

Mass Intentions

Monday, Jan 19, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Robert Carlson
8:00 a.m. Sr. Mary Loughrey

Tuesday, Jan 20, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Marge Woods
8:00 a.m. Betty Krieter
8:40 a.m. Margaret Hallam

Wednesday, Jan 21, Agnes, virgin & martyr

7:00 a.m. Greg Malcic
8:00 a.m. Ruth Brooks

Thursday, Jan 22, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Intentions of Pro Life
8:00 a.m. David Spitznagel

Friday, Jan 23, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Dr. James Ottolini
8:00 a.m. Jo Nuelle
8:40 a.m. Margaret Bruns

Saturday Jan 24, Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor

8:00 a.m. Julia Paradis
5:00 p.m. Irene Sander

Sun. Jan 25, Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:15 a.m. Arlene Gura
8:45 a.m. Marie Welker
10:30 a.m. Maggie Benn
12:15 p.m. People of Incarnate Word Parish
6:00 p.m. Sydne Isabelle Lozano

Your Gifts to God and Parish

Offertory	\$32,543.06	Cath. Ed	\$565.00
Review	\$2,831.00	Sol. Of Mary	\$210.00

We would appreciate it if you would be kind enough to Remember Incarnate Word Parish in your will.

Stewardship Reflection

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” (John 1:38)

What are you looking for? That is a question Jesus asks each of us. It has been said there is a God shaped hole in every soul that only God can fill. Instead of spending time with God though, we fill our days working for things that do not satisfy us but that society says we need to impress one another.

Flowers at the Altar this week are Offered

- In loving memory of Theresa & Ray Reed by Carolyn Trice

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Sat. Jan 24, Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor

5:00 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Vowels
Lectors: J & G Hempstead
Servers: M. McCabe, A. McCabe, M. Brightfield

Sun. Jan 25, Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:15 a.m. Celebrant: Fr. Nienhaus
Deacon: Deacon Stallings
Lectors: B. Cogan, T. Vaiana
Servers: K. Powderly, J. Seithel, Z. Westling

8:45 a.m. Celebrant: Fr. Sullivan
Lectors: K. Hormuth, G. Bradley
Servers: G. LaConte, C. LaMarche, E. LaMarche

10:30 a.m. Celebrant: Fr. Vowels
Deacon: Deacon Russell
Lectors: J. Burmeister, R. Reuther
Servers: A. Conway, M. Devers, K. Reed

12:15 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Nienhaus
Lectors: R. Jacques, L. Jacques
Servers: T. Sarsfield, R. Russell, C. Sowell

6:00 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Sullivan

Readings for the Week

January 18 through January 25, 2009

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19 Ps 40:2,4,7-10
1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20 Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1-4
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3,15-17 Ps 110:1-4
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25-8:6 Ps 40:7-10,17
Mk3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85:8,10-14
Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3,11-14 Ps 47:2-3,6-9
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10 Ps 25:4-9
1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

May They Rest in Peace

- Dan McKay, uncle of Cynthia Cruz

Temple Tabulator Team 2, Jan 25
Heavenly Dusters Team 3, Jan 23



Weekly Calendar of Events

**Church-Rosary
Recited Daily
after 7:00 a.m. Mass**

Monday, Jan 19

All Facilities

Tuesday Jan 20

Multipurpose	10:30 a.m.	Little Angel Playgroup
	7:00 p.m.	Right Start Parents
Adult Mtg.	7:00 p.m.	West Co. Singles
Barron Rm.	7:00 p.m.	CRHP

Wednesday, Jan 21

Multipurpose	9:30 a.m.	Scripture Study
	7:00 p.m.	Life Teen
Kent Center	8:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
Watson Rm.	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study

Thursday, Jan 22

Multipurpose	7:00 p.m.	Adult Prayer
Watson Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Barron Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class

Friday, Jan 23

Saturday, Jan 24

Church Hall	Pinewood Derby
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Sunday, Jan 25

Watson Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Parents for Life
Kent Center	7:30 p.m.	Men's Basketball

The Disability Ministry would like to make sure everyone in the parish has access to all services and activities. If there are any accommodations that you feel could make it easier for you or your family member to participate in the Mass, receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or join in social and educational activities, please call Dianne Marshak at 314-514-1623.

Confirmation Retreat

Please mark you calendars,...We are looking at Saturday, February 21, 2009 for our 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat from 8 –3:30PM.

The Celebration of Confirmation will be at Incarnate Word on Friday, May 1st, 2009

In Our Midst

A bill in Congress called the “**Freedom of Choice Act,**” or FOCA, represents the most serious legislative threat to unborn children ever. FOCA would create a “fundamental right” to abortion that government could not limit but would be required to fund and support. It would overturn a broad range of pro-life policies currently allowed under the Supreme Court’s *Roe v. Wade* abortion decision: laws protecting parental involvement in an underage daughter’s abortion decision, laws upholding conscience rights, limits on abortion funding, bans on partial-birth abortion, and so on. FOCA itself may become law, or the harmful policies it represents may become law one step at a time. In either case, we must oppose FOCA and all that it stands for.

