

# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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January 8, 2017

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



WE HAVE COME TO  
**WORSHIP**  
HIM

MATTHEW 2:2

**REV. ERNIE DEBLASIO, PASTOR**

E-MAIL: [fr.ernie@incarnationcollierville.org](mailto:fr.ernie@incarnationcollierville.org)

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday Vigil:.....5:00 PM Saturday, Main Sanctuary

Sundays: ..... 8:00 AM, 10:30AM, 12:15 PM

Main Sanctuary

Weekdays:.....8:15 AM - St. Therese of Lisieux Chapel

**NURSERY AVAILABLE:**

Sat., 5:00 PM Mass and Sun., 10:30 AM Mass

**PARISH OFFICE:**

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### INCARNATION MISSION STATEMENT

“To bring Christ, The Eucharist, and the Sacraments to every parishioner so that they may become Disciples to the Collierville community”

**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE**



## PRAYERS NEEDED



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE IN THE HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME OR RECUPERATING AT HOME:

Max Baer, Joe & Helen Behan, Ruth Boldreghini, Mariah Bordelon, Richard Bork, Janet Bowens, Joann Buie, Terry Burton, Tom Cassidy, Helen Connors, Mary Couture, Joyce Crockett, Martha Ewing, Beverlee Feder, Joan Ford, Lou Golon, Stephen Grgas, Carolyn Harbert, Newman Kimbrough, Betty Kimbrough, Judee King, Angela Koenig, Helen Mariano, Larry Mivelaz, Matt Lacher, Christopher Lester, Bettye Lucchesi, Austin Martin, Rosemary Martin, Dee Maxted, Henry McCrarey, Charles Mitchell, Mike Moretta, Jane Quesnel, Lisa Rolin, Viola Rossetti, Susie Russell, Cynthia & Ron Scharf, Elly Seng, Neil Sharpe, Mil Shirley, Rose Silvestri, Dorothy Sitton, Phyllis Sommer, Billy Sparrenberger, Hal Stansbury, Jean Straub, Frank Tarena, Ellen Tedford, Sandra Tice, Connie Umstad, Yvette Wakefield, Don Weis, Alice Wallace, Mary West, Johna Wilson, Marge White, Alice Wood, Nellie Yarbrough, and Rita Zerbe.

### MASS SCHEDULE January 7 – January 15, 2017

SAT.	1/7	8:15 AM	
		5:00 PM	EUGENE TROUY- Requested by M. Bolfig
SUN.	1/8	8:00 AM	PARISHIONERS OF INCARNATION
	The Epiphany of the Lord	10:30 AM	ROBERT PATTERSON - Requested by C. Patterson
		12:15 PM	CAITLIN RAE MCDONALD Requested by L. Robinson
MON.	1/9	8:15 AM	JOSEPH & MARY PANICH- Requested by E.J. Turk, Jr
	Baptism of the Lord		
TUES.	1/10	8:15 AM	ED & FLIPIA TURK- Requested by E.J. Turk, Jr
WED.	1/11	8:15 AM	EDWARD & MARIE TURK- Requested by E.J. Turk, Jr
THUR.	1/12	8:15 AM	
FRI.	1/13	8:15 AM	
SAT.	1/14	8:15 AM	
		5:00 PM	VANESSA MOORE- Requested by The McAdam Family
SUN.	1/15	8:00 AM	PARISHIONERS OF INCARNATION
		10:30 AM	NINO CALDERONE - Requested by K. Fulton
		12:15 PM	

### Thank You from Project Outreach!

There has been a fantastic response to the angel tree gifts, hygiene and food this year. Project Outreach wants to “thank” everyone who either helped with donations or was a volunteer in whatever capacity. We have been able to help over a thousand individuals due to your generosity. Thank You! Thank You!

