



Welcome New

Our Mission Statement:

Rooted In The Gospel Of Christ And In The Tradition Of Catholicism And Under The Patronage Of Mary Immaculate, We Commit Ourselves To Be a Welcoming Community Of Faith, Worshipping With Generations Of Believers And Serving God in All People.

Parishioners...

If you are new to our parish and reside within the parish boundaries, and would like to be members, please call the parish office at 618-281-5105, and Angie will be happy to help make that happen!

Hola, Bienvenidos

—
a la iglesia Catolica en Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Que tengas una bendita semana!

We Live-Stream!

To participate, please use this link: <https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmaculateConceptionCatholicChurchColumbiaIL>



Immaculate Conception

March 12, 2023 — Third Sunday of Lent

CELEBRATING THE CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION



Please keep in prayer our candidates from Immaculate Conception (above, l-r) Sonya Leppo, Patti Jackson and Tony Knittig. Their sponsors (below) presented them to Bishop McGovern at the Cathedral of St. Peter.



For adults baptized as children (as Catholics or in another Trinitarian denomination), but who have not yet completed the Sacraments of Initiation, “the Church recognizes your desire to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and to have a place at Christ’s eucharistic table.” (RCIA 454)

This year, these three candidates were welcomed by Bishop McGovern and will join us in full communion at the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 8, 7:30pm. Please join me in welcoming them and the gifts they bring to our community.

~Lizanne Young, DFF



Irish laughter: Bishop McGovern tells Sharon Nealon he has granted a dispensation to abstain from meat for this year’s Friday St. Patrick’s Day.

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Parish Office Information

Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Parish Office Phone Number 618-281-5105

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**You must Check In at the Parish Office
if you visit church during business hours.**

Sacramental Information

Baptisms: Parents/guardians are asked to attend a Preparation Seminar scheduled on the 2nd Sunday of the month after 9 a.m. Mass—at approximately 10 a.m.—in the lower-level library. We celebrate baptisms on the First Sunday of the month during any Mass, and the third Sunday of the month after the 11 a.m. Mass. (No baptisms are scheduled during Lent.) Please call the office to schedule: 281-5105.

Weddings: Please contact the Parish Office a minimum of four months prior to Marriage.

Anointing of the Sick & Funerals: Since individual needs differ, please contact the Parish Office at 281-5105 for pastoral care. Do not hesitate to call; we are grateful for the opportunity to open our hearts to you and your family and offer these sacramental services.

RCIA: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) The RCIA is for everyone who has been drawn by God to form a deeper relationship. Wherever you are in your faith practice – baptized in another Christian faith, starting from the beginning, or simply enriching your Catholic practice – consider the RCIA. Get to know God better and find out what it means to be Catholic. We meet in the Parish Office on Sundays, starting with "Breaking Open the Word" dismissal from 9 a.m. Mass, and catechetical sessions from 10-11:30 a.m. Contact **Lizanne Young:** at the Parish Office, 281-5105, ext. 354, or email lyoung@iccmil.org.

Important Volunteer Info!

Anyone who wishes to volunteer at school or church when there are children present **MUST be compliant** with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. Please be proactive! ***EVERYONE must have an IL state background check as well as doing the online refresher and filling out CANTS forms.** ***Coaches and employees will need to be fingerprinted in addition to the usual Child Protection paperwork. Contact Angie at the Parish office if you have questions.** *The initial course is now available online. Please contact Angie at the parish office for directions. Not sure if you are compliant?? Contact Angie at the Parish Office. *The refresher course for the 2022-2023 IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! Follow the link on our website! If you can't find it there, it is also on the diocesan website: <http://diobelle.org/b.aspx> Questions? Contact Angie at the parish office 281-5105. *Sexual Abuse Hotline: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a Priest or other Diocesan personnel, please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.

