

Pride in Our Past; Faith in Our Future



St. Martin Pray for us!

ST. MARTIN CHURCH

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Parish Mission

- Proclaim the message of Jesus Christ to all
- Build up, in unity, the community of Jesus Christ
- Serve the needs of the community with the love of Jesus Christ
- Celebrate, as a community, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

November 5, 2017 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."
- Matthew 23:12

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Nov 6	No Mass	
Tues., Nov 7	5:30 p.m.	— 50+ Club Deceased Members
Wed., Nov 8	7:50 a.m.	— Keith Dudley
Thur., Nov 9	5:30 p.m.	— Rose Ann Schulte
Fri., Nov 10	7:50 a.m.	— Clem & Josephine Herx
Sat., Nov 11	4:10–5:10 p.m.	— Confessions
Sat., Nov 11	5:30 p.m.	— Skip & Martha Angerer
Sun., Nov 12	7:30 a.m.	— Agnes Raithel, Leo & Emma Rackers
	10:30 a.m.	— People of the Parish

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

October 29, 2017	Children	\$11.53	All Saints, Holy Day	\$69.00	
Envelopes	\$9,273.00	Donations	\$135.00	Cemetery	\$300.00
ACH	\$3,755.50	Votive Candles	\$23.00	World Missions	\$320.00
Plate	\$182.01	Samaritan	\$25.00	Total	\$14,094.04
It takes average weekly envelope contributions of \$18,632.94 to meet our Parish Budget.				<u>Maintenance & Repair Acct.</u>	
Average Envelope Contribution Budget July 1 – October 29		\$327,744.00	October 29, 2017	\$235.00	
Actual Envelope Contributions July 1, 2016 – Oct 29, 2017		\$317,480.22	Cash on Hand	\$22,419.28	
		shortage (\$10,263.78)			

November depositors: 5:30 p.m. – Marie Oppenheim; 7:30 a.m. – Christopher Lange; 10:30 a.m. – Dana Southard

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

The **PARISH OFFICE** is now located in school while rectory renovations are being done. If at all possible, call before coming to the office as all school doors are required to be locked. Call 893-2923 or 893-7575.

Saturday, November 4 thru Saturday, November 11

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Sun., Nov 5

Daylight Savings Time ends

2nd coll. SAMARITAN CENTER

After Masses DONUT SUNDAY hosted by the Scripture Group.

December donuts hosted by the Boy Scouts.



Mon., Nov 6

1 p.m. 50+ CLUB MEET in the cafeteria

K OF C BINGO ~ 537 Route T ~ 584-3200 ~ Bingo 6:30 ~ Doors open 4:30. Progressive #1 is \$3,750 in 20 numbers. Progressive #2 is \$900 in 18 numbers. Salisbury steak dinner special.

Tues., Nov 7

9 a.m. QUILTING in the altar room

Wed., Nov 8

1 p.m. VOCATION COMMITTEE MEET WITH 7TH GRADERS

6 – 7:15 p.m. PSR

Thurs., Nov 9

6:30 – 8 p.m. MEN'S CURSILLO GROUP 4TH DAYERS in the altar room

6:45 p.m. K OF C MEETING

Fri., Nov 10

7:50 a.m. VETERANS BEING HONORED AT MASS

Sat., Nov 11 &

Sun., Nov 12

The Daughters of St. Paul from Pauline Books & Media in St Louis will be visiting St. Martin's. The Daughters of St. Paul are religious Sisters whose mission is to communicate the Gospel with the media, in the spirit of St. Paul. Their publications of Catholic books, music, and DVDs – both for children and adults—will be available for perusal and purchase after the weekend Masses. For more information or special requests call Sr. Laura at 314-965-3512.



Diocesan Stewardship Update: So far, Saint Martin Church has raised \$16,758 of your parish goal of \$39,500, with a total of 71 parishioners participating. Thank you to all who have donated!



Join us for a thank you to Father Fred and welcome home to Father Louis Soup Supper, Thursday, November 16th, after Mass.

Just like our Lenten Soup Suppers, you can bring a pot of soup, or dessert or simply come to eat. Everyone is invited to join us for mass, good food and friends.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME to the following who entered our community of faith through the Sacrament of Baptism: **BAILEY MARIE BORMAN**, daughter of Ryan & Courtney Borman



VOCATION CORNER – This week as we celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week let us look around us to see what we can do, especially within our own families, to promote awareness of what God is calling them to be. Encourage them to stop and smell the roses of life and help them find their closeness to God through prayer.

