



Immaculate Conception

A Full Stewardship Parish ~ Partner Parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus, Dupo, IL
411 Palmer Road, Columbia, IL 62236 | 618-281-5105

November 16, 2025

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

www.icc-columbia-il.us

*The Lord comes to rule
the earth with justice.*

– Psalm 98:9

*El Señor viene a gobernar
la tierra con justicia.*

– Salmo 98:9



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.

Welcome New 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 our secretary will be happy to help make that happen!

Hola, Bienvenidos – a la iglesia Catolica en Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Que tengas una bendita semana!

We livestream! To participate, please use this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmaculateConceptionCatholicChurchColumbiaIL>

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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Sacramental Information

Baptisms: Parents/guardians are asked to attend a Preparation Seminar scheduled on the second Sunday of the month after 9:00 a.m. Mass (approximately 10:00 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 11:00 a.m. Mass. (No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent.) Please call the office to schedule at 281-5105.

Weddings: The parish is happy to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony with adults who are currently registered members of Immaculate Conception Church (bride or groom). If you are one of many who would like to “come home” to celebrate the Sacrament with family and friends, please provide the name of the parish where you are now a member, along with contact information. We ask that you contact the IC Parish Office a minimum of four months prior to Marriage, but in most cases, couples will need to allow time for Pre-Cana formation, and we suggest beginning to plan your Sacrament 12 or 18 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.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults): OCIA (formerly known as 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 OCIA. Get to know God better and find out what it means to be Catholic. Individuals will meet with our director of faith formation (Lizanne Young) to discuss the process. We meet as a group on Sundays (from Autumn through the Triduum just before Easter), starting with “Breaking Open the Word” dismissal from 9:00 a.m. Mass, and catechetical sessions from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Contact Lizanne at the Parish Office, 281-5105, ext. 354, or email lyoung@iccmil.org.

Reconciliation: Reconciliation is offered from 4:00-4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and by appointment.

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. *The initial course is now available online. Please contact Michelle at the Parish Office for directions. *The refresher course for 2025-2026 IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! Follow the link on our website! If you can't find it there, it is also on the Diocesan website at <https://diobelle.safeenvironment.org/login/index.php>. Not sure if you are compliant, or have additional questions? Contact Michelle at the Parish Office at 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 at 800-640-3044.

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

This Week's Liturgical Celebrations

Masses – Saturday, 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

Monday, November 17	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Kathleen Bernice Lawler
Tuesday, November 18	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Mike Markus
Wednesday, November 19	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Anna Lawlor
Thursday, November 20	8:05 a.m.	We Remember the Prindable Family
Friday, November 21	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Jim Vogt
Saturday, November 22	5:00 p.m.	We Remember Kenny & Elsie Hofstetter
Sunday, November 23	7:00 a.m.	We Remember Richard Siener
	9:00 a.m.	We Remember Edward & Mary Smugala
	11:00 a.m.	We Remember Cletus Whelan



Please Pray For

Adam Brandt	Barbara Kendall	Grant Koenigstein	Steve Dineen
Shane Martin	Jim Grau	Doug Mercille	Carrie Dachsteiner
Jacob Nelson	Dolores G.	Theresa Zeisler	Emmalyn Richardet
Bob Beckert	Nicole Pennington	Doris Boss	Corynn Becker
Amanda Boitano	Harold Lutman	Karen Miller	Teresa Dorshorst
Trace Ahrens	Elsa Wiemerslage	Larry Greenfield	William Christopher Crosson
Molly Blevins	John Stonis	Beth Heisel	Thomas Lorenz
Curtis Sievers	Pedro Acevedo	Ed Evertsen	Fr. Rich Grek
Craig Greer	Taylor Cygan	Arlene Kruse	Bo Taylor
Janet Michael	Nate Meyer	Delores Deleveski	
Maryanne Klosterman	The Matt Smith Family	Susan Oswill	

Troops in Service... SGM Joseph Pope, US Army; Colonel Brian Schoellhorn, Samuel Campbell, Navy; Captain Benjamin Thoma, Captain Alex Kawalec, United States Air Force; Dustin Crawford, Kaiden Timmons, US Army

Prayer List Guidelines: Please be mindful if your loved one no longer needs to be on the Prayer List and call the Parish Office at 281-5105.



