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Confessions: heard each Saturday night from 4 to 4:45 pm

Parish Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

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THEME FOR THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: We are to love the Lord with our whole heart and our neighbor as ourselves. By thus fulfilling these two great commandments, we hope to become models of faith and imitators of the Lord who gave himself totally for our sakes.

MASS INTENTIONS:

- Fri. 10/27 8:00am- - Frank Gregson, Virginia Parker, and Delmar Wachtel's Month's Mind
- Sat. 10/28 5:00pm- Charlie Kreher, Esther Eckart, and
Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
- Sun. 10/29 8:00am- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's
- Wed. 11/1 8:00am- Christopher Allen Schreder
- Fri. 11/3 8:00am- Don Haudrich and Dave Bruss
- Sat. 11/4 5:00pm- For All of the Deceased of Our Parish
- Sun. 11/5 8:00am- For All of the Deceased of Our Parish



Standard Time



**Don't forget that coming
up NEXT WEEKEND to
move your clocks back,
Sunday, November 5th,
2023 (2:00 am)!!**

OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD: 10-22-2023

Envelopes (31)- \$1,453.00

Loose- \$154.00

Youth- \$11.00

Parking Lot/Resolution Projects Donations-**\$2,700.00**

Scholarship Fund - \$963.00

(Total Donated since 8/1/2023)

Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 4th, 5pm

Set Up: Kevin Schreder
Servers: Mehrmanns
Lector: Kevin Schreder
Extraordinary Minister: Barb Bruss
Extraordinary Minister (W): Annette Schreder
Extraordinary Minister (W): Joan Powell
Camera:

Sunday, November 5th, 8:00am

Set Up: Arnie Eckart, Sr.
Servers: Doerrs
Lector: Ryan Grohmann
Extraordinary Minister: Kyle Doerr
Extraordinary Minister (W): Lucas Gregson
Extraordinary Minister (W): Tiffany Gregson
Camera:

A copy of the set-up schedule is posted on the bulletin board and can be found in the Priest's Sacristy

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, Ethel Mae Kreher, Heather Grohmann Kurtz, Shirley Wittenauer, Annette Lovelace, Mel Parker, Debra Harbaugh, and Geri Griffin.

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



Anointing of the Sick will be next weekend following both Masses.

There will not be a November Ladies Altar Sodality Meeting.
There will be a
short meeting along with the Christmas Party in December.
Please watch the bulletins for further information!

THIS WEEKEND SATURDAY/SUNDAY MASSES are our last 5th Sunday Collections for this year:

(OCT 28th and 29th)
Collection will go towards HNS Outreach for Thanksgiving & Christmas

FROM THE PASTOR...

FR. LINUS UMOREN, C.M.

Reflection for the Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time in Year A

Back in the days before many churches had wireless microphones, a preacher was wired for sound with a lapel mic, and as he preached, he moved briskly about the platform, jerking the mic cord as he went. Then he moved to one side, getting wound up in the cord and nearly tripping before jerking it again. After several circles and jerks, a little girl in the third pew leaned toward her mother and whispered, "If he gets loose, will he hurt us?"

In last week's gospel, we heard how Jesus silenced the Pharisees and the Herodians who came to entrap him on the topic of paying census tax. This week's gospel reading narrates the third in a series of confrontation between Jesus and his challengers. This time instead of trying to ensnare Jesus with a no-win question, they approach him with an open-ended theological question by asking: "Teacher which commandment in the law is the greatest?" (Matthew 22:36 NAB). This question attempts to goad Jesus into devaluing the law or at best making one law more important than the other. And if Jesus disarranged the laws, he would be discrediting himself as a teacher. There is no doubt that Monotheism was the defining characteristic of Judaism, and the law was given directly by God. Interestingly, Jesus does not just give a single commandment, but names two of equal value; and both of them were derived from the heart of the Jewish tradition. Moreover, Jesus adds a more significant part by saying that the whole law and the prophet depended on these two commandments. With his answer, Jesus direct them to the heart of the law of God. Thus Go makes us be aware of the motivation behind the law given by God. God's law is always the law of love. It is that simple and difficult. Love is the greatest joy, and there is no greater suffering than that caused by love. Understanding love in this way can be scary which is why Jesus does not just teach about love, but he embodies it in the ultimate price for love which he paid on the cross. By going to the cross as an act of love Jesus shows us how much God loves us and the only way to love others is first to recognize just how much God loves us. When we love others, the reign of God spreads throughout the world. Besides, the compassion we show to others is always a form of evangelization. Love speaks louder than any words we can utter. God is good all the time; all the time God is good!



You are!
Invited!



