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**Confessions: are heard each Saturday night from 4 to 4:45 pm and
each Sunday from 8 to 8:20 am.**

Parish Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:15 am to 3:00 pm.

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THEME FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: If we have died with Christ, we believe we shall also live with him. He invites us to take up our cross and follow him, and to respond to those who are in need, as did the woman who extended hospitality to Elisha the prophet. Blessed is she who walked in the countenance of the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS:

- Fri. 6/30 8:00am- Norbert Wittenauer, Jerry Mollet (Month's Mind), and Urban Wittenauer
- Sat. 7/1 5:00 pm -For Our Parish at St. Augustine's
- Sun. 7/2 8:30 am- Joe Jung, Art & Louise Kuhn, and Jerry Mollet
- Fri. 7/7 8:00 am- Virgil Gregson, Philip & John Rheinecker, and Roy Schreder (Month's Mind)
- Sat. 7/8 5:00 pm- Raymond Braun & Dale Braun, Lucille & Ralph Recker, and Noel & Agnes Roscow
- Sun. 7/9 8:30am- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's



OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD: 6-25-2023

Envelopes (58)-\$2,067.00
Loose- \$156.00
Youth- \$11.00
Scholarship-\$50.00
Parking Lot/Resolution Projects Donations-
\$1,700.00

Scholarship Fund - \$3,406.50
(Total Donated since 8/1/2022)
Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 8th, 5pm

Set Up: Joan Powell
Lector: Emma Day
Servers:
Extraordinary Minister: Kevin Schreder
Extraordinary Minister Wine:
Camera:

Sunday, July 9th, 8:30am

Set Up:
Lector: Jonella Donius
Servers: Doerrs
Extraordinary Minister: Kyle Doerr
Extraordinary Minister Wine: John Kaiser
Camera:



Please pray for the following:

Darlene Frisch, Jeanelle Dinan, Marge Abel, Madalyn Killebrew, Kenny Kern, Marcia Rheinecker, Ricky Wittenauer, Lois Papenberg, Ava Kern, Nancy Grohmann, Jim & Joanne Cowell, Helen Parker, Mike Rheinecker, Gary Brinkman, Doris (Neff) Firnkes, Evelyn Kelley Marquart, Roger Cortner, Frank Kohler, Josh Middendorf, and Ethel Mae Kreher.

For Active Service Personnel: Justin S. Bushong, United States Coast Guard and Austin Gregson, United States Marine Corps.

Please call the Parish Office 618-473-2217 to submit names for the prayer list.



PRAY FOR Richard Ruhmann, son of LuAnn Ruhmann, who died and was buried this past week. Please remember him and his family in your prayers. May his soul and all souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



**Anointing of the Sick
will be THIS weekend
following both
Masses.**

FROM THE PASTOR...

FR. LINUS UMOREN, C.M.

Reflection for Thirteenth Sunday A

A spiritual Leader lay quietly. He was dying. The disciples had gathered around his bed and recited some holy verses trying to make his last journey divine and pleasant. They wanted to give him warm milk to drink but he declined. One of the disciples took the glass back to the kitchen and decided to add some brandy considering it good for health. He poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Spiritual Leader's bed, they lifted his head gently and held the glass to his lips. The very frail man drank a little, then a little more, and before they knew it,

he had finished the whole glass down to the last drop. As his eyes brightened, the disciples thought it would be a good opportunity to have one last talk with their Spiritual Leader. Sir....! the disciples asked earnestly, "Please, give us some of your wisdom before you leave us."

He raised himself up very slowly in the bed on one elbow, looked at them and said, "Don't sell that cow."

Discipleship as a theme continues in our liturgy this week. The divine mission is about the unnamed people as it is about the familiar names in the scriptures who did remarkable things. Thus, Jesus uses the word "whoever." it could be anybody.

Sometimes, we tend to discount the roles of some people as less significant. But Jesus tells us that none of these "will lose their reward" (10:42). In other words, those who are open to hospitality are open to Jesus Christ, and to such belong the kingdom of God. For these people, the kingdom of God is not a strange life that will happen at the end of time. But the kingdom of God is their life, their gifts, and their blessings, which they share with others. They do not offer compassion or love to people with the absolute expectation of the reward of a ticket to "heaven's baseball game." The gift of the kingdom does not work that way. As we extend hospitality to others, we may well find that we experience new insights and hear new stories of faith that redirect our perceptions. Such a witness can stimulate our theological and spiritual imaginations so that we become new beings.

Jesus also warns that whoever does not take up his cross and follow him is not worthy of him. Therefore, hospitality and kindness must be for us a way of contributing to the recreation of the world. Through this attitude, we become part of the people who make love manifest in others' lives, and we become eternal witnesses to this. This is the kind of reward we would not lose.



