Immaculate Conception

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

October 4, 2026 | Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | www.icc-columbia-il.us

But Jesus said, "*Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them; for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.*" – *Matthew 19:14*

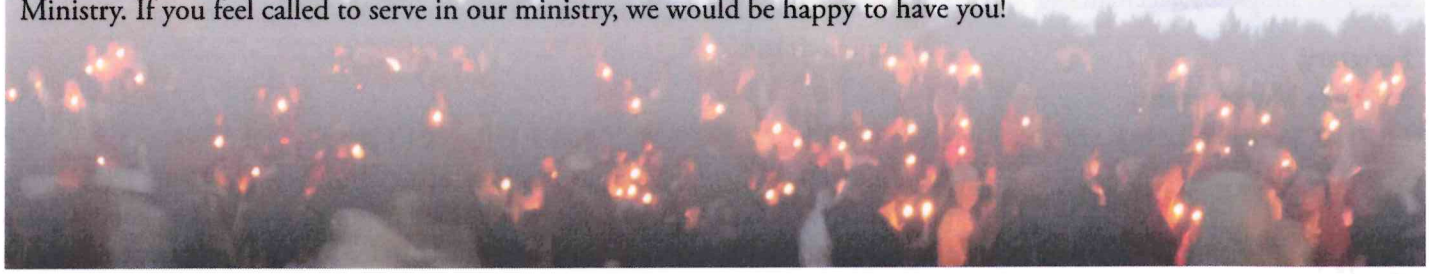


23 million babies are miscarried every year – many are without names, sex, or cause of death, but their memory lives on in the hearts they have touched. 21 thousand babies are stillborn (averaging 1 out of every 175 births), and their memory lives on as well. If you have experienced a miscarriage, stillbirth, failed adoption, a SIDS death, or the loss of a foster or abortion, you are not alone.

The month of October is dedicated nationally to recognizing grief from pregnancy loss. On Saturday, October 17th at 11:00 a.m., the Bereavement Ministry welcomes everyone to church for an opportunity to celebrate the life of your child, talk about your loss (optional), pray, and walk in your child's memory. If you have suffered any of these losses or are a part of a family that has, please join us in the Gathering Space. We will have a short prayer service which includes a .5 mile walk and candle lighting (rain or shine).

Come, remember, pray and walk in the memory of your child that lives in Heaven and still holds a deep place in your heart. *If you are unable to join us on the 17th, please fill out and return a slip of paper from the basket in the Gathering Space with your baby's name so that we may read it aloud and pray for them during our service.*

Please contact Kathy Fern, 618-719-1632, with any questions regarding the Walk to Remember or the Bereavement Ministry. If you feel called to serve in our ministry, we would be happy to have you!



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 y bienvenidos a la iglesia Catolica Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Tengas una semana bendita!

We livestream! To participate, please use this link:
https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmaculateConceptionCatholicChurchColumbiaIL

Parish Office Information

Office Hours: Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
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Parish Staff

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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@iccmail.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. Contact Michelle at the Parish Office if you have questions. *The initial course is now available online. Please contact Michelle at the Parish Office for directions. Not sure if you are compliant?? Contact Michelle at the Parish Office. *The refresher course for 2026-2027 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 Michelle 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

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

Monday, October 5	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Sharon Lelly
Tuesday, October 6	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Kerry Croney
Wednesday, October 7	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Dennis Gruchala
Thursday, October 8	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Donna Bauer
Friday, October 9	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Eugene Toenjes
Saturday, October 10	5:00 p.m.	We Remember Pete & Rose Kostecki
Sunday, October 11	7:00 a.m.	We Remember Carl & Bernice Riebeling
	9:00 a.m.	We Remember Fr. Gene Linnemann
	11:00 a.m.	We Remember John Clark

