LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

There will be NO Liturgy of the Word for Children TODAY, May 5 for First Communion & next Sunday, May 12 for Mother’s Day. We will resume on May 19 through June 9.
MASS SCHEDULE
Monday thru Wednesday.................................6:30am
Thursday and Friday........................................8:00am
Holy Days Consult bulletin
Saturday: ........................................8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

CONFessions
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Chapel Hours
Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

Eucharistic Exposition
Wednesdays after 8 a.m. Mass until Noon (closing with Benediction). Confessions 1st Wednesday.

Baptisms
Baptism Class for parents/godparents is normally held on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church. To register for the meeting and/or to arrange for a baptism, call Karen Rychlewski.

Marriage
Couples planning marriage contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

Communion Calls
Please call the Parish Office to request Communion if someone is unable to attend Church.

Hospital Visits
Please notify the Parish Office concerning hospitalization.

Registration
New parishioners may register at Parish Office or see one of the priests after Mass. New information e.g. address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office.

Bulletin Information
Please submit information for the bulletin by Noon TWO Fridays before publication. Include name, daytime phone number of person submitting information, Commission and group name. Items can be e-mailed to mwelsh@holyspiritstl.org.

Offertory Collections
Stewardship for April 15-21, 2019
Sunday Envelopes, 247 utilized $ 12,132.00
 Loose Collection $ 1,167.25
 Online Donations, 77 families $ 5,508.33
 Total $ 18,807.58
 Weekly Budget $ 20,000.77
 Weekly Surplus (shortfall) ($ 1,193.19)

HandS Parish Improvements
$ 260.00 $ 365.00
Holy Land Priests Retirement
$1,766.87 $5,034.75

What’s Happening This Week

Sunday, May 5
2:00 pm—First Communion, Church
7:00 pm—Al Anon, Community Rm.

Monday, May 6
6:00 pm—Quilting, Annex
7:00 pm—Infant Baptism Parent Mtg., Church

Tuesday, May 7
9:00 am—Quilting, Annex
7:30 pm—Fire in the Spirit, Community Rm.

Wednesday, May 8
9:00 am—Exposition/Benediction, Church
—Senior Exercise, Community Rm.
7:00 pm—Children’s Choir Festival, Church
—Food Addicts Anonymous, Rigali Rm.

Thursday, May 9
9:00 am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.
7:00 pm—Al Anon, Rm. 2
—Choir Rehearsal, Church

Sunday, May 12 — Happy Mother’s Day!!
7:00 pm—Al Anon, Community Rm

Spirited Seniors May Event
Trip to the St. Louis Hill area...tour St. Ambrose, lunch at a fine Italian restaurant, Bocce Ball, Gelato ice cream and more. Mark your calendar for Thur., May 16.
We will carpool from the Annex,
Contact Judy Alles, 291-5948, for reservations.

Blood Drive
Holy Spirit Parish
In the Rigali Room of the Annex
Sunday, May 19
8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Be a Steward of Christ!
Appointment Preferred.
Walk-in’s welcome.
To schedule an appointment, log on to www.bloodcenterimpact.org.
Use group sponsor code 10414

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A NOTE FROM FR. BOB

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to all!

This past Wednesday, our student, Gabe Weber, was honored as a finalist during the Respect Life Apostolate 2019 Creative Writing Contest. More than 1,100 students from 63 Catholic elementary schools, PSR programs, and Catholic home school programs throughout the Archdiocese submitted essays on the topic: Explain why living the virtue of chastity protects us from abortion and blesses us with true holiness, health, and happiness. Only 10% of the students were selected as finalists in the contest. Congratulations to Gabe, his parents and our school. Well done!

Annual Catholic Appeal Update:
Thank you for your generous support of the Annual Catholic Appeal! Our campaign is off to a great start with $109,552.00 in pledges through just the first week and with advanced pledges. Our goal this year is $153,229.00 which is equal to our pledge of last year. Thank you for your welcome to our guest speaker, Marie Kenyon, last week. She was grateful for your hospitality and support. This week we hope to share the ACA video with all.
Over the past several years our parish and our school have benefited greatly through support from the ACA in the form of grants for our teachers, the Catholic Family Tuition Assistance Endowment and through the debt reduction matching grants. This year those grants have exceeded $100,000!
We also received benefits through programs funded by the ACA. Couples participated in a Marriage Day of Renewal Workshop hosted by the Office of Laity and Family Life. Engaged couples also participated in Marriage Preparation Classes which are also presented by the Office of Laity and Family Life. Our school children and parents attended a REAP Retreat. Our seminarians who attend Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, which is also supported by the ACA. Thank you for your generosity and prayerful consideration of this appeal.