Please join us to celebrate the Jubilee's of both Sister Joan Weiler and Sister Angela Laquet after both Masses this weekend! Reception following both Saturday and Sunday Mass inside the Parish Hall. Let's celebrate 85 years of collective selfless service !!

St. Augustine's Parish ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are looking for highly motivated parishioners who would like to form a committee to begin planning St. Augustine's 200th Celebration! If interested email staug@htc.net or call the parish office. Save the date! 19 October 2024!!
- **CHANGE- Parish Council Meeting Monday, is now October 30th, 7pm Parish Center**
- Jubilee Celebration Honoring Sr. Joan and Sr. Angela is THIS Saturday 10/28 and Sunday 10/29 following both Masses, location inside the Parish Center. Please bring a dessert to share. Since it was asked- Donations to their favorite organization or gift cards to Schnucks or local restaurants would make very appropriate gifts to celebrate their service.
- Halloween, October 31st, Tuesday, HHC Hosts Halloween Kick-Off Party, 5-6pm.
- Holy Day of Obligation- Solemnity of All Saints Mass, Wednesday November 1st, 2023 8am- St. Augustine's
- November 4th, Saturday, 7-11pm, HCC Hosts Boulder Dash, Admission \$7.00
- All Souls' Remembrance Mass Sunday, November 5th - 8:00 am Mass- Please call the Parish Office at 618-473-2217 if you have a loved one you wish to add that passed away this past year.
- Ecumenical Service with Freiden's UCC is Tuesday, November 21st, 2023 @ 7pm, Reception in their Fellowship Hall to follow Service.
- November 25th, Saturday, 7-11pm, HCC hosts Butch's Polka Kings, admission \$7.00
- Tuesday, November 28th, 1-5pm, Hecker Community Center: Hecker Community Blood Drive.



**Holy Day of Obligation- Solemnity of All Saints Mass,
Wednesday, November 1st, 2023 8am
Here at St. Augustine's**

**All Souls' Remembrance Mass
NEXT Sunday, November 5th - 8:00 am Mass**

We will be remembering those who have died since All Souls' Day 2022 during the 8:00 am Mass next Sunday, November 5th, 2023.

Please call the Parish Office 618-473-2217 to let us know your loved one's name or send an email to staug@htc.net.

All Souls Candlelight Vigil on November 2

You and your loved ones are invited to join Vincentian Father Clayton Kilburn as he leads a Candlelight Vigil from the Shrine Church to the historic grotto to remember your deceased loved ones in prayer. The vigil begins at 6:00 p.m., CT. For more information, call Frank Ryan at 573-768-7013.

Message from the Office of Bishop McGovern:

Bishop McGovern has scheduled a St. Andrew Dinner on Sunday, November 5, 2023, at the Newman Center at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. This event is for young men ages 14-32 who are interested in learning more about the priesthood; parents or guardians are also welcome.

The event will begin with gathering at 3:30 PM and discussions with the Bishop starting at 3:45 PM. Mass will be at 5:15 PM, and dinner will follow

with the opportunity for additional discussion.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Mrs. Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722-5003 or jhoffmann@diobelle.org





NEWS FROM GIBUALT HIGH SCHOOL

Open House 2023

Our Open House is next Sunday – November 5. It's the perfect time to learn more about Gibault Catholic High School and what all we can offer your family! Take a private tour of the campus, meet our faculty, learn about sports and clubs, and ask any questions you may have. Reserve your space: <https://bit.ly/gchsopenhouse23>

Shadow Visits

Come see what life as a Gibault Hawk is like! On select Tuesdays and Fridays, your 7th or 8th grader or current high school student can spend the day at Gibault as a Shadow Visitor. Shadows will be matched with a current student with similar interests and together, they'll attend classes, meet teachers, enjoy lunch in our cafeteria, and more! Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>

SS PETER & PAUL



Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 204 W. Mill, Waterloo, would like to invite you to their parish retreat on November 6 & 7, from 7-8:30 pm led by Fr. Joe Nassal. Refreshments & fellowship will follow in the gym afterwards.



DIOCESAN INFORMATION

“Hope is always possible. To those who care for the sick, the scene of the Cross provides a way of understanding that even when it seems that there is nothing more to do there remains much to do, because ‘remaining’ by the side of the sick is a sign of love and of the hope that it contains. Healed by Jesus, we become men and women called to proclaim his healing power and provide care for our neighbors, until the very end.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

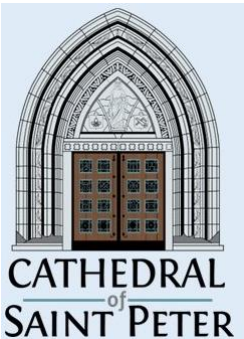
“The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice”

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



The Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate is sometimes celebrated in the parishes on the First Sunday of Advent.

