

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

SACRED HEART OF JESUS STATUE

Looking at several old pictures of our church, including all those in our parish hall, Br. Manolo and I noticed the beauty of the old statues, both the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. These were in our sanctuary before its remodeling nearly 20 years ago. The statues were placed at both sides of the main altar in our Church and stayed there for many years. I am sure that some of you still remember them, how you prayed before them and how you keep in your heart all those beautiful moments of prayer and faith. We do not know how they found their way to the basement of Villa Claret for storage. As you probably know, Villa Claret is the residence of our Claretian brothers and priests who, for several years, served at Sacred Heart Parish.

Br. Manolo and I located the statues there, following information we received from Mr. Jesus Orozco, our janitor. We only found the statues of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (three of them in different sizes). With the permission of Fr. Tom and the help of Br. Manolo, we brought the biggest statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to our Parish Gathering Area. You can see it at the right side of our church entrance. The statue is in a really bad condition. It needs to be repainted and repaired, some fingers on right hand are missing, as well as the left elbow. We also need to retouch the face and that means a lot of work. We would like to repair and restore it to its original beauty before our Parish Feast: The Sacred Heart of Jesus on **Friday, June 15, 2012.**

The Sacred Heart of Jesus statue has been part of our church for many years, and many of you, your parents and grandparents surely prayed before this Sacred Heart of Jesus. That is the reason why we value its spiritual meaning as a part of our journey of faith for all parishioners at Sacred Heart.

At this point Br. Manolo wants to talk with the Hispanic Committee to ask them to help with the restoration of the statue. He is also contemplating the possibilities for its restoration here in Springfield or in Chicago. He talked with some people about the work that is needed. Based on this information, we will soon be able to make the decision where the statue should be repaired.

If you would like to help us with this project, please make your donations to Sacred Heart Church and write in the memo –Sacred Heart Statue Repair.” We hope to soon have the estimate on the cost of restoration and will then be able to publicize it in our parish bulletin. Also, if you know someone in our parish who can repair the statue, please let us know (perhaps it could be less expensive). Thank you for your consideration to this letter. Have a great week!

In Christ Love,

Fr. Daniel Robles-Carvajal



FROM OUR PARISH

JANUARY 28-29, 2012 THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Liturgies This Week

Saturday	01/28	4:00 pm	+Evelyn Grechus
Sunday	01/29	9:30 am	+Richard Pohl
		12:30 pm	+Cristóbal Robles
		6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday	01/30	8:00 am	
Tuesday	01/31	7:00 pm	
Wednesday	02/01	8:00 am	
Thursday	02/02	8:00 am	
Friday	02/03	8:00 pm	No Mass
Saturday	02/04	4:00 pm	+Anita Quinn
Sunday	02/05	9:30 am	+Ramon Valdez
		12:30 pm	+Cristóbal Robles
		6:00 pm	People of the Parish

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

--Fr. Daniel – Presbyteral Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

--Fund(Fun)Raising Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

--Baptism of the Lord

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

--World Day for Consecrated Life

--PSR Parents Meeting – First Communion,
11:15 am or 7:00 pm

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

--Ladies Heart to Heart Meeting, 8:30 am

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

--Mirror Collection

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

--Parish Council Meeting, 6:00 pm

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

--Valentine Dinner Dance, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

--Fundraising Breakfast after 9:30 am Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

--Spanish Baptism Class, 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

--Ash Wednesday – Mass at 8:00 am in English
12:00 pm in English, 7:00 pm in Spanish

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 4th/5th

4:00 pm: Lector: S. Michael **Ushers:** L. Kellner, H. Pohl **Servers:** J. Sebek
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Otradovec, P. Otradovec, R. Dunaway, A. Griesemer **Mass Captain:** Kellner

9:30 am: Lectors: C. Farrar, R. Leyva
Ushers: L. Beuerlein, S. Beuerlein **Servers:** N. Leyva **Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Farrar, J. Pendleton, D. Pease, M. Pease, J. Yoker **Mass Captain:** Bowmaker

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

Christopher Siegismund, Shirley Kutz, Elaine Schaupp, Mildred Otradovec, Clay Enciu, Carolee Struble, Amy Mort, Rosemary Sebek, Pat Lohmeyer, Laura Beuerlein, Maryann Jennings, George Krudwig, Joe & Marion Petersen, Joe Miller, Richard & Marian McNabb. *May they experience God's grace and healing power.*