Please Pray For

Grant Koenigstein	Betty Schmieder	Thomas Oleski	Don Williams	Connie Cox
Doug Mercille	Gary Hoeffken	Lindsey Proksha	Dolores G.	Howard Martin
Theresa Zeisler	Joyce Rose	Karin Bennett	Cheryl Cobin	Terry Mouser
Larry Greenfield	Tonya Richardson	Adam Brandt	Julie Beckert	DeeDee Birkner
Beth Heisel	Jane Quernheim	Susie Settle	David Procasky & Family	Skeets & Judy Dumstorff
Arlene Kruse	Andy Amann	Larry Shuler		Kathy Chandler
Delores Deleveski	Nicole Hughes	Kasen Greer	David Thomas	Dale Papenberg
Susan Oswill	Laura Tasted	Jim M.	David Meyer	
Teresa Dorshorst	Sarah Davis	Jessica Oertwig	Barbara Kendall	

If you need someone to continue to be on the prayer list, please contact Michelle at the Parish Office to add them back on.

Troops in Service... CSM Joseph Pope, Dustin Crawford, Kaiden Timmons, United States Army; Colonel Brian Schoellhorn, Samuel Campbell, Chief Petty Officer Seth Spencer, LT John Paul Winkler, LTJG William Winkler, United States Navy; Captain Benjamin Thoma, Captain Alex Kawalec, United States Air Force; Ensign Kalia Jerkatis, United States Coast Guard

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

October 4, 2026

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7
Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Our Sympathies...



To Michael, David, John, Stephen & Lisa and their families on the death their brother William Conrad, 89, of Kirkwood.

To Geri Kutz and her family on the death of her brother Tim Frierdich.

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.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Spend some quiet time with the Lord.

Stewardship...

Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

September 20, 2026

Actual	73,612.15
Budget	81,500.00
Actual YTD	468,144.71
Budget YTD	524,800.00
Over (under)	(56,655.29)
Prior YTD	458,157.22
Over (under)	9,987.49
Guatemala	860.00
Votive	112.00
Gibault	265.00
Eugene Schorb Edu. Endowment Fund	53.00
Capital Improvements	815.00
Cemetery Maintenance	30.00
Retired Diocesan Priests	870.00
Sr. Thea Bowman	1,120.00
Picnic Donation	140.00
Phase 3	9,576.19
CEAC	340.00

From Our Young Stewards:

Treasure:	130.23

* The above totals include online giving through 9/15/2026.



September 27, 2026

Actual	17,781.55
Budget	26,800.00
Actual YTD	485,926.26
Budget YTD	551,600.00
Over (under)	(65,673.74)
Prior YTD	473,638.22
Over (under)	12,288.04
Guatemala	172.00
Votive	155.00
Gibault	80.00
Capital Improvements	80.00
Cemetery Maintenance	
Retired Diocesan Priests	100.00
Mission Sunday	80.00
Phase 3	3,551.50

From Our Young Stewards:

Treasure:	266.05

YEAR-END TAX PLANNING

To optimize your tax savings before the year ends, consider these year-end tax planning tips:

- Maximize contributions to retirement accounts like 401(k)s and IRAs.
- Harvest tax losses by selling underperforming investments.
- Bunch charitable donations into one year to exceed the standard deduction.
- Review your withholding and adjust if necessary to avoid penalties.
- Take advantage of flexible spending accounts (FSAs) before funds expire.
- Consider making energy-efficient home improvements for potential tax credits.

Contact your financial or tax advisor for more information.

– Immaculate Conception Planned Giving Council

EUGENE J. SCHORB FUND FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION

EJ Trust	$500.00
Memorials:	
Dennis Gruchala	$1,245.00
Irma Naumann	$720.00
Phase 3 Campaign Memorials:	
Eugene Toenjes	$305.00
Patricia McMullan	$250.00
Virginia Cruz	$25.00

Parish Events & News...

St. Francis of Assisi Blessing of Pets
on Sunday, October 4th, at Noon in the Lower Lot.
All pets must be on leashes or in carriers.



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.

Save the Dates!

Our Next Mission Trip to St Raymond's in Guatemala

Jun 7 - 11

We will need translators and medical professionals.

Please consider coming as a translator even if your Spanish is rusty - there are plenty of way to help!

