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Janet Cobb, Bookkeeper/Secretary | imm-con@sbcglobal.net | www.mcicparish.org
Parish Council Members: Dennis Benney-President, Jack Wells-Vice-President, Vicki Parker, Dennis Cobb, and Michael Smith

157th YEAR OF SERVICE

St. Patrick Parish

505 First St. | Jonesburg | Missouri | 63351



636.488.5623 Parish Office | Office Hours T—Th 9am-1pm
Debbie Enger, Secretary | stpats@centurytel.net | www.stpatricksjonesburg.org
Parish Council Members: Dan Schwartz (314-488-7118)-President, Michael Van Beek (641-275-5184)-Vice-President, Barb Turpin (636-368-2157)-Secretary, Jocelyn Schluss (573-953-0324), and Derrick Cobb (636-359-8959)

Society of St. Vincent DePaul - 573.835.3631 **Fr. Ernest Dike, Parochial Administrator, edike@diojeffcity.org** **Bulletin Deadline 9:00 AM on Wednesdays**

October 25, 2026 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission
To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exit in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

St. Patrick Parish Mission
As a church community here at St. Patrick, we want to know, love and serve Jesus in our efforts in: Christian formation/faith development; worship; social services; and stewardship of resources.



See!
I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand.
Isaiah 49:15

Welcome everyone to Eucharistic Adoration

On the 3rd Wednesday of each month at **St. Patrick** from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

On Tuesdays at **Immaculate Conception** starting at 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM . At 5:00 PM Adoration will close with Devotion to the Divine Mercy and Benediction. Mass will start at 5:30 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration is a special time to worship and praise our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and to deepen your intimate friendship and be nourished and strengthened by His presence and love.

Love Is a Verb

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSsR

"Love makes the world go 'round." Or another saying: "Love is all you need." Love, so necessary, so welcome, and seemingly so elusive. How can something be so needed, so valued, and so treasured and at the same time be so rare and even, at times, so difficult? Philosophers, poets, and scribes all provide different insights, each capturing something of the truth yet remaining somehow incomplete.

Jesus changes the context: love understood not as a feeling or as an emotion, but as a commandment. In God's kingdom, love is not something you pursue or something you hope to find. Living in God's kingdom, love is something you *do*. It is core; it is essential. It is how you live. It is how you form your judgments and perceptions. It is what energizes your choices and your decisions.

We come closer and closer each day to loving God fully when we understand the need to embrace the "unspoken" commandment: "[Jesus said,] 'For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it'" (Matthew 16:25). ●

LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF *OUR PARISH COMMUNITY*

Reflect
Do I think of love as a feeling or as an action—as a noun or a verb?



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Mass Schedule & Intentions for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick

Mon	October	26th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tues	October	27th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Wed	October	28th	NO Mass - Jonesburg
Thur	October	29th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Fri	October	30th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Sat	October	31st	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City - Our Parish Family
Sun	November	1st	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg
			10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City +Mark Schneider

A reminder: *If there is a funeral at any of the two parishes or a school cancellation due to weather, there will be* ***no*** *scheduled Mass.*

Immaculate Conception Parish & School

	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal July 26 - July 26	$51,246.56	$77,070.89	-$25,825.33
July 2026	$51,246.56	$77,070.89	-$25,825.33

	Church	ICS/Daycare	Total
October 4th	$6,256.40	$5,597.00	$11,853.40
October 11th	$2,846.00	$4,746.00	$7,592.00
October 18th	Next week		
October 25th			
Weekly Goal	$13,768.96	Wkly Avg	$9,722.70

Your Gifts to God!

Thank You!



St. Patrick Parish

	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal Jul 25-June26	$149,245.50*	$103,977.27	$45,268.23
July, 2026	$12,738.27*	$19,141.69	-$6,403.42
Capital Campaign	$17,925.00		

*Capital Campaign is included in Total Income

	Church	Total
October 4th	$1,914.55	$1,914.55
October 11th		
October 18th		
October 25th		
Weekly Goal	$1,964.42	Wkly Avg $1,914.55

Additional Financial Information

Capital Improvements/Maintenance of Bldgs. & Grounds - $75.00
Donation for OCIA - $500.00
All Saints/All Souls Days - $40.00

Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Registered in the parish.
- Regularly participates in Mass and the Sacraments.
- Supports the parish financially.
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment.