Attention Parishioners of St. AUGUSTINE, the Knights of Columbus are seeking your help. Every year we supply workers for the Monroe County Fair, taking place July 23-30, parking cars, working the entry gate, selling beer tokens and working in the beer stand. This year we are in need of additional help, if you are able to help the revenue generated from your shift would go into the Education fund or another fund of your choice at St Augustine's. Most shifts are 2 1/2-3 hours and if can help contact Kevin Schreder at 818-473-2925...Thanks!!!



We are still needing an Adult Basket and Margarita Stand chairman. If interested please contact Aaron Eckart.

UPCOMING 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION NEXT MONTH...

July 29th & 30th – St. Vincent de Paul Waterloo & Newman Center-SIU-C

In July, there are 5 Sundays; so once again, we will conduct a 2nd Collection at Masses the weekend of July 29th and July 30th. This collection will benefit St. Vincent de Paul (Waterloo) and Newman Center of SIU-C. We appreciate your generosity during these 5th Sunday Collections. Once again, if you wish to have your donation listed on your annual financial statement, please indicate on your check memo line or put cash in an envelope with the designation of 5th Sunday Collection. Thank you!



Prayer for Rain

A Prayer For Rain

Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear blue sky above, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear. We place our trust in You. We are sure that You know our needs, but You want us to ask You anyway, to show You that we know we are dependent on You. Look on our dry hills and fields, dear God, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice and the rivers will sing Your praises and the hearts of men will be glad.

Fireworks scare ALL pets (big OR small). Keep ALL pets indoors, play calming music or leave the TV on.



Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!!



DIOCESAN INFORMATION

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

“O God our Creator... through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
“Prayer for Religious Liberty”

DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE -- PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is an active ministry in the Diocese of Belleville!!! Planned Parenthood continues to see women (some report one woman every 20 minutes six days a week). It is so vital that we be there for these women to offer free and confidential help in their time of need. It is our hope to continue to foster a sense of compassion in our communities making them a safe place to welcome those who suffer after an abortion and encourage reconciliation and healing in Jesus Christ. Those in need of help and counseling can confidentially contact someone by phone or email. Here's a link to Project Rachel on the diocesan website with additional information: <https://www.diobelle.org/respectlife/project-rachel>.

To stay informed of Pro-Life events in our Diocese, like and follow our FaceBook page, Respect Life Apostolate – Belleville



NATIONAL SHRINE of
OUR LADY of the SNOWS
Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center

Journey to Nicaea: The Evolution of Christianity from Gospel to Creed
Presenter: Mark Etling, PhD

Saturdays, July 1, August 5 and September 2 10:00 am – Noon

The first four centuries of the Christian era saw an incredible evolution – from a tiny movement in Israel to a vast, thriving institution in much of the Roman Empire. In its earliest days the Christian movement was a disorganized network of communities with no Bible, no central authority, and no unified system of beliefs.

But by the year 400 the Church had adopted a universal statement of faith – the Nicene Creed. In this three-part series we will explore Christianity's historical and theological journey from Jerusalem to Nicaea.
cost: \$10 per session / \$30 for the series.

For more information, call 618-394-6281. Register online at <https://snows.org>



St. Patrick Church-Tipton

34th Annual Auction & Chicken Plate Dinner

Sunday, August 6, 2023

Mass celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

Dinner: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Auction beginning at 12 noon

Quilts to sell approx. 2:00 pm
(Silent Auction, Country Store & Quilt Raffle)

Air-Conditioned Hall & Lots of Shade Trees
Carry-outs available

Large Rummage Sale & Bake Sale

Friday and Saturday July 28th & 29th

From 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Located in Church Hall

Rummage sale items half price on Auction Day

VARIOUS QUILT OF THE MONTH RAFFLES IN THE AREA

- Our Lady of Good Counsel, Renault – January-December 2023. \$20 per ticket; Call 618/458-7710; Limited number of tickets available in Parish Office at St. Augustine's.
- St. Michael, Paderborn – January thru December 2023. \$20 per ticket. Contact Sue Walsh 473-2798. Limited number of tickets available in Parish Office at St. Augustine's.
- St. Patrick's Ruma – January thru December 2023; \$20 per ticket; tickets available in the Parish Office at St. Augustine's. Questions call Kathy Schmidt at 618/284-7274.
- St. James, Millstadt – Quilt-A-Rama, Tickets drawn the first Monday of every month during 2023. Tickets are \$25.00 each. See your Parish Office for tickets or contact St. James, 618/476-3513.

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal 2023

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

“With confidence in the Lord, I am turning to you today asking for your support of this year’s Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. My hope is that your generous response will help our ministries grow and the compassion of Jesus will be experienced more profoundly in our communities.”

– Bishop Michael McGovern

Please consider making your gift today!