Delana Lynch & Rita Stewart

## THIS WEEK AT INCARNATION

January 8 – January 14, 2017

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

**BLD. PRESSURE/BLD. SUGAR CHECKS AFTER ALL MASSES**

9:00 - 10:15 AM - SCRIPTURE STUDY - ICS LIBRARY  
9:00 - 11:30 AM - PRE - HFCL & EB CLASSROOMS  
1:00 - 5:00 PM - K of C ANNUAL FREE THROW CONTEST - GYM  
5:30 - 9:00 PM - K OF C ROS./BUS./SOC. MTG - FH, MR, KIT, STLC  
6:00 - 8:00 PM - ADULT VOLLEYBALL - GYM

### MONDAY, JANUARY 9

10:00 - 3:00 PM - ANGEL QUILTERS - MH  
3:00 - 4:00 PM - KARATE - GYM  
6:00 - 8:00 PM - YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACT. - GYM  
7:00 - 8:30 PM - BOY SCOUT TROOP #331 - FH, LIBRARY  
7:00 - 8:30 PM - SCRIPTURE STUDY - MH, KIT  
8:00 - 9:00 PM - MEN'S BASKETBALL - GYM

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

10:00 - 12:00 PM - LADIES HEARTS ON FIRE - MH #1  
10:15 - 11:45 AM - SCRIPTURE STUDY - FH, LIB, MR, NURS.  
6:00 - 9:00 PM - YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACT. - GYM  
6:30 - 7:00 PM - ROSARY FOR HEALING - STLC  
6:30 - 7:30 PM - CUB SCOUT DEN MTG - EB 101-104  
7:00 - 8:30 PM - ESL - MH, KIT.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 - 10:00 AM - WED MORN. PRAYER GRP - CHAPEL  
3:00 - 4:00 PM - KARATE - GYM  
6:00 - 7:15 PM - PRE - HFCL & EB CLASSROOMS  
6:30 - 8:30 PM - ENCOUNTER - GYM, KIT, HFCL #6,8,10, 16-20, FH4  
7:00 - 8:00 PM - SCRIPTURE STUDY - MH

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

8:15 - 9:00 AM - ICS MASS - CHURCH  
9:00 - 10:30 AM - 2<sup>ND</sup> QTR AWARDS MASS & RECEIPT - CH, MR  
6:00 - 9:00 PM - YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACTICE - GYM  
6:30 - 8:30 PM - RCIA - MH, KIT  
7:00 - 8:00 PM - MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GRP. - FH

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

6:30 - 8:00 AM - FISHERS OF MEN - MH, KITCHEN  
2:20 - 2:45 PM - ICS ROSARY - CHURCH  
6:00 - 9:00 PM - YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACTICE - GYM

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

6:45 - 8:00 AM - MEN'S CURSILLO - MH  
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM - YOUTH BASKETBALL PRACTICE - GYM  
9:00 - 3:00 PM - CATECHIST FORMATION DAY - FH, KIT  
9:30 - 10:00 AM - BAPTISM-CAMILLA JOYCE MORETTA-NARTHEX  
10:00 - 10:30 AM - BAPTISM-SUTTER LYNN MOTTE-NARTHEX  
6:00 - 9:00 PM - 55+ YOUNG AT HEART DINNER - FH, KIT

### PARISH BEAUTIFICATION:

#### Stained Glass Project

This new window will be placed over the doors going into the Church. Fundraising is currently at Gofundme.com @search type: Incarnation Stained Glass



They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11b

**INCARNATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL: 4K - 8<sup>th</sup>**

(901) 853-7804; Michael Zientek, Principal  
Monday - Friday; 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

**PRESCHOOL:**

(901) 861-5414; Mrs. Malerie Young Director/Asst. Prin.  
Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

(901) 853-0135; Mrs. Lea Weaver, DRE  
(901) 850-2696; Mrs. Rebecca Talarico, DYM  
Monday - Friday; 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 PM or by appointment

**BAPTISMS:**

Baptismal Preparation Class required for parents and godparents. Call Parish Office to arrange a date and time for baptism and for the date and time of the next Baptismal Class.

**WEDDINGS:**

Pre-Cana required. Contact Parish Office four to six months prior to planned date.

**FUNERALS:**

Arranged at the convenience of the family.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Registration forms are available in both narthexes. Please fill out and drop in the collection basket. **Welcome!**



**PARISH STAFF**

Pastor	Rev. Ernie DeBlasio	853-7468x305
Deacons:	Miles Merwin	853-0443
	Robert Walker	229-1218
Parish Admin.	Steve Signaigo	853-7468x301
Admin. Asst.	Geralyn Jasina	853-7468x303
Accountant	Connie McShane	853-7468x312
Acct. Asst.	Tara Walter	853-7468x304
Webmaster	Dani Shirley	853-7468x300
Facilities Mgr.	Vince Brocato	412-4277
Maint. Asst.	Grant Paule	828-1474
Sound Engineer	Matt Signaigo	598-7731
Security	Bobby Oelke	218-9933
Music	Kevin & Bethany Paige	615-336-0686