Youth group will have a separate trip that will run concurrently with this trip

BLOOD DRIVE:

November 13, 2026 in the Garden Level

Parish Work Day! October 10, 2026

Upcoming ICY Events:

Sept 13. 2:30-4:40pm - Scavenger Hunt

Sept 16. 7pm - ICY Leadership Meeting

Oct 14. 7pm - ICY Pumpkin Carving Contest

Nov 1. 6pm - ICY Movie Night: Coco!

Nov 14. 8:30am - Work & Play Day!

Immaculate Conception Youth is open to all parish high school students. Check out our website For more details:

ICY@ICCMAIL.ORG



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 iccmail@iccmail.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 October 17 and 18. All proceeds go to the 8th graders' trip to Washington D.C.

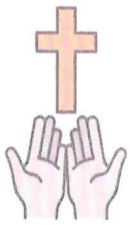
Ministry News & Happenings



Are you or someone you know unable to attend Mass?

Whether it be a temporary or ongoing injury or illness that keeps you away from joining us in person, our Homebound Ministers are ready to bring the Holy Eucharist to you on Sunday mornings.

Call the parish office at 618/281-5105 with questions or to get signed up.



ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Next monthly meeting is October 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the KC Room.

Snippet from Shea:

"If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing."

– St. Katharine Drexel

MEN'S CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Immaculate Conception has formed a men's group to try to help other men who have cancer or who have encountered cancer in the past. We are also open to those with any disease, those undergoing special testing or experiencing prostate issues. We hope through bonding with one another we can ease your mind with your issues. Any questions, please call Kevin Glasscock at 314-565-4418. **Next meeting is October 6th at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Level.**

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Do you or someone you know struggle with the loss of a loved one? ICC has started a support group for those struggling to cope with grief in their everyday lives. Grief is an experience that can be deeply personal, but it is also an experience understood by many regardless of age, socioeconomic status, gender, or religion. Whether your loved one has been gone for days, months, or years – we hope that you join us for our next meeting **on October 14th at 6:00 p.m.** in the Library. Because no one should have to suffer alone. For further questions, please contact Shea Christensen at schristensen@icsmail.org.

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!

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.

ICCCW NEWS:

PUBLIC ROSARY



Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026

12:00 noon

The Immaculate Conception Council of Catholic Women invites you to join them in praying the Holy Rosary for peace in our world and for the sanctity of human life on Saturday, October 10, 2026, at 12:00 noon, by the fountain in front of Columbia City Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to join in this powerful 30-minute prayer event which is being coordinated across the United States by over 25,000 other groups at the same time.

Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there; if you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them, and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky. Public prayer is like that.
-Saint John Vianney

We need to have a very successful Fall Raffle to pay for the church needs of ICP.

All members, look for your raffle chances on the table in the Gathering Space.

Our next meeting will be November 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12th is our Annual Bunko night. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Bunko begins at 6:30 p.m. The cost is $20.00 which includes a snack buffet and wine. Our Fall Raffle winners will be drawn at the end of the Bunko evening.

Thursday, December 3rd is the CCW Christmas party. The cost is $10.00 and will be catered by Mr. BBQ.

We are in the process of scheduling our Annual trip to Hincke-Sense for Retired Priests for December 9th. We attend Mass with them and share a lunch as well with them. We give them some Christmas gifts to show our appreciation for their many years of service to our Diocese.

It's a very enjoyable holiday outing.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHANGE A LIFE FUNDRAISER

This weekend, St. Vincent de Paul is collecting the change and bills you've been saving in your "Change a Life" cups from church. A large, labeled jar is on a table in the Gathering Space where you can drop off your donations, including cash or checks made payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

If you haven't picked up a cup yet, additional cups with instructions will also be available. This is an ongoing fundraiser dedicated to supporting our neighbors in need by helping cover essential expenses such as rent, utilities, food, and other critical needs.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

THE 2026 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

Those who are kind to the needy honor Him

YOU have the opportunity to support the eleven men who have answered "YES" to God's call to serve the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in our Belleville Diocese. The annual cost for each of our seminarians is over $50,000.00. Funding from the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps support the expenses of our seminarians and Vocation Office. Your pledge or one-time gift is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in Southern Illinois. Please continue to pray for vocations and consider making your gift today!