In November 2008, the U.S. Bishops approved a National Postcard Campaign to oppose the “Freedom of Choice Act.” On January 25 at Sunday Masses, our parish will join Catholics across the country in sending a message to Congress: Please oppose the “Freedom of Choice Act,” (FOCA) and retain laws against government funding and promotion of abortion, as well as laws for the protection of women such as informed consent and waiting periods. You will have the opportunity to sign postcards to your U.S. Representative and two U.S. Senators next weekend. Please plan to participate in this important event. For more information on FOCA, visit www.nchla.org

Photographs from last month’s **Advent by Candlelight** are now available on our parish website at www.incarnate-word.org/photo-gallery.

- Fr. Vowels

Children’s Liturgy of the Word—Jan 24 & 25

5PM	8:45	10:30
L. Husmann	J. Bollinger	M. Johnson
S. Brightfield	L. Hritz	
	J. Ellinger	C. Mueller
J. Husmann	L.McAleenan	K. Mitulski

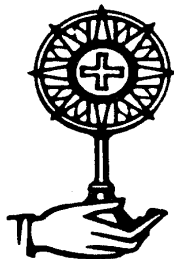
Eucharistic Adoration

Prayer Partners Needed

Sun 6 & 10 a.m., 3 p.m.
 Mon 2 a.m.
 Tue 3 & 5 p.m.
 Wed 1 a.m.
 Fri 2 & 7 p.m.
 Sat 3 a.m., 3, 4, 5 & 10 p.m.

Adorer Urgently Needed!

There is an S.O.S. slot for a prayer partner on Fri 10 p.m.-- do you hear God's call? Would you like to take this slot temporarily until it is filled? We also have needs for prayer partners – see above. Would you consider volunteering? If you cannot come to the chapel, please pray that others may heed this call for devotion to the Lord.



To sign up for Adoration, be a substitute, or help in any way, please call Mary Fleming at 314-469-6281.

*In Our Thoughts
and Prayers*



Brooke Merrill, Charlotte Bronstein, Ingaborg Sabato, Annabelle Cosas, Celeste Haley, Regina Stauder, Alice Murray, Joe Ruden, Rose Crow, Ariana Karst, Robert Clements, Don Stahl, Jessica Hardin, Lillian Bradley, Theresa Wuerz, Betty Bode, Shirley Wieggers, Carol Marey, Shayne McLaughlin, Mr. Housemann, Fr. Tim Vowels, Kathy Garrity, Ed Eiswirth, Steve Robinson, Marie Malcic, Richard Smith, Dorothy Durald, Maria Barbera, Kathy Lobonc, David Miles, Spencer Vincent, Kathy Hartenberger, Esther Gonzalez, Maxine Paul, William Thomas, Ernie Schluter, Ruth Carapella, Richard Willenbrink, Glen Bourbon, James Bolen, Denise Simms, Rita Kiefer, Tom Kiefer, Kathie Hempstead, Edward Arnold, William Murphy, Trudy Mehlick, Ida Schulte, Corey Shannon, Cynthia Hanlon, Sharon Mahoney, Annabell Sullivan, Catherine Chavez, Thomas Hungerford, Sharon Hecktor, Marsha Koeller, Margaret Sae-Colt, Challia Reed, Zoe Franek, Olivia Newell, John Jurotich, Stephanie Corley, Charmine Batha, Dolores Stolarski, Jay Conruff, Sean Glanvill, Victor Herbert, Linda Sotolar, Taylor Rozier, Diane Roth, Al Harris, Marian Hudson, Bea Miko, Grant Gall, Anitha Becker, Duane Aubuchon, Daniella Ferro, Mark Tiburiz, Rosemary Hoff, Elizabeth Cornejo, Paul Trottier, Barbara Duczynski, Connie Flynn/Snyder, Pat Hoepfner, Paul Mineo, Ed McGuire, Benjamin Pearse, Travis Knight, Lorie Ewing, Karen Pawlowicz, Anne Niven, Merle Sabadell, Mary Gleason, Shawn Blaes, Jan Verdonkshot, Kathy Garrity, Stacy McCullen

GOD'S OWN MAKING PARENT MEETING

4th – 7th Grade Parents

There is a gathering of parents of children in the 4th through 7th PSR Grades on **MONDAY, JANUARY 26TH**, 6:45 TO 7:30 PM in church to discuss our Church's teaching regarding human sexuality. Please plan to attend.

" RIGHT S.T.A.R.T." PARENT MEETING

Mrs. Diane Snively, an Incarnate Word parishioner from the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office will introduce parents to the features of this program that will be presented to our 8th Grade students in February on **Tuesday, January 20 at 7:00 PM.** The program is designed to promote respect for life and respect for self.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Please mark your calendars, ... We are looking at **Saturday, February 21, 2009** for our 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat from 8- 3:30PM. The Retreat is optional and if you have a conflict in your schedule, please feel welcome to arrive any time during the day.

