



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville

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By Appointment

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Administrator: *Reverend Evaristus Akabueze, C.M.*

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



Parish Staff

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

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 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

February 2, 2025

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

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By: Reverend Evaristus Akabueze, C.M.

A door-to-door salesman from a publishing house asked a lady if she owned a copy of the Bible. "I certainly do!" she replied with some pride. To his next question, did she read it regularly, she responded, "Oh, yes!" and sent her little daughter to get the Bible from the table drawer. As she showed it to the man, her spectacles fell from between the pages. Without thinking, she exclaimed, "Oh, here are my glasses! I've been looking for these for 3 years!"

This is a combined feast, commemorating the Jewish practice of the purification of the mother after childbirth and the presentation of the child in the Temple. The Mosaic Law taught that, since every Jewish male child belonged to Yahweh, the parents had to "buy back" the child with the payment of "five shekels" to a member of the priestly family" (Nm 3:47-48). In addition, (Nm 18:15) every mother had to be purified after childbirth by prayers and the sacrifice of a lamb (or two turtledoves for the poor) in the Temple. Today the feast takes the meaning of dedication to God. We were presented to God at our baptism. We celebrate our faith that we come from God and belong to God through Jesus Christ. We are reminded of our great privilege as sons and daughters of a loving Father set apart to proclaim the goodness of God.

The First Reading says that God's messenger will come to the temple. He will purify God's people so that the sacrifices of "Judah and Jerusalem will please the Lord". The Church believes that this passage refers to Jesus Christ. He is the merciful and faithful high priest who expiates the sins of the people. In the Gospel St. Luke narrates the story of Christ's presentation. Jesus was dedicated to God. He grew up in God's presence. He became strong in faith, filled with wisdom and favor of God. His parents let him grow in God's presence. By presenting our children for baptism we commit to helping them grow in God's presence. We desire that they mature in wisdom and knowledge of God. They become God's favorites.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
(+ Deceased)

Sunday, February 2, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Fr. Eva@ SH & HF)



7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –Cort/Reed Family
9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-Ron and Helen Whited and Family
10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-Melvin Kabat+

Monday, February 3, St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr and St. Ansgar, Bishop No Mass

Tuesday, February 4, Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart (Fr. Andy)-John Vairo+

Wednesday, February 5, St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family (Fr. Eva)-Carlos Zavala, Jr.+

Thursday, February 6, St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart (Fr. Eva)-Casey family members, living and deceased

Friday, February 7, Ordinary Time
8 a.m. @ Holy Family (Fr. Eva)-Holy Family Parishioners

Saturday, February 8, Vigil of the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Fr. Andy)
5:00 p.m. @ Holy Family-Cheryl Phenix+

Sunday, February 9, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Fr. Andy@ SH & HF)



7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –The Uhrhan family members, living and deceased
9:00 a.m. Coffee and donut Fellowship
9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church-Fred & Elaine Fitzpatrick Family members, Living and Deceased
10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family-Mary Matejka+



Parish SUPPORT

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

January 19, 2025

General Collections

Envelopes (12)	\$ 970.00
On-Line Donations ()	0.00
Loose	0.00
Candles	\$ 0.00

Total General Collections

\$ 970.00

Special Collections

First Offering (1)	\$ 5.00
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Total Special Collections

\$ 5.00

Total Deposit

\$ 975.00

Maintenance Fund (2)

\$ 35.00

Mass Intentions ()

\$ 0.00

Society of St. Vincent dePaul (5)

\$ 205.00

January 26, 2025

General Collections

Envelopes (19)	\$1,190.00
On-Line Donations (1)	190.60
Loose	5.00
Other Donations (2)	200.00
Candles	\$ 0.00

Total General Collections

\$1,585.60

Special Collections

Christmas (1)	\$ 100.00
First Offering (8)	65.00
Solemnity of Mary (6)	\$ 280.00

Total Special Collections

\$ 445.00

Total Deposit

\$2,030.60

Maintenance Fund (2)

\$ 45.00

Mass Intentions (10)

\$ 100.00

Messenger Subscription Renewal (1)

\$ 15.00

Society of St. Vincent dePaul (1)

\$ 15.00

Thank you for your generous support of our church.

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



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 9, 2025



Sacristan: Rose Jordan/Joan Scharf
Lector: Phyllis Gould
Host: Emily Weber
Eucharistic Minister-Choir: Open



Welcome to the Gibault Seniors who come today to speak about their upcoming Blue Mission trip. Prayerfully consider helping to support them.