Sacraments & Information

Parish Membership: Please call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: IC Sat 4:15PM-4:45PM, SP Sun 7:15AM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

To Become a Catholic: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Please call for details. Classes on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM at ICS.

Hospitalization: If you are hospitalized or have a family member who is home-bound, please call the parish office.

	Mass Ministries	October 24th & 25th	October 31st & November 1st	November 7th & 8th	November 14th & 15th
IC SAT 5PM	Lector	Beth Cobb	Dennis Benney	Beth Roesner	Gary Hoette
	Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Cobb, Ruth Ann O'Keefe, Megan Hans	Gary Hoette, Beth Cobb, Mary Pottebaum	Tom Cobb, Megan Hans, Dennis Cobb	Mary Pottebaum, Gary Hoette, Ruth Ann O'Keefe
	Ministers of Hospitality	Kasey Pottebaum Family	Steve & Beth Cobb Daryl & Nancy Cobb	Bob Dryden, Tom Cobb, Bill & Liz Huston	Jacob Hans Family
	Servers	Lila Broz Mercer Cothren	Ella Hans Emelia Hans	Lila Broz Jacob Roesner	Mercer Cothren Beth Roesner
	Money Counters	Dottie Brueggen & Debbie Heidelberger	Dennis Cobb & Megan Hans	Daryl Rhoads & John/Aggie Baldetti	Don/Sandy Oakes & Judy Cobb
IC SUN 10AM	Lector	Michael Readey	Amanda Arens	Michael Smith	Jerry Witthaus
	Children's Liturgy	Dianne Talley	Geri Park	Rachel Rakers	Anna Harrell
	Eucharistic Ministers	Jenidean Readey, Jack Wells, Pat Stumbaugh	Gayle Adams, Tony Wessel, Steve Williams	Dennis Cobb, Jacob Lotton, Eileen Lotton	Jack Wells, Jenidean Readey, Pat Stumbaugh
	Ministers of Hospitality	Jeff & Amanda Arens Pat & Janet Stumbaugh	Dave & Janet Cobb Charlie & Pat Korman	Jerry Neale, Tony Wessel Ron & Dianne Talley	Dana Schneider, Brady Craven, Steve Williams, Julie Worsham
	Servers	Axton & Maverick Johnson	Leia & Luke Johnson	Keagan Raker & Josie Harrell	Wade Harrell & Axton Johnson
	Money Counters	Gayle/Rick Adams & Dave Teeter	Vicki Parker & Mark Brower	Elaine Winford & Steve Williams	Pam Schwartz & Cathy McCormack
SP SUN 8AM	Hospitality/Usher	Ellis Family	Youth	Farrar Family	Nancy & John Cobb
	Altar Clean Up Only	Jan Milzark	Jan Milzark	Laurie Dothage	Jan Milzark
	Lector	Nancy Cobb	Gracie Cobb	Julie Ellis	Laurie Gilbert
	Servers	Luke Farrar & Carl Johnson	Jordan Finke & McCullie Schluss	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson
	Eucharistic Ministers	John Cobb, Sr. Vicki Duenke, Terri Lenzenhuber	Bridget Cobb, Barb Turpin, Sara Johnson	Nancy Cobb, Vicki Duenke, John Cobb, Sr.	Terri Lenzhuber, Barb Turpin, Sara Johnson
	Money Counters	Gracie Cobb & John Cobb, Sr.	Derrick Cobb & John Cobb, Jr.	Jan Milzark & Karen Stenger	John Cobb, Jr. & Brad Ellis

Remember, if you are unable to complete your assigned time, you are responsible for finding a replacement! Thank you for your service!

