



HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER

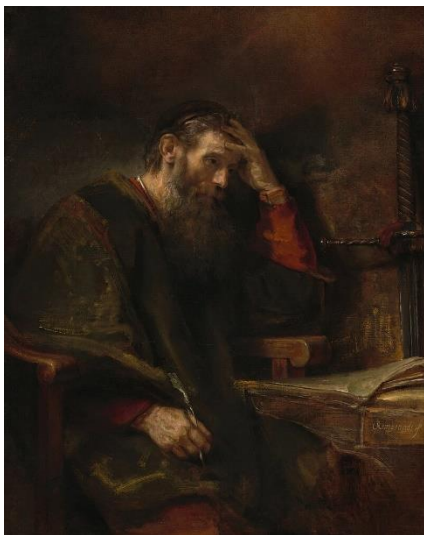
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FROM THE EDITOR – By: Maria Dorn

Here we go again!!! Another NEW YEAR! We get to reset and start over! 2023 was a good year for us; blessed in so many ways. We've been blessed with good health, good friends, good food, good travel, and the list goes on and on. Finding too that as our family grows, the need for more prayers for more people grows comparatively. So too my faith must be stronger and more steadfast. For 2024 I pray that you will receive the gift of faith, health, family, friends, and love. We need to remember that all things received are gifts given to us by our Savior and that they are ours only temporarily. We should use them as He intends and be ready to give back that gift whenever He deems it necessary. Remember that we too are all gifts from God, one to the other. Treat yourself and others as precious and look to the new year with childlike expectation for many new blessings to come our way. In the Newsletter today, I am spotlighting St. Paul, my Patron as I was born on his feast day. He's been a great gift to me.

If you ever have suggestions or an article that you think other members would enjoy, you can call or 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'.



Saint of the Month – St Paul January 25

Paul (also named Saul of Tarsus; [b] c. 5 – c. 64/65 AD), commonly known as Paul the Apostle and Saint Paul, was a Christian apostle who spread the teachings of Jesus in the first-century world. For his contributions towards the New Testament, he is generally regarded as one of the most important figures of the Apostolic Age, and he also founded several Christian communities in Asia Minor and Europe from the mid-40s to the mid-50s AD.

The main source of information on Paul's life and works is the Acts of the Apostles book in the New Testament, with approximately half of its content documenting them. According to the Acts, Paul lived as a Pharisee and participated in the persecution of early disciples of Jesus, possibly Hellenised diaspora Jews converted to Christianity, in the area of Jerusalem, prior to his conversion.[note 1] Sometime after having approved of the execution of Stephen, Paul was traveling on the road to Damascus so that he might find any Christians there and bring them "bound to Jerusalem". At midday, a light brighter than the sun shone around both him and those with him, causing all to fall to the ground, with the risen Christ verbally addressing Paul regarding his persecution in a vision. Having been made blind, along with being commanded to enter the city, his sight was restored three days later by Ananias of Damascus. After these events, Paul was baptized, beginning immediately to proclaim that Jesus of Nazareth was the Jewish messiah and the Son of God. He made three missionary journeys to spread the Christian message to non-Jewish communities in Asia Minor, the Greek provinces of Achaia, Macedonia, and Cyprus, as well as Judea and Syria, as narrated in the Acts.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

By Gene Bestgen

Bear One Another's Burdens. . .

In Galatians 6, Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." At Holy Infant our Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that. They provide one-to-one care, prayer, and support to those who are going through a difficult time. If you would like more information about Stephen Ministry, please call Patricia, 636 227-0802, opt. 3.

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





ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By: Kathie Hanneke

DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?
~ SEEING IS BELIEVING ~

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Can miracles stand up to the test of science?


- Exclusive film footage of a stigmatist who bleeds from her hands, feet, and head. Are these the wounds of Christ? *What does science have to say?*
- A consecrated Communion Host becomes living flesh and blood. Is it heart tissue? *What does science have to say?*
- A scientist (former atheist), an attorney and a famous TV Journalist witness statue of Jesus weeping real tears and shedding real blood. Are these claims true? *What does science have to say?*

Holy Infant Church is hosting an **EVENT** for everyone in the area. If you have an "I will believe it when I see it" attitude, don't miss this event!

"Put it this way: This is either the biggest hoax of the 20th Century, in which case it would have to be a fairly huge conspiracy, or the most important moment of the century, if not the whole millennium." - Alastair Thompson, New Zealand Journalist

TWO WAYS TO ATTEND
Jan. 13 is part of a register-and-pay Eucharistic Retreat. See QR code and registration information below. Jan. 14 is free and open to all with no reservations. An intermission will be included.