The **Celebration of Confirmation** will be at Incarnate Word on Friday, **May 1st, 2009 at 7:30 PM.**

8th Grade Students are expected to be in the Kent Center by 6:45 PM to meet with Bishop Hermann.

IWAA NEWS

*Early registration for baseball./softball, golf and track is now through January 31. **Baseball** registrations received by the end of January receive a \$15/child discount on the registration fee. Boys and girls entering kindergarten in the fall through 8th grade may register for baseball/softball. Registration forms are available online at www.parishsports.net/iwaa or in the church lobby. **Golf is an instructional league for boys and girls currently in grades 2 through 8. Track is for boys and girls currently in kindergarten through 8th grade.** You must register by mail for golf and track. **Forms are available in the church lobby or can be downloaded from the website.** Contact Ed Masterson (emasterson@b-g.com or 314-576-3593) for more information.*

The next IWAA Board meeting is on Monday, February 9, at 7 PM in the Watson Room.

Roses for Life

Our Knights of Columbus council will offer miniature red roses to be signed after Masses on the weekend of **17 and 18 January.** They will be sent to our legislators prior to pro-life legislation throughout the year. We will also accept donations for the Archdiocesan Lifeline Coalition that supports local crisis-pregnancy agencies.

Please be generous.

Cell Phone Collection

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will once again be collecting used cell phones w/ their chargers to give to the Woman's Place, a drop-in shelter for abused women in Maplewood. These phones will be refurbished and any identifying information removed. They'll then be given to women in abusive situations for emergency use. If you have any phones to donate, please put them in the Phone Collection Box in the church vestibule starting January 24 and continuing until the end of February. If you have any questions, please call Mary Wright at 636-537-0143.

Adult Volleyball League

The Catholic Singles Alumni Club is looking for single or married players over 18 to join their volleyball league. All skill levels are welcome. Play near Maryland Heights on Sunday evenings starting in January. Interested? Contact Steve at 314-966-0724 or go to <http://csacstlouis.org/activities.html>

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS



We would like to extend a warm welcoming to the following new parishioners:

Tim & Linda Brahan
Keenan & Holly Kelly
Michael & Katherine Liebetau
Michael, Laura & Charles Sicking
Rebecca Susner

Attention All Catholic Singles

Interested in meeting single Catholics 21-45? The Catholic Single Adults Club invites you to join us for an "Eat and Greet" at Growler's in South County (3811 S Lindbergh; 63127) in the Meeting Room, Friday Jan 23rd starting at 6 PM. Appetizers will be provided for a minimal donation. Interested? Please contact Steve at 314-966-0724 or find us on the web at www.csacstlouis.org

Pro Life News

Heaven and Earth Club Mother

Elizabeth shared good news with her counselor that she is now working at her new job and diligently trying to catch up on paying several past due bills. She continues to live with her sister and hoping to be able to afford her own apartment soon. Her Birthright counselor meets with her on a regular basis and shortly before Christmas gave her a safe kid's car seat for the baby for which Elizabeth was very grateful. Thanks again for all who have supported Birthright through the Heaven and Earth Club. Special H&E Club envelopes are available in the brochure areas in the vestibule for you to mail directly to Birthright.

"FOCA Postcard Campaign" - January 24-25

With the approval of the U.S. Bishops at their November, 2008 general meeting, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for a Human Life Amendment are co-sponsoring the "Fight FOCA Postcard Campaign". Their goal is to inundate our U.S. Senators and Representatives with postcards urging them to oppose FOCA and other measures that promote and fund abortion. The target date for this event is the weekend of January 24-25. The "Freedom of Choice Act" is a radical piece of legislation that creates a "fundamental right" to abortion throughout the nine months of pregnancy. No governmental body at any level---federal, state or local-- would be able to "deny or interfere" with this right, or to "discriminate" against its exercise "in the regulation or provision of benefits, services, or information". For the first time, abortion would become an entitlement the government must fund and promote. For more information a flyer with more details is included in the bulletin this weekend. Visit www.nchla.org

March for Life - January 22, 2009

Please pray for all who are traveling to Washington, DC for the March for Life on Thursday, January 22. Many of our Life Teens and adults will be marching with others throughout the country as we mourn the loss of an estimated 50,000,000 innocent pre born children since the Roe v Wade decision in 1973. The Vigil Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine on January 21st at 7:00 PM can be viewed on EWTN Global Catholic Network and January 22nd, the day of the March. Last year an estimated 225,000 attended the March for Life. are invited to attend and bring a friend. Call Pat for more information at 314-576-1366 or email patp16@aol.com

The **January Ladies BUNCO** party will be held on **Tuesday, January 27th, at 7:00pm** in the **Multipurpose Room** (above the Parish office). Ladies come and enjoy meeting some great ladies and playing **BUNCO** for a few hours. Just \$2.00 will get you in on the fun. Any questions, call Nikki Prosser at 636 537-5353 or Sue Bollinger at 314 469-3613.



