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FROM THE EDITOR - By: Maria Dorn

Spring has sprung, the weather is warming up and the flowers and trees are budding bright and green. The Easter Bunny isn't far away, and he'll be hopping in with lots of egg hunts. Kiddos will be running around hunting for candy and maybe a little change. As a kid I remember my dad and mom hiding little chocolate foil wrapped eggs in the house where they never had to worry about the weather. With 5 of us it was pretty much guaranteed that we'd find everyone, but on the rare occasion we'd find one as late as November or December, we didn't care, we'd eat what we found whenever we found them. Chocolate covered marshmallow eggs are still my favorite.

Easter Day we will celebrate our salvation and remember how Jesus died and rose from the grave to open the gates of heaven for those who believe in Him. Thanks to the example of my parents, I'm blessed with a strong faith. I feel the Holy Spirit moving me every day. If we just follow the path God has for us, we will go to some wonderful places!

I don't know about you, but I feel that this year is really speeding by. I'm looking forward to our trip to the HILL in a few weeks. I can't believe we have only one more HIS meeting, our Picnic, before we take our summer break. I'm hoping that everyone is planning some fun and getting out of their houses and maybe even out of town.

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://holyinfantballwin.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. Be sure to put HIS in the subject line. Thanks, and I look forward to keeping you 'in the know'.



Member of the Month - Pauline Nocifora

PAULINE NOCIFORA comes from a family of 5 boys and 2 girls. Originally from Cleveland Ohio, she moved to St. Louis in 1977. Most of Pauline's life, she was in Banking and really enjoyed it and the many clients she had. She has done Dietary and Bookkeeping too, but now she is taking it easy and 'just' volunteers.

When she came to Holy Infant, Pauline jumped right in to service our parish. From participating in Small Church Group, cleaning the chapel and changing candles for 17 years, assisting Fr. Ebert and Fr. Bannes as an Alter Server, Ushering, serving as Eucharistic Minister & Greeter, In Angel Corps, and as a Stephen Minister since its inception here. In addition, you will see her working at the Men's Fish Fry, St. Pat's Day, the Spring Festival and, of course, the Rummage Sale. She is also in the Senior group and has sold the 50-50-tickets there.

Her passion is Square and Round Dancing. She belonged to 2 clubs, the Swingin' Singles, now Singles & Doubles and Rafter Rockers, where she served as Vice President and Treasurer. Then she was Vice President, President and Treasurer of the Federation which included 52 Clubs. She served as Treasurer of the Federation for 15 years. During that time, the Federation always had a Benefit each year for a non-profit organization. She chaired 3 of them, 1 for Ronald McDonald House, 1 for NAMI and 1 for Independence Center.

Then was her big event, The 42nd National Square Dance Convention which brought to St Louis over 18,600 dancers in June of 1993 from all over the United States and the Countries. Remember the flood? Wow, that was really close for them on the timing. She was chosen to be Vice Chairman of Ways & Means, so she had lots of fun thinking of the many ways she could raise money for the event. They started 5 years prior to the event and traveled to many states. She got to be in the Fashion Show when they went to Salt Lake City, Utah. She enjoyed Anaheim, California and the fact that Disneyland stayed open for ONLY Square Dancers from 12:00 A.M. to 4:00 A.M. She only lasted till 3:00 because they were flying home at 6:00 A.M. She also enjoyed other places like Canada, Texas, Tennessee, etc. She got to dance on stage at the Muny during intermission when Oklahoma played and danced under the Arch, etc. So much fun, doing so much, going to so many places, meeting so many people, being in the Newspaper with the recipes from the Cookbook they made, touring St Louis, dancing on television, etc. Some of the very best years of her life. She says she can't dance 6 nights a week and work anymore.

After her mother passed away in 1998, her lovely sister, Angelina, came to live with her while she worked at Independence Center. After 1 1/2 years, Angelina had a stroke and since Pauline was working full time, her sister went to a nursing home, and passed away in 2018. Pauline visited her after the 6:00 Mass and after work every day. Angelina loved everyone and still has friends at Independence Center who still contact Pauline.

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.



Travel & Tourism News

By: Mary Jane Bahr, Gene Bestgen, Rosemary Bestgen

Trip to the Hill – May 4, 2022 - Payment due TODAY!!

The bus will leave Target's parking lot at 9:00am. Please be on time. The menu includes, salad, toasted ravioli, pasta Neapolitan, mini poor boy sandwiches, BBQ meatballs and your beverage.

Details about the horse races in June will be forth coming.



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NEW H.I.S Meal Train Ministry – The train has left the station! Thanks to all our HIS members who volunteered to provide meals for our members when they have a need. We had our first member requiring assistance with meals and all the slots were filled within 2 days. It is a much appreciated ministry.

