**VALENTINE’S SWEETS**
Learn to make homemade pastries for your sweetheart
With Father Dominic, the Bread Monk

**Request books, kits, and multimedia items to be delivered to our new Anytime Lockers at the Capital Mall**

**TECH CLASSES**

AROUND THE LIBRARY: OVERDRIVE AND LIBBY
MONDAY, FEB 1 5:00-6:00 pm. Virtual Program
Overdrive and Libby are our most-used apps for checking out e-materials, and they’re easy to learn! Join us for a tutorial on how both apps work. We will go over the basics of how to acquire the app(s), how to search for titles, and tips and tricks for a more efficient experience.

MICROSOFT WORD: BASIC NAVIGATION
WEDNESDAY, FEB 3 6:00-7:30 pm. Virtual Program
Microsoft Word is a useful tool, used for a variety of jobs and tasks. This class will explore how to easily and accurately navigate the software (Microsoft 2016 or higher). Register online at mrl.org/events/month.

WINDOWS FOR BEGINNERS (VIRTUAL)
THURSDAY, FEB 4 3:00-4:00 pm. Virtual Program
This class will help you explore all the things Windows 10 has to offer, including shortcuts, browsing, and more. Register online at mrl.org/events/month.

BLOGGERS BELONG
WEDNESDAY, FEB 8 6:30-7:45 pm. Virtual Program
Are you a blogger? Have you considered starting a blog? Would you like to connect with other bloggers? Join us for the Blogger’s Belong session! The discussion will be led by Melenice A. Petree of www.intentionally.com. Register online at mrl.org/events/month.

MICROSOFT WORD: ADVANCED TIPS
WEDNESDAY, FEB 17 6:00-7:30 pm. Virtual Program
Microsoft Word is a useful tool, used for a variety of jobs and tasks. This advanced class will cover adding styles, saving files as a PDF, mail merge, printing on a letter or labels, and formatting. We highly recommend that you have a basic knowledge of Microsoft Word (2016 version or higher). Register online at mrl.org/events/month.

TROUBLESHOOTING TECHNIQUES
TUESDAY, FEB 23 6:00-7:30 pm. Virtual Program
Sometimes computers and software can be frustrating. They might freeze or shut down unexpectedly, which can lead to lost time and patience. Sometimes the library is here to help! Join us to learn about techniques you can use to discover computer problems yourself (before needing to call tech support). Register online at mrl.org/events/month.

**FEBRUARY 2021**

**SUN**  **MON**  **TUE**  **WED**  **THU**  **FRI**  **SAT**

1  Kids Take and Make Craft All Day
   Around the Library: Overdrive and Libby 5:00-6:00 PM
   Virtual Bedtime Stories 7:00-7:30 PM
   Virtual Puzzles and Pages 7:00-8:00 PM

2  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Basic Navigation 6:00-7:30 PM

3  Teen Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Yoga 10:30-11:00 AM
   People You Should Know: Picture Book Biography 10:30-10:45 AM
   Windows for Beginners 3:30-4:00 PM

4  MRLB/Red Cross Blood Drive 10:30-4:00 PM
   Virtual Rhyme Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Valentine’s Day Sweets 7:00-8:30 PM

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7  Virtual DIY Homeschooling 6:30-7:30 PM
   Virtual Bedtime Stories 7:00-7:30 PM
   Bloggers Book Club 6:30-7:30 PM

8  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual Novel Ideas 7:00-8:00 PM
   Gmail: The Basics 6:00-7:30 PM

9  Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Yoga 10:30-11:00 AM
   People You Should Know: Picture Book Biography 10:30-10:45 AM
   Windows for Beginners 3:30-4:00 PM
   Microsoft Word: Document Basics 6:00-7:30 PM

10 How to Sensory Play 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual Yoga 10:00-11:00 AM
   People You Should Know: Picture Book Biography 10:30-10:45 AM
   Virtual Dungeons & Dragons 6:00-8:30 PM

11 Ending Food Insecurity: The Challenge Now 7:00-8:30 PM

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16  Adult Take and Make 9:00-4:00 PM
   Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Among Us 7:00-8:00 PM
   Google Drive 6:00-7:30 PM

17  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Intermediate Tips 6:00-7:30 PM

18  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Document Basics 6:00-7:30 PM

19  Virtual Yoga 10:30-11:00 AM
   People You Should Know: Picture Book Biography 10:30-10:45 AM
   Virtual Bookworms 4:30-5:00 PM

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21  Kids Take and Make Craft All Day
   Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Troubleshooting Techniques 6:00-7:30 PM
   Virtual Bedtime Stories 7:00-7:30 PM
   LLU-MRB Lecture Series 7:00-9:00 PM

22  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual Dungeons & Dragons 6:00-8:30 PM

