

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville



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The Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern, Bishop of Belleville



Parish Staff

Trustees:	Ms. Rose Jordan Mr. Dennis Martin
Secretary/Bulletin:	Mrs. Joan Scharf
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Parish Organizations and Meetings

Parish Council-Second Tuesday of the Month @ 3 pm

Women's Club-Meetings are on the third Tuesday of the month at 6 pm (except June-August)

Quilters-Every Tuesday after 8 am Mass

Knights of Columbus-First (Business meeting @ 7:30 pm) and Third Wednesday (Social @ 7 pm)

Society of St. Vincent DePaul-First Monday of the month at 6:30 pm at Immaculate Conception Parish, Columbia in the Garden Level (except June-August)

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

March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

By: Father Evaristus Akabueze, C.M.

Year B

A husband and his wife had quarreled. It had been a pitched battle of wills, each digging in their heels to preserve the position they had vehemently taken. Emotions had run high. As they were driving to attend a family wedding in a distant city, both were nursing hurt feelings in defensive silence. The angry tension between them was so thick you could cut it with a knife. But then, the silence was broken. Pointing to a donkey standing in a pasture out beside the road, the husband sarcastically asked, "Relative of yours?" The wife quickly replied, "By marriage!"

This Sunday we commemorate the royal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The Gospels relate that he entered like a victorious king, though riding on a donkey rather than a horse used by powerful kings. The donkey in this case represents humility, strength, patience and endurance. His action speaks of a more humane version of kingship. He set himself up to confront the powers of human weakness, and the propensity to sin. He willingly accepted his cross, and conquered sin. In this celebration we carry palms to mark our victory in Jesus Christ. The First Reading foreshadows this vocation of the "suffering servant". He will inspire the weary by enduring suffering faithfully, and courageously. The Cross stands as a testimony for us who believe in him.

The Second Reading summarizes the great mystery of our redemption. St Paul describes the deepest form of humility exemplified in Jesus Christ. He emptied himself of divine glory, took on human form, and showed absolute obedience to God's will, even to the point of a shameful death. We learn from him the proper use of our privileges. Obedience to God is our ultimate good, and so, the journey continues. The celebration of Palm Sunday renews our courage and assures us victory. As your time permits, try hard to participate actively in the awesome events of Holy Week. We may feel the challenge to have the same attitude of humility and obedience that Christ our Lord had. **God is good all the time!**

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
(+ Deceased)



Sunday, March 24, Palm Sunday



7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**Virgil Casey+**
9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-**Phillip**

T. Harris+

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-**Helen Chaput+**

Monday, March 25, Holy Week No Mass

Tuesday, March 26, Holy Week

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart-**Carol Kelling+**

Wednesday, March 27, Holy Week

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-**Carlos Zavala, Jr.+**

Holy Thursday, March 28, Holy Thursday

5:30 Dinner @ Holy Family

7:30 p.m. Mass @ Holy Family-**James Byrd+**

Good Friday, March 29

Stations of the Cross and Services @



7:30 p.m. @ Holy Family-**Francis Matejka+**

Holy Saturday, March 30

7:30 p.m. Mass @ Holy Family-**Lawrence Miller+**

Sunday, March 31, Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m. Confession is available



8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**Elizabeth Marie Preis and Blake Rene Urke+**



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

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-**James Byrd+**



Alleluia He is Risen!



Parish SUPPORT

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

Due to early submission of the bulletin the Tithing Report will be available in the next bulletin.

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.



HOLY TRIDUUM
MARCH 28-30, 2024



HOLY THURSDAY: Geri Basinski-Second Reading
Kathy Koebbe-Host

GOOD FRIDAY: Joan Scharf-First Reading
Phyllis Gould-Second Reading
Geri Basinski-Solemn Intercessions (10)
Rose Jordan-Choir Host

HOLY SATURDAY: Joan Scharf-Second Reading
Christopher Cronin –Fourth Reading
Peggy Hoffmann-Host



EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 31, 2024

Sacristan: Rose Jordan/Joan Scharf
Lector: Christopher Cronin
Host: Carol McClanahan
Eucharistic Minister-Choir: Emily Weber



The Knights of Columbus Council 4596

We wish to thank everyone who helped support the Pork Steak Dinner sales. *Joe Morice*

The Holy Triduum Schedule 2024

Holy Family Catholic Church, Cahokia Heights

Holy Thursday Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Adoration to follow in the Log Church

Good Friday Stations of the Cross and Services at 7:30 p.m.