Lay Formation Program
On Saturday, April 13th, three of our parishioners, Cheri Deckard, Jeanne Kielhofner, and Jean Martin, were commissioned by Archbishop Carlson upon completion of the Archdiocesan Lay Formation Program. The program is a three-year program designed to offer lay men and women an opportunity to deepen their union with Christ and develop an ability to participate in the Church’s mission of evangelization as missionary disciples. Upon completion of the program, the candidates agree to offer three years of service to their parish. We are grateful to Cheri, Jeanne, and Jean for their dedication and openness to the grace of the Holy Spirit and look forward to their service to our parish. May God bless you for saying yes to His invitation.

Let’s pray for each other this week.

Peace,

Father Bob
**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, May 5**
- 7:30am: Carlo Cafferata
  - For Our Parishioners
- 9:00am: David Fennewald
- 11:00am: Bernetta Drury

**Monday, May 6**
- 6:30 am: Faithful Departed

**Tuesday, May 7**
- 6:30 am: Bernard John Cadiz

**Wednesday, May 8**
- 6:30 am: Consolacion & Briccio Cadiz, Sr.

**Thursday, May 9**
- 8:00 am: Leonora Ramis & Oliver Mesina

**Friday, May 10**
- 8:00 am: Joe Hull

**Saturday, May 11**
- 8:00 am: Corazon Pante
- 5:00 pm: Joseph Long

**Sunday, May 12**
- 7:30 am: For Our Parishioners
- 9:00 am: Mons. Jim Telthorst
- 11:00 am: Kim & Cory Fisk, Special Intention

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**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

In your prayers, please remember all the sick and home-bound parishioners and those who care for them.

- Irene Biggins
- Becky Bonner
- Nancy Brand
- Jim Brockmeyer
- Phil Brusca
- Connie
- Buenemann
- Ed Cody
- Matthew Cody
- Peggy Cody
- Dorothy Faerber
- Till Fehrenbacher
- Dee Graff
- Joe Greco
- Gerald Grinstead
- Ed Cody
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**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**May 11-12**

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**Sick Relatives and Friends:**

- Leo Bachinski II
- Jackie Craven
- Colton Christian
- Betty Halpin
- Diane Hermann
- Joe Hull
- Shane Katzler
- Al & Pearl King
- Sharon Knoppe
- Irene Lee
- Libby Long
- Dolores Mangogna
- Vito Mangogna
- Cameron Meyer
- Christine Meyer
- Luke Meyer
- Ron Meyer
- Mike Mitra
- Melinda Oeth
- Mark Pearsia
- Rosalie Provost
- Anthony Pyzdrowski
- Paula & Dave
- Rick Searway
- Janice Subracko
- Steve Subracko
- Wanda Wade
- Sue Weckherlin
- Bonnie Wittman

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PSR NEWS

PSR UPCOMING CALENDAR

Ongoing to May 31: EARLY REGISTRATION BEGINS, DISCOUNTED FEES
May 7: Last Night of PSR
May 31: Last day to get Early Registration Discount

PSR REGISTRATION FOR 2019-20

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION-REGISTRATION FOR 2019-20

The Parish School of Religion has religion classes on Tuesday evenings, from 6:45-8 p.m. for students in grades 1-8 who attend public schools. PSR sessions focus on the message of Jesus, experienced within a community of faith with opportunities to pray, worship and do service for others. The students are also prepared to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Confirmation is a parish wide program coordinated by our Youth Minister, Donna Eisenbath. All families will register and make payments for PSR through our online program, www.holyspirit.psrenroll.com or PSR registration is one of the quick links on the parish website, www.holyspiritstl.org. Detailed information was also sent by email to each returning family.

Families registering from now until May 31st will receive discounted pricing.

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to our April 29 Red & Blue winner of $25; Drew Webb. Thank you for supporting our school!

Congratulations to our First Communicants. They will be making their first communion at 2:00 PM today.

McTeacher Night is Wednesday May 8 at the Dorsett location from 4:00-8:00 PM.

It’s National Teacher Appreciation Week send a note of appreciation to your favorite teacher showing how much you love them!