**Church E-mails:** See church website for individual e-mail addresses: [www.incarnationchurch.com](http://www.incarnationchurch.com)

**Welcome To Our Parish**

**Janice Deas**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

To our Newly Baptized

**James David Kelly**  
**Madeleine Rebecca Sevier**



**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION**

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** PRE classes are for children 3yrs-8<sup>th</sup> grade, High School Sacramental Prep, and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children). Contact the Parish Religious Education Dept. to sign up your child. Classes meet Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings.

**DIOCESAN GUIDELINES:** The Diocese of Memphis requires that all students preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion, and Confirmation, have two consecutive years of religious education prior to receiving the sacrament. Children in 1<sup>st</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade need to be enrolled in a religious education program in order to make their sacraments in 2<sup>nd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

Join us each Wednesday night from 6:30-8:30 PM in the gym for Encounter. Night consists of games, food and small group discussions. All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

Our next meeting will be Thursday, January 12, 7:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend. Please come join in fun and faith every Thursday!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

*you have reservations about the faith? RCIA is an open, safe environment for all inquirers and those on the journey to full initiation. RCIA meets Thursday evenings. For more information, contact Andy McNutt at 901-486-5199 (call or txt), or email: [RCIA@incarnationcollierville.org](mailto:RCIA@incarnationcollierville.org).*

## What is Social Ministry?

As we fulfill Our Lord's commandment to love our neighbor, Jesus always asks us to think of the needy first:

*Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did it for me." Matthew 25: 40*

The **Parish Social Ministry Office** organizes our parish efforts to do just that. Through Social Ministry, Incarnation parishioners serve:

1. **Each other** with meals, prayers, visits, cards, and comfort in times of illness, loss, and recovery.
  - Food Angels: Meals in bereavement, recovery, or emergency
  - Card Ministry, Friendly Visits, and Ministry to the Sick for those at home or in care Facilities
  - Transportation to mass, grocery store, or doctor's offices
  - Special Needs activities
  - Loaning medical items (wheelchairs, crutches, etc.)
2. **The needy in our community** with direct service, works of justice and mercy, and social action.
  - Volunteer "Care Ministers" to receive guests in need of food or bills paid.
  - Food Pantry: Open Monday-Friday 10AM - 2PM
  - Project Outreach: Feeding the poor in Fayette County
  - Room at the Inn: Housing the homeless 1-2 times each winter month
  - Catholic Charities: Helping out with Diocesan projects for the needy.

Call, email, or visit our office to get involved. Jesus needs your help: your time, talent, and donations!  
850-7374, [social.ministry@incarnationcollierville.org](mailto:social.ministry@incarnationcollierville.org)

## ROOM IN THE INN MEMPHIS:

Runs November - March. Incarnation will partner with Germantown United Methodist for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays each month. GUMC will house clients; Incarnation members will do the rest. **MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Contact Social Ministry at 850-7374 for more information. Scan the QR code for the areas where volunteers are needed!



**SPECIAL NEEDS:** God's Special Needs Social Ministry is for parents who want fun, fellowship, and social activities for their special needs child/adult. We welcome all of the Christian community to join us. For further information call the Social Ministry office at 850-7374 or email Charlotte Slater at

[wolfriver59@yahoo.com](mailto:wolfriver59@yahoo.com)

**PERPETUAL ADORATION...BECOME AN ADORER...**to be in Jesus' presence once a week for a holy hour...to talk to Him...tell Him your concerns...to listen to Him...and to adore Him. Come and receive His blessings!

Adoration takes place 24/7 in the *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*, which is located next to the St. Therese of Lisieux Chapel. *All are welcome at any time!* The door is usually closed, but come right in for any amount of time. We have scheduled adorers (24/7) to ensure our Lord is always kept company. If you would like to become a scheduled adorer or a substitute adorer please contact John and Mia Leoni at [Adoration@Incarnationcollierville.org](mailto:Adoration@Incarnationcollierville.org) or 901-861-7189 with any questions.



There are 4 holy hours in need of a scheduled adorer: 8PM Mondays, Midnight Tuesdays (every other week), 11AM Wednesdays and 3AM Saturdays (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month). Would you consider keeping our Lord company for one of these holy hours?