**Purchase Scrip Gift Cards from all of your favorite
stores, restaurants, etc... in the Parish Office!**

This Week's Liturgical Celebrations

Monday, Mar 13, 8:05 a.m.We Remember Lillian Lampe
 Tuesday, Mar 14, 8:05 a.m.We Remember Special Intentions
 Wednesday, Mar 15, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Herb & Betty Lehr
 Thursday, Mar 16, 8:05 a.m.....We Pray For Job, George & Family
 Friday, Mar 17, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Carl & Bernice Riebeling
 Saturday, Mar 18, 5:00 p.m.....We Remember Pat & Eddie Vogt
 Sunday, Mar 19, 7:00 a.m.....We Pray For All Parishioners
 9:00 a.m.....We Remember Glenn Grayson
 11:00 a.m.....We Remember John Woods

Friday Stations Of the Cross...

We hold Stations of the Cross every Friday at 2:15 p.m. and 7p.m. in church during Lent from now through Good Friday (Stations will be at noon on Good Friday). All are welcome!



Prayer List Guidelines...

Please be mindful if your loved one no longer needs to be on the prayer list and call the parish office: 281-5105.



Weekly Reflections



March 19, 2023

First Reading:

First Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Second Reading:

Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel:

John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Little Black Books...

Please take a copy to help you on your Lenten journey! These books are sponsored by: **McAuliffe Chiropractic**, 109 Wedgewood, Drive-Columbia 618-281-7171.

Go see Dr. Kathy for all your chiropractic needs!

Please Pray For...

Patty Pulcher
 Danielle Dorlac
 Donna Archambault-Kania
 Arlin Stechmesser
 Catherine Marlo
 Margaret Ann Conrad
 Peggy Schutt
 Dakota Schutt
 Mike Conrad
 Janice McDermott
 Scott Dabbs
 Delores Deleveski
 Ginny Lambert
 Brian Kreher
 Rich Sambo
 Catherine Sambo
 Nicole Pennington
 Ruth Herrmann
 Bill Kutz
 Marilyn Peel
 Chris Peel
 Better health for all who are ill

Joan Thoma
 Jodie Ward
 Grace Nolan
 Special Intention
 Liam Pugh
 Jill Bean
 Baby Marcella
 Norman Pautler
 Don & Shriley Mehrmann
 Gloria Thoma
 Heather Mestadagh-Muertz

Troops in Service...

SGM Joseph Pope US Army



Parish Events & News...

Lenten Regulations...

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. The other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but altogether they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the obligation of the law is modified. Because Lent is a special season for all Christians, we should not lightly excuse ourselves from these penitential practices.
4. To completely disregard the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

2023 K of C Catholic High School Scholarship -8th Grade Essay Contest ...

Sunday, March 19, 12:30 p.m. (after 11 a.m. Mass).

The Contest will be held in the CEAC - Room 225 (Mr. Kassebaum's classroom). In accordance with **Contest rules: No late entry/or make-up dates.** The Contest prize is one \$2,000 scholarship – payable in (4) installments of \$500 - directly to the Catholic high school of winner's choice. The Contest participant must be ICC Parish Member, who will be an entering freshman of a Catholic high school for the 2023-24 school year. The Contest is open to 8th graders from either ICS OR the Columbia public school system. Questions? Please contact Kevin W. Hutchinson, K of C Council 6165- 314-974-7072.

ICY Hosting Bra Drive...

We are asking for Used Bras. Please consider donating your clean, gently used, ill fitting and overlooked bras. A box will be in the vestibule of the church for you to drop off these needed items. The organization we will donate them to is **I Support the Girls**. It is a national organization, but the items donated stay local. Help less fortunate ladies with this item of clothing. You can also donate feminine hygiene products as well. If you have questions, please contact Laura Whelan, 618-698-2462. The drive goes from March 11- April 10.

New Bulletin Deadline...

Due to switching bulletin companies, we now have an earlier bulletin deadline. All submissions for the bulletin will need to be in to Angie two Fridays before you need it in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please call the parish office 618-281-5105.

It's Fish Fry Time!

The Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting drive-thru only fish fries **from 3-7 p.m.**



on the following dates: **Fridays,**

March 31 and April 7. If you are interested in helping at any or all of the fish fries, please email the Knights gk@ofc6165.org or go to www.kofc6165.org to sign up online.

Cemetery Cleanup

Spring is just around the corner.

If you have a loved one in our cemetery and would like to save anything you have placed on their grave, please go up and remove it soon, before cleaning and mowing begins!

D.C. Pretzel and Donut Sales...

The Next Pretzel and Donut weekend will be April 15 & 16

Pretzels at the Saturday Mass
Donuts at all Sunday Masses.



Baptismal Prep Announcement

Due to Easter being on the 2nd Sunday of the month, **there will be no**

baptismal prep in April. We will resume the second week of May.

Want to Make a Difference in the Life of a Child?



Catholic Schools
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Retired too soon and still want to teach and/or lead? Why not collect your retirement and work in a Catholic school? We want you and our students need you!

Come share your expertise and passion in a faith based setting! Contact the Diocese of Belleville, Office of Education at Officeofeducation@diobelle.org for More Information!

Ministry News & Happenings

Women's ACTS...

The next Women's ACTS Retreat will be Thursday, **April 20, through Sunday, April 23, 2023**, at the King's House in Belleville, IL. This parish-based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality, to strengthen your faith, and to build and deepen lasting friendships throughout your parish community. Registration forms can be found online at <http://www.icc-columbia-il.us/acts>. If you need further information on the retreat weekend, please contact one of the following:
Director: Laura Whelan -- 618-698-2462.
Co-Director: Penny Prindiville -- 314-707-0783.



ICCCW News...

Spring Raffle Ticket Sales have begun! There will be two raffles: **1 Handmade quilt, Handmade afghan and \$100 Linnemann gas card!**

2. Lottery Ticket Board!

Drawing at the May 4 Meeting!!
The proceeds of the raffles go to the purchase of Mass supplies. Thanks for all of your support!



SVDP IS HOSTING A LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

March 18-April 2

This will support local food pantries. Please drop off food items in the designated area in the Gathering Space. We will deliver the items prior to Easter. Items requested are: canned fruit, chicken, chili and chicken & dumplings and also boxed potato mixes.

Theology on Tap Upcoming Events...

March 13 -- Forgiveness

April 17 -- Catholic Trivia

May 1 -- St. Ignatius' Teachings

* The speaker in this series will be
Fr. Nick Fleming

ICY Odd Sundays

Every Sunday with an odd date is

Odd Sunday ICY Meeting.

Check out the QR code below for more details!



Women's Bible Study...

Meets Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the library.

All are welcome! Contact Lizanne for more info -281-5105 ext 354.

Join The Welcoming Committee!

Thank you to Kevin Glasscock who has volunteered to head up our new welcome committee! We are planning to have the first welcome reception on **June 4 after the 9a.m. Mass. If you are interested in being on this committee, please contact Kevin at soccerkevn@att.net**. Come join us in the welcoming of our new parish family members. All are welcome!!

Missions International...

Did you know that Missions International is the non-profit organization that administers the SISTER PARISH ministry in the Diocese of Belleville? It is also ICC's interface with St. Raymond's, our sister parish in Guatemala. 100% of ICC donations support our sister parish. Would you like to get more involved in our beautiful faith, The Universal Church? Currently, Missions International is seeking ambassadors for expanded communication with sister parishes. You don't have to be fluent in Spanish, but a smartphone is needed. This is a simple and amazing way to love our neighbors. Please contact Karen Waide at cooperwaide@aol.com or 618-281-4715 if you are interested in learning more about becoming a Missions International ambassador. Replies requested no later than March 24.

Lenten Prayer Calendar Program...