Weekly Reflections

November 16, 2025

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20a

Second Reading: Second Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19



OUR CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Heavenly Father, You have created us in Your own image, to love, serve and honor You with our lives. You have tasked us with building Your Church, and passing from one generation to the next the treasure trove of our faith. Bless the work of our hands as we undertake our next phase in serving You. Keep us strong in faith, hope, and love, so that all we do may bring glory and honor to You, forever and ever. AMEN.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Eucharistic
Adoration on Tuesdays
from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.
Spend some quiet time with the Lord.

Stewardship...

Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

November 9, 2025

Actual	35,356.77
Budget	33,800.00
Actual YTD	742,364.22
Budget YTD	771,400.00
Over (under)	(29,035.78)
Prior YTD	699,514.55
Over (under)	42,849.67
Guatemala	714.00
Votive	191.00
SVDP	465.00
Capital Improvements	155.00
Cemetery Maintenance	655.00
Gibault	50.00
Human Development	90.00
Phase 3	1,940.67
Hurricane Relief	2,725.00



From Our Young Stewards

Treasure:

76.55

SAVE TAXES ON IRA REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

Individuals subject to Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) have an opportunity to use the distributions for charitable giving instead of taking a taxable distribution. If you are age 70½ or older, the IRS will allow you to distribute up to \$108,000 annually directly to qualified nonprofit organizations without incurring any taxable income. The benefit is known as the Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable to a qualified charity, like Immaculate Conception Church or School. QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year, if certain rules are met.

Here are the requirements:

- You must be 70½ or older to be eligible to make a QCD.
- QCDs are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income. This excludes non-deductible contributions.
- The maximum annual amount that can qualify for a QCD is \$108,000. This applies to the sum of QCDs made to one or more charities in a calendar year. (If, however, you file taxes jointly, your spouse can also make a QCD from his or her own IRA within the same tax year for up to \$108,000.)
- For a QCD to count toward your current year RMD, the funds must come out of your IRA by your RMD deadline, generally December 31.
- Any amount donated above your RMD does not count toward satisfying a future year RMD.
- The QCD must be paid directly from your IRA to the charity to qualify. In addition to the benefits of giving to charity, a QCD excludes the amount donated from taxable income, unlike regular withdrawals from an IRA. Keeping your taxable income lower may reduce the impact to certain tax credits and deductions, including Social Security and Medicare. Also, QCDs require that you itemize, which, due to the tax law changes means you may decide to take advantage of the higher standard deduction, but still use a QCD for charitable giving.

Funds distributed directly to you, the IRA owner, which you then give to charity do not qualify as a QCD. There are some other tax rules that may also apply to your situation, so consult with a financial professional for more details about this strategy.

— Immaculate Conception Planned Giving Council

Parish Events & News...

CROSS RESURRECTED

Thanks to StoneTree Fabrications, Schaefer Farms, IC Tinkers, and Cemetery Committee (and many others) for refurbishing and restoring our Crucifix to Immaculate Conception Cemetery at Bluffside and Cherry.



WELCOMING COMMITTEE SAVE THE DATE FOR FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

God desires fellowship because it strengthens faith, encourages believers, and reflects His own nature of shared unity. It allows for mutual support, growth in understanding God's Word, and the opportunity to serve others in the name of Christ. Please join us for Fellowship, for coffee and donuts on the *fourth Sunday* of each month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the garden level.

Parish Work Day! December 13, 2025

SCRIPTURE DISCUSSIONS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

How's this for a Plan: Come to Mass on Sunday ready to engage in the Gospel, Old and New Testament Readings and even the homily by spending an hour praying with them in advance, with friends!

- Women's Bible Study meets every week in the Library on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- The Pathfinders Men's Group meets every week in the Knights of Columbus Room on Saturday mornings from 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Just show up, you're more than welcome!

BULLETIN DEADLINE...

All submissions for the bulletin will need to be in to the Parish Office two Thursdays before you need it in the bulletin. Submissions will need to be sent to iccmil@iccmil.org. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.

D.C. PRETZEL AND DONUT SALES...

The next Pretzel and Donut weekend for the 8th graders will be December 20 & 21. All proceeds go to the 8th graders' trip to Washington D.C.

