

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

The Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern,
Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville

Father Evaristus Akabueze, CM-Administrator

Parish Staff

Trustees:	Ms. Rose Jordan Mr. Dennis Martin
Secretary/Bulletin:	Mrs. Joan Scharf
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Liturgy Committee:	Mrs. Peggy Hoffmann Mrs. Karen Pratt

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 Morning 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

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)

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

(+ Deceased)



**Sunday, April 7, Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday**



7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –Uhrhan Family

members

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-Ron and Helen
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10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-James and Henrietta Byrd+

**Monday, April 8, The Annunciation of the Lord
No Mass**

Tuesday, April 9, Weekday of Easter

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

Wednesday, April 10, Weekday of Easter

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

Thursday, April 11, St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 a.m. Mass @ Sacred Heart-Virgil Casey and Father
James Dougherty+

Friday, April 12, Weekday of Easter

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-Lawrence Miller+

**Saturday, April 13, Vigil of Third Sunday of
Easter**

5:00 p.m. Mass @ Holy Family-Pat Poston, Recovery

Sunday, April 14, Third Sunday of Easter



7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –Carol Kelling and
Father James Dougherty+

9:00 a.m. Coffee and Donut Fellowship

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-Fred and
Elaine Fitzpatrick family, living and deceased

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-Lawrence Miller+



Parish SUPPORT

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

March 24-31, 2024 Palm Sunday

General Collections

Envelopes (17)	\$ 990.00
Other Donations	0.00
Loose	0.00
Candles	\$ 4.00

Total General Collections \$ 994.00

Special Collections

Catholic Relief Service (1)	\$ 10.00
Easter Flower Donations (2)	35.00
Catholic Services Ministry Appeal (2)	\$ 225.00

Total Special Collections \$ 270.00

Total Deposit \$1,264.00

Maintenance Fund (1) \$ 5.00

Society of St. Vincent dePaul (1) \$ 25.00

On-Line giving available. You have the ability to
safely and securely donate to Sacred Heart at: [https://
sacredheartdupo.org/donate](https://sacredheartdupo.org/donate).

Thank you for your generous support of our church.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024



Sacristan:	Rose Jordan/Joan Scharf
Lector	Dennis Martin
Host	Emily Weber
Eucharistic Minister-Choir:	Kathy Koebbe



Join us for coffee and donut fellowship
after Mass next Sunday. We will also
celebrate

Darby Evers First Communion.



By: Father Evarestus Akabueze, C.M.

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The story is told of a politician who, after receiving the proofs of a picture, was very angry with the photographer. He stormed back to the man's studio and screamed at him: "This picture does not do me justice!" The photographer replied, "Sir, with a face like yours, what you need is mercy, not justice!"

This Sunday we celebrate Divine Mercy. St. Faustina of Poland is the well-known apostle of Divine Mercy. She invites us by the witness of her life to keep our faith and hope fixed on God the Father, rich in mercy, who saved us by the precious blood of his son. During her short life, the Lord Jesus assigned to St. Faustina three basic tasks: 1. to pray for souls, entrusting them to God's incomprehensible mercy; 2. to tell the world about God's generous Mercy; 3. to start a new movement in the Church focusing on God's Mercy. This powerful movement confronts our contemporary society tainted by vicious cycle of revenge and unforgiveness. Mercy is life-giving; unforgiveness destroys.

The Readings focus on the beauty of mercy in community living. We see, in the First Reading, how the early Church grew every day because of acts of mercy – sharing, sacrificial love, common good. Notably, they were formed by active participation in the "Breaking of the Bread", fellowship, and shared prayer life. They present a captivating inspiration for us. Today, we are building on this wonderful foundation. We are continuing the noble mission of spreading love, mercy, forgiveness of sin, which Jesus entrusted to the apostles. In the Gospel, the Risen Lord demonstrates the incomprehensible mercy of God. Jesus greets the devastated and terrified apostles with peace. He invites them to a new life and fresh relationship with him. The apostles received forgiveness for their failures and became instruments of God's mercy for us. We are blessed to be part of the mercy movement.

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).

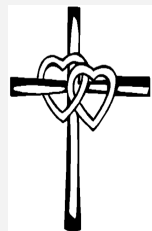
Home Visitation and Communion-If anyone would appreciate a visit or Communion brought to their home please call Fr. Akabueze at (618) 340-6915 or leave a message at the parish office (618-286-4373).

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...April: 12th-Debbie Duke 13th-Carol Cronin and Alan Hoock
15th-Alice LaMastus 17th-Phyllis Gould
29th-Peggy Hoffmann and Karen Hood

Happy Anniversary to...April



16th	Richard and Jill Chartrand	1 year
18th	Travis and Holly Kelling	26 Years
22nd	Raymond and Melanie Curtis	19 Year
23rd	Russell and Vanessa Buechler	41 Years
24th	John and Candice LaCroix	54 Years
30th	Alan and Linda Hoock	
30th	David and Becky Uhrhan	47 Years

May each of you be richly blessed by the Lord!