Lent seems to be speeding by, but there's still time to join your parish family in prayer with the Lenten Prayer Calendar. Whether it's still in your bulletin or posted on your fridge, take a look and see who we are praying for today. As you pray, let your mind imagine our whole community standing before God as a family as we pray for the intended group. There is power in these prayers, yet it is also a selfless act of love for another. The act can also help us develop or strengthen our daily prayer habit. Can't find your calendar? There are extras in church. You can also pray for a general cause and ask your guardian angel for help with the dedication. Feel a part of our parish family as we focus the power of our prayers each day in Lent.

Discipleship Corner...

There is nothing tricky about prayer. It is simply tuning in to God's presence—and God is always present. I never have to get God's attention. I have God's total attention. Always. Everywhere. I never have to make an appointment with God. When I call God, I never get voice mail. I don't have to figure out the right words to get started. God is already speaking to me. All I have to do is turn off the "mute" button. The reason I pray is to become more who I am. I'm made in the image and likeness of God. When I pray, I become more and more like God. Try it. I can use words if I wish. But I can also just sit quietly with God. It's a fine way to spend a few minutes.

Vocation Corner...

"Father Pat York is the Dean of Students and Vice-Rector at Conception Seminary College. Father Pat recalls he considered the priesthood during his eighth grade year. He credits his parents as having the biggest influence on his priestly vocation. They encouraged their children to be open to God's call as a priest or religious in the Church. The seed of his vocation took root in his family and grew from there. He would ask his parishioners, "Pray for the priests of our diocese. Support your parish priests. Pray fervently to the Lord for more religious vocations." Fr. Pat also encourages parents to set an example for their children in practicing their faith, "do not treat it as a burden or obligation, but as a gift that is enriching." (The Tower Topics, by Fr. Paul Sheller, O.S.B.)

God Calling: Vocation Awareness

Moms and dads, how often do you speak to your children about becoming a priest or a sister?

They are wonderful vocations! It's never too early to start the conversation.

Eucharistic Adoration...

Eucharistic Adoration is held **Tuesdays from 5-8 p.m.**
Come and join us!



Pope Francis Says...

St. Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. (LS 1) This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. (LS 2)



Prayer Shawls Available!

Do you know someone who needs prayers?? Why not bring them some comfort with a handmade prayer shawl, from our Prayer Shawl Ministry??

Each Shawl will wrap your loved one in the prayers of our parish! Even during this vastly different time with COVID, we can get your loved one a prayer shawl. We deliver in sanitized bags and will leave on a porch or you can still pick up at the office during office hours. Call Marsha Narzinski at 314-517-4927 or Angie at the Parish Office 281-5105.

Quilter's Corner...

Join our super fun quilter's group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11:30 a.m. All skill levels welcome and appreciated, even beginners! Contact Carlene at 281-5877.



Pro-Life/Pregnancy Resources...

~Free and confidential pregnancy testing, counseling, and practical support: -Life Network of Southern Illinois (in Waterloo & Red Bud) 618-939-4224 mylifenet.org

~Birthright Counseling STL (3 locations in St. Louis) birthrightstl.org

~Free and confidential counseling for anyone hurt by abortion-Project Rachel 618-722-5068 hopeafterabortion.com

~A caring place for women who are pregnant and experiencing homelessness-Fontebella Maternity Home 618-406-4355.

If you, or someone you know, have an unborn baby diagnosed with "fetal abnormalities" or an "adverse prenatal diagnosis," please refer to: BeNotAfraid.net or PrenatalPartnersforLife.org.

Both offer free parent-centered case management and parental support for parents carrying to term following a prenatal diagnosis. Birthrightstl.org offers their Melissa's Smile program, a counseling and supportive resource for mothers and fathers whose baby has been diagnosed prenatally with a genetic abnormality or whose baby has been born with a disability or serious medical condition.

Stewardship Of Treasure...

Thank You For Sharing Your Blessings With Us!

Charitable Giving...

Charitable giving is often an important component of financial, tax, and estate planning. Creating a strategic charitable giving plan will maximize your tax benefits and reduce your record-keeping burden. Creating a Donor-Advised Fund (DAF) allows you to focus on making an impact on the causes you care most about.