Ministry News & Happenings

MEALS FROM THE



Just a reminder that we still have a group of parishioners available to make meals. So if you're going through a rough time, let us help you out! We provide meals as needed on a temporary basis. Just call or text Robin Billmeyer at 314-604-4495 if we can help out!

Snippet from Mrs. Shea

Notable Quotes

"Charity enters heaven when humility opens the door."

— María Natividad Venegas de la Torre

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. in the library. All are welcome!
Contact Lizanne for more info at 618-281-5105, ext. 354.

ICY ODD SUNDAYS

Every Sunday with an odd date is an
Odd Sunday ICY Meeting.
Check out the QR code
for more details.



ICCCW NEWS:

Thursday, December 4th is the CCW Christmas Party. Cost is \$15.00 and will be catered by Mission Catering. Please RSVP to Karen Waide by text or call to 703-304-8642 by November 23rd. We will begin at 5:00 p.m. and then attend Fr. Brian's Advent Concert at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

The CCW annual visit to the Hincke-Sense Home for retired priests will be Tuesday, December 9th. We will leave from the Garden Level at 10:45 a.m. for Mass with the priests at 11:30 a.m. and lunch to follow. Possibly some caroling, too! It is a very enjoyable Christmas tradition.

VOCATION

"My vocation to the Dominican Order and to the priesthood was carefully formed by God through the many people He placed in my life. First and most influential was my Syro-Malabar Catholic family, from whom I learned both the meaning of my faith and how to live it out. More than anyone else, my parents helped shape me as a man of faith and taught me to see everything in light of God's providence. Everywhere I have lived – including in India, California, Missouri, Ohio and Alaska – friends, teachers, priests and others supported me and, most importantly, prayed for me. This constant stream of graces continues to sustain me through my formation as a Dominican friar. It is impossible to be a saint on one's own."

– Bro. Antony Augustine Cherian;

Dominican Friars of the Province of the Most Holy
Name of Jesus, Anchorage, Alaska.
Columbia Magazine December 2023

SVDP

St. Vincent de Paul Society Annual Report 2025

The mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is to fulfill two great commandments: Love of God and love of neighbor. We seek to grow spiritually in our efforts to help those in need and to share our faith with those we serve.

During the fiscal year 10/1/24-9/30/25, a total of \$22,202.00 was donated to our St. Vincent de Paul Society through the donation boxes at the church entrances, and from the Thanksgiving Day and Holy Thursday collections, memorials, and special individual and community organizations. Another \$5,607.00 was collected from various fundraisers.

Our SVdP conference helps people facing financial challenges – in our parish as well as Sacred Heart in Dupo. We also help nonparishioners in those communities as well as East Carondelet. During the fiscal year, we assisted 136 people by distributing \$21,984.00 for housing, utilities, food, medical expenses, transportation, children's Christmas gifts, and special needs.

We provided support to Hubbard's Haven (formerly known as Cosgrove's Kitchen) in East St. Louis totaling \$13,779.00 for monthly lunches and weekly breakfasts. We gave support to Catholic Urban Programs in East St. Louis for essential needs items totaling \$1,013.00. We supported our SVdP Belleville Council as well as the National SVdP Disaster Relief fund with \$500.00 to each. We distributed frozen casserole meals which cost \$1,264.00. And, at our local nursing home, we provided a total of \$1,343.00 for monthly Bingo games, monthly birthday cupcakes, and Christmas gifts; we also prayed the Rosary with them on Mondays.

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart parishes are grateful for your generous donations of money which provide immediate assistance to those individuals and families when they need it most. We are also grateful for your donations of food and clothing for our drives, your preparation of casseroles, and your prayers which enable us to continue to do God's work within our community. Note: If any parishioner is aware of someone in Columbia, Dupo or East Carondelet in need of assistance due to unforeseen circumstances, whether it is food, clothing, utilities or housing, please call the Parish Office at 618-281-5105 and follow prompts to the St. Vincent de Paul line. Calls will be answered as soon as possible. All cases are strictly confidential. Thanks again and God Bless You.