If you missed the sign up, and you are willing to provide a meal now and then, please reach call Maria Dorn at 314-610-8784 and she'll put you on the distribution list.



Odds and Ends
By HIS members

Lawn Care Services – Proud Grandparents **Carol and Ron Laupp** Highly recommend

Hello, my name is Adam Slade. With Spring just around the corner I'd like to extend my lawn care services to you as a reliable client. My brother and I are high school students and work together mowing lawns, providing leaf removal, and snow removal. During the lawn season we mow, edge and trim, and blow off porches, walkways, and driveways.

If you're interested we'd love to stop by or call or email and provide a free quote. Please feel free to contact me via email or on my cell phone.

Thank you. **Email:** adamslade12@gmail.com **Phone:** 636-236-8615

Holy Infant Prayer Shawl Ministry Display Weekend

Come and Check Us Out!

- ✝ We will have blessed Prayer Shawls on display
- ✝ After all Masses, April 23 – April 24
- ✝ Find out who would be a good Prayer Shawl recipient
- ✝ Pick up a blessed Prayer Shawl for someone
- ✝ Find out how to make a Prayer Shawl & join the Ministry
- ✝ Learn how our Ministry is helping others outside of Holy Infant



There is NO COST for a Prayer Shawl but monetary or yarn donations are always welcome!





ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By Kathie Hanneke

JONAH PRAYER MINISTRY in APRIL

Easter brings the promise of new life and renewed faith in Jesus Christ. Easter can also bring mixed emotions when one is struggling with a crisis of faith, either with loved ones or oneself. Family gatherings can be filled with fun, but also stress or grief at the loss of a loved one. Jonah Prayer Ministers will be available the weekend of April 23 and 24th, after the Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass and after the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass to pray with anyone with prayer needs. All prayers are confidential.



Sentiments

By Carol Laupp

Since our last HIS Newsletter, these sentiments were sent:

Get Well – Kathie Hanneke and Jerome Quinn

Sympathy Mass Card – Family of Charles McEntire, Julius Family – death of a son

Thinking of you – Ann Goldsmith

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

- Thanks to Carol Laupp for the homemade birthday card from our Holy Infant Seniors. When one receives notes on birthday cards it can make being old feel “young again!” I know!
- Nancy and Don Turpin for always coming up with a luncheon that we enjoy.
- Our committee for picking a speaker who can inform us as well as entertain us. Bev Schuetz did a great job telling us the history of the Muny. Who knew?



DID YOU KNOW

By Jo Lewis

- How important is to drink enough water in a day? Eight glasses is what they say; another is if your urine is a pale yellow it is good.
- If your house plants leaves are a pale yellow, it is due to overwatering or perhaps their environment is too cold? If they are brown, it is due to over watering.
- While rotisserie chickens are delicious, convenient, and easy on your wallet, they are loaded with salt?
- 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 or call Maria at 314-610-8784.

ADULT BINGO



April 9, 2022
 Holy Infant School – Upper
 Cafeteria
 248 New Ballwin Road
 Doors Open at 6:00 P.M.
 Bingo Starts at 7:00 P.M.

\$25.00 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



Parish News

By Sandy Hughes

April

- 7 Seniors' Meeting: 10:00am, Lower Cafeteria
- 9 K of C BINGO! Doors open at 5:30pm, Upper Cafeteria
- 10 Palm Sunday
- 12 Living Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm, Church
- 14 Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00pm
- 15 Good Friday: The Lord's Passion, 7:30pm
- 16 Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil Mass, 8:00pm
- 17 Easter Sunday Masses: 7am, 8:30am, 10:15am and Noon
- 21 Seniors' Board Meeting: 10am, Holy Infant Room
- 22 EaRtH DaY!!!!
- 24 Divine Mercy Sunday: 2:00pm-4:00pm, Church
- 30 First Communion: 10:30am (School) 1:00pm (PSR)

May

- 4 Seniors' Bus Trip to the Hill
- 5 *National Day of Prayer*





Birthdays - March & April

By Theresa & Paul Bichsel

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

Charlotte	Hamm	Birthday	03/06	Kim	Waller	Birthday	04/10
Maureen	Richter	Birthday	03/06	Jack	Anastasi	Birthday	04/13
Alan	Jordan	Birthday	03/07	Suzie	Cupps	Birthday	04/20
Marylou	Bergman	Birthday	03/08	Sara	McEntire	Birthday	04/21
Sue	Rosswick	Birthday	03/08	Julie	Jackson	Birthday	04/22
Paul	Mallery	Birthday	03/09	Barbara	Kelly	Birthday	04/25
Theresa	Bichsel	Birthday	03/13	Gene	Bestgen	Birthday	04/26
Ginnie	Guinness	Birthday	03/14	Keith	Faquin	Birthday	04/27
Joanne	Lewis	Birthday	03/16	Fran	Capra	Birthday	04/29
Mary	Schlemeier	Birthday	03/16	Alberta	McGilligan	Birthday	04/30
Rose	Wardenburg	Birthday	03/18	Bonnie	Mohr	Birthday	05/02
Mary	Salvia	Birthday	03/20	Bob	Dorn	Birthday	05/03
Cathy	Lehman	Birthday	04/01	Jim	Schmitt	Birthday	05/03
				Judy	Jeglijewski	Birthday	05/04



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 that you can use if you prefer.