A donor-advised fund, or DAF, is a simple, flexible, tax-efficient way to manage charitable giving.

Donors receive an immediate tax deduction for contributions into their Donor-Advised Fund.

Gifts of appreciated securities are eligible to receive Fair Market Value deductions, typically creating significant capital gains tax savings.

Your DAF assets can grow tax-free until you are ready to begin recommending grant distributions to qualified nonprofit organizations of your choice.

You can name successor advisors, such as children or trusted family members, to continue your tradition of giving for generations to come or you can create a Designated Legacy Fund to ensure your fund continues supporting the causes you care most about, even after you are gone.

Currently, gifts to a DAF are eligible to receive tax deductions of up to 60% of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) for cash contributions and up to 30% of AGI for appreciated securities, both with a five-year carry forward allowance.

You can choose when to recommend grant distributions to any IRS qualified nonprofit organization in the United States, including churches and schools like Immaculate Conception.

A DAF generally provides online access to fund balances and activity. Grant distribution recommendations are easily made online, too.

Simply complete a Fund Agreement with the DAF sponsor of your choice, contribute assets to your fund account, and begin making an impact on the causes you love.

And by the way, you will enjoy choosing a meaningful, personalized name for your fund, like the Smith Family Foundation or the Oak Tree Fund, connecting you with your giving for years to come.

~ IC Planned Giving Committee

CEAC Debt Status as of March 1, 2023

Endowment Loan.....	\$625,000.00
Diocese Loan.....	\$ 2,278,094.84
	\$ 2,903,094.84

Stewardship Renewal Commitment

Even if you do not have kids in ICS or PSR, this information is VERY important to us! Your completed form will help with budget planning, ministry planning and contact info updating. We are a full-stewardship parish. In order for us to have the most accurate info, we need everyone to fill out a form. Thank you!!

March 5, 2023

Actual	\$51,901.65
Budget.....	\$66,450.00
Actual YTD	\$1,375,373.15
Budget YTD,\$1,523,450.00
Over (under)	(\$148,076.85)
Prior YTD	\$1,365,441.66
Over (under)\$9,931.49
CEAC.....	\$10,181.00
Capital Improvements.....	\$437.00
Guatemala.....	\$447.00
Votive	\$196.00
Black & Indian.....	\$315.00
Easter Flowers	\$190.00
Gibault	\$325.00
STBS.....	\$140.00
IC-CCW Dues.....	\$20.00
Needy.....	\$70.00
CRS.....	\$170.00

**** This week's collection contains figures from online giving 2/18-2/28 of this year!****

From Our Young Stewards...

Treasure \$36.95

Time: Loaded the dishwasher; helped take care of the dogs; helped Mom.



The 2023 CSMA

"The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord" (Psalm 15).

This year's CSMA campaign has started!

Please consider donating to this most worthy of causes! The CSMA (Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal) funds 17 diocesan ministries directly with your funds! Please help the poorest of the poor in our diocese. When the envelope arrives in the mail, please do not disregard.

You truly do have the ability to help someone in OUR AREA with your gift! **Our Parish goal is to have 250 donors this year. So far, we have 82. Lets make our goal this year!** Thank you!

Immaculate Conception School

Mission – Community – Service

409 Palmer Road ~ 281-5353

~ School Principal: Dave Gregson Ext. 202 ~dgregson@icsmail.org

~School Secretary: Beverly Epplin Ext. 200 bepplin@icsmail.org

2023 Confirmation Retreat



Last Sunday, our eighth grade Confirmandi from ICC and PSR participated in a day long Confirmation Retreat here at ICC. Our retreat team of presenters were 4 Gibault students doing their Senior Service Projects, 3 of which were from our parish! Everyone worked so hard to make this a wonderful experience, and from the looks of all those smiles, it WAS! (The group included Confirmandi from ICC, St. James, Sacred Heart & Holy Family.

Secure Your Spot TODAY!