This year, that is December 3, 2023.

The Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion has been scheduled at the Cathedral for the First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2:00PM.

God bless your efforts with all who are becoming Catholic!

Peace –

Fr. Godfrey

Following on Bishop McGovern's letter reminding us of Pope Francis' request for Prayer and Fasting this coming Friday, we will host Eucharistic Exposition at the Cathedral at 5:15PM, with the sung Divine Mercy Chaplet and sung Evening Prayer during Exposition. All are welcome. Feel free to announce this during the Masses this weekend and disperse via Flocknote, Facebook, or other means.

May God bless us with peace.

Fr. Godfrey

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.



Next Sunday, November 5th, starts National Vocation Awareness Week (declared by the U.S. Bishops) - an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Suggest to our youth to consider a call from the Lord to serve the Church and pray every day this week for an increase in vocations.



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](http://serrastclair.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS/ PICNICS- *UPDATED WEEKLY!!*

- **Queen of Hearts Drawing-** Benefitting Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic School
Tuesdays, Outsiders in Waterloo, IL,
Ticket sales end @6:30pm, drawings are held @ 7pm
- **St. Barbara's Catholic Church- Parish Hall**
2nd and 4th Thursday of each month
305 N Front St, Okawville, IL 62271, Doors open @5pm, Bingo @ 6pm
Food, drinks, and desserts for purchase- All games pay out \$50.00
- **Holy Family Cash and Quilt Bingo- St. James Gymnasium**
Sunday, October 29th, 2023, 412 W. Washington St, Millstadt, IL
Doors open at 10:30am, Bingo begins at 1pm, Raffles, Baskets, 50/50
- **St. John Catholic School Trivia Night-** Red Bud, IL- SBJ School Gym
Saturday, November 4th, 2023 @ 7pm, Shop vendors 6pm, Trivia Begins 7pm
\$120.00/table, Cash prizes, 50/50, golden tickets, Extra Games!
Bring snacks, cash bar, mulligans available for purchase
- **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Quilt and Cash Bingo-**Smithton, IL
Sunday, November 5th, 2023, Doors open at 10:30am, Bingo begins at 1 pm.
Sandwiches and refreshments served from 10:30 am - 1pm. Cards at \$1 each. Bring your own covers. 50/50 Game, Attendance Prizes, Quilt Raffle, Pot of Gold & Basket Raffle.
- **St. Teresa Annual Holiday Game Night-** 1108 Lebanon Ave, Belleville, IL
Friday, November 17th, 2023- Doors open @6pm, Cost is \$12.00, includes dinner
Bring your favorite board or card games, bring your own snacks, vendors will be on site, Attendance prizes, Raffles and Silent auction, Santa Sacks and Christmas booth

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal 2023

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

The homebound, sick and seniors living in the southernmost part of the state are assured they will have food to eat thanks to **Daystar Community Program's** mobile food pantry, which delivers groceries on a regular basis to those not able to visit Daystar's on-site food pantry. **YOUR GIFT** to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal makes Daystar's truly life-saving ministry possible. If you haven't already done so, please donate today and help Daystar to serve truly the poorest of the poor; they are counting on **YOU!**

