

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville



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Pastor: *Father Osang Idagbo, C.M.*



The Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern, Bishop of Belleville



## Parish Staff

Trustees:	Ms. Rose Jordan Mr. Duane McClanahan
Secretary/Bulletin:	Mrs. Joan Scharf
Webmaster:	Mr. David Vernon

## Parish Organizations and Meetings

**Parish Council**-Second Tuesday of the Month

**Women's Club**-Meetings are on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**Quilters**-Every Tuesday after 8:00 a.m. Mass

**Knights of Columbus**-First (Business meeting @ 7:30) and Third Wednesday (Social @ 7 p.m.)

**Society of St. Vincent DePaul**-First Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, Columbia Parish, Columbia in the Garden Level

## Worship Opportunities

### **Saturday Vigil Mass:**

5:00 p.m. at Holy Family, Cahokia

### **Sunday Masses:**

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass at Holy Family (Log church)

10:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Family

**Weekday Masses are at 8:00 a.m.**

### **No Monday Mass**

**Sacred Heart:** Tuesday and Thursday

**Holy Family:** Wednesday and Friday

### Reconciliation

Sunday at 7:30 a.m. and by appointment

### Rosary

First Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m.;

Depending on weather, we will meet in the church or Mary Garden

## *A Reflection from the Pastor*

*Fourth Sunday of Advent    December 18, 2022    Year A*



We are just a week away from Christmas. In the first reading, the Prophet Isaiah tells the house of David that the Lord would give them a sign. The maiden that was with child would soon give birth to a son whom she would call Emmanuel (a name which means "God is with us.") Isaiah's prophesy was announced in 736 BC, when King Ahaz of Judah was going to be forced into an alliance that would oppose the military power of Babylon. Isaiah warned Ahaz that this alliance would be fatal; Ahaz would be better off trusting in the Lord. Isaiah promised a sign that Ahaz refused; the sign of the virgin who would soon give birth to a son. The son to be born (Emmanuel) would be a sign of the presence of God in the world.

The gospel tells us of how Jesus came to be born. Jesus' lineage is traced to the house of David. Although Joseph is not the biological father of Jesus, Joseph adopts Jesus into the line of David. Joseph's action (although there was some initial hesitation) exalts his position to being called the "father of Jesus". Joseph shares in God's plan of salvation for his people. The action of adoption by Joseph shows us the importance of accepting God's will. It may sometimes seem that God's will is too demanding or somewhat unreasonable. However, when we allow ourselves to be used to fulfill God's will, God will use us to bring about great things. Let us therefore endeavor to accept the will of God in all things without complaint.

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH (+ Deceased)**

**Sunday, December 18, Fourth Sunday of Advent (Hope, Peace, Joy and Love)**



7:30 a.m. Confession is available

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**Jacob Nelson+**

9:00 a.m. **Decorating the church for Christmas**

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church- **Rennard & Henretta Harris**

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family– **Jenny & Louis Rey**

5:00 p.m. Doors open for the Christmas Party

**Monday, December 19, Weekday of Advent No Mass**

**Tuesday, December 20, Weekday of Advent**

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart-**Sacred Heart Women’s Club member, living and deceased**

**5:30 p.m. Women’s Club Christmas Party**

**Wednesday, December 21, St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the church**

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-**Rose Lin**

**Thursday, December 22, Weekday in Advent**

8:00 a.m. mass @ Sacred Heart-**Parishioners of Sacred Heart**

**Friday, December 23, St. John of Kanty, Priest**

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-**Ginny Mueth+**

**Saturday, December 24, Vigil Mass for the Nativity of the Lord**

4:30 p.m. Choir begins at Holy Family

5:00 p.m. mass @ Holy Family-**Kaleb Nadler & Bud Dudley**

10:30 p.m. Choir begins at Sacred Heart

11:00 p.m. Mass begins at Sacred Heart- **For the souls of the innocent ones, Elizabeth Marie Preis and Blake Renee Urke+**