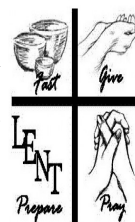
Holy Saturday Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Sacred Heart at 8:00 a.m.
Latin Mass-Log Church at 9:00 a.m.
Holy Family at 10:00 a.m.



Lenten Abstinence and Fasting Regulations

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are **obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics**. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, **the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59**. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. These guidelines can be found at: usccb.org



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, Lydia Boyer and family, Egypt Call, Jolene Carroll, Richard Chartrand, Elisabeth Curtis, Hannah, Jerry, and Marilyn Dycus, Mary Engleman, Eli Fielder, Loretta Gardner, Marion Gautreaux, Erica and Michael Golightly, Phyllis Gould, Joseph Gourley, Mary Gramm, Bryant Hahn, Christ Hallerman, Susan Heape, Charles Heard, Jerry Hight, John Jacobs, Linda Johnson, Earnest Jordan, Norma Karstetter, Richard Kelling, Hailey Kofron, Candice LaCroix, William LaCroix, Alice LaMastus, Steve Lawlor, Barbara Mallory, Michele Martin, Duane McClanahan, Geraldine McCoy, Scott McIntosh, Joanna and Ron Mentel, Nancy Merkle, Robin Miller, Sr. Emile Morgan, Tammy Murdoch, Kady Myers, Brian Nobbe, Dillan Oberson, Parker, Bill Pennock, Irma Proffer, Beau Bennett Reeves (infant), Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Richard Singer, Nina Smith, Abby Steffen, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Grace Wagner, Maryann Wagner, Angela Weber, James Whipple and Ashlei Wilson. **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!



Tressa Tucker , U.S. Air Force	Sister of Jake Weber
Hunter Kelling , U. S. Navy	Son of Holly and Travis Kelling
Joseph F. Gloeckner , 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 Akabueze to visit, please leave a message for him at (618) 340-6915 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. Akabueze at (618) 340-6915 or leave a message at the parish office (618-286-4373).

Hall Rental-For hall rental information please contact Tim Frederick 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 and clicking on Hall Rental.



♪Happy Birth day to ♪ ♪ You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy ♪
birthday ♪ ♪dear...March: 17th-Lindsey Kenner 24th-Ron Mentel
 26th-Barbara Cleveland 27th-Timothy Frederick

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



**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION
 ON WEEKNIGHTS IN OUR AREA:**

St. Clare, O'Fallon: Tuesday evenings 6 to 7 pm
**Cathedral, Belleville: Thursday evenings 6 to 7 pm (w/
 weekly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)**

Palm Sunday prayer:

Most glorious King, blessed are You Who continuously comes to us, leading the way to Heaven. Hosanna in the highest! As I begin this most Holy Week, commemorating Your gift of salvation, I pray that this commemoration will also be a real and transforming participation in Your life, death, and resurrection. Amen.



Parish Mission
Enriching our Faith

April 22, 23, and 24
 6pm-8pm

*Please join us in this revival
 at Holy Family Church.*
 Guest speakers: DePaul Mission Team
 All are welcome!

Holy Family Church, 148 Church St., Cahokia Heights, IL 62206



Catholic Service Ministry Appeal 2024 From Bishop McGovern. . .
The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

The CSMA continues to help many agencies throughout the Diocese of Belleville in Southern Illinois. Your donation helps to make this possible. ***This year our goal is \$4,316.*** We have 70 households registered. If each household gave \$65 we can make our goal this year. ***As we continue our Lenten journey, prayerfully consider your stewardship to continue God's mission of Hope.***