Please pray for all seminarians, especially St. Martin graduates, Brad Berhorst and Matt Lorang. Your prayers and support make a difference.

IN THE SPIRIT OF ST. MARTIN (Feast Day Nov. 11) who generously gave to the needy, the Social Concerns Commission invites everyone to donate toiletry products such as soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, body lotion, tissues, etc. Travel sizes are also welcomed. Care packages will be distributed to our elderly parishioners who are confined to their homes, living in senior housing or in a nursing home on Saturday November 11. Please place donated items in the barrel in the back of the church. Thank you for your continuous generosity.



WANTED SECRET SANTA'S – The Jesse Tree with individual wishes is ready!!! Here is your opportunity to brighten someone's Christmas by being a secret Santa. The Jesse Tree is on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

Select a special someone and purchase the requested item. Please wrap the gift with the Jesse Tree tag displayed and return to the church by December 1st.

If you do not like to shop, you can make a monetary donation in the envelope provided on the bulletin board.

Thank you Secret Santa's!!!



VETERANS DAY PROGRAM – We are preparing our St Martin's annual Veterans Day program, on Nov 10, 2017, during 7:50 a.m. Mass in the church. SMS Disciples & Educators will be in attendance, along with numerous veterans & families. We are seeking info on living parish WWII, Korean War & Vietnam vets. If your parish family has a vet from these wars, please contact Ken or Kaye Meller @ 690-3679 or 690-9453 with their info. They will be recognized for their service. All vets are invited, please join us to honor these true heroes.

**Prayer to St. Martin de Tours
Parish Patron
Feast Day November 11**

St. Martin, helper of those in need,
your strength was trust.
You gave until you had only your necessities
and you shared them.
You allowed the Holy Spirit to guide you
in your sacrificial giving
because you trusted God in you.
You trusted that your work was Holy -
you lived your trust.
We ask your intercession before Jesus
that we may have
Vision to See
Faith to Believe
and the
Courage to Do. Amen

PASTORAL PLANNING UPDATE FROM THE CATHOLIC CENTER IN JEFFERSON CITY

With the feedback and input of our diocese's faithful, on Pentecost 2010, Bishop Gaydos established the Pastoral Plan priorities of **faith, family, reaching out** and **planning** for the future as a shared path for ministries and activities of our parishes and the Catholic Center (chancery office) in Jefferson City. The 2010 plan provided for a review after five years; the review concluded last year.

After the review, the diocese has re-committed to the 2010 Pastoral Plan. During the last year, parishes and the Catholic Center have intentionally engaged in a process that will help us: 1) to support each other regarding these planning priorities; and 2) to be more accountable in offering assistance and ministries that correspond to the Pastoral Plan priorities and to better address the needs of individuals and families in parishes.

Related to this effort is our initiation of a new phase of pastoral planning—a study and a process to evaluate **parish vitality and viability**. We want to share this information with you so that you will be aware of the general process and a pastoral goal that we, at the Catholic Center, want to do our best to abide by and respect.

A sobering situation that we are trying to do our best to prepare for has to do with our priestly resources. The average age of priests active in the diocese continues to rise; it's now 57. And by 2022—only five years from now—we could have as many as 20 fewer priests serving in the diocese due to projected retirements. This would reduce the current active number from 66 to 46. Some difficult questions and discussions will need to take place to prepare for the future.

Our goal is to complete this year's vitality and viability study in January 2018, so that diocesan administration and parishes will have sufficient time to develop plans in preparation for this new reality. Please know and be assured that local parish leadership and representatives will again take part in this planning process at both a parish and a deanery (regional) level. Broad consultation has already taken place at parishes through meetings with parish councils and leadership teams.

This intent of this update is not only to keep you informed, but to encourage your prayers and support for your parish and deanery and its leadership during this important process. Thank you for your prayers for, and participation in, this pastoral planning process to date, and the initiatives that have come to life and light as a part of this process. Please keep praying for our Local Church, your deanery, and your parish.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, who clearly points the way to her son, Jesus Christ, be for us a sign of courage and devotion to set our sights firmly on our Lord, Jesus Christ, in spreading the good news of salvation to all people. May God bless you for your goodness.