THE 2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

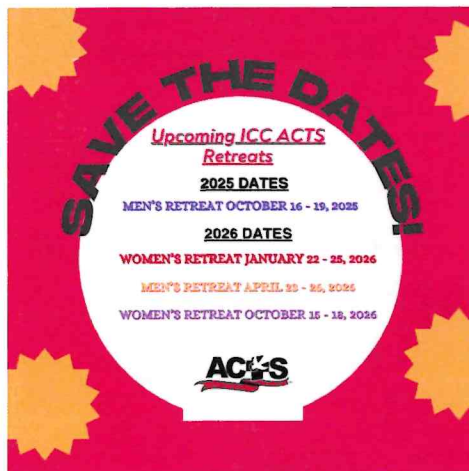
Hope in the Lord

On behalf of the ministries and programs funded by the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal and those they serve, we thank you for your prayers and continued generosity to the 2025 campaign. May you and your families feel the warmth of God's love and the comfort of His peace at Thanksgiving and always.



Stay Connected with the ACTS Community!

Embrace the calmness and reconnect with the ACTS family. If you're not receiving emails from acts@iccmail.org, you might be missing out! Update Your Info Now! If you're not on our mailing list, simply send us an email at acts@iccmail.org with your latest contact information. Let's keep you in the loop and build a stronger, connected ACTS family together!



SAVE THE DATES!

Upcoming ICC ACTS Retreats

2025 DATES

MEN'S RETREAT OCTOBER 16 - 19, 2025

2026 DATES

WOMEN'S RETREAT JANUARY 22 - 25, 2026

MEN'S RETREAT APRIL 23 - 26, 2026

WOMEN'S RETREAT OCTOBER 16 - 19, 2026

ACTS

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Looking for a place in our parish to spend your time? The Bereavement Ministry might be the place for you. Contact Kathy Fern for more information on the Ministry and how we help our parishioners. Call 618-719-1632 to learn more.



Christmas Cards

The ICC Sanctity of Life Ministry is selling Christmas cards to earn money for items that raise awareness for and promote the Sanctity of Life as well as to support our local crisis pregnancy care centers.

\$10 per pack

10 cards/pack

Christmas cards are available for purchase in the ICC parish office during normal business hours and at the ICS Craft Fair on Saturday, Dec 6. Thank you for your support!

COMFORT WITH A PRAYER SHAWL

If you, or someone you know, needs comfort and prayers, consider bringing them a Prayer Shawl, handmade by Immaculate Conception parishioners. Each crocheted or knitted shawl is unique, and prayers are said throughout the process of the creation. The goal is to provide comfort to the recipient, knowing that they are wrapped in the prayers of the parish. The Prayer Shawl can be delivered to you, or you may stop in the Parish Office during business hours and pick up what you need. Prayer Shawls are available for children as well. Call Helen Csik at 314-651-5033 or the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.

Quilters' Corner

Join our super fun quilters' group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-11:30 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 or 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, has 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.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

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School Administrator: Beverly Epplin, ext. 200 ~ bepplin@icsmail.org

Administrative Assistant: Lori Deffenbaugh, ext. 201 ~ ldeffenbaugh@icsmail.org

MISSION • COMMUNITY • SERVICE

2ND GRADE'S FIELD TRIP TO THE MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN.



UPCOMING PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETINGS

December 1, 2025 • 7:00 p.m. Holiday Party
TBD on location

UPCOMING FATHER'S CLUB MEETING

November 20, 2025 • 7:30 p.m. in the Garden Level

What's Happening at Gibault?

The Freshman Placement Test is Saturday, December 6 at 8:30 a.m. You can sign your student up by emailing Pam Kueker at pkueker@gibaulthawks.com. The 2026-27 New Student Application is NOW OPEN! Go to <https://gibaulthawks.com> and click "APPLY" to apply. All 7th and 8th graders can schedule a shadow visit and spend the day with one of our Student Ambassadors. Go to <https://gibaulthawks.com> and click "INQUIRE" to request more information.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

Annual VENDOR FAIR

DEC 6

9 AM - 2 PM

CRAFTERS & VENDORS WANTED

Scan Here to register or email Kim Siegel and Kristin Knobloch @ icscraftfair@icsmail.org



REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 15 & SAVE!

GIBAULT WOMEN'S CLUB

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

9AM - 12PM | GIBAULT'S CAFETERIA

501 COLUMBIA AVE | WATERLOO, IL

\$15 FOR AGES 6+
\$10 AGES 2-5
INFANTS ARE FREE

PLEASE RSVP BY DECEMBER 1



KID-FRIENDLY BREAKFAST
DIGITAL PHOTO WITH SANTA & MRS. CLAUS
ENJOY GAMES, MUSIC, CRAFTS & MORE

2025 GIBALT BASEBALL

Winter Camp

FOR 5-8 GRADERS

ALL CURRENT 5-8 GRADE BASEBALL PLAYERS ARE INVITED TO THE 2025 BASEBALL WINTER CAMP. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE COACHES, CURRENT PLAYERS, AND TAKE YOUR GAME TO THE NEXT LEVEL!

