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This Week at CCM:

- Tuesday – Praise and Worship 8 pm**
- Wednesday – Mass for the Immaculate Conception— 5:30 p.m.**
Escape and Unwind—6:30 p.m.
- Thursday - Winter Formal— “A Knight to Remember”**
Dinner starts at 7:00 p.m.
- Friday - Dead Day for finals/ no Friday lunch**
Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Bass Pro

Upcoming:

Finals week starting December 12th/ no Friday lunch on Dec. 16th
Graduation Mass 8:00am December 16th.

Christmas Break Schedule

Week of Dec.19th– CCM open 8-1:00 with Noon Mass/Closed Friday
Week of Dec. 26th Closed

Week of Jan.2nd–CCM open 8-1:00 No Noon Mass/Closed Friday
Week of Jan. 9th– CCM open 8-1:00 with Noon Mass/ Closed Friday
Jan. 16th CCM Closed for MLK day

Christmas Giving Tree Project

Please join us in our Christmas Giving Tree Project for local families in need. These gifts are distributed by the Sacred Heart Parish in Springfield. Two Christmas trees, each decorated with paper ornaments are in the Gathering Area. On each paper ornament is a special request for someone who is in need. If you wish to help spread Christmas joy, please take an ornament from the tree, purchase the gift, wrap it with the ornament taped to the outside of the box and return it to CCM by Dec 19. Thank you for your generosity.

December 4, 2016

**Second Sunday
of Advent**

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass

11:00 a.m.

7:30 p.m.

10:15 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Monday-Friday: 12 p.m.

Thursday: 9:15 p.m.

Confessions

Thurs 7:00-9:00 p.m.

or by appt.

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The O'Reilly Catholic Student Center is the spiritual home for the Catholic students of Drury, Missouri State, and OTC. We are sponsored by the Claretian Missionaries and the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau.

Reflection by Fr. Tom:

When I came to CCM in August of 2008, I was saddened to see the Meditation Garden because I could see the evidence of what it must have looked like in 2001 when the center was dedicated. The fountain was destroyed; the weeds overgrown, the bench broken. The ice storm of 2006 took out one of the evergreens and left an empty patch by the privacy fence. For about a year I wondered how to initiate a renovation. Then, out of the blue, a young scout approached me and asked if he could do a service project to complete the requirements for his Eagle badge. I offered the Meditation Garden and he accepted! Over the next several months he organized fellow scouts to assist him; he installed a new fountain, reworked the beds of flowers and plants, put in a new bench, and repaired the steps. Quite a transformation! I never expected that a scout would bring all this about! Today's first reading expresses even more profound surprise at the movement of God's Spirit. "On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom." At that time, Israel was suffering under much stress. King Ahaz was a far cry from David. Ahaz reduced the Davidic line to a mere "stump" of its former glory. But God wasn't absent! Although death and misery seemed to prevail, Isaiah reminded his people, and us, that God's Spirit will rest upon a future leader who will not only be a great and good ruler but will restore the harmony of creation lost in earlier times. The Meditation Garden's condition wasn't a sign of dark times but it did evoke a call to trust that the Lord would find someone to help restore it. We need to look at our troubled world with trust that God will provide. Today, as I write this reflection, is the anniversary of the death of ETTY HILLESUM, a young Jewish woman who died at Auschwitz in 1943. As her world crashed around her she wrote in her diary, "I know that I must seek You [God] amongst people, out in the world. And that is what I shall do...I vow to live my life out there to the full." God is faithful. Will we be faithful?

Spring Break Trip: March 11- 19

Our Spring Break trip this year is to Jamaica. If you are interested please sign up on Bev's desk or talk to Travis. There is no obligation for signing up. We hope to fundraise all costs.

Collections for November 28, 2016

11 am- \$835
7:30 pm - \$450
10:15 pm- \$35

Total- \$1320

Total Collection- \$540

CCM Student Contributions

Sunday Collections are a major part of Catholic Campus Ministry's funding. Without them, we can not provide many of the activities we have each week. We ask that if you can, give \$5-\$10 a week or make a one time donation of \$50-\$100 per semester. We accept cash, check, and there are slips in the pews for credit card payments. Any amount is appreciated and makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

Book of Remembrance

There is a book of remembrance in the lobby. You are invited to enter the names of your deceased family and friends to be prayed for at Masses throughout the month of November.

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