Wish List:
Packing boxes so teachers may pack up their classrooms

Prayers go up blessings come down,
Mrs. Hewitt

LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

Sun, May 5, 3rd Sun Easter
Sun, May 12, 4th Sun Easter
Sun, May 19, 5th Sun Easter
Sun, May 26, 6th Sun Easter
Sun, June 2, Ascension
Sun, June 9, Pentecost

Regular Sun Mass Schedule

Youth Ministry

All young people - DON’T FORGET TO CHECK OUT & REGISTER FOR F3, HOLY SPIRIT’S SUMMER PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. We’ll have a game night, a service night, time for prayer & reflection with lots of food & fun. Don’t miss it. Look for info on our parish website.

CONFIRMATION — 7th grade:
We have a service day planned May 14. This day is for the young people & an adult – parent, sponsor, aunt, brother, etc. Please Let Donna E. know if you will attend so that we can gather enough projects and supplies.

HS YOUTH FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS AND SENIORS ALL ARE WELCOME!
Join us from 7-9pm on Thursdays in the Resource Center for food, social time & faith discussions on issues that affect you. Come when you can, & feel free to bring a friend. All are welcome.

Middle School Madness for 6th – 8th Grades
Next MSM is Fri., May 10, 7 p.m., Annex. Incoming 6th grade students (so current 5th grade) are invited. Bring a friend, & be there for the fun! This will be our last one until next school year. You won’t want to miss it!

WE NEED YOU!
WE ARE PLANNING FOR SUMMER GATHERINGS & EVENTS, AND WE NEED PGC ADULT VOLUNTEERS. We need your help to make all these things possible to our young people. Young adults, parents and empty nesters are all welcome. Our young people benefit from your life of faith and appreciate your help.

Interested? Want to help our teens encounter Jesus through participation in our parish community? Contact Donna Eisenbath.

Summer service events in July: Wanted – drivers & chaperones. Must be willing to help with service & spend time in discussion afterwards.
Older Adult Excursion

Join us **Wednesday, May 29th**
for a tour at the newly renovated Soldier’s Memorial

**WWI: St. Louis and the Great War**

Afterward enjoy a delicious buffet lunch at **Angelo’s Taverna**

Complete the day with a tour of **St. Louis Central Library**!

Motor coach will leave from the Annex **10 am & return at 4 pm**
Cost is **$33** (Lunch included)

Return the registration form, with payment, to the Parish Office by 5/17
Space is limited so register early!!

Questions? Contact Karen Rychlewski, 739-0230, Ext. 108, krychlewski@holyspiritstl.org

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Older Adult Excursion: Soldier’s Memorial, Angelo’s, Central Library—$33 per person

Name __________________________
Address _______________________
Phone _________________________
Email __________________________

Make checks payable to Holy Spirit Parish

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Get Moving!
**The Health Benefits of Exercise**

Presented by: Clare Duffy, RN, Certified Arthritis Exercise Instructor

*To arrange non-medical care for a loved one so that you may attend, call Karen Rychlewski, 739-0230, Ext. 108 by May 10th.*
Holy Spirit Vacation Bible School
June 24-28, 2019
9-noon daily
Life is wild, God is Good!
This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Poor, kids explore God’s goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life!

Registration forms for campers, teen helpers and adult volunteers are available ONLINE only - on the parish website: https://holyspiritsfl.org/Education/Vacation-Bible-School

Cost is $30 per camper, payable by check (made to Holy Spirit Church and put VBS 2019 in the memo line) or cash. Payments must be received by the first day of VBS.

Registration deadline is May 20, 2019

For more information, contact Sharon Kaufman, 314-739-0230 or skaufman@holyspiritsfl.org

Holy Spirit F3 - Food, Faith & Friends

Sunday - Thursday
June 23 - 27, 2019
7-9pm
For Grades 6-12

This companion program to VBS is for YOUTH only!!

Come see how God is Good in all situations!

Registration form is available ONLINE only - on the parish website: https://holyspiritsfl.org/Education/F3-Food-Faith-and-Friends

Cost is $10 per teen, payable by check (made to Holy Spirit Church and put F3 2019 in the memo line) or cash. Payments must be received by the first day of F3.

Registration deadline is May 20, 2019

For more information, contact Sharon Kaufman, 314-739-0230 or skaufman@holyspiritsfl.org

Holy Spirit Day
at Busch Stadium
Friday, May 24, 2019

Come join the fun of baseball at Busch Stadium.

The Holy Spirit Choirs will be singing Take Me Out to the Ballgame during the 7th Inning Stretch. Come cheer on your parish choirs as well as the St. Louis Cardinals when they play the Atlanta Braves! We have 300 left field pavilion seats available. Tickets sold on a first come, first served basis. As a bonus, this is a promotion night at the stadium. All children will receive a free ticket to Six Flags. Fans 16 and older will receive a Marcell Ozuna Bobblehead! Order early so you don’t miss out on the fun!