23  Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Advanced Tips 6:00-7:30 PM

24  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Intermediate Tips 6:00-7:30 PM

25  Virtual Preschool Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Preschool Take and Make Craft Kit All Day
   Virtual Family Story Time 10:30-11:00 AM
   Virtual S.A.G.A. 4:30-5:30 PM
   Microsoft Word: Advanced Tips 6:00-7:30 PM

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* An Adults Winter Reading Program will be offered January 1-March 1. Sign up online at mrl.readsquared.com to join today.
Programs for adults at the Missouri River Regional Library

WINTER WORDS
ADULT READING CLUB
January 1 - March 1
Join MRRL’s Adult Winter Reading Club and challenge yourself to read more during the quiet days of the chilly season. From January 1 until March 1, read five books in any format (print, audio, electronic), and submit the titles in one of three ways: 1) via a form posted at the library’s Reference Desk, 2) electronically by downloading the Read Squared app at http://mrl.readsquared.com or by sending an email to info@mrl.org.

This year, we’re asking participants to name a favorite book from those they read last year, a book they’d recommend to a family member or friend. We’ll publish a list of these favorites and post it on the library’s website. And we’ll do random drawings for book-related prizes at the end of the program.

WINTER WORDS

VALENTINE’S DAY SWEETS
Friday, February 5 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Homemade pastries for your sweetheart are easier than you think. Prepare for Valentine’s Day with a Zoom program from Father Dominic, the Bread Monk. Learn how to make flaky puff pastry from scratch in less time than it takes to go to the store, and see how to use it to make butter, bite-sized treats like heart-shaped croissants, dark chocolate pocketlets and caramel pecan mini rolls. Time for your baking questions will be included. You Valentine will thank you for tuning in!

The author of 10 cookbooks, Father Dominic is a monk and head of the religion department at Saint Beoe Academy in Peru, Illinois. He hosted the PBS cooking show “Breaking Bread with Father Dominic” and is the recipient of national awards for his children’s book, Brother Jerome and the Angina in the Bakery. When not baking or teaching, he can usually be found in the abbey herb garden.

Join us at https://www.mrl.org/events/month.

VIRTUAL DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
Thursdays, February 11 & 25
6:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Virtual Program
Are you an adventurer at heart? Play Dungeons & Dragons with us online! You might stump your way through an army of orcs, or go on a noble quest to rescue a whole town. You decide! Please contact Megan at mheinem@mrl.org for more information or to sign up.

ADULT TAKE AND MAKE CRAFTS: YARN BIRD
Tuesday, February 16-28 | 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sign up for a kit to make a yarn bird. We will provide you with the yarn and other supplies to make this cute yarn bird. You can pick up the kits starting on Tuesday, February 16 from the Reference/Information desk.

Registration required at https://www.mrl.org/events/month or call the Information desk to register.

DIY HOMEMAKING
Monday, February 8 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Facebook
Are you interested in homemaking, but not sure where to start? Do you want to live off grid, but don’t know how? Do you just have questions about life on a homestead? This month Angie will be talking with Margo Jakobi about homemaking and living off grid right here in central Missouri. Contact Angie at baynes@mrl.org to submit questions for Margo or for more information. Join us at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrl.adults

ENDING FOOD INSECURITY: THE CHALLENGE NOW
Thursday, February 18 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Zoom
The COVID crisis has exacerbated the reality of food insecurity for families and individuals. Throughout the country, food banks report more and more families depending on their services for the first time, and television shows news the long lines of cars waiting to receive boxes of food necessities in town both large and small.

Jami Wade, regional coordinator for The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri, will describe national and local needs, how food is sourced, what people receive from The Food Bank, the role of Feeding America, and the types of volunteer help The Food Bank needs. She will also discuss the local partner agencies, Buddy Packs, Veterans Packs, and Senior Boxes. The Food Bank serves 32 counties, including Cole.

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VIRTUAL LOOSELY BOUND BOOK CLUB
Monday, February 22 | 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. | Zoom
Looking for your next great read? Join us at our newest book club! Instead of reading the same book every month, members read a book related to the theme of the month. This month’s theme is humor, so read something funny! Discussion and recommendations abound! A&G 18 and up.

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FOOD SHOPPING ON A BUDGET
Thursday, February 25 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Zoom
Take a virtual grocery store tour to learn how to get the most nutrition while staying within your food budget. Topics will include reading food labels, comparing unit prices, finding whole grains and added sugars and sodium, and saving money on produce. Leading the tour will be Lynda Zimmerman, county engagement specialist in nutrition and health for the University of Missouri Extension.

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MRRL/AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
Fridays, February 5 & 12
10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Art Gallery
Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Jefferson county group to schedule an appointment.

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