Human Trafficking

"Human trafficking is a horrific crime against the basic dignity and rights of the human person. All efforts must be expended to end it. . . . to ensure that, one day soon, trafficking in human persons vanishes from the face of the earth."

—USCCB Committee on Migration, *On Human Trafficking*

What Is Human Trafficking?

As defined by the United Nations, human trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery that consists of the illegal trade of human beings through force, fraud, or coercion for the purposes of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor. It takes a variety of forms in every region of the world. Some people are trafficked for prostitution, pornography, and other forms of sexual exploitation. Some are trafficked for forced labor in agriculture, sweat shops, and domestic servitude. Some are trafficked for both. Through sexual slavery, the body becomes little more than an object to be exploited. For victims of forced labor, the body is made into a disposable machine, made to work long hours for little or no pay and for the profit of others. In both cases the person who is enslaved is treated as an object for another's benefit. The person's God-given human dignity is either ignored or forgotten.

Who Is Trafficked?

The U.S. State Department estimates that from 600,000 to 800,000 men, women, and children are trafficked across international borders each year. Of these, approximately 80% are female, and up to 50% are minors. While many Americans imagine human trafficking to be a problem that only happens in far-off lands, it is, sadly, an American problem as well. As many as 17,500 people are trafficked into the United States each year for the purpose of forced labor or sexual servitude.

What Is the Church Doing to Stop Human Trafficking?

As an institution that actively opposes evil in all its forms, the Church publicly identifies with the poor, the suffering, and those in despair. In this light, the bishops of the United States have been active in the fight against human trafficking. The

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has worked closely with the Departments of Health and Human Services and Justice to raise awareness about this problem and to assist its victims. The USCCB also convenes the Coalition of Catholic Organizations Against Human Trafficking. This coalition comprises more than thirty national and international Catholic organizations united to eliminate the scourge of human trafficking through public education, advocacy, and services. Through its activities, and with help from partner organizations, the USCCB has helped care for at least 1,100 victims of human trafficking in the United States since 2003. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/mis/traffickingweb.shtml.

Get More Information on Human Trafficking

Obtain a copy of the 2008 *Trafficking in Persons Report* from the U.S. Department of State by visiting its Web site at www.state.gov/g/tip. Contact your local hospitals to inquire if their emergency personnel are identifying and assisting trafficking victims. Offer to refer them to a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Web site: www.dcf.hhs.gov/trafficking_campaign_kits/index.html. Visit your local law enforcement agency to learn if officers have received the training necessary to handle trafficking cases. If not, provide them with information from the U.S. Department of Justice at www.usdoj.gov/olp/human_trafficking.htm. Learn more about the issues surrounding the problem of human trafficking by forming a reading group or parish committee to discuss the issue, and then determine what further steps can be taken in your community.

You can also obtain a copy of the USCCB Committee on Migration's pastoral statement, *On Human Trafficking*, in a brochure format by contacting USCCB Publishing at www.usccbpublishing.org or (800) 235-8722.

Catholic Social Teaching on Migration

"Catholic teaching has a long and rich tradition in defending the right to migrate. Based on the teaching of Jesus, the Church's teaching has provided the basis for the development of a moral framework that calls for migration for those attempting to exercise their God-given human dignity.

—United States Conference of Catholic Bishops/Conferencia del Episcopado Mexicano,
Strangers No Longer: Together on the Journey of Hope, no. 28

Catholic social teaching provides the foundation on which the Church addresses issues related to migration. Reflecting on both Scripture and Church Tradition, the bishops have developed a set of moral principles that should inform the decision-making process of policy makers as they address legislation related to these issues. The Church recognizes that there has to be a careful balance between the rights of migrants to move due to economic necessity and the rights of sovereign states to govern their borders. Particularly vulnerable populations, such as unaccompanied children, ought to be given special attention and care. The following five basic principles, laid out in the 2003 pastoral document *Strangers No Longer*, provide points of reflection for all Catholics as they think about the issues surrounding illegal immigration, migrants, refugees, and other people on the move.

I. Persons have the right to find opportunities in their homelands. All persons have the right to find in their own countries the economic, political, and social opportunities to live in freedom and dignity and to achieve a full life through the use of their God-given gifts.

II. Persons have the right to migrate to support themselves and their families. The Church recognizes that all the goods of the earth belong to all people. When persons cannot find employment in their country of origin to support themselves and their families, they have a right to find work elsewhere in order to survive. Sovereign nations should provide ways to accommodate this right.

III. Sovereign nations have the right to control their borders. The Church recognizes the right of sovereign nations to control their territories but rejects such control when it is exerted merely for the purpose of acquiring additional wealth. More economi-

cally powerful nations should be encouraged to help support and feed their residents, while less powerful nations should be encouraged to manage migration flows.