Below is a prayer that we are encouraging the use of throughout the diocese as we continue our work. Please copy and use freely.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Joseph Corel, Vicar General;
Sister Kathleen Wegman SSND, Chancellor; and
Father Gregory Meystrik, Vicar of Administration

Parish Vitality Prayer

Eternal God, Father most holy,
whose Son established the Church,
promising that the power of evil
would never prevail against her,
stir up our faith and bolster our perseverance,
that our faith may vitalize our parishes
and our perseverance maintain our outreach.
You have taught us that dying to self
and obedience to the Church
are essential to holiness, peace and unity.
Preserve our unity as one Diocesan Church,
and may the spouse of the Holy Spirit,
the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
protect us with her mantle
and intercede for us with her prayer.
Through Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

Faith Sharing: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 (punishment for imperfect sacrifices)

Reading II 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13 (Paul's sincerity)

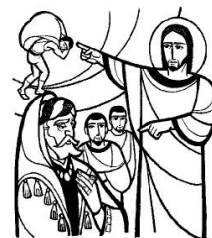
Gospel Matthew 23:1-12 (hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees)

Key Passage Jesus said, "Therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach." (Matthew 23:3)

Adult: Is there an area of your life in which you sometimes feel like a hypocrite?

Child: Why is it important for you to live according to how you believe?

Sincerity of heart



SCHOOL NEWS

The mission of St. Martin School is to teach a life of prayer, leadership, love, service, and kindness through Catholic education.

Scrip Selling Weekend: November 4/5, December 2/3, December 16/17

Monday, November 6 No School - Diocesan Teacher Institute

Tuesday, November 7 Parent Archery Mtg 7:00 p.m. in gym

Wednesday, November 8 5th grade plan Mass
7th Grade Vocation Mtg - 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 9 Student Council Mtg - 3:15-4:00 p.m.

Friday, November 10 4th grade plan Mass - Veterans Day

Upcoming:

Monday, November 13

Cookie Dough Sales begin

Wednesday, November 15

Council for Drug Free Youth UPLIFT 2:00 p.m.

Lit Club Meeting 3:15-4:00 p.m.

Friday, November 17

8th Grade sponsored 6th-8th Grade dance - Gym



To all Veterans everywhere

THANK YOU!

Celebrate Veteran's Day!

Happy Birthday To:

11/6 – Albert Heimericks, Adryane Meller, Cyndi Reichel, Lauren Schanbacher, Nancy Schulte, Daryl Struempfh

11/7 – Grace Davis, Chad Vocks

11/8 – Andrea Bondurant, Carrie Brauner, Kelley Farris, Mackenzi Gartner, Aiden Kirsch, Karen Meller, Anna Mae Schaefer, Carolyn Silvey

11/9 – Kaitlin Brauner, Charles Brown, Meghan Schaefer, Betty Steck, Harold Steck, Bill Woods

11/10 – Beau Harris, Pat Herigon, Jessi Hofmann, Chad Nierman, Montgomery Packard, Shirley Porting

11/11 – Jerry Block, Dean Reichel, Maddison Scheulen

11/12 – Nathan Beck, Shawn Chilton, Sharon Fennewald, Dustin Kroll, Jenna Oldham, Lawson Sullivan, Ellianne Tomlinson

Tweets from our Confirmation Candidates to the parish

- Sharing the word of the Lord benefits all.
- The oil of chrism is a very powerful act of faith.
- Living my life through the gifts of the Holy Spirit # livingood
- God love ya.
- The gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit are things we can use in our lives to spread God's grace to others.
- With the Lord's power I am given my strength # love of God # strengththroughHim
- Today we learned about the gifts and fruits. Holy Spirit rocks!
- Then He breathed upon him and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." (Jn. 20:22)
- I gained a better understanding of the fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit and how they affect my life and others around me.
- You shouldn't only try to be healthy by eating fruits, but also living the fruits.
- God is always giving us strength through everything # chrism
- Hopefully patience comes through me in my later years. # cantfish
- # Holy Spirit # Love # Peace # Oil of Chrism
- # Producing the good fruit in life.
- # I thought tonight was really good. All about kindness.