The Quilters have been hard at work and they have another quilt ready! The next raffle will be Sunday, March 9, 2025. Your Quilt raffle tickets are on the table in the back of church. Please pick them up to defray the cost of mailing them. Extra tickets are available, if you need more please check the ticket box or see me. Thanks, **Carol McClanahan, Quilt Chair**

NOTICE...NOTICE... If you have any concerns about Mass cancellations due to weather or just want to confirm Mass times, please feel free to call the office at (618) 286-4373.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PRAY FOR:



Tony Albers, Cassidy Aldridge, David and Sandy Anderson, Laretta Anzalone, Kim Arnold, Lindsey Arnold, Donita Baldwin, Benjamin Bassler, Monica Bauer, Betty and Larry Blair, Lydia Boyer and family, Jolene Carroll, Richard Chartrand, I.D. Cleveland, 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, Maryann Klosterman, Hailey Kofron, Candice LaCroix, Constance LaCroix, William LaCroix, Alice LaMastus, Steve Lawlor, Barbara Mallory, Michele Martin, Duane McClanahan, Geraldine McCoy, Scott McIntosh, Joanna and Ron Mentel, Nancy Merkley, Robin Miller, Sr. Emile Morgan, Tammy Murdoch, Kady Myers, Brian Nobbe, Dillan Oberson, Parker, Bill Pennock, Irma Proffer, Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Paul Schonlau, Richard Singer, Abby Steffen, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Grace Wagner, Maryann Wagner, Angela Weber, Dave Werner, James Whipple, Ashlei Wilson and Steve 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.*

Six day votive candles are \$3.00

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...**February: 11th-Joanna Mentel**

15th-Pete Nichols and Fr. Andy Knopik

17th-Jonathan Koebbe and David Walster 23rd-James Urke 25th-Jill Chartrand

Happy Anniversary to...February



3rd

Timothy and Donna Frederick

35 Years

28th

Ron and Joanna Mentel

55 Years

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



At Immaculate Conception in Columbia

Please join them for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Spend some quiet time with the Lord.



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 (weekly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)



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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truly serves the poorest of the poor through its Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen, SVDP Thrift Store, Help Center and Night Drop-In Center. Men, women and children are provided the basic necessities of life – food, clothing and shelter – and the hope and the tools they need for a better tomorrow. Help St. Vincent de Paul serve those who have no place else to turn. Please make your gift to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today.~Bishop Michael McGovern

As of November 30, we have received pledges amounting to \$1,200,055 representing 92% of our goal. Cash receipts total \$1,127,424 which is 94% of the total amount pledged. Sacred Heart has 70 households registered. If each household gave \$65 we can make our goal this year. As of **10/31/2024 17** households have pledged **\$2,465**. We are **\$1,851** from our goal.

Vocation Corner

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd (Candlemas Day). Let us make it a point to begin saying "THANK YOU" to our Sisters and Brothers who have made sacrifices for us by accepting God's call. Let them know how important they are in the life of your church and how they help you to honor and pray to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



Bishop Michael McGovern's Writings

To read the newest writings, insights and thoughts of our Bishop visit:
<https://www.diobelle.org/our-bishop/writings>

Enjoy such articles as:

2025: Follow Jesus, A Perfect Welcome, The Look of Love or Thankfulness

Many other writings and articles available to read.



2025 A Holy Year of Hope
JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Our theme for the Jubilee Year is **Pilgrims of Hope**. For more information visit www.diobelle.org, Vatican Website: <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>, USCCB Website: <https://www.usccb.org/jubilee2025> or the full text of the Papal Bull: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/bulls/documents/20240509_spes-non-confundit_bolla-giubileo2025.html

Hymn for the Jubilee Year – text and music <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/search.html?q=hymn>

Formal Annulment Application Now Available Online

From the Desk of The Very Rev. James M. Nall, Judicial Vicar of the Tribunal Office: For all those who assist with the annulment process; The Office of the Tribunal now has its Formal Annulment Application available online on the Tribunal web site: www.diobelle.org/tribunal

Printed applications should be filled out by the Sponsor (priest, deacon, religious, pastoral associate, etc.) and Petitioner together, signed and sealed with church seal, and returned to the Tribunal Office with all required documents enclosed.

Completed applications should be dropped off (please call ahead) or mailed to:

Office of the Tribunal
 2620 Lebanon Avenue, Building 5
 Belleville, IL 62221

If you have additional questions, please contact the administrative assistant, Joyce Jamison, at the Tribunal Office at 618-722-5029 or by email to: jjamison@diobelle.org.

Respect for Life

"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops "Living the Gospel of Life," © 1998 USCCB

Catholic Service Ministry Appeal

Opens February 9, 2025

Please prayerfully consider your stewardship. For more information before you make your commitment visit: www.diobelle.org



Feast Day of St. Blaise (February 3)



He is the patron saint of throat illnesses, animals, wool combers, and wool trading. The Church recalls a miracle cure associated with him and celebrates the blessing of the throats with candles on

Sunday, February 2, 2025.

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

Holy Family News

February 2-Soup Contest...After 10 a.m. Mass everyone is welcome to bring their favorite soup, or come as a taster, to enter the contest. Best Soup wins a prize. No advanced reservations needed.