IV. Refugees and asylum seekers should be afforded protection. Those who flee wars and persecution should be protected by the global community. This requires, at a minimum, that migrants have a right to claim refugee status without incurrence of cost and have their claims fully considered by a competent authority.

V. The human dignity and human rights of all migrants should be respected. Regardless of their legal status, migrants, like all persons, possess inherent human dignity that should be respected. Often migrants are subject to punitive laws and harsh treatment from enforcement officers from both receiving and transit countries. Government policies that respect the basic human rights of the undocumented and/or refugees are necessary.

The document *Human Trafficking: Catholic Social Teaching on Migration* was developed as a resource by the Committee on Migration of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). It was reviewed by the committee chairman, Bishop John C. Wester, and has been authorized for publication by the undersigned.

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General Secretary, USCCB



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OUR VOICE IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER.



A new, very serious threat to human life has arisen:
The Freedom of Choice Act.

FOCA eliminates
regulations that protect women from
unsafe abortion clinics

FOCA forces
taxpayers to fund abortions

FOCA requires
all states to allow "partial birth" and
other late-term abortions

FOCA subjects
women to abortions by nonphysicians

FOCA violates
the conscience rights of nurses, doctors,
and hospitals

FOCA strips
parents of their right to be involved in
their minor daughters' abortion decision

The Catholic bishops of the United States have unanimously called us to prayer and action to prevent passage of the radical "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) and to oppose other attempts to overturn existing pro-life laws and policies. This year, our voices are needed more than ever.

Pro-abortion groups and their allies in Congress are promoting a radical bill called the "Freedom of Choice Act." If this extreme measure is enacted, widely supported and constitutionally sound abortion regulations will be knocked down nationwide.

If passed into law, FOCA will impose upon the entire country an abortion regime far worse than anything brought on by *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. And the current level of 1.1 million abortions a year will go up, not down.

Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard to contact the offices of your Representative and two Senators: 202.224.3121.

Urge them to oppose FOCA.

For more resources, see www.nchla.org.

TELL CONGRESS:
Please pledge now to oppose FOCA!



United States Conference
of Catholic Bishops
Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
www.usccb.org/prolife/issues/abortion

Made possible by the generous support of the Knights of Columbus

Your voice is needed more than ever! At this time of serious national challenges, Americans should unite to serve the good of all, born and unborn—not single out the most defenseless human beings for an expanded attack on their lives.

Please urge your federal elected officials to oppose FOCA or any similar measure, and to retain laws against the federal funding and promotion of abortion. FOCA embodies the public policy goals of pro-abortion groups. These groups will promote the bill's passage directly, and advance its agenda by working to reverse pro-life laws one at a time.

What You Can Do

- Sign a postcard
- Write a thoughtful letter
- Make a phone call
- Send an e-mail message
- Write a letter-to-the-editor to your local paper
- Call a radio talk show
- Speak at a public event
- Meet with your Representative and Senators
- Place an ad in a local paper. See: www.usccb.org/prolife/media/docs/foca.pdf.

Where to Call

U.S. Capitol switchboard: 202-224-3121.
Ask for the offices of your Representative and two Senators.

The White House: 202-456-1111.

Where to Write

The Honorable _____
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable _____
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Send an E-Mail

E-mail messages reinforce communications sent through postcards, letters, phone calls, and personal meetings. To send e-mails to Capitol Hill or the White House, please visit the special e-mail action page at: nchla.org.

For More Information

Please visit nchla.org and usccb.org/prolife/issues/FOCA.

Your help is urgently needed! Please take action today!

Ladies Retreat

**King's House
Retreat & Renewal Center
Belleville, Illinois**

How many times in a day do you walk through some kind of doorway? Even within one's own home, we often remain unaware of how many times we pass from one space to another. Homes, cars, businesses, workspace, friends' homes, places of worship, even national borders are part of our common experience. What is expected of us as we move from one place to another? Who lets us in or out? Whom do we let in or out?

Divine Doorways: Encountering God in Life's Passages

This is the theme for the 2009 retreats at King's House. Jesus invites us to ask, seek and knock. Come spend a weekend asking and receiving, seeking and finding, knocking and entering into the presence on The One who invites us to come forward, and leads us to life.

What is a Quiet Retreat?

Everyone needs a space to take their deepest questions. A retreat gives you the quiet and solitude to reflect on those questions. During a retreat, King's House offers a quiet atmosphere, inspirational talks, time for solitude and prayer, and the opportunity to talk with their qualified staff. All retreats are presented by a team.

How much is the retreat fee?

The retreat fee is handled through an anonymous donation by envelop, making it affordable for everyone. The current suggested amount is \$150 which reflects King's House actual cost. If you are able to give more it is appreciated. If you cannot give as much, it is understood. One person helps another through this anonymous process.

Interested?