Saturday, January 13th
9:00 am - 11:30 am
Location:
Holy Infant Church
627 Dennison Dr, Ballwin, MO 63021
This part of a National Eucharistic Revival Event
IMPORTANT:
The retreat starts at 8am with Mass and ends at 1:30pm



Sunday, January 14th
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Location:
Holy Infant Church
627 Dennison Dr, Ballwin, MO 63021
This is a FREE event

For detailed information go to www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/HolyInfant
Same Presentation Each Day

Do This in Remembrance of Me

Eucharistic Retreat

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Holy Infant Church
627 Dennison Dr, Ballwin MO 63021
All are welcome!

A National Eucharistic Revival Event



Retreat Schedule

8:00-8:30 AM	Mass in church
8:30-9:00 AM	Continental breakfast and check-in, Upper Cafeteria
9:00-10:30 AM	Seeing is Believing with Tim Francis, Part 1
10:30-10:45 AM	Break
10:45-11:30 AM	Seeing is Believing with Tim Francis, Part 2
11:30 AM-12:00 PM	Benediction and Adoration in church
12:00-12:30 PM	Lunch
12:30-1:30 PM	The Envoy of Angels with Fr. Augustine Wetta, OSB

Do You Believe in Miracles? Seeing is Believing!

A stigmatist that bleeds from wounds like Christ's? A Consecrated Host that is human heart tissue? Do you believe in miracles? See the results when science tests faith! Nationally acclaimed lay evangelist, Tim Francis, shares a powerful audio-visual presentation that leaves no doubt why his search for truth brought him back to the Catholic faith.

The Envoy of Angels: How to Make the Most of Your Eucharistic Journey

When you look at the Eucharist, you are looking directly at God. How can we better understand these limits of human reason? How can we better prepare for His invitation? Hear from Fr. Augustine Wetta, OSB, the conviction he would bet his life on. Fr. Wetta is a popular author, speaker, teacher, rugby coach and Benedictine monk from St. Louis Abbey.

Retreat Schedule

- To access online registration, use this QR code or visit holyinfantballwin.org.
- Registration fee of \$25 includes continental breakfast and lunch.
- Registrations are due by Jan. 9, 2024.
- Need help? Contact Patricia Foley, ph 636.227.0802, Option 3, #138, or pfoley@holyinfantballwin.org.



Presence, The Mystery of the Eucharist, a three-week video series is being offered on Sundays, Jan. 21, Jan. 28, and Feb. 4 in the Upper Cafeteria from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Videos are 35-40 min each and there will be small group discussion, followed by large group sharing, Q & A with the presenting Deacon. No registration is necessary. All are welcome!



Odds and Ends
By HIS members

Meal Train – Maria Dorn

We are not currently serving any of our seniors. Thanks to all who generously volunteer already and if you want to be added to the list of volunteers, let Maria know by calling 314-610-8784 or email mariadorn@hotmail.com.

Please keep this program in mind when you or one of the HIS members needs some support.



Sentiments
By Carol Laupp

Since our last HIS newsletter, these sentiments were sent:

Get Well Cards – Marie Modde

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.



New Members – Theresa Bichsel

HIS MEMBESHIP DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

· James Walding-
new email: doctorjim587@gmail.com

· Lynn Ewers
Email: imewers1957@gmail.com

Birthday 7/22

· Janet Louc---should be Janet Lowe

LATE REGISTRATION

· Barbara Jeglijewski 314-728-7744
294 Village Mead Dr Ballwin, MO 63021

Birthday: 11/26

· Marie Modde 636-529-1480
162 Ameren Way #511 Ballwin, MO 63021
Email: dmodde@charter.net

Birthday: 10/15

NEW MEMBER

• Lynn Kays 314-954-2088
123 Imperial Crown Way Unit E Ellisville, MO 63040
Email: lakays.stl@gmail.com

Birthday: 1/23

Birthdays - January

By Theresa Bichsel



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

Dorothy	Denzer	2-Jan	Lois	Casserly	19-Jan
Ed	Bruer	6-Jan	Lynn	Kays	23-Jan
Mary Ann	East	7-Jan	Katherine	Kelley	23-Jan
Sharon	Morgenthaler	10-Jan	Maria	Dorn	25-Jan
Kathy	Doak	12-Jan	Joyce	Betz	26-Jan
Rose	Birkner	18-Jan	Gary	DeLancey	26-Jan
			Mary Ellen	Schraeder	31-Jan



Carol's Corner - by Carol Komor

I've gone again to my "Leaves of Gold" looking for words of wisdom for the new year and found the following recipe:

RECIPE FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Take twelve, fine, full grown months, see that these are thoroughly free from all old memories of bitterness, rancor, hate and jealousy; cleanse them completely from every clinging spite; pick off all specks of pettiness and littleness; in short, see that these months are freed from all the past - have them as fresh and clean as when they first came from the great storehouse of Time.