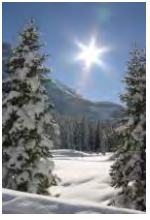
PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Please pray for the following friends and family of Sacred Heart in the military: Jesus Orozco, Jr., Andres Orozco, Kevin Petersen, Thomas Milam, Christopher Siegismund, Chris Michael, Michael Kellner, Aaron Kellner, Aaron Belt, Carlo Lorge, Tessi Bowmaker, Will Hornback, Ken Austin, Jason Jennings, Jenna Murphy, Emilio Valdez, David Lukansky, Daniel Newsome, Donald Moor, Ben Grote, Heath Jennings, Peter Pohl and Thomas J. Peebles

OUR GIFT TO GOD JANUARY 2012

Envelopes: \$471	Total: \$2,805
Plate: \$639.25	Total: \$2,220.22
Other Donations: \$835	Total: \$4,419
Capital Fund: \$195	Total: \$808.10
Maintenance: \$90	Total: \$1,224.08
Outreach Fund: \$0	Total: \$223

INCLEMENT WEATHER



We will follow the Springfield School decisions regarding inclement weather. If the schools are closed due to bad weather, we will not have the 8:00 am morning Mass on that day (or if Tuesday, the evening 7:00 pm Mass). Hopefully, this will help eliminate any questions about whether or not we will have Mass on inclement weather days.

BROTHER'S KEEPER

Greg and Joan Nutting will deliver food for the month of January to "The Kitchen" for My Brother's Keeper. Thank you Sacred Heart parishioners for your continued support.

HEART TO HEART LADIES RETREAT

All ladies of Sacred Heart are invited to attend a retreat given for us by Sr. Judy Warmbold at the Mercy Center in St. Louis on April 27-29, 2012. The total cost is \$141 per person, double occupancy or \$189 for single occupancy. All meals are provided and we will car pool to the Center. Bring snacks to share. To reserve your place, please fill a registration form (available from the office) and return it with a non-refundable \$50 deposit to the Parish Office by January 15. Space is limited so please reserve early. Final payment will be due no later than March 22. Massage therapists will be available for the cost of \$40 per hour.

END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENTS

The End of Year tax letters are in the Gathering Space. Please stop by and pick up your letters and help save postage. There was an error in the first set of letters, which has been corrected. If you previously picked up a copy, please get a corrected one from the box, and destroy the first one. The first set of letters contained contribution information for the 2010 tax year and has now been corrected to reflect the tax year of 2011. If there is an error on your statement, please contact the office so that we can make the corrections necessary for your taxes. Thank you Sacred Heart parishioners for your continued generosity.

ALTAR SPONSOR FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Ron and Janelle Dunaway
In Memory Of
Richard and Juanita Dunaway
John and Vern Fox

VALENTINE DINNER AND DANCE



The Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance will be held at Sacred Heart Parish for Sacred Heart Parishioners on Saturday, February 18 beginning at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be prepared by Chef Tony Garcia of Avanzare. Music will be by the "Wings of Swing." The cost of the ticket is \$20 per person. Seating is limited so reservations will be confirmed when payment is received in the office. Child care is optional and will be available strictly for ages 10 and under. *If you are in need of child care, you **must** contact the office and give them the name and age of the child. Only registered children will be admitted.*

HEART TO HEART LADIES GROUP

Heart to Heart is off to a great start with our next meeting on Saturday, February 11th at 8:30 am in the Parish Hall. This will be a Pot Luck Breakfast so bring your favorite breakfast dish, your own decorated Valentine Box or Bag and cards to hand out. This is going to be an old-fashioned Valentine's card exchange – just like the ones we had in Elementary School. Make sure you wear your red. We look forward to **ALL** the ladies attending. Remember, all ladies of Sacred Heart are automatically members and are encouraged to attend all our functions. Special thanks to our Outgoing Officers – Raquel Lawson and Ellen Chindlund. Thanks for your service over the past year. Congratulations to our New Officers – Patti Otradovec, Chair; Julie Sebek, Co-Chair; Ruth Kellner, Secretary and Sue Hornback, Treasurer.