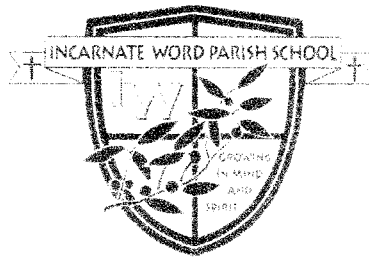
Here are the dates coordinated by the **Incarnate Word Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary:**

The Weekend Retreat – **March 6-8 (Friday-Sunday)**

The Mid-Week Retreat - **March 31 – April 2 (Tuesday-Thursday)**

Where possible, we try to carpool.

If you have questions, or want to register, please call Sue Bollinger on 314 469-3613.



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Incarnate Word Parish Board of Education
Cordially Invites You To Our
OPEN HOUSE *during Catholic Schools Week*

Thursday, January 29, 2009
9 -11 a.m. & 1:15-2:45 p.m.

Classroom Observation of Students at
Incarnate Word Parish School

10 a.m. Presentations from our Curriculum Director,
Learning Consultant, and Librarian

We look forward to sharing our Catholic school experience with parents and visitors, and know you will enjoy observing our students and staff in action. We welcome you to visit homeroom classes, as well as special classes including: music, art, computer, Spanish, and physical education. Personal tours will be available. Babysitting for young children will be available again this year.

New family application for the 2009-2010 school year begins on Thursday, February 5, 2009. Application information will be available at the Open House.

Thank you for your support of Catholic education and please join us at our Open House this year!

For questions, please contact Chris Schulenburg, Board of Education member at INCARNATE WORD PARISH SCHOOL, cell 314-497-6267.



*** Have you visited the Living Word Library lately? We are located in the *
 * **Parish Office? Listed below are recent additions to the library. Please *
 * **note that these are not listed on the new Incarnate-Word web site. As *
 * **soon as the programming is installed we will have the ability to update *
 * **the on line list. *

*** SPIRITUALITY**

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| * SP 1193 The Lamb's Supper | Scott Hahn |
| * SP 1194 Swear to God | Scott Hahn |
| * SP 1195 I am Jesus of Mercy | The Riehle Foundation |
| * SP 1196 Meat & Potatoes Catholicism | Rev Joseph Classen |
| * SP 1197 Becoming the Christian You Want to Be | Thomas D Williams |
| * SP 1198 Coming Home to Your True Self | Albert Haase |
| * SP 1199 The Hidden Child of Medjugorje | Sister Emmanuel |
| * SP 1200 Freed & Healed Through Fasting | Sister Emmanuel |

*** SAINTS**

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| * ST 1018 Paul – Least of the Apostles | Alain Decaux |
| * ST 1019 The Saints & Our Children | Mary Reed Newland |
| * ST 1020 Saint Edith Stein | Dianne Marie Traflet |
| * ST 1021 Catherine Laboure' | Rene' Laurentin |

*** PRAYER**

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| * PR 1041 Joyous Expectation
(Journey through Advent with Mary) | M. Jean Frisk |
| * PR 1042 Light of the World (daily meditations) | John Timmerman |
| * PR 1043 The Nativity (meditations) | Anne Catherine Emmerich |

*** GRIEF**

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| * GR 1046 Grief Ministry | Donna Reilly Williams &
JoAnn Sturzl |
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*** CHRISTIAN LIVING**

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| * CL 1054 Mother Teresa's Secret Fire | Joseph Langford |
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*** HISTORY**

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| * HS 1019 Four Witnesses (The Early Church) | Rod Bennett |
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*** PAPACY**

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| * PA 1003 The Fathers | Pope Benedict XVI |
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*** MARY**

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| * MA 100 The Life of the Blessed Virgin Mary | Anne Catherine Emmerich |
| * MA 100 Mary in the Church | USCCB |

* Questions? Please contact Sue Bollinger on 314 469-3613



DON'T MISS...
THE JOURNEY OF ST. PAUL
SHIPWRECKS, STONINGS,
MIRACLES & MORE!

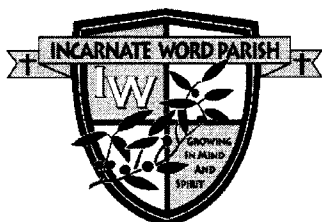


SATURDAY, JANUARY 31
7 PM
KENT CENTER STAGE
FREE ADMISSION!*

Celebrate the Year of St. Paul with the nationally acclaimed actors of Theater of the Word, Inc., as they perform *The Journey of St. Paul*, a thrilling show that will make you feel as if you've met the man himself!

For more information,
contact Deacon Jim Russell
at 576-5366, ext. 29,
or at jrussell@incarnate-word.org.