PRAYING FOR SEMINARIANS

Please pray for our Diocesan Seminarians.

Each week, we will feature one of our 11 seminarians. Please consider dropping them a note of support. At the very least, a simple prayer would be helpful. For this week:

Clinton Rauch – Saint Meinrad
Saint Meinrad Seminary
200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, IN 47577

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

VOCATION

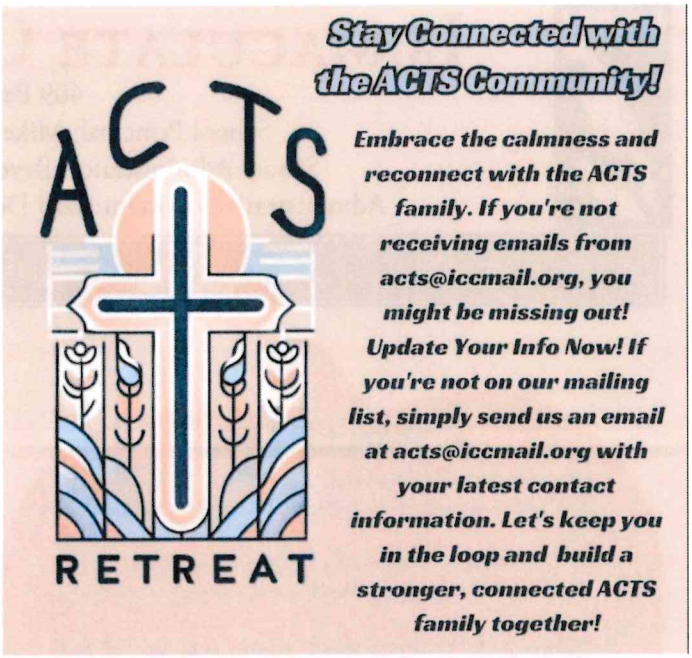
"God inscribed in the humanity of man and woman the vocation of love and communion. Love is therefore the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being."

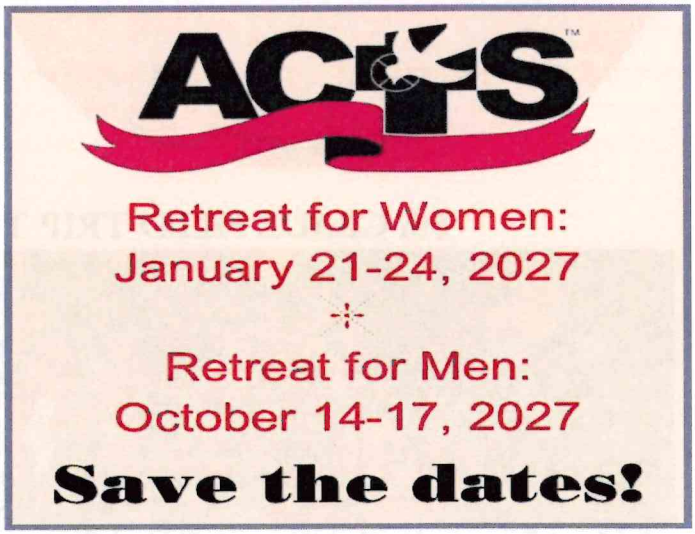
– St. John Paul II

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.







BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Next meeting October 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Walk to Remember – October 17 at 11:00 a.m.

All Souls Mass/Annual Parishioner Memorial Candlelighting – November 2 at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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

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7th GRADE FIELD TRIP TO CHICAGO



5th GRADE FIELD TRIP TO CAMP CAMP ONDESSONK



What's Happening at Gibault?

Shadow Visit Days

8th Grade Shadow Days

- October: 8th, 27th
- November: 20th
- March: 18th

7th Grade Shadow Days

- March: 18th
- April: 8th

Upcoming Events

- **October 4:** Open House, 12-3PM
- **October 16:** Bonfire Bash
  Student Mixer, 5-8 Grade, 6-8PM

Schedule Your Visit!