DEACON ED'S HOMILY--JANUARY 21

The answer to Deacon Ed's "trivia" question in his homily for the question "What 2 persons in the Old Testament were referred to in a notable song from the year 1944? The song was written by Johnny Mercer and Harold Arlen. The Answer: "Accentuate the Positive" (Jonah in the Whale, Noah in the Ark).

PSR PARENTS' MEETING

Reminder: There will be a Parent's Meeting for First Communion students on Sunday, February 5 at 11:15 am or 7:00 pm. It is imperative that you attend one of the meetings if your child will be making their First Holy Communion this year.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Jim Farrar will be conducting Altar Server training on Wednesday, February 1st at 6:00 pm in the Church. This training will be for both youth and adult Altar Servers. If you are interested in serving, please either contact the office or just attend the night of the training. Remember, we are in need of both youth and adults to serve at all the Masses.

FIRST FRIDAY



Friday, February 3, is First Friday. I invite you to come to church and spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for family, friends, parish or others. Mass is at 12:00 pm followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:30 pm. We conclude with the Rosary and Benediction. Please use the signup sheets in the Gathering Space to select a time to come and pray.

NEWS AROUND THE AREA

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Thank you for your generous donations to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gifts will continue to keep faith in the region by supporting evangelization, developing lay leadership programs and strengthening religious and seminarian formation. The future of the region's Church is brighter today because of your help. Please visit www.uscb.org/nationalcollections to learn more about how your donations are making a difference.

ST. JOSEPH PCCW

The PCCW of St. Joseph Parish invites you to attend their Ham and Beans Luncheon on Sunday, February 5 after the 10:30 am Mass. Menu will consist of Ham, Beans, Cornbread, Fried Potatoes, Desserts and Beverage. Donations will be accepted. Any questions, please call Betty at 862-1939.

DIOCESAN WEDDING CELEBRATION

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, February 12 at 2:30 pm at St. Agnes Cathedral. Please mark your calendar for this event that celebrates and affirms the great gift of married love. Bishop Johnston will celebrate Mass, and a reception will follow in the school cafeteria. Any couple who will celebrate the 1st, 5th, 10th, 20th, 25th, 40th, 50th, or 50+ Anniversary anytime during 2012 is most cordially invited to attend. Family members of the couples are included in this invitation. Please RSVP by January 30th. The registration form is available on the diocesan website at familyministry.dioscgo.org or you may contact Katie Newton at the Catholic Center at 866-0841 or by email at knewton@dioscgo.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament. How? Register to attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in Branson, Missouri on March 2-4, 2012. For more information, contact Mark and Michelle Blackwell at mmbtruelove@sol.com or call 699-0401.

UPDATE REGARDING MASS AT ST. ANNE MONASTERY

The Diocese has received word from the Carmelite Sisters that they will not be returning to St. Anne Monastery here in Springfield. Because of the demands placed on the limited number of priests in the area, Bishop Johnston has announced that Mass will no longer be celebrated at St. Anne Monastery. Our Carmelite Sisters, along with Bishop Johnston, wish to extend their gratitude to all who have been offering prayers on their behalf.

BOY SCOUTS, GIRL SCOUTS

There are only 6 weeks remaining to finish your Catholic religious awards. These include Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts. All completed applications must be submitted to Ben Francka, 829 W. Rockwood Street, Springfield, Missouri 65807, or to Linda Becker at the Girl Scout Office in Springfield. If you have any questions, please contact Ben Francka at 861-8847.

ST. AGNES PCCW

The St. Agnes PCCW is hosting a Women's Lenten Retreat on Saturday, February 11. Bishop Emeritus John Leibrecht will be the Guest Presenter. Mass will be at 7:30 am, followed by breakfast and retreat registration at 8:30 am in the school cafeteria. The retreat will begin at 9:00 am in the Cathedral. The program will conclude at noon with lunch. Suggested donation to help cover the cost of food is \$5. Please RSVP by Monday, February 6 to Nancy Rebori at 887-9154 or by email at pinney5@sbcglobal.net. Babysitting (ages 1+) is available during the retreat. Please let them know if you are in need of this service.

MADP MEETING

The Springfield Chapter of the Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty will meet on Monday, February 6 at 7:00 pm at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. All are welcome. For more information contact Donna Walmsley, 459-2960 or visit www.madpmo.org.