**Sunday, December 25, Nativity of the Lord Merry Christmas**



7:30 a.m. Confession is available

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**For the poor, oppressed and imprisoned**

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-**Ron & Helen Whited and Family**

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family– **Leonard & Clarabelle Montine+**

**Stay Awake; the Bridegroom is coming!**



**Parish Christmas Party...Tonight** Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.

**Women’s Club Christmas Party...Tuesday, December 20th.** Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m.



**Parish SUPPORT**

*Please prayerfully consider your own stewardship and pray for the financial well being of Sacred Heart Parish*

**December 11, 2022**

**General Collections**

Envelopes (23)	\$ 6,165.00
Loose	45.00
Candles	31.00

**Total General Collections \$6,241.00**

**Special Collections**

Retirement fund for Religious (9)	\$ 260.00
St. Vincent dePaul (1)	20.00
Christmas Flowers (5)	85.00
Feast of the Immaculate Conception (5)	100.00
Christmas Day donation (1)	25.00

**Total Special Collections \$ 490.00**

**Building Maintenance (4) \$ 100.00**

**Mass Intentions () \$ 0.00**

**On-Line giving available.** You have the ability to safely and securely donate to Sacred Heart at: <https://sacredheartdupo.org/donate>.

*Thank you for your generous support of our church.*



**VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

**DECEMBER 24, 2022**



**Sacristan** *Rose Jordan and Joan Scharf*  
**Lector** *Joan Scharf*  
**Host** *Emily Weber*  
**Eucharistic Minister-Choir:** *Duane McClanahan*

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

**DECEMBER 25, 2022**

**Sacristan** *Peggy Hoffmann*  
**Lector** *Geri Basinski*  
**Eucharistic Minister-Choir:** *Rose Jordan*



**Holiday Mass schedule**

**Christmas Eve and Day mass schedule:**

**Saturday, December 24th at Holy Family-** Choir begins signing at 4:30 p.m. and mass begins at 5:00 p.m.

**Midnight Mass at Sacred Heart-**Choir begins signing at 10:30 p.m. and Mass is at 11:00 p.m.

**Christmas Day Masses:** Sacred Heart at 8:00 a.m. and Holy Family at 10:00 a.m.

**New Years Day Mass (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God) Holy Day of Obligation** **Saturday, December 31st** at Holy Family at 5 p.m.

**Sunday, January 1** 8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart and 10 a.m. Mass at Holy Family



**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Cassidy Aldridge, David and Sandy Anderson, Lauretta Anzalone, Kim Arnold, Lindsey Arnold, Donita Baldwin, Benjamin Bassler, Monica Bauer, Betty and Larry Blair, Jill Boker, Lydia Boyer and family, Gina Brendley, Jolene Carroll, Virgil Casey, Brian Cleveland, Camryn Coughlin, Betty DeRousse, Frank Dowd, Steve Dressler, Hannah, Jerry, and Marilyn Dycus, Mary Engleman, Eli Fielder, Joan Frederick, Loretta Gardner, Marion Gautreaux, Erica and Michael Golightly, Joseph Gourley, Mary Gramm, Bryant Hahn, Christ Hallerman, Vernon Heine, Jerry Hight, Dale Hoepfinger, Linda Johnson, Earnest Jordan, Norma Karstetter, Carol and Richard Kelling, Hailey Kofron, Candice LaCroix, William LaCroix, Alice LaMastus, Steve Lawlor, Barbara Mallory, Beverly and Michele Martin, Geraldine McCoy, Lisa McDonald, Myron, Scott McIntosh, Jim and Nancy Merkle, Robin Miller, Linda Mooney, Kady Myers, Brian Nobbe, Parker, Bill Pennock, Irma Proffer, Alyssa Rhyne, Dillan Roberson, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Richard Singer, Nina Smith, Abby Steffen, Dee Sullivan, Mandy Sullivan, Andy and Michelle Urke, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Grace Wagner, Maryann Wagner, Angela Weber and James Whipple. **Please remember teenagers and their overwhelming challenges. \*If you know of someone that needs to be added or removed from this list, please let Joan Scharf know as soon as possible.\***