Confirmation

Upcoming Events

- Nov 6 **Daughters of Isabella**, Glennon Circle 322, will be meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Tanner Bridge Road. The Thanksgiving meal will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the business meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.
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- Nov 7 **Seeking Christ For Our Nation Mass** at 6:30 p.m., St. George, Linn and 7 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier, Taos.
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- Nov 12 **Relay for Life Bunco Party** at the VFW Hall, St. Martins, at 1 p.m. \$10 per person. For info & RSVP: Sandy Coleman, (573)619-1699, Brenda Wilson, (573)690-3669, Charlotte Dudenhoefter (573)230-8387.
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- Nov 14 **Pregnancy Help Center of Central Missouri 7th Annual Banquet.** An exciting evening of fine food, music, and comedic relief by renowned comedian Robert G. Lee from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at Capitol Plaza Hotel, 415 West McCarty Street, Jefferson City, MO.
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- Dec 9 **David Haas and Lori True** will perform a concert open to the general public beginning at 7pm at Saint Andrew Parish in Holts Summit. A free-will offering will be taken up during the concert and they will have merchandise to purchase.
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Word of Life

“Those who die in God’s grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing,”

ATTENTION: MISSOURI BIRTH PARENTS AND ADOPTEES: Missouri adoption law is changing!

On **January 1st, 2018**, adult adoptees (ages 18 and older) will be granted access to their original birth certificate. Birth parents have the right to protect their confidentiality under the new law, but they *must act before January 1st*. For more information, contact the Missouri Bureau of Vital Records by phone at (573) 751-6387 OR by email at vitalrecordsinfo@health.mo.gov. Visit the Bureau’s website www.health.mo.gov/data/vitalrecords/adopteerightsact.php for more detailed information.

November 19th: You Are Invited! Please join Bishop Gaydos as we celebrate our Catholic Identity and Unity! The day will begin with Mass at 2pm followed by a potluck dinner filled with ethnic delights and performances representing the music and dance of various cultures and backgrounds found in our Diocese. Bring your favorite dish and your friends to the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 19th.

To RSVP or for more information, please contact Jose Lopez the Diocesan Event Coordinator at (573) 635-9127 x 221 or jlopez@diojeffcity.org.

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Helias Catholic High School announces auditions on Sunday, December 3, 2017 for the musical BEAUTY AND THE BEAST for young talent in grades 5-8 and Helias Catholic students. Go to the SPRING MUSICAL link on the Helias website, www.heliascatholic.com, for details. This classic musical will be presented March 9-11, 2017 at the Miller Performing Arts Center.

Abbey Guest Center

General Info

All our retreats and days of recollection provide a setting which lends itself to quiet reflection, personal prayer and relaxation along with the opportunity to join the monastic community for prayer and Eucharist. Day programs can include overnight accommodations upon request. Contact us for more information or to make a reservation at (660) 944-2809, guests@conception.edu, www.conceptionabbey.org/guests

November 8 - Wednesday Reflection Day Series -- #3 – Fr. Donald Gibbs, O.S.B.

Grief: Recalling memories that heal. Grief is not one size fits all; it is not just sadness; it is not just the pain of loss. Grieving is an active, ongoing process. Did Jesus know grief? What does St. Paul tell us about grief?

Snacks/lunch/Director fees: \$20/person—(9 AM—3PM)

November 17-19 Praying the Liturgy of the Hours, Friday-Sunday

Learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours from your home. This introductory workshop gives you the resources and practice to pray the liturgical prayer of the church. Quick reference guides and how to use on-line and apps. Room/Meal/Director fees: \$180 single room; \$300 double room (\$150 each)

December 6 – Wednesday Reflection Day Series -- #4 – Fr. Peter Ullrich, O.S.B.

Advent day of reflection: Spend the day at the Abbey slowing down to ponder the true meaning of Christmas. Enter into the mystery and joy that comes with the celebration of Christ’s coming into the world and into our hearts.

Snacks/lunch/Director fees: \$20/person—(9 AM—3PM)

December 30-Jan 1 Annual New Year’s Retreat

Begin the New Year in prayer and reflection. Staff and Monks will look forward to the feast of the Epiphany—a reflection upon what the Lord has made known to us and how we will reflect that in our daily lives. Take time to bring in the New Year with more than resolutions. How do we make what the Lord has manifested in our lives become the gifts we offer to others? We will also offer special sessions and handouts in Spanish.

Room/Meal/Director fees: \$180 single room; \$300 double room (\$150 each)

Colton’s Steak House & Grill is promoting a special for the **Samaritan Center**. For the Month of November, bring in any three Thanksgiving related food items and receive a **FREE** appetizer. All food items collected will be donated to the Samaritan Center. Examples: canned fruit, stuffing mix, canned yams, broth, pumpkin pie filling, etc.

If you would like to have the **St. Martins Prayer Line** pray for your special needs,
please email Sandie Cope, sandieicu@gmail.com