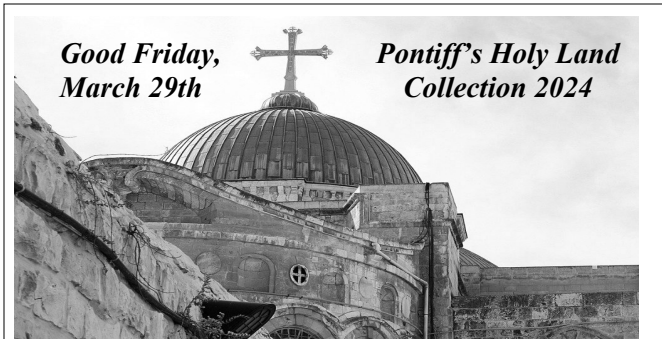
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The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Commitment
Serve the Lord with gladness
-Psalm 100

On behalf of Bishop Michael McGovern and diocesan ministries and programs, a most heartfelt thanks to all those who have already responded with a gift to The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not done so as yet, there's still plenty of time. One-time donations or pledges – **in any amount** – are needed and can be made through your parish or at www.diobelle.org (click on "Giving to the Diocese"). Your generosity supports seventeen agencies and programs that daily serve thousands of people. Please consider making your gift today or at any time you are able in the coming months. We also ask for your prayers for the success of this year's appeal and all those we serve.

Thank you and may God bless you always.



Good Friday,
March 29th

Pontiff's Holy Land
Collection 2024

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Holy Land Collection that is held on Good Friday. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education to our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. The Collection also provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. ***Please be generous.***

Join Today!

ICAN-The Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network
<https://www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/action-Register>

Benefits of I-CAN:

- Regular email updates on respect life, education, family, immigration, social services and social justice topics under consideration by state and federal lawmakers
- Pre-written messages on urgent issues you can email to your elected representatives
- Alerts to update you on the status of advocacy items
- Announcements about periodic Conference events
- Security in the knowledge that members' contact information will not be shared with others

SPACE LIMITED RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW

Spring Training for Your Marriage

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

HOLY TRINITY PARISH 505 FOUNTAINS PKWY, FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL

COST: \$50 PER COUPLE

TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE

• **MASS: 4:00 PM** • **DINNER: 5:30 PM**

• **FEATURING FR. JIM DEITERS**

SPONSORED BY: THE DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE DEPARTMENT OF LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY 618.722-5048 MKING@DIOBELLE.ORG

Events around the Parish, within the Diocese and in the community



The Cupboards Are Bare -- Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Your Help!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its Over Nite Center and 300+ people per day coming for meals at Cosgrove's Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for food. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients and, if you are able, your donation of food (all kinds) that will be cooked and served at the soup kitchen and/or individually packaged food items (cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, instant oatmeal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta in a cup) to distribute at the Over Nite Center.

Items can be dropped off at:

St. Vincent de Paul Council Office 8800 West Main Street, Belleville, Illinois 62223 (across from Blessed Sacrament Church) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. or **SVDP Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen**, 3718 State Street, East St. Louis, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon

For additional information contact Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at 618-394-0126. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity which enables St. Vincent de Paul's ministry to the poorest among us.



Catholic Radio

For inspiration and encouragement in your spiritual life listen to **AM 1080 WRYT, it is Catholic radio**. For a program schedule and a free CD, please call (314) 752-7000 or toll-free 1-877-305-1234.



Food Pantry Needs

DuKare

As the holidays wind down please do not forget that there are many in our community that still need your help. Your donation of syrup and complete pancake mix is desperately needed. Direct questions to Geri Basinski, Rose Jordan, I.D. Cleveland, Linda Martin or Christopher Cronin.

The DuKare team wishes to thank everyone for their generous donations that help feed those in need in our Community!



Gibault Women's Club

RUMMAGE SALE

Sat. Apr. 13, 2024

8 a.m. — 2 p.m.

(1/2 price and bag sale after noon)

Donation drop-off at the front entrance:

Mon. Apr. 8: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tues. Apr. 9: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Wed. Apr. 10: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Thurs. Apr. 11: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Early drop-offs by appointment only

(call 618-719-9419 to schedule)

- We will be accepting clean donations of any kind. (Large furniture, exercise equipment, tvs, and computers will be accepted at our discretion.)
- All items should be recently cleaned.
- Please try to have like items bagged together when dropping off donations in order to help our volunteers. (ex. Men's small, Women's dresses XL, sheets (including sizes,) knick-knacks, kitchen tools, baby boy (include sizes), etc.



Gibault High School News and Events...