*"In thy presence there is fullness of joy." (Psalm 16:11)*



## RESPECT LIFE:

This weeks rose is in honor of  
Lucy Goodin by Vic & Lisa Goodin

If you would like to sponsor a rose, please contact:  
Catherine Pfeifer at 268-4761.

**ROSARY FOR HEALING:** Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month in the St. Therese Chapel, 6:30-7:00 PM. All are welcome to join in.



## TRAVELING VIRGIN OF FATIMA STATUES

The large statue will be at the home of John & Mia Leone and Angela Griffin will have the small statue.

If you would like to have a Traveling Virgin Statue at your home for a week please contact Lois Crosby at 221-8679.

# FORMED

[www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org); Our parish login code is: 61a2db

## INCARNATION PRESCHOOL

Malerie Young, Assistant Principal/  
Director of Preschool  
901-861-5414, office  
malerie.young@incarnationcollierville.org  
www.goics.org/preschool/



The 2016-2017 school year is in full progress!  
Visit the Preschool website or office for more  
information about our program or to schedule a  
tour.



### RENT-A-TEEN FUNDRAISER

Does your yard need to be weeded or raked?  
House cleaned? Incarnation Teens are here  
to help! Call the Office of Youth Ministry at  
(901)850-2696 to schedule a teen to help you. Donations  
accepted for jobs. No job too big or small. (No power  
tools or ladders, please.)



Twenties & Thirties Ministry at  
Incarnation is taking off, with over 40  
responses to our survey ([https://  
www.surveymonkey.com/r/  
MTXM7M8](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MTXM7M8)) Mark your calendars for the  
following ways to get involved:

- 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, beginning  
in January 2017, 7:30-9:00 PM for "Skybox Sessions  
with Fr. Ernie" at The Skybox Grill in Collierville
- Incarnation's rec volleyball meets on Sunday nights  
from 6:00-8:00 PM. Contact Ted Bacon, 850-9242.
- The Diocesan Young Adult Ministry webpage at  
*Theology on Tap* meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each  
month at different locations around Memphis,  
contact Sam Mauck, 323-3051.

### ESL (ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE)

**CLASSES:** Are available whether you speak little Eng-  
lish or wish to improve your speaking skills and vocabu-  
lary. Classes are Tues., 7:00 -8:30 PM at the Ministry  
House (behind the church). More information?  
Contact Wilson Parma at 786-3220.

# \$10 off

## Friends & Family Savings Coupon



Call to register to 1-888-653-6450



## What makes us smile at Incarnation Catholic School?



## Our 8th Grade Class Celebrating the Christmas Season with Mr. Zientek, Santa and Ugly Sweaters!

## CHILDREN'S CORNER



## Ministries and Contacts

### **Altar Servers**

Fr. Ernie 853-7468

### **Altar Society**

Mary Lou Reed 854-5539

### **Angel Knitters**

Audrey Bradham 853-9825

### **Angel Quilters**

Susan Brack 853-2125

### **Athletics**

Ted Bacon 850-9242

### **Boy Scouts**

Chuck Martin 497-0108

### **Breast Cancer Support**

Loma Hyder 854-9790

### **Career Support**

Bob Reilly 378-1818

### **Children of Mary**

Sara Dockstader

512-348-9442

### **Co-Directors of Music**

Kevin & Bethany Paige

615-336-0686

### **Church Nursery**

Kimberly McNutt 850-1277

### **Coffee Bar Ministry**

Cheryl Carroll 262-0625

### **Columbian Squires**

Michael Pratt 854-0004

### **Cub Scouts**

John Dockstader 512-592-1123

### **ESL**

Wilson Parma 786-3220

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Fr. Ernie 853-7468

### **Fishers of Men**

Peter Daunais 861-7349

### **Food Angels**

Social Ministry 850-7374

### **Food Pantry**

Social Ministry 850-7375

### **Grief Ministry**

Betty Llewellyn 854-2739

Mary Beth Trouy 853-1819

### **God's Special Needs**

Charlotte Slater 457-7770

### **Greeters**

Deb Connors 461-3117

Cathi Mueller 221-8326

### **Health Ministry**

Missy Feyerherm 485-5122

### **Hospitality Chair**

Elena Ross 850-9677

### **Host Family**

Lois Crosby 221-8679

### **Incarnation Girl Scouts**

Maggie Myers 861-2285

## **LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR**

**January 14 & 15, 2017**

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK: P. & C. LONG, D. & G. STRAFUSS,  
M.J. MONTEZ, B. SPEROFF, M.L. MORTON**