Dear Padre,

I occasionally need to be reminded why I should remain Catholic. Can you help?



JESUS FERNANDEZ / SHUTTERSTOCK

Whether our faith was inherited at birth or adopted later, it's healthy to periodically reexamine our beliefs and practices with the intent to grow closer to God. Saint Paul uses the metaphor of moving beyond milk to solid food to explain our maturing faith. (See Hebrews 5:12–14). Questions or doubts are not necessarily signs of crisis or disloyalty to God or the Church. Indeed, it's often when we challenge pat answers that God moves us to a deeper meaning and stronger relationship—that is, if we're steadfast on the path to holiness. People remain Catholic for numerous reasons, including:

- the Church's belief in God's goodness to us through the sacraments;
- a 2,000-year tradition of living the gospel in a universal, multicultural community of faith;
- a proven track record as an agent for personal and spiritual growth and social transformation.

When Church members' behavior is contrary to Christ's mission, and our confidence to remain is tested, it's good to recall that the Church is divinely fortified and humanly composed. People remain Catholic because the Church exists to bring us into full communion with God, through Christ, by working toward the fullness of the kingdom. "The Church 'is the visible plan of God's love for humanity,' because God desires 'that the whole human race may become one people of god, form one body of Christ, and be built into one temple of the Holy Spirit'" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 776). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV



FABRIZIO MAFFEI / SHUTTERSTOCK

Health cannot be a luxury for the few.... Universal health coverage is not merely a technical goal to be achieved; it is primarily a moral imperative for societies that wish to call themselves just. Healthcare must be accessible to the most vulnerable, then, not only because their dignity requires it but also to prevent injustice from becoming a cause of conflict.

ADDRESS TO CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS, ROME, MARCH 19, 2026

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Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about ***Dear Padre***.

Monday
October 26
Weekday
Eph 4:32—5:8
Lk 13:10–17

Tuesday
October 27
Weekday
Eph 5:21–33
Lk 13:18–21

Wednesday
October 28
Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19–22
Lk 6:12–16

Thursday
October 29
Weekday
Eph 6:10–20
Lk 13:31–35

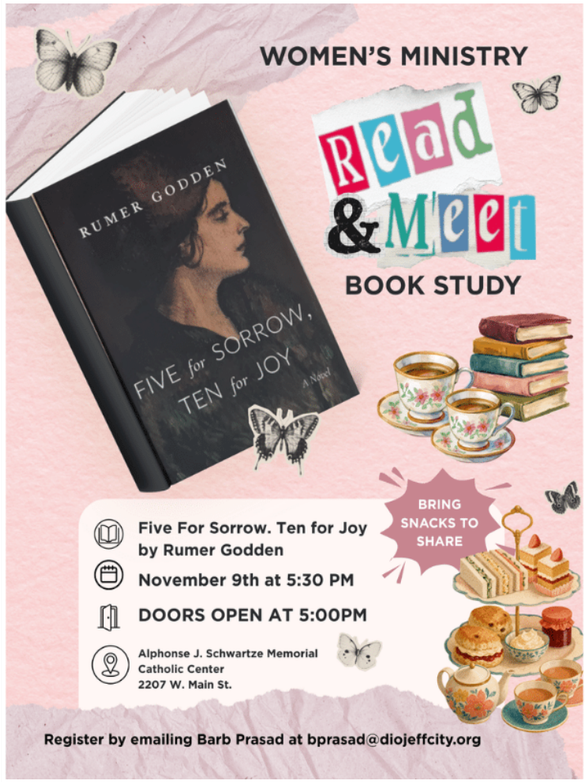
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October 30
Weekday
Phil 1:1–11
Lk 14:1–6