Register at [INVENT.ORG/CAMP](https://www.invent.org/camp) or

800-968-4332 Grades: K - 6th

Location: Immaculate Conception School, 409 Palmer Rd.,
Columbia, IL 62236;

Date: June 12 - 16, 2023

Time & Cost: 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM \$260 (before discount)

Extended Day Hours Available: 7:30

AM to 5:30 PM | Additional \$100

Camp Director: Ashley Wright awright@icsmail.org

If these dates/times don't work for you, please visit [invent.org/camp](https://www.invent.org/camp) for other locations near you.

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This Summer at
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The 2023 Zac Epplin Memorial Golf Tournament

Friday, April 28. Lunch begins at 11a.m. Golf starts at 12:00 noon.

For more details, and to register your team and/or sponsor the event, please visit [icsfathers.square.site](https://www.icsfathers.square.site).

What 's Happening At Gibault?

Junior High Mixer

Glow Crazy at our Glow Volleyball night on March 31 from 6-8 p.m. at the Gibault gym! All 6th – 8th graders are invited to play or watch. Reserve your space at: <https://bit.ly/gchsglow>

Enrollment News

It's the perfect time to visit Gibault Catholic! Your 7th-8th grader or current high school student can spend the day living like a Gibault Hawk during a Shadow Visit. You can also bring the whole family for a Private Tour! See our campus and have your questions answered by our Director of Enrollment. Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>. Still enrolling for the Class of 2027! Visit <https://bit.ly/GCHSApply>.

Post Prom Fundraiser

Pick up a treat at Scooter's AND help support Gibault Catholic's Post Prom! On Wednesday, March 15, the Waterloo Scooter's location, locally owned and operated by the Schwartz family, is donating 10% of total sales to our post prom! Scoot on over from 5:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. and help our students have a great post prom!

Taste of the Region

Join the Gibault Women's Club for Taste of the Region - **Saturday, March 18, 2023!**

We're #gibaultproud of: our Academic Challenge Team for winning their Sectional competition!

Diocesan And Area Interests...

Reconciliation on Weeknights in Our Area

Every Tuesday evening 6-7 p.m., St. Clare, O'Fallon.
Every Thursday evening 6-7 p.m., St. Peter's Cathedral, Belleville.

Journey to Justice Retreat:

Catholic Reflections on Our Call to Address Racial Inequity
Developed by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Sponsored by the Belleville Diocesan Racial Justice and Equity Committee
Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
(Continental Breakfast Available at 8:30 a.m.)
Cabrini Hall, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
104 N. 17th St., Herrin, IL
Cost: \$15 (Includes Lunch and Continental Breakfast) Register at forms.gle/WgyqHf1y239zhMoz7 or email cchddiobelle@gmail.com

Go Fund Me Page Set Up To Help Former Parishioners Who Lost Everything In Fire...

Use the link below to read the story of the Alexander family who lost everything in a fire on February 1. <https://gofund.me/12615a17>

The Serra Club of St. Clair County

Serra Club is an organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to foster and affirm vocations to the Priesthood and vowed religious life.

Our purpose is to pray for vocations and inform our community about the need for vocations. We provide many social events for our Priests, Deacons and Nuns. We sponsor occasional visits to the Seminaries for our grade and high students guided by a priest or a seminarian. You are most welcome to be a part of our organizations. Our group meets every first and third Friday of the month at the Shrine of our Lady of the Snows. We begin Mass at 11:45 a.m., followed by lunch and a brief meeting, with a prominent speaker. For Additional information, please call Marvin Winkeler (402- 214-1155) or Mel Lucash (618-531-4244). Serra has a new web page: serrastclair.org
PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

The Harp Twins

As the world's only identical twin professional harpists, Camille and Kennerly were trained classically, but have a passion and flair for arranging and performing rock, metal, and soundtrack music for Harp Duet. The Harp Twins perform on statuesque acoustic Concert Grand Harps as well as Electric Harps. We are pleased to have the Harp Twins return to Columbia for an evening of amazing music!