### **ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:00 PM M. TROOBY, A. HALLEY, S. PAIGE

8:00 AM N. CASWELL, T. & S. THORNHILL

10:30 AM I. LAIRD, D. MCNUTT,  
K. MACFEGGAN, O. SILIGATO

12:15 PM E. COVEY, A. DEENEY,  
D. ROGERS

### **LECTORS:**

5:00 PM A. CAVANAUGH, T. WALTER

8:00 AM B. SLATTERY, R. BERSOZA

10:30 AM C. MARTIN, P. FIVEASH

12:15 PM M. HARRIS

### **USHERS:**

5:00 PM T. MARTIN, J. SCHMIDT,  
H. BRAUNINGER, R. RUSSELL

8:00 AM L. CABE, T. THORNHILL, K. BOWEN,  
M. LYNCH

10:30 AM G. TATE, T. MAROTTA, K. BAIONI,  
J. VAN DU VUURST

12:15 PM M. KIEHN, K. KURSONIS  
L. SCULLY, A. WAGUESPACK

### **MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:**

5:00 PM B DEACON MILES, A. DOHERTY,  
A. KNIGHT

BL. B. LOVE, L. HILLS, S. MORTON,  
R. STEWART, L. GILMAN,  
K. CHANDLER

8:00 AM B J. & J. MASSERANO, K. LENZ

BL. C. LENZ, K. SHARP, R. OELKE,  
D. CASWELL, D. WALKER, D. LYNCH

10:30 AM B DEACON BOB, K. LITANO,  
M. DIMOTTA, T. HUNT,  
W. WARREN, K. BRYSON

BL. K. MACFEGGAN, B. RYAN,  
C. KREUGER, N. HUDDLESTON,  
E. ROMAGNI, M. FRASER,  
R. & R. THOMPSON

12:15 PM B. A. & G. ARMENDARIZ, C. NEWBERN

BL. S. KEY, G. MAIDEN

### **REMINDERS:**

- All Lay Ministers and Altar Servers must sign-in 15 minutes before mass! Sacristans are to fill all empty spaces at that time. If you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to get a sub.
- When a Deacon (or Seminarian) is present, he replaces #1 Body.

## **Ministries and Contacts**

### **ICS Home & School**

Sherrie Goodwin 292-2634

Allison Waggoner 870-6835

### **In Mary's Arms**

Kimberly McNutt 850-1277

### **Knights of Columbus**

Robbie Atkins 517-0024

### **Ladies Cursillo**

Noreen Ford 853-3501

### **Lectors**

Fr. Ernie 853-7468

### **Men's Cursillo**

Steve Signaigo 598-7739

### **Ministry to the Sick**

Vicky Goodin 853-9107

Lee Handwerker 854-8502

### **Moms & Tots**

Kimberly McNutt 850-1277

### **Parish Religious Education**

Lea Weaver 853-0135

### **Perpetual Adoration**

John & Mia Leoni 861-7189

### **Project Outreach**

Delana Lynch 861-6358

### **Respect Life**

Catherine Pfeifer - 268-4761

### **Rosary for Healing**

Butch & Kathy Ryan 854-6609

### **Sacristans**

Barbara Cornwell 853-6241

Kimberly MacFeggan 494-6810

### **Scripture Study**

Barbara Cornwell 853-6241

### **Senior Citizens (55+ Young at Heart)**

Lee Handwerker 854-8502

### **Small Faith Community**

Marsha Keller 230-0654

### **Social Ministry**

Jenny Fehrenbacher, Director

850-7374

### **Spring Festival, Chair**

Elizabeth Romagni

954-629-2806

### **Stewardship Commission**

Charles Sevier 850-5089

### **Traveling Virgin of Fatima**

Lois Crosby 221-8679

### **Twenties and Thirties**

Kimberly McNutt 850-1277

### **Ushers**

Scott Rozanski 854-9500

### **Wed. Morn. Prayer Group**

Mary Lee Morton 853-6908

### **Welcome Bread**

Lois Crosby 221-8679

### **Youth (BASIC & Teens)**

### **Ministry**

Rebecca Talarico 850-2696

**INCARNATION  
55+ YOUNG AT HEART  
CLUB**

**Come Join Us For Lots of Fun!!  
Who? YOU  
All Youngsters Over 55 Are Welcome  
Who? YOU  
Think Young At Heart!! Join Us!!  
Who? YOU  
Why Stay At Home? You'll Miss All The Fun  
Who? YOU**