Visit Gibault!

We are accepting Shadow Visitors for the second semester. 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! We also offer Private Tours for the whole family. See our campus and get your questions answered by our Director of Enrollment. Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>

7th & 8th Grade Scavenger Hunt – April 5 from 6-8

5th & 6th Grade Future Hawk Hangout –

April 12 from 6-8

Future Hawk Baseball Tailgate –

Give God your **weakness**
and He'll give you His **strength**

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Lunch & Card Party
Tuesday, April 2, 2024
St. Luke's Parish Center
 226 North Church St., Belleville, IL

Play Cards or a Board Game of your choice & BINGO
 Doors Open-10:30am, Lunch Served-Noon, Event Ends-3pm
 Delicious Lunch! Have fun and support St. Luke's Parish!
Menu: Mostaccioli, Salad, Roll & Butter, Cake, Coffee, hot tea, iced tea & water
Tally: \$10 (includes lunch or lunch carryout) Cards & BINGO with prizes

Bring canned goods for the Food Pantry
 In case of bad weather, an post will be made on the parish website.

Save the Date
100th Centennial of Academy of Notre Dame 1924-2024




Date: Sunday, August 18, 2024
Time: 3:00 p.m. Mass
Dinner: 5:00 p.m.
Cost: \$25 person
Place: St. Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Church and Parish Hall
 1910 West Belle Street, Belleville, IL 62226
Available for purchase: 100th Centennial logo tee shirts and sweat100th Centennial of our alma mater - Academy of Notre Dame shirts handled by Broida Vinyl Designs 2.0.
For more information: Contact Rita Uhl at: (618)920-7749 or ritakayuhl@gmail.com

Columbia Public Library News...

Seniors Club for those 55+
 Every Thursday at the American Legion Club. Doors open at 11:a.m. Cost is \$5.50 and includes lunch and activities.

Coffee With Caregivers
 Are you a Caregiver? Join us for coffee and conversation and meet other Caregivers as we share experiences, information, tips, resources, and stories. We meet every second Wednesday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Columbia Public Library.
ALL ARE WELCOME!



King's House Retreat Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – King's House Retreat Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center
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"I Want to See You"

Presenters: Br. Pat McGee and Virginia Herbers
When: Weekends in April 5,6, and 7; April 12,13, and 14.
 Each retreat begins on Fridays at 4 p.m. and goes through Sundays at 2 p.m.

The Women's retreat allow you to encompass your inner light. This retreat centers on the story of the man born blind. Come and share the experience of being noticed by Jesus, touched, healed and called to witness to the new sight God's love provides. Spend the weekend learning the realization-no matter where we are or what we're doing, Jesus sees us.

Cost: \$200 per person (includes lodging and meals).
 Register online at snows.org/events or call (618) 397-0584.

"I Want to See You" Couples Event

Presenters: Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI; Karen and Scott Seaborn
When: April 19 @ 4 p.m.-22 @ 2 p.m. 2024
 Each retreat begins on Fridays at 4 p.m. and goes through Sundays at 2 p.m.

Our couples retreat allows you to experience our "I Want to See You: silent retreat while encompassing your togetherness as a couple. This retreat centers on the story of the man born blind. Come and share the experience of being noticed by Jesus, touched, healed and called to the new sight God's love provides.

Cost: \$400 per couple (includes lodging and meals).
 Register online at snows.org/events or call (618) 397-0584.

3-part Ecospirituality Series - Caring for Our Common Home

Presenters: Mark Etling, PhD. On Sunday, April 7, and with Maxine Pohlman, SSND on Sunday, April 14, then Galen Gritts, Cherokee Nation on Sunday, April 21
Cost: \$10.00 each session or \$30.00 for the series
For more information, call 618-394-6281 or visit our website at <https://snows.org/ourcommonhome>

Ecospirituality refers to the connection between ecology and spirituality. It is a way of living that reveals a deep respect for our fragile planet Earth and makes us willing, caring guardians of it. Through his encyclical Laudato Si', Pope Francis has attempted to reignite a reverent awareness of our common home and calls us to a shared responsibility to protect it. Resurrect your sense of wonder and awe of creation as you expand your vision of our connectedness to the natural world and learn how we can develop a more compassionate stewardship of our planet.