2027-2028 School Year
Application Open **September 1**
Apply Online
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Diocesan and Area Interests

Empowered by Faith: Hannah and Mary, Mother of Jesus

Judaism Christianity

In the Jewish Scriptures, Hannah's faith in God brings about the birth of her child, the prophet Samuel. In the Christian Scriptures, Mary responds in faith to the news that she will be the mother of Jesus. The two women express their thanks in prayer – Hannah's Prayer (1 Samuel 2:1-10) and the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55). In this presentation, Rabbi Andrea Goldstein and Mark Etling will discuss these two remarkably similar prayers and the women who spoke them.



Rabbi Andrea Goldstein received her undergraduate degree in Communications Studies from Northwestern University and was ordained from the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1998. In May of 2023, Rabbi Goldstein earned her Doctor of Ministry from HUC-JIR. She has served as rabbi at Congregation Shaare Emeth, the largest Reform synagogue in St. Louis, for the past 28 years, and in 2028 she will become the congregation's first female Senior Rabbi. In 2018, Rabbi Goldstein became the founder and director of the Jewish Mindfulness Center of St. Louis.

Mark Etling, PhD, teaches theology at Saint Louis University's School for Professional Studies. He also gives presentations on Scripture and Christian history at the Shrine, for Oasis-St. Louis and at various parishes in the St. Louis and Belleville dioceses.



October 11, 2026
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
$30

Register here:
https://snows.org/events/interfaith/ or call 618-394-6281

Diocese of Belleville Anniversary Mass

October 25, 2026 / 2:00 pm
St. Peter's Cathedral, Belleville, IL
Garden Reception to Follow

All are invited to come celebrate their marriage...



and if you are celebrating your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary, call or e-mail Martina Skorch for a special certificate by Oct 16.
mskorch@diobelle.org
618-722-5043

Daughters of St. Paul — Discernment 101

Explore God's will for your life with monthly gatherings for women, facilitated by the Daughters of St. Paul.

Join us for Saturday morning talks, small group discussion, prayer, and fellowship. Open to single Catholic women ages 16-33.

SEPT	OCT	NOV*	DEC
26	17	14	19
The Art of Attention *Noticing God at work*	**Interior Freedom** *Becoming who you are in Christ*	**Desire for Certainty** *Session held at UMSL Newman Center	**Tips for Discerning Religious Life**

Saturdays from 9:30-11:00 Central Time

Online via Zoom • Onsite at 9804 Watson Road, St. Louis
(onsite option includes 8:30 Mass and lunch)

Learn more and register
Email Sr. Amanda Marie at
stlouisvocations@paulinemedia.com

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"Discover the Power of Natural Family Planning"

NFP is a church-approved, scientifically validated system of fertility awareness that honors your marriage vows to love Freely, Totally, Faithfully, and Fruitfully. But how many children should you have? The Church leaves that to your prayerful discernment through "responsible parenthood"– balancing a generous heart with a prudent look at your life circumstances. NFP also empowers ALL women by decoding the body's natural signs. It provides deep insight into reproductive health, helps uncover underlying medical issues, and fosters true marital connection. Follow the QR code to learn about several different methods of NFP, Responsible Parenthood, and more. Contact mejoost@gmail.com for more help in finding the right method for you.

DOCTORS OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

The American Medical Association (AMA), American Psychiatric Association, and dozens of other medical groups oppose assisted suicide. The AMA says "Physician-assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician's role as healer." Physicians are entrusted with saving lives, not ending them, and assisted suicide violates the Hippocratic Oath. Tell your state legislators to Vote NO on SB 3499 - assisted suicide. Visit www.ilcatholic.org for additional information and resources.