**JANUARY ACTIVITIES**

**Saturday January 14 at 6:00 pm  
Dinner in the Fellowship Hall  
Enjoy a Delicious Catered Dinner After Mass  
The Only Thing Missing is YOU  
Only \$10 What a Deal!!  
Come Enjoy Fellowship-Fun-Food With Us  
Phone Joyce Van Houtte at 468-8660 or  
Lee Handwerker at 854-8502  
before Tuesday January 10  
to let us know that you're coming**

**Tuesday January 24 at 9:00 am  
Bus Trip to Gold Strike Casino  
Tunica Mississippi  
\$10 in Free Play Money - Free Buffet Lunch  
The Only thing Missing is YOU  
Come Enjoy Fellowship-Fun-Food with Us**

**Think Young at Heart!! Join Us!!  
Who? YOU  
Come Enjoy Fellowship-Fun-Food with Us**

**Contact Lee Handwerker at 854-8502 for  
details**



**55+ YOUNG-AT-HEART  
NEWSLETTER  
2017**



Let us all join together to welcome in the New Year and join me in celebrating some of our unusual holidays found in January. First of all:

On January 18, is "Winnie the Pooh Day". Winnie the Pooh Day is an opportunity to enjoy your favorite bear and all of his friends. This day was created to celebrate the birth of A.A. Milne in 1882. He was an author of children's story books, and created Winnie the Pooh and his friends. Have some fun today. Celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day by reading some storybooks about the adventures of Winnie and his friends, Christopher Robin, Tigger, Eeyore, Piglet and Roo. Don't read them alone. Entertain the grand-kids.

*(Source: holidayinsights.com)*

## THE MEANING OF NEW YEAR'S TRADITIONS

New Year's Eve, with its emphasis on romance and indulgence, might seem like a totally secular celebration. For centuries, and in similar ways, people have been observing the end of one year and the beginning of another.

Ancient Romans celebrated with six days of carousing that would probably be familiar to us today.

Because the Winter Solstice is the turning point of the year, beginning the lengthening of days, it has long been viewed as the birth of the year--by pagans celebrating the return of the Sun, and by Christians welcoming the birth of the Son of God. The days between Solstice and the New Year are a magical, luminous time period, when anything is possible. In England, the Twelve Days of Christmas were considered omen days which could be used to predict the weather in the coming year. In Scotland, no court had power during these days; and in Ireland, tradition held that if a person died during the Twelve Days, he or she went straight to heaven.

While each culture's New Year celebration has its own flavor, there are certain common themes. The period leading up to New Year's Day is a time for setting things straight: a thorough housecleaning, paying off debts, returning borrowed objects, reflecting on one's shortcomings, mending quarrels, giving alms. In many cultures, people jump into the sea or a local body of water--literally washing the slate clean.

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Whatever preparations are made, most traditions teach that they should be completed before midnight on New Year's Eve. According to British folklore, you should not sweep on New Year's Day, or you will sweep your good luck away, or take anything out of the house--even trash.

As everything has significance on New Year's Day, the first person to cross your threshold after midnight brings luck to the household in the British Isles. In Scotland, the best possible "first footer" was a tall, handsome, dark-haired man, who brought gifts of whisky, bread, a piece of coal or firewood, and a silver coin.

In the American South, it's traditional to eat cornbread, cabbage, and black-eyed peas on New Year's Day. The peas symbolize coins or copper money, the cornbread gold, and the cabbage green or folding money.