Cut these months into thirty or thirty-one equal parts. This batch will keep for just one year. Do not attempt to make up the whole batch at one time (so many persons spoil the entire lot in this way), but prepare one day at a time as follows:

Into each day put twelve parts of faith, eleven of patience, ten of courage, nine of work (some people omit this ingredient and so spoil the flavor of the rest), eight of hope, seven of fidelity, six of liberality, five of kindness, four of rest (leaving this out is like leaving the oil out of the salad - don't do it) three of prayer, two of meditation, and one well selected resolution. If you have no conscientious scruples, put in about a teaspoonful of good spirits, a dash of fun, a pinch of folly, a sprinkling of play, and a heaping cupful of good humor.

Pour into the whole love and ad libitum and mix with a vim. Cook thoroughly in a fervent heat; garnish with a few smiles and a spring of joy; then serve with quietness, unselfishness, and cheerfulness, and a Happy New Year is a certainty.

May each of you enjoy a blessed New Year !!!!!

ADULT BINGO

January 20, 2024
Holy Infant School –
Upper Cafeteria
248 New Ballwin Road
Doors Open at 5:30 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



OUR THANKS GO OUT TO....

Bernie Flake and her helpers for a fabulous Christmas Meal. Christy on the Park is now a new favorite of our HIS group.
Carol Wolf for the outstanding entertainment at our Christmas party. Everyone was singing, swaying with their phone flashlights, clapping, and having a great time. They gave a thumbs up for a return performance.
Gene Hanneke and his bartenders for serving up our libations! Brenda George's whiskey slush was a hit as always and the recipe was requested again. It's included in this Newsletter.
All our HI seniors helped decorate the cafeteria for our Christmas luncheon and all the parish Christmas Events, turning it into a virtual winter wonderland.
Maureen Maloney and Trish Powers who decorated our tables for the event. Loved the round candy-striped napkins!
Kathie Hanneke for the program so we could follow along and know who provided what for the occasion.



DID YOU KNOW By Jo Lewis,

That there is a list of 15 organic fruits and vegetables that may carry harmful qualities? You should check it out!
That the real difference between Tylenol and generic brands is the price?
That if you want to keep spices at their best you shouldn't allow moisture to get into the container? You should fill up your measuring spoon and transfer it to the pot.
That you could find our HIS Newsletter through the online bulletin? Go to the website and scroll down till you see HIS Newsletters. We have them all from September of 2015. <https://holyinfantballwin.org/news/newsletter/>
That any of our HI Seniors can submit words of wisdom they 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.

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Parish News
By Sandy Hughes

January

- 13 Eucharistic Retreat Workshop: 8:30 am-1:30 pm Upper Cafeteria
- 15 Dr. Martin Luther King Day parish office closed
- 20 K of C BINGO! Doors open at 5:30 pm Upper Cafeteria
- 21 Adult Faith Presents: Eucharistic Revival: The Presence, 6:30 – 9:30 pm Upper Cafeteria
January 21, 28 and February 4



Recipe of the month - Whiskey Slush
by Brenda George

Ingredients:

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| 1 Can (12 oz) Orange Juice | 1/2 cup Sugar (dissolved in Tea) |
| 1 Can (12 oz) Lemonade | 1 Cup Bourbon |
| 1 cup Strong Tea | 7 Cups Diet 7 Up |

Directions:

Mix altogether and freeze. Remove from freezer 1 hour before serving. Makes about 12 cups.

2022-2023 H.I.S. Board Members

Bob Maloney	President	636-346-1765	Gene Hanneke	Recycle Coord.	227-8163
Paul Bichsel	VP	314-564-7568	Nancy Turpin &	Refreshment	314-800-7420
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Ken Velten	Treasurer	636-386-5208	Marie Fox &	Resurrection Choir	227-2750
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Mary Mallery	Attendance	391-9716	Rev. Edward Stanger	Spiritual Dir.	227-7440
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Kathie & Gene Hanneke	Graphics	314-913-4230	& Mary Jane Bahr		227-8927
Mary Mallery	Historian	391-9716	& Joan & Tom Wojciechowski		636-256-2510
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Brenda George		636-394-2286	Carol Komor &		230-9697
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