwin.org) or ph 636.227.0802, ext 3.

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## Sentiments

By Carol Laupp

Since our January HIS Newsletter, these sentiments were sent:

**Get Well** - Jan Jordan

**Thinking of You** - Mildred Brenner, Pat Bouckaert, Joanne Lewis, Bob Kayser

**Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday** – Elizabeth Schmitt

**Sympathy Mass Card** - Bob Flacke Family, Jim Yetke Family, Kirk Richter Family, Charles McEntire Family

If you know of anyone in our HIS group that could use a Get-Well card, a Thinking or Praying for you card, a Sympathy card, etc. please call Carol Laupp at 636-256-0924 and she will send them a card from our HIS group.



## OUR THANKS GO OUT TO....

By Jo Lewis

- Mary Mallery for being our H.I.S. Historian. Did you know that we started this with only 25 people? Each president has added new ideas and activities.
- To Kathy and Gene Hanneke, how do we count the ways?
- To Carol Laupp for sending out HIS sentiments to members when needed. I received one of them and they are special.

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## DID YOU KNOW ....

By Jo Lewis

- That breads labeled "21 whole grains and seeds" is not necessarily healthier for you? These grains and seeds may just be added to a bread that is mostly white flour.
- That just because vegetables are 'triple' washed does not mean they are safe to eat?
- That before spending \$1,100 on an Apple iPhone 12 Pro, you could consider the One Plus 8 which costs \$450. It has the same benefits.
- That any of our HI Seniors can submit words of wisdom they may want to share to this column? We can all benefit from these little gems. Just send to [mariadorn@hotmail.com](mailto:mariadorn@hotmail.com) or call Maria at 314-610-8784.

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## Birthdays - February & March

By Theresa & Paul Bichsel

Wishing each of you, and any others I may have missed, a very Happy Birthday!

Joan	Bess	02/15	Dolores		
Peggy	Buechler	02/20	(Dee)	Kaemmerer	02/27
Eileen	Buehrle	02/08	Robert (Bob)	Komor	03/05
Beth	Colonna	02/26	Tom	McElroy	02/10
Bernie	Flacke	03/04	Marie	McKeiver	02/18
Linda	Gianoulakis	02/12	John	Nortman	02/08
Charlotte	Hamm	03/06	Maureen	Richter	03/06
Alan	Jordan	03/07			



# STEPHEN MINISTRY

By Gene Bestgen

## Who will know about my problem if I talk to a Stephen Minister?

Many people ask this question. Confidentiality is the cornerstone of Stephen Ministry. No one will find out. If you have a burden you need to share, perhaps a Stephen Minister can help. For someone who will listen and help you find the resources you need to get through this tough time. To learn more about this caring ministry, call Patricia at 636 227-0802, opt #3. There is a confidential email as well [stephenministryhi@yahoo.com](mailto:stephenministryhi@yahoo.com) that you can use if you prefer.

If you or a loved one can benefit from a Stephen's Minister, check out Stephen Ministry on our church website [www.holyinfantballwin.org](http://www.holyinfantballwin.org)

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## ADULT BINGO



March 19, 2022  
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

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## Parish News

By Sandy Hughes

### March

- 2 Ash Wednesday Masses: 6am, 8am, 9:30am (school), and 7pm
- 3 Seniors' Meeting: 10:00am, Lower Cafeteria
- 3 Lenten Masses, (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays at 5:30pm), beginning March 3 thru April 13
- 4 First Fish Fry will be: March 4, 4:30pm-7:00pm, Upper Cafeteria.
- 4 Way of the Cross: every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm
- 5 Shamrock Shuffle: 7:00am, Holy Infant Campus
- 6 ST. PAT'S CELEBRATION! Begins after Noon Mass
- 9-10 Parish Mission: Ken Yasinski, 7:00pm, Church
- 19 K of C BINGO! Doors open at 5:30pm, Upper Cafeteria

April

- 1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY!
- 4 Men's Club Meeting/NCAA Game Watch Party: 6:30pm, Lower Cafeteria
- 7 Seniors' Meeting: 10:00am, Lower Cafeteria

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH - Submitted By: Theresa Bichsel

King Arthur Cream Cheese Scones - Served at Holy Infant Advent Tea  
Yields: 14 - 18 two inch scones

### Ingredients

- 3 ¼ cup King Arthur Unbleached All-Purpose Flour (452 grams)
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 8 oz. cream cheese (COLD)
- ½ cup butter (COLD)
- 1 large egg
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- ¼ cup whole milk



Wash: Cream or Milk brushed on top of unbaked scones with pastry brush  
Coarse white sugar for topping (Wilton brand found at Walmart, Hobby Lobby, Michaels)

1. PREHEAT OVEN to 375°F. 350°F for Convection oven.
2. Blend dry ingredients in food processor. Cut in cream cheese and butter into dry ingredients in food processor pulsing until pea size lumps are dispersed among flour. Empty mixture into large bowl.
3. Whisk together egg, vanilla & milk. Add this mixture to dry mixture and mix minimally.
4. Turn dough out onto floured surface and pat to 1 inch thickness. Cut out 2 inch round biscuits or cut into squares or triangles. Place on parchment covered baking sheet, brush tops of scones with milk or cream and sprinkle coarse sugar on top.
5. Bake 16-18 minutes at 375°F regular oven/ less in convection oven or until bottom of scone is lightly browned. (Tops don't brown unless baked in convection oven).
6. Let cool before freezing, for use later or eat warm with jam and sweetened whipped cream.

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## 2022-2023 H.I.S. Board Members

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Bob Maloney	VP	636-346-1765	Gene Hanneke	Recycle Coord.	227-8163
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Dolores Kaemmerer	Attendance	391-7743	Dolores Kaemmerer		391-7743
Mary Mallory	Attendance	391-9716	Eileen Buehrle	Service & PAC	230-5435
Carol Laupp	Sentiments	256-0924	Rev. Edward Stanger	Spiritual Dir.	227-7440
Kathie & Gene			Gene & Rosemary Bestgen		527-5385
Hanneke	Graphics	314-913-4230	& Mary Jane Bahr	Trips	227-8927
Mary Mallory	Historian	391-9716	Carol Wolf &	50/50	227-6214
Mary Schlemier	Hospitality	227-1254	Carol Komor &		230-9697
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