**Please remember our Service Men and Women protecting our freedom!**

<b>Tressa Tucker</b> , U.S. Air Force	Sister of Jake Weber
<b>Hunter Kelling</b> , U. S. Navy	Son of Holly and Travis Kelling
<b>Joseph F. Gloeckner</b> , U. S. Navy	Son of Michael and Renee Gloeckner



**\*Mass Intentions are a wonderful way to remember your loved ones, those who have special needs, or any special occasion. The recommended offering is \$10.00. Put your intention and money in the collection basket or send it to Joan at the parish office, P. O. Box 35, Dupo, Illinois 62239.\* Available NOW!**

**Hospital Visitations**-Due to the new privacy laws most hospitals are not notifying the Pastor of parishioners who are in the hospital. If you or a loved one is in the hospital and wish for Father Osang to visit, please leave a message for him at (618) 215-0538 with the name, hospital, and room number (if you have it).

**Home Visitation and Communion**-If anyone would appreciate a visit or Communion brought to their home please call Fr. Osang at (618) 215- 0538 or leave a message at the parish office (618-286-4373).

**Hall Rental**-For hall rental information please contact Joan in the office at (618) 286-4373. You can view the Parish Hall -Policy and print out the Rental Agreement by visiting our website at [www.sacredheartchurchdupo.org](http://www.sacredheartchurchdupo.org) and clicking on Hall Rental.



♪Happy Birth day to ♪ ♪ You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy♪  
**birthday ♪ ♪dear...December 27th—Travis Kelling 28th—Linda Hook**

*Happy Anniversary to...December*

*27th Tim and Sheila Walster*

*May each of you be richly blessed by the Lord! From Your faith family.*



**Special Notice**

Through the month of December, office hours may be varied. The office phone is forwarded to me if you need anything. Joan Scharf, Secretary



**Bulletin Early submission dates for the holidays...**To get information in the bulletin for Sunday, January 1, 2023 have your information in to me by December 21st. Confused? Me too? For more information call me at (618) 286-4373, email me at: [sacredheartdupo@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartdupo@gmail.com) or [scharfjo1956@yahoo.com](mailto:scharfjo1956@yahoo.com). Thank you for your cooperation, Joan Scharf



Reconciliation

**Sacrament of Confession on Weeknights in our area:**

St. Clare, O'Fallon: Tuesday evenings 6 to 7 p.m.  
 Cathedral, Belleville: Thursday evenings 6 to 7 p.m.



## The 2022 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal (CSMA) Commitment

*Go and do likewise... - Luke 10:37*

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!** **Bishop Michael McGovern**

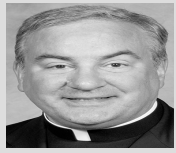
**Please consider a gift to the appeal today!**

**Contribution goal-\$4,360—21 households pledged-\$2,022—Total pledges collected-\$2,022.00 (as of 10/31/22)**

***It is not too late...Begin or Renew Your subscription Now!***



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**Dear Friends in Christ,**

As we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, I think of the words St. John wrote in one of his epistles: "we have come to know and believe in the love God has for us." My sincere prayer for the people of our diocese is that as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, each of us comes to know and believe more deeply in the love God has for us. May this Christmas be filled with a spirit of kindness and compassion and may you, your families and loved ones be filled with the peace of Christ in the New Year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
**Bishop Michael McGovern**



### **Christmas Day Dinner St. Henry Parish**

Duties of volunteers: Welcome people; cook food; serve food to the seated person; clean up. Call (618) 722-5009 for details.

**DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS**



### **Hospital Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

If you are a trained Eucharistic minister and are willing to share a few hours a week taking Holy Eucharist to those in the hospital, please call Connie Barre, Assistant Director, at (618) 235-9991 or by email: [cbarre@diobelle.org](mailto:cbarre@diobelle.org). You can also reach out to Rose Jordan or Joan Scharf at your local parish. Thank you, Fr. Gene Neff, Director  
"Lord, when did we see you naked and clothed you, ill and care for you, in prison and visited you.' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:35-40 (NAB)



### **45th Annual Diocesan Christmas Collection Christmas Eve and Day**

All monies collected will be utilized in the coming year to provide emergency assistance to those in need throughout the diocese.

***Prayerfully consider your stewardship.***

## **Respect for Life Corner**

Dear St. Joseph,  
help us to imitate your  
faithful trust and courage.




"The infant Christ 'came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph' (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come... Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us."



### **Retirement Fund for Religious Collection It is never too late!**

Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care needs of aging members. Many elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. At the same time, fewer religious are able to serve in compensated ministry.


# Events around the Parish and the community



**Decorating the Church for Christmas**  
 Anyone who is available to stay after Mass today (December 18th) and help decorate the church for Christmas is welcomed to join.  
 Many hands make light work.

**Job Opportunity-Scott Air Force Base Catholic (RE) Coordinator**  
**Not to exceed 25 hours per week**

**Company:** FAR Government, Inc  
**Job Overview:** Coordinate sacramental preparation programs to include Baptism; recruiting catechists and setting time and place for parent-teacher meetings; organize, plan, schedule and publicize religious programs including Catholic Vacation Bible School and maintain a sign-up/attendee log for program events.  
**To apply or get more details visit:**  
<https://scottairforcebase-il.geebo.com/jobs-online/view/id/1256910247-catholic-re-coordinato>



**POSITION AVAILABLE**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE**  
**ASSISTANT FOR THE TRIBUNAL**

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a part-time (16-24 hours per week) Administrative Assistant for the Tribunal who provides administrative and clerical support to the Judicial Vicar. Basic knowledge and understanding of bookkeeping practices are required. Applicant must have excellent organizational skills; strong written and oral communication skills; exercise problem solving, discretion and interpersonal skills; must be detailed and flexible; and must maintain confidentiality. Essential qualifications include a minimum of a high school diploma, associate's degree preferred, or equivalent experience; and 3+ years' experience in a related role of providing administrative/clerical support, plus knowledge in Microsoft Office and other computer programs/applications. Bilingual preferred. Practicing Catholic preferred with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices and organizational structure.

**Application deadline: November 31, 2022.**  
**To Apply to any position: Send cover letter, résumé, and references to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 South Third Street, Belleville, Illinois 62220, Fax to: 618-722-5020 or email to:**  
[humanresources@diobelle.org](mailto:humanresources@diobelle.org).

*The Society of St. Vincent De Paul*

**Invites You to Celebrate Joe Hubbard's 80th Birthday and Valentine's Day**



**Save the DATE**  
**Saturday, February 11, 2023**  
 Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Fairview Heights, IL

**Event theme:**  
**"A Heart for the Poor"**




**AND of course, it's a "FUN"draiser!**

**Questions?** Text Pat 618.799.0505, call Joe 618.394.0126, or email pat.hogrebe@gmail.com  
 The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, P.O. Box 3415, East St. Louis, IL 61203

**Employment Opportunity....Principal for Gibault High School, Waterloo, Illinois**

Applicants should hold a Master's Degree in Education with an Illinois Administrative license; experience in secondary school teaching and/or administration if preferred; management and budgetary experience; and familiarity with Catholic education. He or she is required to be faithful and committed to the teachings of the Catholic faith. **Send your resume to:** Diocese of Belleville, Office of Education, 2620 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville, Illinois 62221 or email it to: [jbirdsong@diobelle.org](mailto:jbirdsong@diobelle.org).  
**Applications will be accepted until filled.**