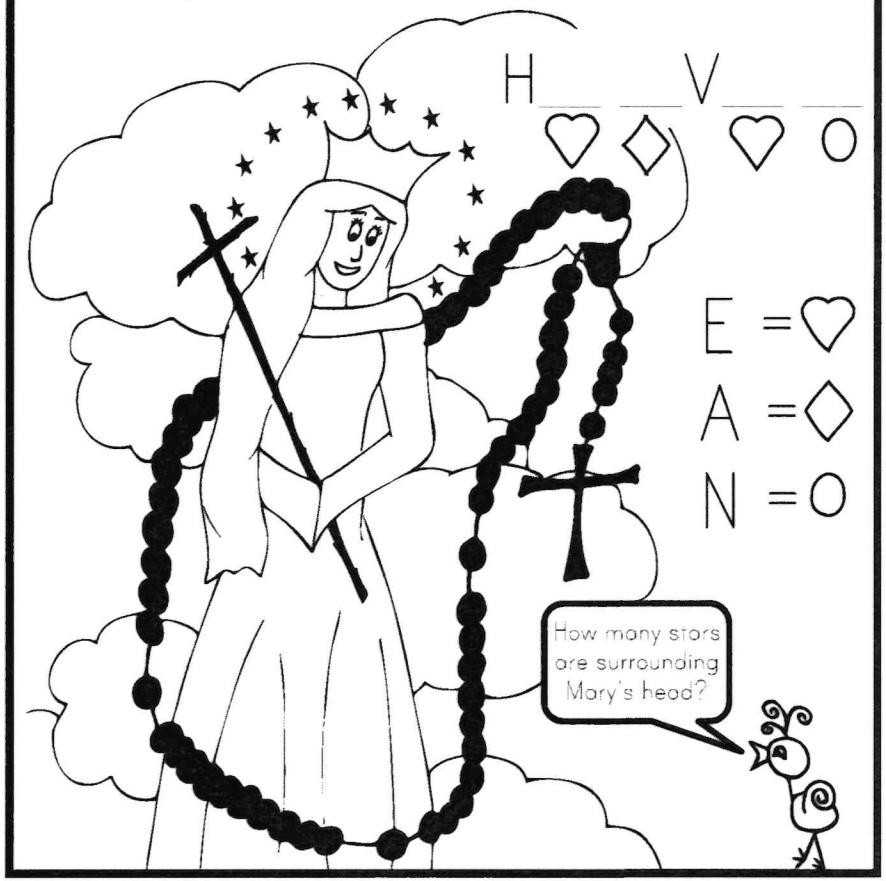
Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

The Rosary is a beautiful prayer made up of many smaller prayers.
Ask an adult to help you pray the Rosary.
Solve the puzzle to learn another name for Mary.

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Year A: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Kids Bulletin

October 4, 2026
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The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

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Before Mass starts, kneel and pray, thanking God for His blessings.

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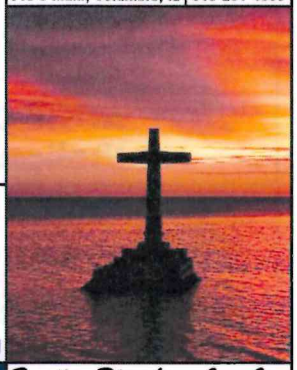
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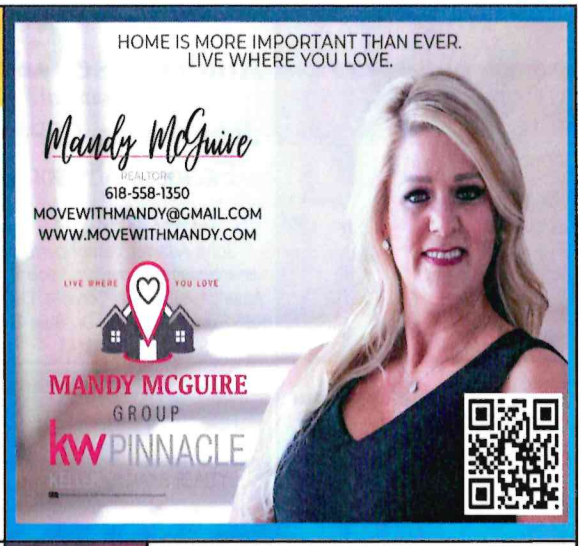
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