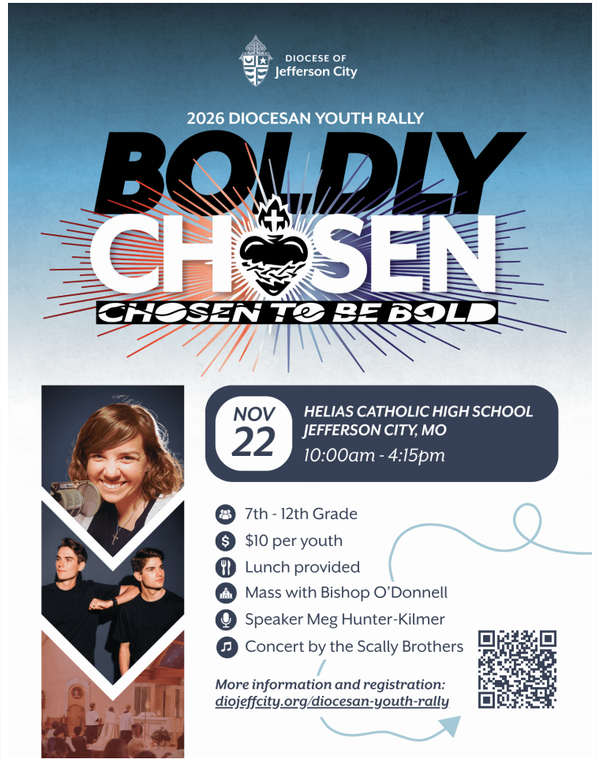
Saturday
October 31
Weekday
Phil 1:18b–26
Lk 14:1, 7–11

Sunday
November 1
All Saints
Rv 7:2–4, 9–14
1 Jn 3:1–3
Mt 5:1–12a

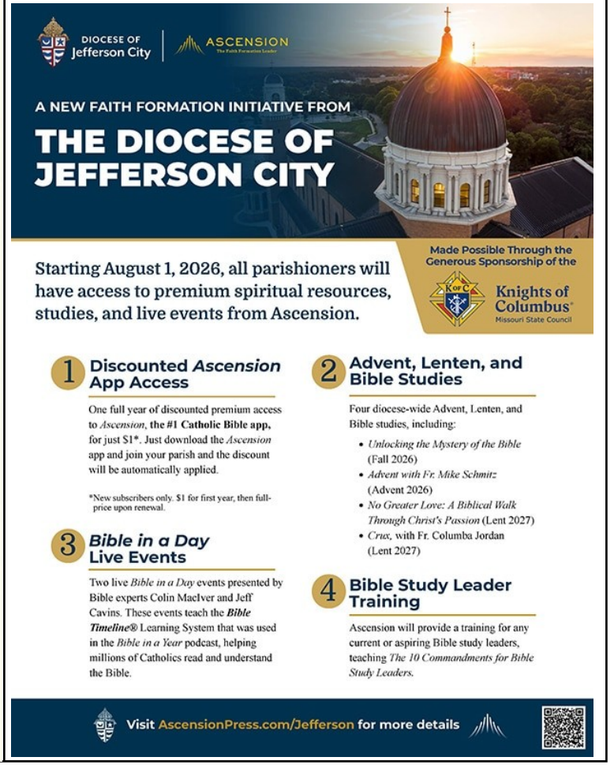
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Upcoming Events and Announcements

Monday October 26th	**IC**	6:30 PM - Society of St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday October 27th	**IC** **IC** **IC**	6:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Adoration NO Benediction & Devotion to Divine Mercy 6:30 PM - OCIA Class - The Catholic Faith Explained - The Eucharist Source & Summit of Christian Life
Wednesday October 28th	**IC** **IC**	9:00 AM to 1:30 PM - Quilting at the St. Vincent dePaul Building - all are welcome 5:30 PM - Choir Practice
Thursday October 29th		
Friday October 30th		
Saturday October 31st		
Sunday November 1st	**IC** **SP**	All Saints Day After Mass - Coffee & Donut on Patio After Mass - Coffee & Donuts in the Parish Hall - all are welcome!





Daylight Savings Time Ends!!



Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.
Jeremiah 29:12

Please keep in your prayers the following people:

Residents of Aspire Nursing Home (formerly St. Andrews)
515 Picnic Street, New Florence, MO 63363
Bill Muenz, Dorothy Bowman, and Tony Boes

Resident of Cedarhurst Senior Living, Memory Care Unit 13,
1290 Wentzville Pkwy, Wentzville, MO 63385
Sandi Waddell

Resident of The Arbors at South Pointe
5125 Old State Hwy 100, Room 13, Washington, MO 63090
Peggy Gardner

Residents of Aspire Nursing Home
308 Cedar Avenue, Jonesburg, MO 63351

Resident of Oake Pointe
700 Forrest Ave, Warrenton 63383
Fr. Lou Dorn



Please pray for the struggling, sick and infirmed:

Dick & Shirley Arens, Corey Bainbridge, Al & Christine Barger, Gail Burch, Mike Busken, Elizabeth Brueggen, Molly Brueggen, Larry Brueggemann, Parker Calbreath, Bonnie Cannon, Christopher Carey, Tom Carey, Robert Carillo, Bill Cobb, Margie Cobb, Clint Cunningham, Ryan Cunningham, Pamela (Ingram) Dennis (Debbie Heidelberger's cousin), Lori Dorsey, Kim Dryden, Gary Eatherton, Ebbesmeyer Family, Nick Erbe, Richard Grelle, Lucille Griesbauer, Anna Gross, Ed Grillo, Henry Hamill, Antoinette Hoing, Howard Hollensteiner, Heidi Holtz, Pauline Horstdaniel, Greg Houdyshell, Jane Hubbard, Effie Kanwischer, Ingrid Keller, Genevieve Kelly, Annie Kempf, Darlie Lamb, Pat Merz, Kathleen Mohrmann, Nancy Nylund, Donna Powell, Peggy Readey, Rae Jean Rhoads, Leah Richard, Jenna Richterkessing, Nick Schneider, Maggie Schiefelbein, Nancy Smiley, Eric Smith, Evelyn Strauss, Katherine Stroot, Becky (Bainbridge) Taylor, Dalton Tidball, Sue Umphenour, Sandi Waddell, Tom Waddell, Lisa Wise, Kevin Wilding Family



Please pray for all our men and women in the armed services

Brandon Wells, Dylan Willis, Daniel Lohmann, Donnie Wisdom, Alex Brueggen, & Justin Beabout



Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. *~Ephesians 5:25*

Congratulations to the following couple(s) as they celebrate their special day!



Jacob & Megan Hans - 13 years of marriage on October 26th
Daryl & Nancy Cobb - 32 years of marriage on Octboer 29th

Green = St. Patrick Blue = Immaculate Conception

Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating in October at St. Patrick!

5th - Lou Claussen
8th - Derrick Cobb
9th - John Cobb, Jr.
9th - Heath Sellenriek
13th - Addison Schluss
30th - McCullie Schluss



Thank You Party

By the time you read this, our 10th Annual Harvest Picnic will be behind us. Plans will be underway for the upcoming Trivia Night. Yes, we have quite a few fundraisers during the year-and, that's good: we raise money for some really worthwhile causes.

BUT,

We need to take some time to sit back with your family, fellow parishioners, friends, school families, etc., and congratulate ourselves on jobs well done!

Whether you supported efforts such as the Lenten Fish Fries, the Tootsie Roll Drive at the Four-Way, the No Hunger Holiday, the quilt raffles held by the K of C Ladies' Auxiliary, past Trivia Nights, the Mardi Gras Party, the K of C Sausage Dinners or any other fundraiser, this "Thank You Party" is for you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SAT., NOVEMBER 7TH

An anonymous donor is covering the cost of rental of the K of C Hall and a DJ who will play music from 6:30-9:30 PM from the 70's, 80's, 90's and beyond for your dancing and listening pleasure.

NO EARPLUGS NEEDED!

The DJ has agreed to keep the volume at a level that you can enjoy listening/dancing to and still talk to your friends across the table!

THIS IS NOT A FUNDRAISER, SO NOBODY WORKS!