**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Events—**  
**The WOL open from Friday, November 18 -Saturday, December 31, 2022**

Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Bring your family and friends to see the lights and enjoy the many holiday sites in the Guest Center.  
**Experience the splendor of the greatest story ever told!**



## Gibault Catholic High School News....

### Enrollment News

Shadow Season is now open! Your 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader or current high school student can spend the day living life as a Gibault Hawk. Shadows are paired with a student ambassador who will show them around campus and introduce them to teachers, coaches, and other students. Schedule your shadow visit at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>

**Applications for the Class of 2027 are now open. Visit <https://bit.ly/GCHSApply>.**



### Don't Fling those Jeans or Coat!

The St. Vincent DePaul Overnight Center is looking for men's and women's jeans and coats. As we head into the winter months jeans and any warm clothing will be badly needed for those who do not have a warm place to live. For more information see Rose Jordan or Joan Scharf.

Thank you for your generosity,  
**Pat Hogrebe, Director**

### Help needed at the Overnight Center & Kitchen!

WE NEED YOUR HELP. The East St Louis sewer line that is hooked up to our buildings has caved in. That means no water can go down any drains, meaning no restroom facilities or kitchen clean-ups from meal preparations. Pat has closed the Overnight Center and the kitchen until repairs are made. No telling how long it will take the city. Pat is planning on providing bag breakfasts and lunches for the 125 or so each meal, the following items are needed: Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, hot chocolate mix, coffee, individual servings of cookies, individual bags of chips, lunch meat, hamburger buns, hand sanitizer or anything else that can be put in a bag of goodies. If you can spare a few extra dollars when at the grocery store., please consider helping those who are struggling. You can leave your donations with Rose Jordan or Joan Scharf or you can drop them off at the office: 8800 West Main Street, Belleville.

Thank you, Pat Hogrebe and Joe Hubbard

## Four Weeks of Advent

What do the candles represent?

- The **1st Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Hope with the "Prophet's Candle" reminding us that Jesus is coming.
- The **2nd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Faith with the "Bethlehem Candle" reminding us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.
- The **3rd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Joy with the "Shepherd's Candle" reminding us of the Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus.
- The **4th Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Peace with the "Angel's Candle" reminding us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

<https://www.catholiccompany.com>

## Quilt of the Month Raffle Opportunities

### Our Lady of Good Counsel, Renault (January-December 2023)

For \$20 your name will stay in the raffle for the whole year. That's 12 chances to win a beautiful queen-size, handmade quilt. An addressed envelope is provided for you to mail back your completed raffle ticket and money. If you have any questions, please call (618) 458-7710.

### St. Patrick Catholic Church 1 Pioneer Lane, Ruma Illinois

One beautiful Queen size Handmade Quilt will be raffled off every first Wednesday of the month. Tickets are \$20. For questions contact Kathy Schmidt at 618-284-7274.

You do not have to be present to win!

### St. James Catholic Church, Millstadt Conference of Catholic Women (CCW) 2023 Quilt Raffle \$25 each

To get your ticket contact Kathy Gass, CCW President at (618) 971-6208. Hurry, don't be left in the cold, the raffle begins in January!



Food  
Pantry  
Needs

### DuKare

Even though we keep hearing that the economy is improving...there are many who still suffer from pay cuts, less hours, or no job at all. The cost of essentials is still rising and families are struggling. Your help is desperately needed at the pantry. The next time you do your grocery shopping, put a couple of cans of chicken and dumplings, or boxes of Hamburger Helper items in your cart and help a family with a meal.

**Remember...what you do for them...you do for Jesus!**



**Volunteers Needed....**We are looking for volunteers who have an hour or two each week to help clean the church and parish center. If you can help please

call Joan in the office at (618) 286-4373 or email her at: [sacredheartdupo@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartdupo@gmail.com). You can also speak with I.D. Cleveland or a parish council member.

