

SODALITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

That all would come to know they are greatly Loved by God

All are welcome to join us in
Celebration of the Love of
God through the Most Sacred
Heart of Jesus

First Fridays

Saint Mary Magdalen Catholic
Church

2618 S. Brentwood Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63144

October 2nd

Annual Enrollment Mass & Dinner

4:30 PM - Adoration,
Reconciliation & Benediction

5:30 PM - Celebration of the
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass,
enrollment of new sodalists &
installation of new council
members and parish
representatives.

6:45 PM - Dinner following Holy
Mass @ Holiday Inn, Navy Room
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Celebrant

Monsignor Timothy Cronin

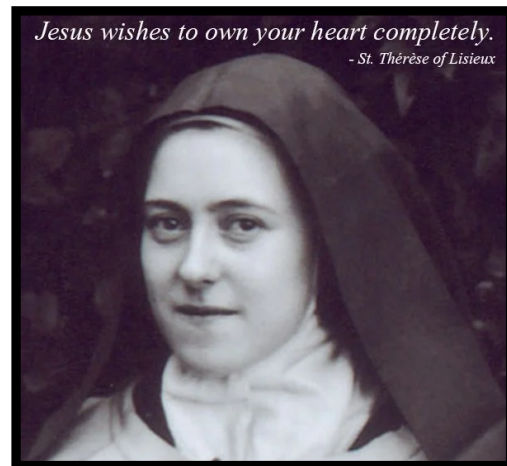
November 6th

4:30 PM - Adoration,
Reconciliation & Benediction

5:30 PM - Celebration of the
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass,

Celebrant

Monsignor William McCumber



Love fully & always

“You know well enough that Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love with which we do them. Miss no single opportunity of making small sacrifices, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it for love.

Charity gave me the keys to my vocation. I understood that the Church being a body composed of different members, the most essential, the most noble of all the organs would not be wanting to her; I understood that the Church has a heart and that this heart is burning with love; that it is love alone which makes the members work, that if love were to die away apostles would no longer preach the Gospel, martyrs would refuse to shed their blood. I understood that love comprises all vocation, that love is everything, that it embraces all times and all places because it is eternal!

True Charity consists in bearing with all the defects of our neighbor, in not being surprised at his failings, and in being edified by his least virtues; Charity must not remain shut up in the depths of the heart, for no man lighteth a candle and put it under a bushel, but upon a candlestick, that it may shine to all



Saturday,
February 6th
Sodality of the Most
Sacred Heart
Pre-Lent Day of
Reflection
Retreat Director:
Father Sam Conedera, SJ

All are invited to join us for a day of silent reflection and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The day will begin with 8 AM Mass followed by a light breakfast. Three Reflections will be given by our speaker throughout the day. Confession, Prayer ministry teams, and Private conferences with priests will be available throughout the day. The day concludes @ 3 PM

Registration coming soon.

FOR SODALISTS ONLY:
Tuesday,
December 8th
 you and yours are invited
 to join us in Celebration of the
 Immaculate Conception

following 5:30pm Mass
 @ Saint Mary Magdalen,
 Brentwood

**Invitations with location
 coming soon!**

that are in the house. (Cf. Matthew 5:15). It seems to me that this candle represents the Charity which ought to enlighten and make joyful, not only those who are dearest to me, but all who are in the house. A word, kindly smile, will often suffice to gladden a wounded and sorrowful heart. If heavenly grace and true charity come in, there shall be no envy or narrowness of heart, nor shall self-love keep its hold. For divine charity overcomes all, and dilates all the powers of the soul." - Saint Therese of Lisieux (*The Little Flower*), *Story of a Soul*

This young saint is a Doctor of the Church for her simple yet deep understanding of what we are all called to be - lovers of and for God. We are to strew flowers filled with the fragrance of God's love. We are to make known the Divine Heart's Goodness and Merciful Love - every moment of every day. The Little Flower tells us, "Jesus wishes to own your heart completely..Jesus points out to me the only way which leads to Love's furnace - the way is self-surrender - it is the confidence of the little child who sleeps without fear in its father's arms." Our Father in heaven desires us to completely and always trust in His love - and to live in that love every moment of our lives. We can only give what we have allowed ourselves to receive. Our Lord longs to love mankind, but we are often unwilling to receive His love. Two hundred years before St. Therese of Lisieux was born, our Lord told Saint Margaret Mary of Alacoque, "My divine Heart is so inflamed with love for men, and for you in particular that, being unable any longer to contain within Itself to them (mankind) in order to enrich them with My precious graces of sanctification and salvation."

As our mission statement reminds us, may we as sodalists of His Loving Sacred Heart, "immerse ourselves in and reflect on His Most Sacred Heart which is filled with compassion and longing for all souls, especially those that have turned to the world and its promises for their joy and fulfillment...that by giving our hearts to our Lord and allowing Him to live and love through us, we can more perfectly love those around us. It is through fervent prayer and the reception of His love that we will strive to walk in forgiveness, humility and sacrifice with the ultimate goal of bringing our Lord's love, mercy and care to those around us." - SMSH Mission Statement. *Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make our hearts, like unto thine.*