Whether we gather together to watch the ball drop in Times Square or set off firecrackers at midnight or clink champagne glasses with our loved ones, we are acknowledging an important transition and welcoming a fresh start. *May your New Year be rich with all of the blessings you desire.*

(Source: [www.beliefnet.com](http://www.beliefnet.com))



*Best Wishes for the New Year from your friendly, neighborhood newsletter editor, Jim.*



# WOMEN'S MORNING

## *of Spirituality*



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

*Renee' Dixon Hendrix*



**WITNESS SPEAKER**

*Kelli Burke Williams*

**Saturday, February 25, 2017**

**8:15 am - 1:30 pm**

**Catholic Church of the Incarnation**

Located at 360 Bray Station Road, Collierville, TN 38017

**LOVE OFFERINGS ACCEPTED**

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AT 7:15  
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AT 7:40  
PROGRAM BEGINS AT 8:15  
ADORATION · ROSARY · RECONCILIATION

 **WMOS**

MASS WITH BISHOP MARTIN HOLLEY  
MUSIC WITH BETHANY AND KEVIN PAIGE  
REGISTER AT [WOMENSMORNING.COM](http://WOMENSMORNING.COM)  
MORE INFO: MARY BETH 901.853.1819  
OR [WMOSMEMPHIS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:WMOSMEMPHIS@GMAIL.COM)

*God has not given us the spirit of fear:  
but of power and of love.*

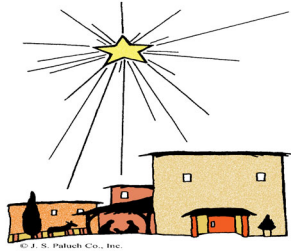
2 Timothy 1:7

**2016 TAX STATEMENTS:** As a courtesy, Catholic Church of the Incarnation provides Tax Statements to our Registered Parishioners. If you would like to receive a Tax Statement for 2016, and you have NOT registered with the Parish Office, please fill out a New Parishioner form which can be found in the Narthex, on the Church website ([www.incarnationchurch.com](http://www.incarnationchurch.com)) or you can stop by the Parish Office and fill out a form. Tax Statements will be mailed in January. If you have any questions, please contact Tara in the Parish Office at 901-853-7468 x 304.

## FLOCKNOTES

Did you miss out on our Flocknote Network? Just Text-to-Join!

- Text: **INCARNATION**
- To: **84576**
- Hit Send
- Follow Prompts



## Prayer, Ministry, and Finance

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life  
Sacrificial Giving Summary 2016-2017

December 10 & 11, 2016	Contributed
Offertory	
Envelopes	\$21,650
Electronic	\$3,843
Loose Cash	\$1,281
Loose Checks Members	<u>\$2,985</u>
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$29,759</b>

**Budget Requirements** \$29,000

Total Registered Families	1,702
Donated by Envelopes	425
Donated Electronically	56
% of families participating	28%
% of families not participating	72%

Thank you for your giving.  
You are helping us to carry out Christ's mission and ministry.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### THE DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Married couples throughout the Diocese celebrating 25, 50 and 50 plus years of marriage in 2017 and their guests are invited to attend. Saturday, February 4, 2017, 10:00 AM Mass at St. Louis Catholic Church at 123 S. White Station Rd. Celebrant - His Excellency, Most Reverend Martin D. Holley, D.D., Bishop of Memphis in TN. Reception to follow in the Clunan Center. Office of Pastoral Life at 373-1237 or register on line under events. Register by

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK NEW MINISTER TRAINING

Saturday, January 21, 2017, 8:30-1:00pm at the Catholic Center, 5825 Shelby Oaks Drive, Memphis. Designed to provide new ministers with the basic tools that will be helpful in their ministry. Candidates are required to send completed registration forms signed by the pastor by January 18, 2017

### LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help on January 14, 2017. Sponsored by the Holy Spirit Prayer Group of OLPH. The seminar will meet in Fr. Gresham Hall at 8:30 AM -3:00 PM . Continental breakfast. Lunch on your own. Free-will offering. For more info contact Mike or Helen Lenahan at 901-570-0970 or hale-nahan@att.net

### CBHS 16TH ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 6:00pm, for an evening of fun, laughter and mental challenge. Proceeds benefit the tuition assistance program. Door prizes will be given throughout the evening and prizes will be awarded to winning teams. Contact Gina or Stuart M c C o w n a t s t u - artgina@comcast.net or download

Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims or parents of minors who are victims of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon, diocesan employee or agent to report such abuse by phoning any of the following:

TN Child Abuse Hot Line  
1-877-237-0004

Memphis Victim Assistance Coordinator  
Shari Lee - 652-4066

Office of Child & Youth Protection  
Dr. Jim Latta - 359-2027

Diocesan H.R. Director  
Sandra Goldstein, 373-1257  
All reports will be treated confidentially.

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Michael Paulson, 351-9638

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