Nina Smith Update

She is out of Mercy South Rehabilitation Center and is at Garden Place in Waterloo. If you would like to visit or send a card the address is 735 Columbia Avenue, Room #14, Waterloo, IL 62298. Please keep her in your prayers.



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. “Each year the faithful of our Belleville Diocese are asked to help the works of Christ continue and grow through their support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. By making a gift you are helping build up the Body of Christ in our various ministries and providing help for the poor and vulnerable.” -Bishop Michael McGovern



The Messenger Newspaper Subscription...It's not too late!

Be the first in your neighborhood to be on top of the news throughout the Diocese of Belleville! The Messenger brings you the stories of real people quietly living their faith through compassion and good works. Inspirational stories that show our Catholic faith is alive and well in southern Illinois. Subscribe to The Messenger at 618-233-8670. To subscribe online go to www.bellevillemessenger.org

Illinois March for Life

All aboard to the April 17 Illinois March for Life!

Bus departs from Holy Trinity Parish in Fairview Heights on April 17, 2024 at 7:45 am and returns from Springfield, IL around 4:00 pm. Seats are limited, so make your reservations now!

Bus Info:

- ✓ Cost: \$25 per seat
- ✓ Bring your own lunch

Contact Us

- 📞 Molly King, 618-722-5048
- 📧 mking@diobelle.org
- 🌐 www.diobelle.org

The Diocese of Belleville has a new Facebook page. Please visit them at: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?>

Respect for Life

Join Today!

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

Did you know... Child abuse comes in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing, and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is a part of healthy development. However excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in every image. The viewing of these images is an offense against the human dignity.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love, ever caring, ever strong, always present, always just: You gave your only Son to save us by his blood on the cross. Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace, join to your own suffering the pain of all who have been hurt in body, mind, and spirit by those who betrayed the trust placed in them. Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters who have been gravely harmed, and the cries of those who love them. Soothe their restless hearts with hope, steady their shaken spirits with faith. Grant them justice for their cause, enlightened by your truth. Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

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Book Study Opportunity
“Beautiful Eucharist” by Matthew Kelly

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus through the Eucharist? Join us and visit reflections from others and see how you may encounter a new relationship with Jesus. If you would like to join this book study group, please see Rose Jordan or Joan Scharf. We have not chosen a day or time yet, but we are looking at a Tuesday or Thursday after Mass.

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

Holy Family Men & Women's Club
presents



TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, April 12, 2024
Doors Open @6pm - Trivia Starts @7pm
\$120 per Table
(Maximum 10 people per table)
First Place Prize \$500

Table Decorating Contest
Raffle Baskets
Bring your own food
Beverages for sale

Holy Family Gymnasium
109 Church Street
Cahokia Heights, IL 62206

For reservations call:
Cindy Horn 618-779-6000
Joe Morice 618-337-7842
RSVPs strongly suggested

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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 - 109 Church St. Cahokia Heights, IL 62206



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. All your donations are greatly appreciated; jelly is desperately needed at this time. 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!

Ladies Save the Date...
St. Augustine and St. Henry ladies will co-host the Spring Meeting of the Metro-East Vicariate Council of Catholic Women on Thursday, April 25th beginning at 8:30am in the St. Augustine of Canterbury parish hall in Belleville. Msgr. William McGhee will celebrate Mass followed by guest speaker Father Nicholas Junker, a delicious lunch and short vicariate business meeting. Plan now to enjoy a day of fellowship and fun with ladies from many neighboring parishes and be inspired by the Catholic women of southern Illinois. Cost for the day is \$15. Email smcange84@gmail.com for a registration form or more information. Come and be blessed!

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



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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>

**5th & 6th Grade Future Hawk Hangout –
April 12 from 6-8**

Future Hawk Baseball Tailgate – May 1 at 4:30



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)

200 South Second Street
Belleville IL 62220



**Knights of
Columbus®**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**Sunday, April 7
8am – 1pm**

**Prices:
\$11 Adults
\$6 Ages 5-12yr
Free for 4 & under**

Enjoy an all you can eat pancakes, eggs, & sausage breakfast, while helping our Cathedral Knights of Columbus support those in need as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter.

Attending this breakfast helps the Knights to continue their support of the Parish, St. Vincent de Paul, Pregnancy Care Center, a strong send off for Notre Dame Academy, as well as many other worthy causes.



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

King's House Retreat Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitor Center “I Want to See You”

Presenters: Br. Pat McGee and Virginia Herbers

When: 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. with Maxine Pohlman, SSND on Sunday, April 14, then Galen Gritts, Cherokee Nation on Sunday, April 21

Cost: \$10.00 each session

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.