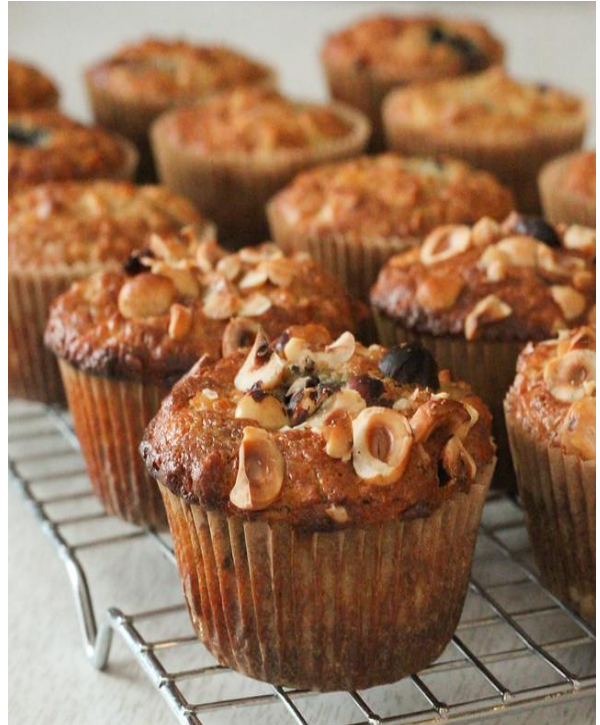
Members of HIS that are current Stephen Ministers, or have retired as Stephen Ministers are: Alberta McGilligan, Maureen Richter, Monica Vaccaro, Paul Mallery, Pauline Nocifora, Mary Salvia, Bob Komor, Jack Birkner, Peggy Buechler, Hank Kraichely, Linda Gatton, Mary Emke, Carol Laupp, Carol Wolf and Gene Bestgen.

If you or a loved one can benefit from a Stephen's Minister, check out Stephen Ministry on our church website www.holyinfantballwin.org

RECIPE OF THE MONTH -Chocolate Zucchini cake or muffins

Submitted By: Marilyn Stemmermann

1. Make sour milk* first and set aside:
½ CUP MILK + ½ TSP. VINEGAR
2. Mix together:
½ CUP **SMART BALANCE**, SOFTENED
½ CUP **OIL** (try ¼ cup to ½ cup **natural apple sauce** instead)
1-¾ CUP **SUGAR**
2 **EGGS**
1 TSP. **VANILLA**
3. Add Sour Milk*
4. Add Dry Ingredients:
2-½ CUP **FLOUR**
4 TSP. **COCOA**
1 TSP. **BAKING SODA**
1 TBSP. **BROWN SUGAR**
½ TSP. **CINNAMON**
½ TSP. **SALT**
5. Mix in:
2 CUPS **SHREDDED ZUCCHINI**
6. Mix together and put on top of muffins or cake before baking
½ CUP **BROWN SUGAR**,
1 CUP **CHOCOLATE CHIPS**
1 CUP **CHOPPED PECANS**



For cake, use 9X13" cake pan and bake at 350 degrees for 45 Minutes

30 CUPCAKES BAKING TIME: 325 DEGREES FOR 25 MINUTES!

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).

Let cool before freezing, for use later or eat warm with jam and sweetened whipped cream.

To warm, microwave for 10 seconds, peel off the cupcake wrapper and microwave for another 12 seconds. Delicious and Moist!!

2022-2023 H.I.S. Board Members

Tom Wojciechowski	President	256-2510	Maria Dorn	Newsletter	314-610-8784
Bob Maloney	VP	636-346-1765	Gene Hanneke	Recycle Coord.	227-8163
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Mary Mallory	Attendance	391-9716	Eileen Buehrle	Service & PAC	230-5435
Carol Laupp	Sentiments	256-0924	Rev. Edward Stanger	Spiritual Dir.	227-7440
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Theresa & Paul Bichsel	Directory	314-564-7591	Carol Komor &		230-9697
	Membership		Rose Birkner		227-9498



*"Do not abandon yourselves to despair.
We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."
- Pope John Paul I*