**A free-will offering for Theater of the Word
will be taken up after the performance.*



*The Incarnate Word***ADULT FAITH FORUM***by Deacon Jim Russell***‘The Journey of St. Paul’—“Must-See” Drama**

Theater of the Word Incorporated comes to Incarnate Word Parish on Saturday, January 31, at 7 p.m., to perform “The Journey of St. Paul,” a compelling live drama capturing the passion and zeal of the great Apostle to the Gentiles. ALL are encouraged to attend, as this is a rare opportunity being made available on our Kent Center Stage (for performance info, see full-page ad in this bulletin).

The play begins in Acts 25, where Paul, a prisoner of the Romans, is brought before Agrippa and Bernice, the king and queen of the Jews, and is asked to tell his story to them. They want to know a few simple things. Why is he a prisoner? Why are the Jews seeking his life? Who are these followers of Christ and why have they turned the world upside-down? Paul then recounts his life. With dialogue taken almost entirely from the book of Acts and from Paul’s epistles, we see, in flashback, the apostle’s amazing journey.

From his persecution of the early Christians, and his presence at the martyrdom

of Stephen, to his dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, his blindness, baptism, and zeal for Christ, his shipwrecks, stonings, miracles, and exorcisms, and even to his confrontation with Peter over the question of the Jewish law – through all this, we meet the man himself, the most outspoken and unforgettable of all the apostles – and we see the power of the Holy Spirit working in him. By the end even the cynical King Agrippa states, “Paul, you almost persuade me to become a Christian.”

The FREE hourlong show (with a free-will offering for Theater of the Word after the performance) is geared toward a general audience - it is appropriate for adults, teens, and older children. Younger children (under age 10) may be able to understand parts of the play, but it is not directed specifically to them.

“The Journey of St. Paul” is a four-person play (three actors and one actress). Except for Paul, each actor plays multiple parts throughout the story. The script was written by Kevin O’Brien, the founder and artistic director of Theater of the Word, who also plays St. Paul and who hosts the series The Theater of the Word Incorporated, which premieres in 2009 on EWTN.

Want more info? Let me know at 576-5366, ext. 29, or at jrussell@incarnate-word.org.



Take Your Faith...

STEP

BY

STEP

Come & Join in the Journey!

7 P.M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

LOWER CHURCH HALL

(WATSON ROOM)

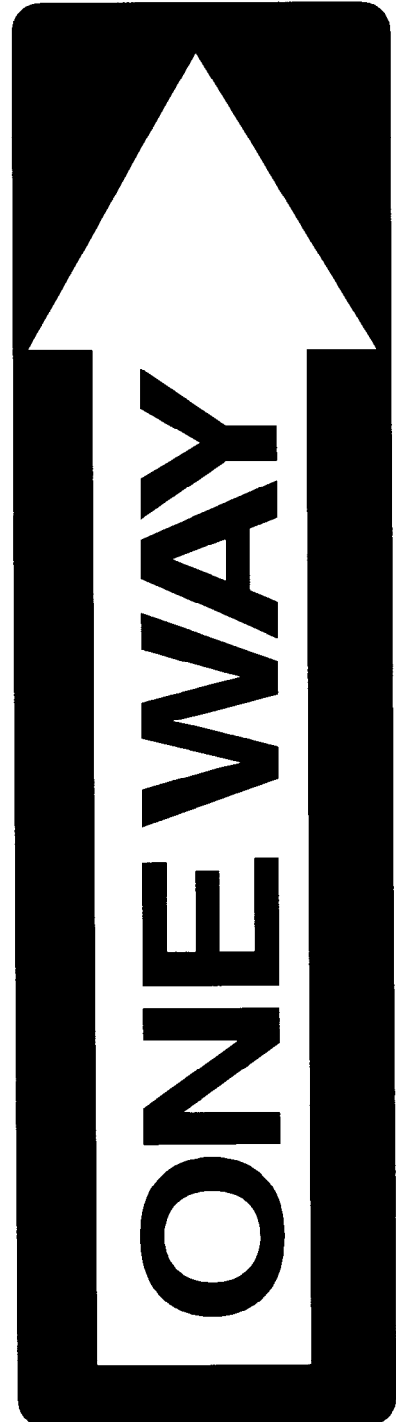
Here's how simple it is:

Every **FIRST** Monday of the Month, **ANYONE** interested in deepening your faith can come to "Step by Step" for a refresher in the basic beliefs of the Catholic faith, followed by a general, wide-open **CATHOLIC Q&A**. Led by Deacon Jim Russell and RCIA catechist Steve Eaton, "Step by Step" may well become a prayerful and powerful component of your monthly journey of faith. Come once, come once in a while, or come every month. But....**DO** come!

Guaranteed to be fun, fresh, faith-filled....

