

Dear Parishioners,

A Story

A woman, a mother, tells the story, about her young son and herself. She says:

My little boy came into the kitchen one evening while I was fixing supper and he handed me a piece of paper he'd been writing on. After wiping my hands on my apron, I read it, and this is what it said:

- For mowing the grass, \$5.
- For making my own bed this week, \$1.
- For going to the store \$.50.
- For playing with baby brother while you went shopping, \$.25
- For taking out the trash, \$1.
- For getting a good report card, \$5.
- For raking the yard, \$2.

Have any of you ever been there with your kids? Having them come to you and charge you for doing chores, and looking after themselves???

The woman continues her tale by saying:

I looked at my son, standing there expectantly, and a thousand memories flashed through my mind. So, I picked up the paper he had given me, and turning it over, this is what I wrote:

- For the nine months I carried you, growing inside me.
No Charge
- For the nights I sat up with you, doctored you, prayed for you.
No Charge.
- For the toys, food and clothes, and for wiping your nose.
No Charge.
- For the time and the tears, and the cost through the years.
No Charge
- For advice and the knowledge, and the cost of your college.
No Charge.
- For the nights filled with dread, and the worries ahead.
No Charge.
- When you add it all up, the full cost of my love, my Son,
There is No Charge.

That is what God's love is all about. There is no charge. Just a lot of hope - God hoping for us - God praying for us - God feeding us, God watching over us.

Hope you are having a blessed summer.

Blessings & Love!
Msgr. John Shamleffer

Monday, July 12
6:30 am
Rose Schroeder
12:00 pm
Ruth Tredway

Tuesday, July 13
8:00 am
Maloney Family
12:00 pm
Mary Ellen Powers

Wednesday, July 14
Blessed Kateri
Tekawitha
6:30 am
Poor Souls
12:00 pm
Greg & Jane Keuhl

Thursday, July 15
St. Bonaventure, bp
& doctor of Church
8:00 am
Rose & Fred Rudde
12:00 pm
Ann Ryan

Friday, July 16
Our Lady of Mt Carmel
6:30 am
Helene Schweitzer
12:00 pm
Jim Laflin

Saturday, July 17
8:00 am
Perfecto R. Arribas
5:00 pm
Dr. Francis Burns

Sunday, July 18
7:30 am
Harold H. Ahner
9:00 am
Marie Lattinville
11:00 am
People of the Parish

We Pray For Our Loved Ones

May God provide health
and comfort to:

Paul Voelker
Howard Kirkpatrick II
William Patience
Michael Phelps
Danielle Gardner
Lucille Bommarito
Joan Phelps
Colleen Woodard
Patrick Ampleman
Bob Barnidge
Tom Biondo
Marilyn Maret
Lillian Eck
Judy Williams
Fr. Frank Cleary
Elaine & John Edwards
Mary Slais
Mildred Fraser
Joan Wilson
Sean O'Connor
Lynn Burch
Joseph Niedbalski
Naomi Carmody
Richard Vance
LaVerne Safron
Sr. Eleanor
Lois Laffey
Peggy Holmes
Vincenttia Majka
Maria Guehlstorf
Kathleen Valenta
John Schweiss

Welcome to St. Joseph - Clayton, Missouri

Annual Novena Carmelite Monastery July 10 -- July 18

The 62nd Annual Novena to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel begins Saturday, July 10th and concludes Sunday, July 18th at the Carmelite Monastery, located at 9150 Clayton Road. The nightly schedule is:

Marian Music at 6:45 p.m.

Rosary and Benediction at 7:15 p.m.

Mass at 8:00 p.m. each evening

Speaker: Fr. Christopher LaRocca, OCD

Are You A Registered Parishioner?

It is as simple as a phone call. Call the Rectory, 726-1221, Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:00 p.m. and we can take your registration information over the phone.

Please share your e-mail address with us to better communicate upcoming events. Send to pat_stj@sbcglobal.net

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

This is the patronal feast of the Carmelite order. Pious legend tells how in the thirteenth century (the "Age of Faith") the Carmelite St. Simon Stock asked Mary to grant a special privilege to his order. And so it happened that on a certain day the Blessed Virgin appeared to him with a brown scapular in her hand saying, "Here is the privilege I grant to you and to all children of Carmel. Whoever dies clothed in this habit shall be saved."