THE TROUBLING CASE OF REGGIE CLEMONS

The Springfield Chapter of the Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty and the Justice for Reggie Campaign will sponsor a presentation on "The Troubling Case of Reggie Clemons--The Death Penalty and Wrongful Convictions" on Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Cancer Center at 2055 South Fremont Avenue. This program is free and open to the public.

CAMP RE-NEW-ALL

Registration forms for Camp Re-NEW-All are available on the Bulletin Board in the Gathering Area, or will be made available on the diocesan website at www.dioscg.org after February 1. Please contact Rosie Francka at rfrancka@dioscg.org or 417-866-0841 if you have questions. Camp Re-NEW-All dates are as follows:

Cassville: Fredericktown:

Session 1C—July 2-6 Session 1F—June 11-15

Session 2C—July 9-13 Session 2F—June 18-22

Session 3C—July 16-20 Session 3F—June 25-29

Session 4C—July 23-27

Session 5C—July 30-August 3

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

The next Virtus training sessions are scheduled for:

Monday, January 30, 2012, Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Branson, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Saturday, February 11, 2012, St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Ozark, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Monday, March 12, 2012, Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Branson, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Pre-registration is necessary: Go to www.virtus.org and click on registration on the left, or register at the training by arriving early. Participants must be present for the entire training, and sessions are for adults only. Updated schedules may be found at www.virtus.org or at www.dioscg.org. If you volunteer or work in any capacity at the parish, you must participate in the VIRTUS training.

SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

"Trivia Night: Mission Impossible" will be held on Friday, February 3 at 7:00 pm in the Immaculate Conception School gym. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. Cost is \$150 per table or \$15 per person. Feel free to bring your own food and beverages. Prizes will be awarded for Trivia Table Winner and Best Themed Table. Raffle for door prizes to include an Ipad2. You must be present to win. Please call Immaculate Conception School office at 881-7000 to make your reservations.

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CATHOLIC CENTER OPENING

The Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau seeks a qualified applicant to fill a full-time administrative assistant position for the Office of Religious Education. Duties also include clerical support for the Offices of Worship, Hispanic Ministry and Family Ministries. Applicants must be a practicing Roman Catholic. Qualified individuals will possess excellent organizational skills, good oral and written communication skills and the ability to deal with the public. Applicants must be proficient in Microsoft Office. Some knowledge of desktop publishing, project planning, as well as the ability to prioritize tasks and work with several different supervisors is helpful. To request an application, packet, please call Jan Smith at the Catholic Center at 866-0841. All applications must be received at the Catholic Center by February 15th. The anticipated start date is March 15.

POSITION AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH

St. Joseph Parish in Springfield is looking for a full-time Administrative Assistant. The position will include managing all administrative aspects of the office. Applicants must be a practicing Roman Catholic and be able to work independently, be proficient in computers and Microsoft Suites software. Please send your resume to the office at stjosephmo@yahoo.com.

ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

DESSERT BINGO

Along with Catholic Schools Week, St. Joseph will hold a Dessert Bingo on Monday, January 30th at 6:00 pm in their Parish Hall. The cost is \$5 per 2-sided card which is good for the entire evening.



Wednesday, February 1 is the Celebrate Life Collection for Birthright. All newborn/new mother items welcome - collecting all week!

Thursday February 2 is the Celebrate Community Diversity. There will be a Multicultural Fair in the School Auditorium from 1:00 pm to 2:15 pm. Presenters from several countries will be there sharing their culture. Everyone welcome!

AN EVENING AT HIS TABLE

You Can Help. St. Joseph Catholic Academy is seeking donations of wine valued at \$10 or above for our Evening at His Table fundraiser. Evening at His Table will be held Saturday, March 3rd, 2012, at the Tower Club. The donated wine will be used at the event to raise money for the Academy. To donate, please contact either Rose Leyva, Sacred Heart representative, at 889-4402 or by email at tejanos2008@yahoo.com or Bob Horton, Event Chair, at 224-5790 or rmhorton711@gmail.com.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday-2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13

Psalm 3:2-7

Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday-2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19:3

Psalm 86:1-6

Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday-2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17

Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7

Mark 6:1-6

Thursday-Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 24:7-10

Luke 2:22-40

Friday-Sirach 47:2-11

Psalm 18:31, 47-51

Mark 6:14-29

Saturday-1 Kings 3:4-13

Psalm 119:9-14

Mark 6:30-34

Sunday-Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Psalm 147:1-6

Mark 1:29-39