Immaculate
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Columbia, IL

Friday,
April 21
7:00 p.m.

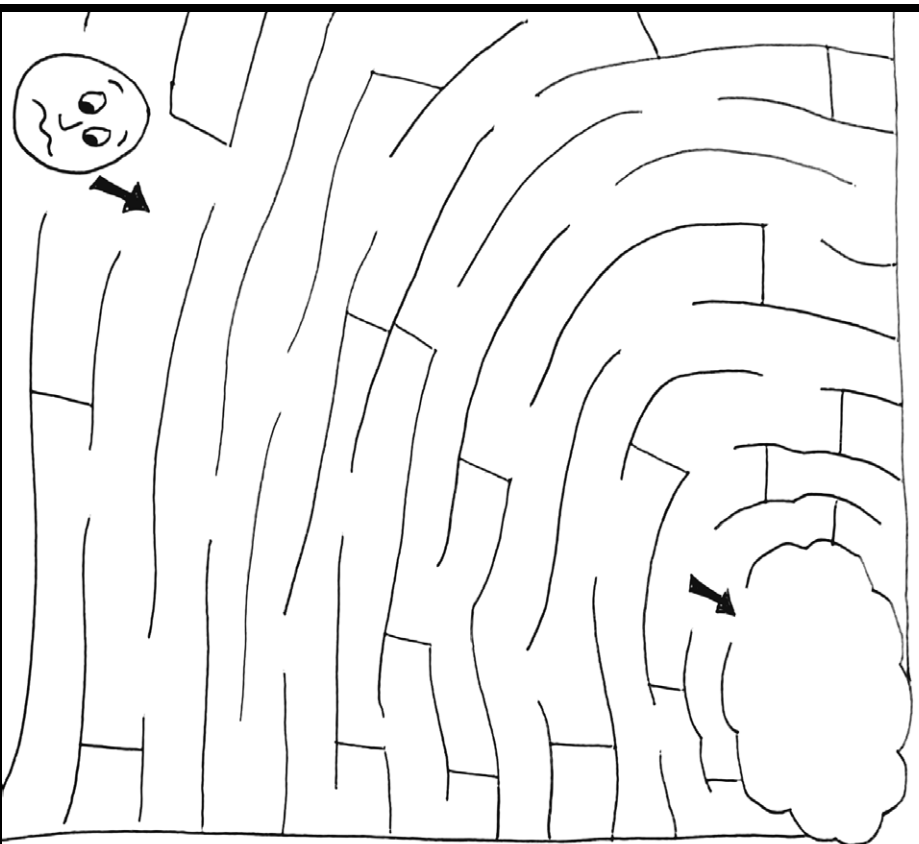
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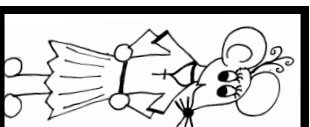
Saints Perpetua and Saint Felicity

Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity were best friends. They learned about God together and became Christians.

Ask them to pray for your friends.

God asks us to search for good friends. Find a way through the maze and draw a saint as a friend in Heaven.





Catholic Kids

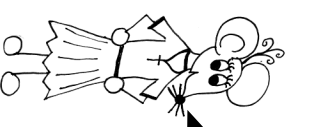
Bulletin

March 12, 2023

Lent

Color: Purple

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<p>If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.</p>	BKHEAROWHISPWVO
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Are you saying extra prayers for Lent? Lent is a time to get closer to God. Prayer will help you get closer to Him.

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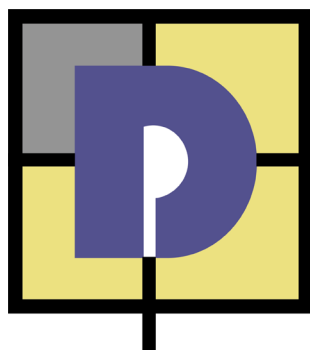
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