This is the traditional prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel:

*O beautiful Flower of Carmel, most fruitful vine and splendor
Of heaven, O holy and singular one who brought forth the
Only Son of God while remaining still a pure virgin, watch
Over us this night. O Star of the Sea, O Mother of Christ,
Show us you are our mother, too.*

The feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is July 16, and it commemorates eighteen various scapular devotions, including the brown scapular.

Protecting God's Children

Any adult who works or volunteers with young people on a regular basis **must** attend a **Protecting God's Children** workshop and agree to undergo a background check. Background checks for previous volunteers were run recently. The next workshop will be at St. John's Mercy on August 19th at 6:30 p.m. You may go on the Archdiocesan Website, www.archstl.org, and look for the blue rectangular box under the red banner for more information regarding this program.

If you have any questions you are encouraged to contact Terri Venneman at 727-9059. Thank you for your support of this important effort.

Vatican Splendors Exhibit

(This is highly recommended by fellow parishioners & staff!)

ST JOSEPH - LOURDES GUILD

Did you know that St. Louis is one of only three states to get the **Vatican Splendors** exhibit? This exhibit comes HIGHLY recommended. If you would like to go with the St. Joseph/Lourdes group to see the exhibit, meet at Luepke's, 7207 Westmoreland, 63130, on Thursday, July 22, at 9:30 a.m. We will carpool to the Missouri History Museum. The cost of \$40 includes lunch at the new restaurant, Bixby's.

Please send check (payable to Lourdes Guild) to Judy Luepke at above address.

Rest in Peace

Let us, as a parish family, pray for all of our deceased parishioners, relatives, benefactors and friends. We remember all of our loved ones who have gone before us and pray that they are celebrating with our Lord in heaven.

When you go to Mass, please note who the Mass Intention is for and say an extra prayer for them.

Wedding Banns

There is a promise of marriage in Christ between

Bann II

Lucy Wolken & Adam Stanley

Bann I

Nicole Zigar & Todd Bailey

Please pray for them as they begin their life together.

St. Patrick Center "Back-To-School" Backpack Give-Away

This year we are once again asking St. Joseph Parishioners to support the St. Patrick Center "Back-To-School" backpack give-away program to help needy children prepare for the coming school year. Participating individuals and families are asked to donate a backpack filled with school supplies for one of four different age groups of students.

Please take one of the "Backpack Tags" on display on the bulletin boards at church entrances. Each tag lists the supplies needed for one backpack for one child. Parish families are encouraged to "adopt" one child (or more!) and shop for this child as a family. When you've completed your school supply shopping, simply tie the tag on to your backpack and bring to church the weekend of July 31-Aug. 1. There will be baskets provided for collection. The backpacks will be delivered to St. Patrick Center on Aug. 2nd.

Sunday Worship

July 17-18, 2010

5:00 pm

Altar Servers
Caroline Avery

Reader/Lector
Bebe Kennedy

Ministers of Communion
Peter Smith
Barb Gill
+Chris Gill

7:30 am

Altar Servers
Connor Gallagher

Reader/Lector
Bunny Hosler

Ministers of Communion
Frank Hackmann
Ray Chiostrri
+Stephanie Gallagher

9:00 am

Altar Servers
Brian Gaffigan

Reader/Lector
John Gillis

Ministers of Communion
Mary Carver
John Gillis
+Susan Hackmann

11:00 am

Altar Servers
Emily Looby
Andrew Looby

Reader/Lector
Mary Molloy

Ministers of Communion
Roger Drone
Carmen Leonardi
+Rosemary Woolley

+ Only when no deacon is present



The 2nd Annual Party on the Point is pleased to welcome musical headliner **Howie Day** to the St. Joseph parking lots on **Friday, August 27**. Howie Day is an American singer-songwriter who has produced a number of singles, including the platinum smash "Collide," which was featured in scores of TV shows, including

Grey's Anatomy and Scrubs, as well as in a

variety of films. The track became Epic Records' first platinum single, eventually selling 1.5 million downloads.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.partyonthepoint.com. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door and include three drink coupons good for beer, wine, soda or water. Food will be available for purchase onsite through The St. Joe Grill as well as other local outlets. Also this year, we're offering VIP tickets for \$200/each, providing access to the VIP courtyard with complimentary food and beverage throughout the night. Proceeds will benefit the parish's Habitat for Humanity build as well as Marian Middle School in the city.