Tickets are $17.00 each (printed price on the ticket is $58). Use the order form below and return to any choir member or Joan Maher at the Parish Office.

All orders MUST be received by Monday, May 6th.

Holy Spirit Night
St. Louis Cardinals vs. Atlanta Braves
May 24, 2019 @ 7:15 pm

Return this form to any choir member or Joan Maher at the Parish Office.

Name: ____________________________

Phone Number: ____________________

Make checks payable to Holy Spirit Parish.

Number of Tickets_________@ $17.00 each =

Total____________________________}

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Donations would be appreciated to help us as we CELEBRATE at Roar VBS this summer. The list will be updated in future bulletins as we finalize our plans.

**Gift cards**: Sam’s, grocery stores, craft stores
Please bring gift cards to the rectory by June 14 or contact Sharon Kaufman 314-739-0230 or skaufman@holyspiritstl.org

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**SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**True peace is the work of justice, result of love (part 1)**

True peace is more than just good order or civility. The Church teaches that peace is the work of justice and the effect of charity... Peace is a gift from God, the sum total of many gifts from God that help us live fully with hearts full of justice and love.

What is justice? It is giving very human being the reverence and respect due to him or her as a child of God. Justice is structuring human affairs, and the organization of society, in accordance with God’s plan. We are just when we treat others fairly and when we work together to protect the innocent and the vulnerable from violence or evil. We are just when all people (wealthy and poor, strong and weak) live together in mutual respect and solidarity.

~ Archbishop Robert J. Carlson
Catholic St. Louis, July/August 2012

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**VBS NEWS**

**YOUTH HELPER MEETING:**
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

There will be a VBS Youth Helper Meeting Monday, June 3, 7pm in the Parish Hall.

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**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all? Time away from the pressures of work, and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and grow closer to that special someone who loves you, and whom you love. A special WWME weekend away is Jun. 21-23, the Chiara Center, Springfield, IL; or Aug. 9-11, the Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to [https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php](https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php) or call 314.649.7317.

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**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Do you want someone to listen to you talk about issues that are bothering you, let you say what you want to say, meet with you once a week, AND keep everything you say confidential?! Consider calling Stephen Ministry, 739-0230, ext. 130, & leave a confidential message, it may be the answer to the wholeness you seek.

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**PRO-LIFE NEWS:**

**MERCY AND HEALING FOR HURTING WOMEN**

Project Rachel will offer a one day retreat, **Saturday, May 11, 9AM-5PM** for any woman wounded by an abortion experience. Marisol Pfaff, a certified spiritual counselor, and Fr. Tom Pastorius bring a wealth of experience and, most importantly, hope, love and mercy to participants. The retreat is held in a confidential, home-like setting. Encourage someone you love to accept this opportunity for healing. The cost is $30; financial assistance is available.

For more information contact Marisol, 792-7596 or mpfaff@archstl.org.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM UPDATE**

**1st month:** Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active during this 1st month! His or her heart began to beat 18-21 days after conception. Your baby has developed the foundations of his/her brain, spinal cord and nervous system by the 20th day.

Your baby is just 1/4" long!

Keep praying for your baby!

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**DYNAMIC CATHOLIC, ALIVE! — CASTING OUR NETS**

In the first reading we hear how Peter and the apostles told the Sanhedrin that “We must obey God rather than men.” Then in the Gospel we hear that Jesus appeared to the disciples after they had fished all night without any success. Jesus told them to “Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something.” Despite being tired, the disciples obeyed and they caught 153 large fish! We have so many reasons that we can give for not wanting to obey God and “cast our nets” by sharing the Gospel message with others through our example and our actions. Here are just a few: we are tired; we would rather stay in our comfort zone; we are afraid because we think we don’t know our faith well enough; or we would rather do what we want. This week we can spend some time pondering these questions: Do I obey God when I hear Him speaking to me in my heart? Do I cast my nets through my example and actions? Do I cave into the pressures of our current culture or to my own desires?