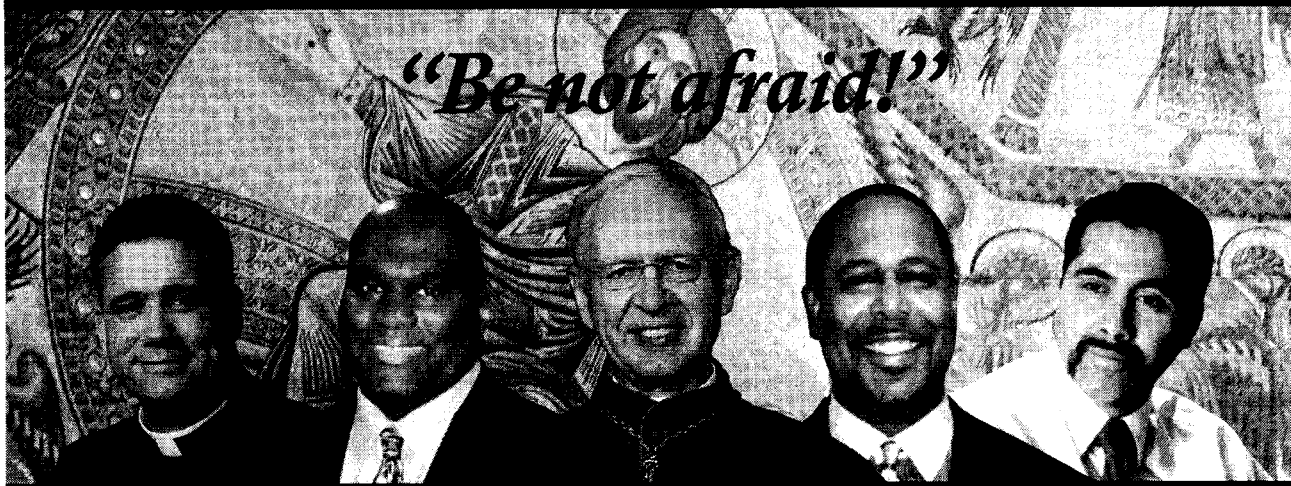
....Not to mention down-to-earth, relevant, and easy-to-understand...

Look forward to seeing you there and answering all your Catholic questions! Contact Deacon Russell for more information at 576-5366 ext. 29 or jrussell@incarnate-word.org.



Catholic Men for Christ of the Archdiocese of St. Louis invite you to attend the Second Annual

Catholic Men's Conference 2009



Father Larry Richards Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers Bishop Robert Hermann Richard Lane Jesse Romero

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather of power and love and self control." - 2 Tim. 1:7

March 21, 2009 @ The America's Center

Come join us for an unforgettable experience as over 1,500 Catholic men gather for a day devoted to hearing some of the most dynamic Catholic speakers in the country share the truth of the Gospel and call all men to live out their faith with courage and holy boldness! Prepare to be inspired! Prepare to be challenged! Prepare to be blessed!



This Conference is about building strong, virtuous Christian men!
Fathers are encouraged to bring their older teenage and young adult sons for a life changing experience for you both!
"Hear, O sons, the instruction of a father and give attention that you may gain understanding." - Proverbs 4:1

Register Online today and save!

Individual: \$40 until March 1st (early bird pricing)
\$50 after March 1st

Group: \$35 per person for groups of 5 or more until March 1st (early bird pricing)
\$45 after March 1st

(Lunch is included in the registration cost)

Clergy & Religious: FREE (must register)

Visa & Mastercard accepted for online registration only
Checks and Money orders only for mail-in registrations

Parking: \$5 at America's Center Garages or on the street parking

Doors open at 7am

Program begins at 8:30am

Closing Mass at 3:00pm with

His Excellency Bishop Robert Hermann

Music provided by: Adam Bitter

Spanish Language Track / Charlas en Español

Donations appreciated and are Tax Deductible

For more information and to register online please visit:

www.catholicmenforchrist.org

ATTENTION ALL MASS SERVERS!

Dear Incarnate Word Mass Servers and Parents:

I am currently trying to make sure that I have an up-to-date list of all active Mass Servers who wish to continue being scheduled to serve at weekend Masses.

To make sure the list is as current as possible, I'm asking **ALL Mass Servers to fill out the form below and return it to me (or convey the information to me by phone or e-mail) prior to Friday, January 30, 2009.**

ONLY those who contact me with this information between now and January 30 will continue to be scheduled to serve after February 2009.

Please note that I am asking all Mass Servers to list TWO Mass times for which I can schedule them—a primary Mass time (the Mass usually attended by server and family) and a secondary time (a Mass time which the server will also commit to being available to serve). Those servers wishing to serve more frequently should consider volunteering for the 7:15 AM Mass or the 12:15 PM Mass, both of which are always in need of more volunteers.

I will be posting an abbreviated schedule that covers the rest of January and February 2009, in order to have time to receive and compile the new information I'll need to schedule from March 2009 forward.

Thanks!

Deacon Jim Russell
314-576-5366 ext. 29
jrussell@incarnate-word.org



Server's name

Grade (6, 7, 8)

School attending (Incarnate Word, etc.)

Primary phone number

E-mail address

Primary Mass Time

Secondary Mass Time

[Regular Mass times are Sat 5 p.m. and Sun 7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.]