DEC. 29 - 31 | 9:00 - 11:30AM
FR. ED HUSTEDDE GYMNASIUM

REGISTER HERE: 

PLEASE COMPLETE REGISTRATION BY DEC. 7 TO ASSURE YOUR CHILD'S T-SHIRT ORDER!
 (LATE ENTRIES ARE STILL ACCEPTED)

OR TEXT
 "GIBALTBASEBALL"
 TO 41444

WITH QUESTIONS, CONTACT ANDY BLAKE
 ANDY@GIBALTBASEBALL.COM

Diocesan and Area Interests...

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2025



AT ST. HENRY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 MSGR. VOSS PARISH CENTER
 5303 WEST MAIN STREET, BELLEVILLE



SERVING 10:45 AM - NOON



**CALL 618-722-5024
 BY NOVEMBER 20
 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS**

No Carry-Outs Available

A meal delivery (up to three) is available to the homebound



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QUEST -

A two-day faith experience for Freshmen and Sophomores. Learn about your relationships with yourself, others and God in fun ways - November 22-23 at St. Dominic Parish in Breese. Sign up at www.bellevilletec.org. Any questions, please contact bellevillequest@gmail.com.



Catholic Conference
 of Illinois

ACTION ALERT

**Please contact Governor Pritzker to
 VETO SB 1950 - Legalizing Assisted Suicide**

At 2:54 a.m. on October 31 the Illinois State Senate narrowly passed SB 1950. The State House narrowly passed the bill in the Spring. The bill is now on the Governor's desk. This is the last chance to stop assisted suicide from becoming law in Illinois.

In Canada where assisted suicide has been legal since 2016, 1 in 20 deaths are now due to assisted suicide/euthanasia. Too many are giving up on life under this law.

**PLEASE CALL GOV. PRITZKER
 AND INFORM HIM:**

- People with disabilities, the poor and marginalized fear coercion and abuse under assisted suicide laws.
- Suicide rates increase in states where assisted suicide is legal, especially among veterans.
- There is a possible cost savings to insurance companies as they can provide cheaper lethal drugs instead of lifesaving treatments.

Go to www.ilcatholic.org for e-mail links, or call the Governor's office directly at 312.814.2121.



Seeds of Healing through Faith, Hope, and Love

Join us for our 3rd annual Seeds of Healing retreat on Saturday, January 17, 2026, from 9am-6pm. Bringing God's healing grace to those who have lost loved ones unexpectedly: suicide, sudden, tragic or unforeseen death.

Though the roller coaster of emotions experienced through tragedy can be enough to make one doubt God's presence, this day of reflection is designed to help in the journey through these emotions and come out renewed with confidence in God's love and care for each one of us.

Members of our ministry team for this day will include a variety of gifted individuals, Gerard Fleming (Ambrose Dad), St Joseph Cottleville
 Judy Reel, All Saints, St Peters, MO
 Diane Meyer, St Patrick's, Wentzville
 Sue Vana, Murphysboro, IL - author "Shaken by God's Love"

There will be time for healing prayers, discussions, sharing, for healthy outlet of emotions, and testimony from those who are healing from the same pain you may be feeling. Attendance will be limited to 100 participants total for Saturday, which will run from 9 am - 6 pm and will include lunch and dinner for \$68.

We are also offering the option for up to 40 participants to spend the night and to stay through 10 am on Sunday; those who choose to spend the night will have additional time for rest, fellowship, snacks, a private room and breakfast on Sunday morning. The cost of the overnight experience is \$162.

We expect to sell out, so please register early. We look forward to spending this beautiful time of healing with you!