Pledges to Date: 26

\$5,150.00.00

80% of our goal

This weekend, we mark another anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. “On the 51st anniversary, Charles Carroll, the only Catholic to have signed the Declaration and the last surviving signer, said, “God grant that this religious liberty may be preserved in these States to the end of time, and that all believing in the religion of Christ may practice the leading principle of charity, the basis of every virtue.” Today is a time for choosing how we will keep faith with the great accomplishments of our Catholic forebears as we seek to make our own contributions.

If we or someone in your family is called by the Holy Spirit to a religious vocation, we should encourage and accept this challenge as we are all endowed by our Creator with life and liberty. “Columbia, ‘Culture of Life’, Oct. 2015, pg. 47.

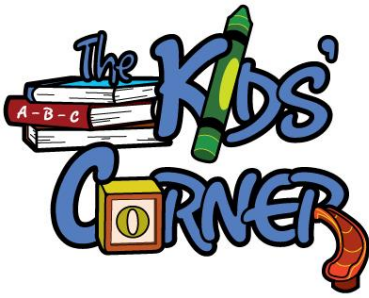


The Serra Club of St. County is an organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to foster and affirm vocations to the Priesthood and vowed religious life.

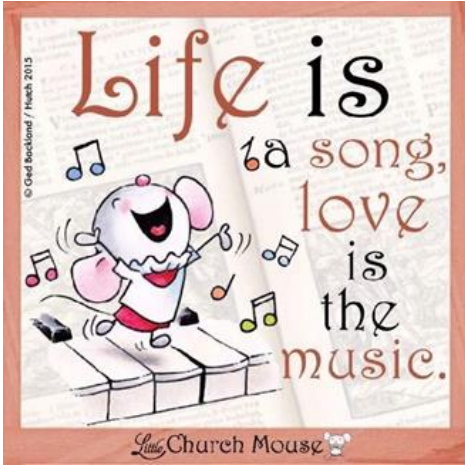
Our purpose is to pray for vocations and inform our community the need for vocations. We provide many social events for our Priests, Deacons and Nuns. We sponsor occasional visits to the Seminaries for our grade and high students guided by a priest or a seminarian. Our group meets every first and third Friday of the month at Corpus Christi Parish Hall 206 Rasp St. Shiloh, IL 62269. We begin Mass at 11:00 am, follow by lunch and a brief meeting, and a prominent speaker.

Additional information please call Marvin Winkeler (402 214-1155 or Mel Lucash 618-531-4244 **Serra has a new web page: serrastclair.org**

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!



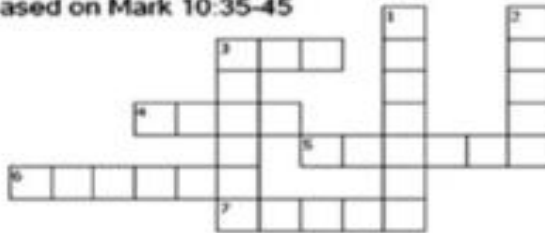
Happy 4th of July



To Be Like Jesus

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 10:35-45



ACROSS

3. To occupy a chair
4. The direction that is the opposite of right
5. to be in front; to be first
6. A special chair used by a king or queen
7. The direction that is the opposite of left

DOWN

1. A person who works for another person
2. To do something to help someone, often after they ask you to do it
3. To feel physical or mental pain

ANSWERS:

ACROSS - 3. SIT 4. LEFT 5. LEADER 6. THRONE 7. RIGHT
DOWN - 1. SERVANT 2. FAVOR 3. SUFFER

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Conference**

We are a Catholic lay organization providing service to the needy and suffering. Our Conference includes the parishes of:

- St. Augustine of Canterbury-Hecker
- St. Mary-Valmeyer
- St. Patrick-Tipton
- Saints Peter & Paul-Waterloo

Telephone numbers are 939-0605 and 618-792-4059

Mailing address is P.O. Box 443, Waterloo, IL 62298

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at Adult Faith Formation House at 7:00 PM. New members are always welcome

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE:

Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline:

800-640-3044.

**Purchase SPPCS “Scrip Cards” for your shopping
and gift giving needs!**

Scrip cards make great gifts and in addition, consider purchasing “scrip cards” to use in place of cash, checks or credit cards for purchases you make.

How does that help St. Augustine families? Each SPPS student family is required to earn \$250 each year in fund raising. Plus, each student must pay \$400 registration and book fees. Then the tuition begins. At the end of each month the rebates from scrip sales are tabulated and applied to the family’s account. You may designate a particular family or St. Augustine students as a group in which case it will be equally divided. Please consider trying this program and perhaps add an item each month to help our parish support the SPPS/St Aug. families with absolutely no cost to you.

St. Augustine’s contact for the Scrip Program is Angi Kern. You may reach her at 618/973-7580 (call or text) or email her at 51014wedding@gmail.com.

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