February 16-Fr. Andy's Birthday Celebration...Everyone is invited to a Continental Breakfast after 10:00 a.m. Mass to celebrate him. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you wish to attend.

February 22-Knights of Columbus Pork Steak Dinner
Dine-in or Take Out after 5 p.m. Mass. Please reserve your order next week before or after Mass by giving your money or check to Duane McClanahan. Dinners include a pork steak and your choice of two sides (pick from potato salad, baked beans or slaw), dessert and drink for \$12.50.

March 9-Colorball Raffle...Details to follow.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Trivium

MARCH 15, 2025


Doors open at 6:00pm
\$100 per table of 8 max
paid in advance

All checks payable to Sacred Heart Church PO Box 35, Dupu, IL 62239

<p>What:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> silent auction 50/50 lottery board cooler of booze attendance prizes Mulligans \$10 	<p>Where:</p> <p>Sacred Heart Hall 124 South 3rd St Dupu, IL 62239</p> <p>Bring your own beverage and snacks Auction Items may be paid by cash/credit or bank card</p>
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1st Prize \$200
2nd Prize \$100
3rd Prize \$50

Contact Sherri LaCroix 618-696-9451/Karen Pratt 618-541-8698



DuKare

As we leave the Christmas season, please remember there are many in our community that still need your help. All your donations are greatly appreciated; **peanut butter and jelly** is desperately needed at this time. Direct questions to Geri Basinski, Rose Jordan, I.D. Cleveland, Christopher Cronin or Linda Martin. The DuKare team wishes to thank everyone for their generous donations that help feed those in need in our Community!

Save the Date!

2025

Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, March 22, 2025

St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland



Lunch & Card Party

Tuesday, February 4, 2025
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 & support St. Luke's Parish!

MENU: Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo,
Tossed 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 announcement will be made on the parish website.





January 26 - February 1, 2025

Congratulations Catholic Schools. We pray you had a wonderful week last week celebrating our Catholic faith. Please continue to pray and support our Catholic Schools and students.

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



Kings House at National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Presents:
“The Mirror of Consciousness: Seeing the Divine in All Things”
Wednesday, February 12, 2025
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Cost: \$60

Embark on a transformative journey to uncover the profound connection between Ultimate Reality and daily life. Through this exploration, discover how to see God reflected in all creation and embrace a deeper sense of divine connection in daily living. Experience the beauty of the sacred in every moment and learn to live a life rooted in divine awareness. Step into the mirror of consciousness and embrace the infinite presence of the Divine in all things.

Paul Coutinho is a recognized international scholar, speaker, and spiritual guide who blends spirituality with psychology and Eastern wisdom with Western spirituality. He regularly conducts workshops, retreats, and spiritual direction sessions, addressing the heart’s relentless quest for the Divine and the desire to live life to its fullest. Paul has pursued doctoral studies in Psychology and holds a doctorate in Historical Theology from Saint Louis University, where Ignatian Spirituality was at the core of his studies.

He is the author of several books, including the award-winning *How Big Is Your God? The Freedom to Experience the Divine* and his latest work, *Awaken to the Divine: 52 Contemplative Reflections to Transform Your Spirit*.

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend is Feb. 1-2

Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to The Messenger Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or by credit card at www.bellevillemessenger.org and click SUBSCRIBE. The cost for a 1-year subscription is \$40 for printed home-delivery or \$35 for digital access and \$45 for both. Please make checks payable to *The Messenger* and make sure to include your e-mail address if digital subscription is selected.

Tax-deductible donations are also appreciated.



Attention: Are you from St. Teresa Academy and Assumption Catholic High School class of 1975?

A 50th Class Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 6, 2025 to reconnect, reminisce and celebrate our shared journey. Please contact Monica Threlkeld by email at: ahs.sta.classof75@gmail.com or visit Facebook Page at: AHS Class of '75.

It is that time of year again...

Sacred Heart Parish Tithing Income Tax Request

If you would like your tithing contribution report for 2024, please send your request to our email at:

sacredheartdupo@gmail.com

Or cut out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Please be sure to include this information so that the correct tithing report is provided.

Name: _____

Envelope number: _____

Please let us know if you wish to receive your report:

By Mail:

Address _____

City: _____ State/zip _____

by email at: _____

Or _____ Please leave my tithing report in the back of church.

You Are Invited To A

Birthday Party

Join us as we celebrate
 Reverend Monsignor Thomas Flach's
 80th Birthday!

February

Sunday **2** Noon

Columbian Club of Pinckneyville
 312 N. Gordon St.
 Pinckneyville, IL 62274

Please RSVP before January 28th by calling or emailing the parish office
 618 542 3423 / 618 357 5510
sacredheartduquoin@gmail.com / stbsmm@yahoo.com

Meat, Salad, Cake & Drinks will be served. Please bring a side dish to share.