[www.archstl.org/live-the-faith](http://www.archstl.org/live-the-faith)
AROUND TOWN

THE IMPACT OF SUFFERING: PATHWAYS TO RESTORATION
Sat., May 11, 9 am—4 pm, Mercy Conference & Retreat Ctr
This workshop teaches skills & compassionate methods for our own emotional, physical & spiritual restoration & healing. It is designed for all who would like to increase their awareness & learn these skills, whether for personal or professional reasons. Presented by Sr. Jean Abbott, CSJ, MSW. Sr. Jean is a Sister of St. Joseph, a therapist, & an expert in working with victims of trauma. For more information, http://www.mercycenterstl.org

EXCLUSIVE PRE-PUBLICATION EVENT WITH COLLEEN CARROLL CAMPBELL
Colleen Carroll Campbell, award-winning author of “My Sisters the Saints,” journalist & former presidential speechwriter will be introducing her newest book, “The Heart of Perfection: How the Saints Taught Me to Trade my Dream of Perfect for God’s.” Drawing upon the wisdom of the saints Colleen will unveil for us the reality that true satisfaction, peace, & joy are not the results of our efforts to live a perfect life, but come as a gift of God’s love. Join us for an inspiring talk, book signing & refreshments. Information & to register, 314-965-3512.

2019 WOMEN LIVING THEOLOGY CONFERENCE
MOTHERS, SISTERS, DAUGHTERS STANDING ON THEIR SHOULDERS
MAY 31-JUNE 1 — 9 AM—4PM
AQUINAS INSTITUTE, 23 S. SPRING, 63108
Featured Speaker: Edwina Gately, speaker, advocate, writer, poet & mom
Cost for the weekend: $120 includes lunch & parking
Limited financial aid is available.
To register, or more info, ai.edu or 256-8804.
Deadline to register, May 19.

MID-LIFE SINGLES (MID-30s TO 50s):
Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat, King’s House Retreat Center, Belleville, (20 min from downtown St. Louis), May 31-Jun 2.
Take a chance and get involved...you won't regret it!

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND
KPLR channel 11 (CW), 8:30 a.m. & KTVI channel 2.2 (antenna TV), 9:00 a.m.
Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org.
### 3rd Sunday of Easter

**Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41**  
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13  
Revelation 5:11-14  
John 21:1-19

**Monday May 6**  
Acts 8:8-15  
Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30  
John 8:22-29

**Tuesday May 7**  
Acts 7:51-8:1a  
Ps 31:3, 4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21  
John 8:30-35

**Wednesday May 8**  
Acts 8:1b-8  
Ps 68:1-7  
John 8:35-40

**Thursday May 9**  
Acts 8:29-40  
Ps 68:8-9, 16-17, 20  
John 8:44-51

**Friday May 10**  
Acts 8:1-20  
Ps 117:1-2  
John 6:52-56

**Saturday May 11**  
Acts 9:31-42  
Ps 118:12-17  
John 6:60-69

Reading this Sunday’s Gospel story, I have to wonder: How did Jesus catch the fish he was barbecuing when the disciples came ashore? Did he have a net too? Did he buy it in town with the bread? If so, didn’t anyone recognize him? Or maybe the fish just jumped out of the water onto the fire! And maybe he turned stone into bread, like Satan had once tempted him to.

Reflect back upon the miracle of the multiplication of loaves and fish. Same foods: bread and fish. Same miracle! It does not matter how little we have or even whether we have anything at all. God the Creator has an infinite supply and is able to produce an abundance of everything. It’s never based on what we have, it’s always based on the love he has for us.

What he wants from us is the willingness to do the work of sharing what God provides. In the miracle of feeding the crowd, the disciples were asked to distribute the multiplied food. In the miracle of the huge catch of fish, the disciples were asked to “bring some of the fish you caught” and add it to the meal that Jesus was already cooking.

Afterward, Peter was asked to share the love he had for Jesus with the “sheep.” From where does love come?

Peter didn’t love anybody by his own efforts, none of us do. Peter was created with God’s love already in him, as we all were, for we were made in the image of God who is love.

Peter’s calling was to share the abundance of God’s love, so that the kingdom of God could continue to spread throughout the earth. What is God asking you to do? The answer does not lie in what you have, but in what you are willing to do with what God already has.

**Reflect & Discuss:**

1. **What work for the kingdom of God (the parish, a friend, a community program) have you felt a desire to do but haven’t yet done because your net feels empty?**

2. **Assume that Jesus is asking you to do it; what action can you take this week that will toss your net over the other side of the boat?**

3. **Are you doing everything you feel called by God to do? Share with your community a frustrated calling, i.e., an unsuccessful or unbegun vocation.**

4. **What does God have that you don’t have that could turn the dream into reality? Exchange ideas on how to avail yourself of God’s abundance.”**

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