For more information, don't hesitate to reach out to Barb @ 314.910.3942 or Mary @ 314.210.5098



Procession

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel

Offering

Holy Holy

Consecration

Mystery of Faith

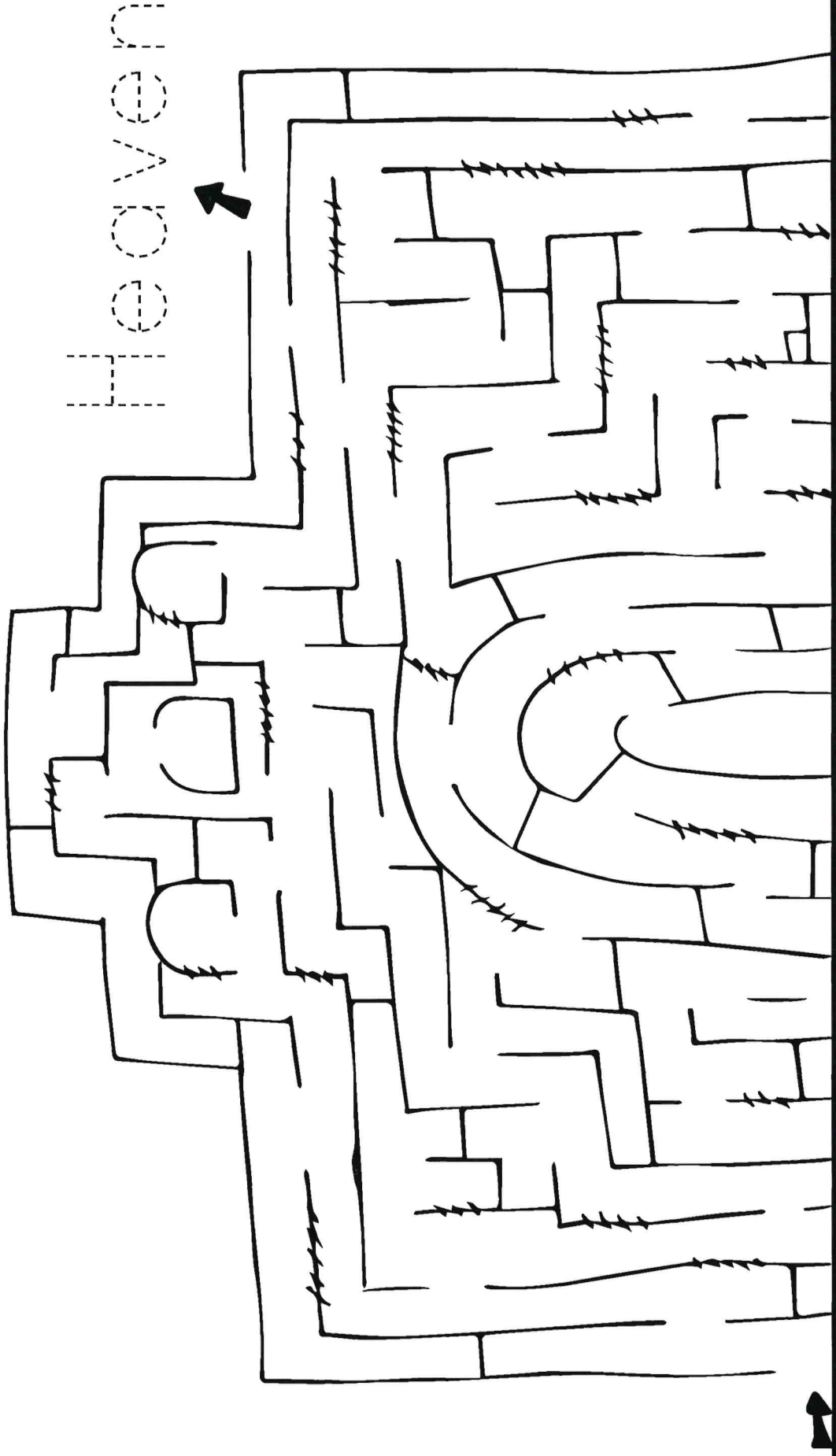
Great Amen

Our Father

Lamb of God

Communion

Procession



Gospel

Jesus told people that the temple, the church, which they had built on Earth, wouldn't last forever. He told them to focus on building their souls for Heaven by praying and thinking about God.

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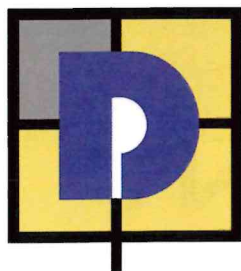
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