Pledges to Date: 32

\$5,980.00

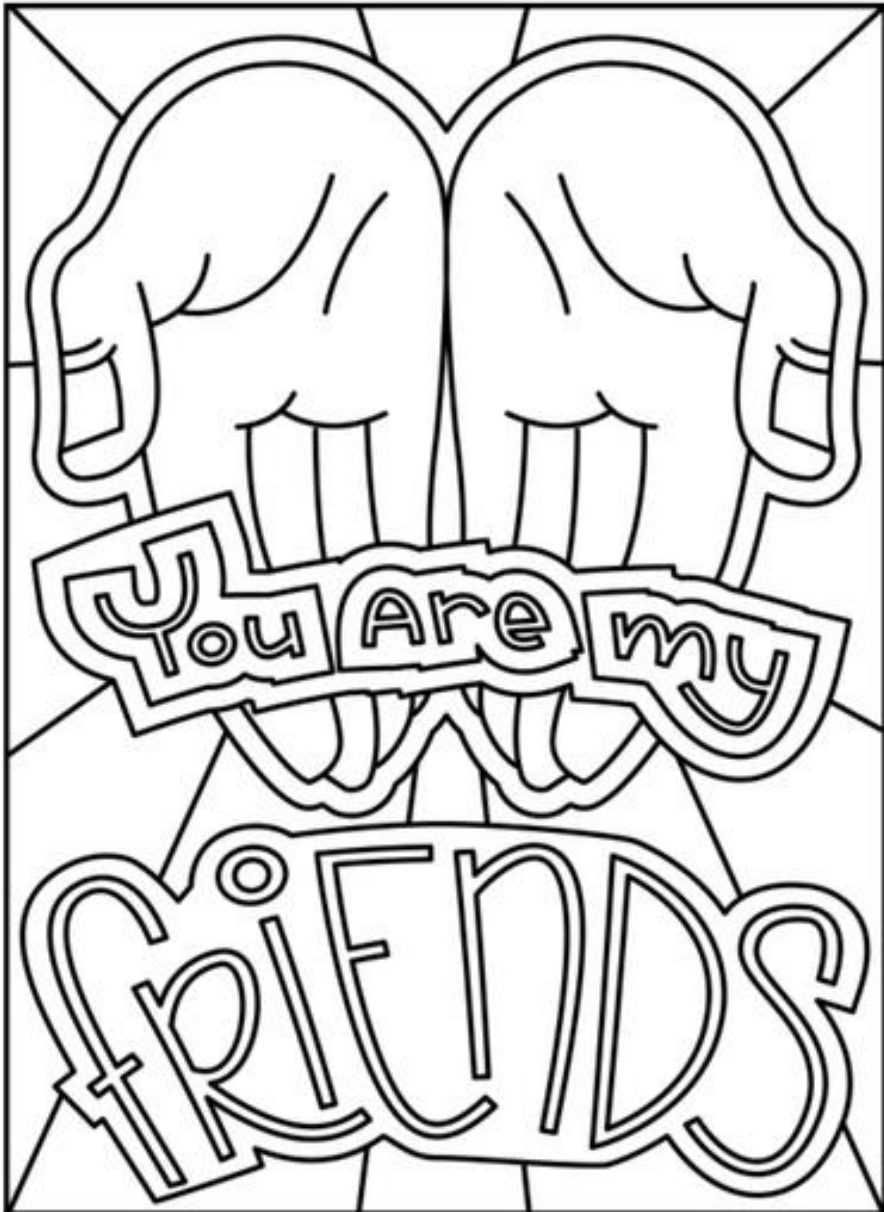
93% of our goal!



Color and return next week to Parish office and receive a Halloween treat from the secretary!

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98, John 15:9-17



Sister Joan Weiler, ASC - 60 Faithful Years of Service



After celebrating first vows in 1963, the call of discipleship led me to classrooms in IL, MO, and Puerto Rico. In most of these places I also provided music in the parishes. The conscious, active participation of the People of God singing God's praises always delights my heart. In leaving each of these places, I knew I left behind a trail of musical notes. While living in San Antonio, I continued my music ministry, while working as a DRE, or serving as a deanery consultant for the Archdiocese. Returning to IL, I ministered in pastoral care for two hospitals, and as a substitute organist in a non-Catholic church. I am grateful to be with you today to celebrate my 60th anniversary as an Adorer of the Blood of Christ.

Blessings,
Sr. Joan

Sister Angela Laquet, ASC - 25 Faithful Years of Service



I entered the ASC Congregation as a candidate in 1994. I became a novice in 1996 and made my first profession of vows on July 25, 1998. My primary ministry has been Occupational Therapist, working at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Belleville, Illinois, St. John's Mercy Hospital, Springfield, Missouri, Memorial Home Services (formerly St. Vincent Home Care) in Taylorville, Illinois. I have served on the Catholic Committee for Scouting in Springfield, Illinois, as well as the Vocation Committee for the Springfield Illinois Diocese. Currently, I am serving on the leadership team for the US Region of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ and I am on the Belleville TEC Board.

Blessings,
Sr. Angela

Share-the-Feast

Thanksgiving Day

23 November 2023 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

DELIVERY, PICK-UP, AND DINE-IN

HOSTED BY: WATERLOO LIONS CLUB

VFW Post #6504
406 Veterans Drive
Waterloo, IL 62298

To place your order for pick-up
OR delivery please contact:
Lion Sue Sweet at 618-830-6293
by Sunday, 19 November



This is a FREE Thanksgiving Meal. Donations are accepted, but not expected.

Committee Contacts:
Lions Sarah & Mike Karban
618-473-2110





Thanksgiving Dinners

If you or someone you know is in need of a Thanksgiving dinner, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council and the Catholic Diocese of Belleville will provide Thanksgiving dinners on

Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 23, 2022

Dinner will be served at:

**Msgr. Voss Parish Center
St. Henry Catholic Church
5303 West Main Street
Belleville, Illinois**

10:45 a.m. – 12 Noon

Delivery available (maximum 3 meals) to homebound only.

Reservations for dining at St. Henry or delivery to homebound are required; please call:

618-722-5024

Reservations must be made by November 17. We look forward to serving you!