We have a great group of volunteers again this year, so if you are interested in volunteering, please contact George Hinkle at 616-0298. If you have general questions about the event or are interested in sponsorship opportunities, please contact Meg Shuff at 314-769-9575.

WHEN YOU'RE OUT SHOPPING...

Please pick up some diapers, wipes and/or Target and Wal-Mart store cards and put them in the barrels with the baby pictures at the church entrances.

We collected two packages of diapers, one container of wipes and one Target store card last weekend - not a bad start for a new campaign and a holiday weekend.

To all who believe in the goodness of human nature, let's keep 'paying it forward' for the babies, moms, and the staff who take care of them at Our Lady's Inn and Good Shepherd Maternity Program.



Archbishop Carlson: 5th Commandment **Demands respect for life**

Since the first century, the Church has addressed the moral evil of abortion and the killing of a defenseless baby in the womb. People who are casual about the sin of abortion, and who choose to view it as a political issue rather than the serious moral issue that it is, are guilty of violating the Fifth Commandment which says - "Thou shalt not kill."

You cannot be 'pro-choice' (pro-abortion) and remain a Catholic in good standing. That is why the Church asks those who maintain this position, not to receive Holy Communion.

We are not being mean or judgmental, we are simply acknowledging the fact that such a stance is objectively and seriously sinful and is radically inconsistent with the Christian way of life.

(Archbishop Robert J. Carlson, St. Louis Review, 7/2/10)

From the Bridges Foundation: **The Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola**

The Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola in everyday life, sponsored by the Bridges Foundation, Inc., will have an information session on Wednesday, July 14 at 10 a.m. Questions? Call Cheryl Rauschenbach @ 636-225-8433 or go to cheryl_rauschenbach@yahoo.com.

Come experience the dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius on July 23 & 24 at the Sister's of St. Joseph Provincial House at 6400 Minnesota Ave., 63111. Questions? Call Miriam Wesselmann, SSND at 314-842-1672. Registration forms are available in church.

SVDP Thanks to ALL our Schnucks Shoppers

We appreciate all those parishioners who have signed-up and have registered for an eScrip card. I'd like to encourage those who have not signed-up, to do so asap! This helps our SVDP Society earn money which in turn helps us to assist those who are in need in St. Joseph's Conference. eScrip cards are located in the back vestibule on the table-please take one and register today.

Your purchases do make a difference! You simply use the eScrip card you have registered each time you shop at Schnucks and you automatically earn money for whichever charity you designate (up to 3 different ones can be selected when you register your card). Present your eScrip card at check-out for scanning & Schnucks donates a % of your total spent. It's that easy. For more information, you may contact Margaret Clark 910-8062 or email: margclark511@gmail.com

For students who are active Catholics, or interested in becoming Catholic, or still searching for their spirituality, and are attending **UMSL**, the **UMSL Catholic Newman Center** offers a warm and welcoming place to study, relax, pray, play ping pong, and hang out. We have student-centered evening masses, faith sharing groups, and leadership opportunities to help college students transition into a deeper faith with active roles in the church and the world. For more information contact Kay Dieckmann @kay@cncumsl.org.

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER

Readings for the Week July 11, 2010

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37
Monday Is 1:10-17 Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23 Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9 Ps 48:2-8 Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7,13b-16 Ps 94:5-10,14-15 Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9,12,16-19 Ps 102:13-14ab,15-21 Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6,21-22,7-8 (Ps) Is 38:10-12,16 Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10:1-4,7-8,14 Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a Ps 15:2-5 Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42