All you need to do is bring refreshments to share with others (tea and lemonade will be available) and table games to enjoy while waiting for your favorite dance tunes. This will be a family friendly event as many of our "workers" at these events have been children. So bring your kids!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

PLEASE REMEMBER *NOT* TO PARK IN THE STREET FACING MFA OR IN FRONT OF THE SCALES DURING HARVEST SEASON. ***~Thank you!***



Daylight Hours



This is the time of the year when daylight hours are rapidly changing. When children leave for school or wait at the bus stop, it is darker and more dangerous for them to be seen by drivers. In a couple weeks we will be setting our clocks back one hour. Hopefully, this will help for the mornings but it will get darker earlier in the evening. Drivers please watch out for people walking or jogging.

St. Patrick's News

October Mass Intentions

4th +Susie Ryan
11th +Robert Boland
18th +Jim Wortmann
25th +Clem Hagenhoff



The Parish Office will be closed until November 4th.

Back Pack Program (aka Basic Needs of Jonesburg" Program) - The new school year is in full swing and the Back Pack program needs our financial support. Nancy Cobb went shopping last week and mentioned the funds are really low and donations are needed. Your financial support is greatly needed and appreciated so **No child will go hungry**. Thank you for your generosity.

On October 25th, each registered member will have a packet with their name on it in the back of church. There will be packets available for anyone new to our parish that hasn't completed a form in the last 2 years.



This weekend is our **Catholic Stewardship Commitment Weekend**, and today's Gospel reminds us what stewardship is truly about: **love**.

Jesus calls us to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

After several weeks of prayerful discernment, today we are invited to respond. As you make your commitment of **time, talent, and treasure**, remember that this is more than completing a form. It is our grateful response to everything God has given us.

May our commitments reflect our love for God and one another as we **"Serve the Lord with Gladness."**

Immaculate Conception School News

Ms. Dana Schroeder, School Principal | Mrs. Anna Harrell, Administrative Assistant | 573.564.2679 - School Office | immaculateconception@icschool-mc.org

Important Dates:

October 28th - Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7 PM
October 29th - Little Bit of Heaven Celebration & Roosters Farm Field Trip
October 30th - NO SCHOOL
October 30th: Home & School Trivia Night - Grab your table!

OH MY! The first quarter of school is over. I guess what they say is really true, time really does fly when you are having fun! We are looking forward to the next quarter that will be full of thankfulness! Speaking of which, we are thankful for our parish family for the continued support, the quilters for taking the time to put together goodie bags for all of our kiddos, and all of those who donated items and monetary donations for Trivia Night!





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HOME & SCHOOL

AROUND THE WORLD TRIVIA NIGHT



FRIDAY, OCT. 30, 2026

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL - MONTGOMERY CITY, MO

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM, PLAY BEGINS AT 7PM

LIVE AUCTION | RAFFLES | SILENT AUCTION



Dress Up and Decorate Your Table
Prizes for Best Costume and Best Table



MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND - BYOB AND SNACKS

$140 PER TABLE OF 8 (BEFORE OCT. 23)
OR $20 PER PERSON

venmo

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Questions? Email homeandschool@icschool-mc.org or call 573-564-2679.

Meal-A-Month Needs

St. Vincent dePaul is very grateful for the donations to our Meal-A-Month collection. The Crisis Closet has need for green beans, mixed vegetables, instant potato mix, and shampoo. We will be passing out the bags on October 24th & 25th after Mass.

Tambourine Ringing



Tambourine Ringing: Montgomery County Cares is sponsoring "tambourine ringing" for fundraising between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Montgomery County Cares help people in need across the county. This event is replacing the Salvation Army Bell Ringing that we have helped with in the past. Immaculate Conception Parish will be in charge of ringing the tambourine on Saturday, December 5th at Bratcher's Market from 9-12:30. We would appreciate anyone that could sign up to help for an hour. The sign- up list is in the back of church. They are also looking for volunteers to collect donations at the 4- way on November 14. If that is something that you are interested in doing, please call 573-301-0625. Any help would be appreciated. If you have any questions, please call Beth Roesner at 314-974-1087.