



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville

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By Appointment

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The Very Reverend Godfrey Muller, OSB
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Parish Staff

Trustees:	Ms. Rose Jordan
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Parish Council President	Mr. Idus Cleveland
Secretary/Bulletin:	Mrs. Joan Scharf
Webmaster:	Mr. David Vernon
Liturgy Committee:	Mrs. Peggy Hoffmann
	Ms. Karen Pratt

Parish Organizations and Meetings

Parish Council-Second Tuesday of the Month @ 4 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 @ 7:00 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

September 14, 2025

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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A preacher who was not able to swim fell into the ocean when he was alone out fishing. Later, a boat came by and asked the preacher if he needed help. Calmly, the preacher replied, "No, God will save me." Just a little later, a fisherman in a boat came by, asking the preacher if he needed help. Once again, the preacher said, "No, God will save me." Pretty soon, the preacher drowned and went to heaven. The preacher asked God, "Why didn't you save me?" God replied, "Fool! I sent you two boats!"

Here is a quote by Monsignor Fulton Sheen, "If you don't behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave. God tells us to seek humility, service, and love" (fultonsheen.com). He challenges us to look at how we live out our belief in God. In the first reading from Numbers, we are provided a look into how the faith of the Israelites weakened as they began to forget all that God had done for them. He brought them out of slavery and provided for them in the desert, but soon they were not happy with the gifts provided. As they did, many of us tire of the things we have. We want more. How often does our faith weaken when our lives are not going in the direction we want. What if we made a list of all our blessings and a list of all the things we "need" and see which one is longer? How much more do we really need beyond God?

St. Paul exhorts to the Philippians that Jesus, even though He is part of the Holy Trinity, did not identify Himself at the same level as His Father. Jesus came in complete humility to make Himself accessible to the human race, even to the point of accepting death-not an easy death, but a painful, humiliating, and lonely death, the kind of death one dies for someone they love. In John's Gospel today Jesus explains to Nicodemus why He came from heaven and that He accepts His role in the salvation of souls. Jesus desires each of us to be with God in heaven. To be able to pass through the narrow gate (Matthew 7:13-14) our faith has to remain strong and true. In the times of trouble do we recognize and reach out to the hand of God? Do we see the life-saving boat, Jesus Christ, He sends to save us? Even more importantly, do we recognize those times when we are sent to be His presence for someone who is drowning? May each of us go into the new week with eyes that see the many gifts God has given us and the new ones He endows us with.~Joan

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
(+ Deceased)

Sunday, September 14, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart–**Anna and Dolores Kemp+**

9:00 a.m. Coffee and Donut Fellowship
9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church–**Fred and Elaine Fitzpatrick families members, living and deceased**
10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**John and Barbara Walker+**

Monday, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows No Mass

Tuesday, September 16, Sts. Cornelius Pope and Cyprian, Bishop Martyrs
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**Sacred Heart Women’s Club members, living and deceased**


Wednesday, September 17, St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church and St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Helen Knopik+**


Thursday, September 18, Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart–**Those on our Prayer List**

Friday, September 19, St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
8 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Mary Jo Troske+**

Saturday, September 20, Vigil of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. @ Holy Family–**Mike McFadden+**

Sunday, September 21, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart–**Janet Anderson**
9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church–**Ron and Helen Whited and Family**
10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Imelda Wash+**

 Join us for Coffee and Donut Fellowship in the Parish Center after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

 **Casserole Opportunity**
We will have another opportunity to feed the poor. The casserole pans, with the recipe enclosed, will be set out in the coming week. Please feel free to take as many pans as you like, put them together and return them to church by Sunday, September 28, 2025. Thank you~Jesus



Parish SUPPORT

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

August 31, 2025

General Collections

Envelopes (19)	\$ 1,200.00
On-Line Donations ()	0.00
Loose	10.00
Other Donations ()	100.00
Candles	<u>\$ 18.00</u>
Total General Collections	\$1,328.00

Special Collections

CRS (Gaza)	\$ 50.00
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Total Special Collections	\$ 50.00
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Total Deposit	<u>\$1,738.00</u>
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Maintenance Fund (2)	\$ 40.00
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Mass Intentions (1)	\$ 20.00
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Messenger Subscription Renewal ()	\$ 0.00
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul ()	\$ 0.00
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September 7, 2025

General Collections

Envelopes (15)	\$ 985.00
On-Line Donations ()	0.00
Loose	51.00
Other Donations (1)	500.00
Candles	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total General Collections	\$1,536.00

Special Collections

CRS (Gaza collection) (1)	\$ 50.00
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Belleville Retired Priest Collection (9)	<u>\$ 690.00</u>
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Total Special Collections	\$ 740.00
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Total Deposit	<u>\$2,276.00</u>
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Maintenance Fund (10)	\$ 275.00
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Mass Intentions ()	\$ 0.00
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Messenger Subscription Renewal ()	\$ 0.00
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul (4)	\$ 90.00
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On-Line giving available. You have the ability to safely and securely donate to Sacred Heart at: <https://sacredheartdupo.org/donate>.

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 21, 2025

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

****Bulletin Notice****

I will be out of the office Monday, September 22-24, 2025. The September 28th bulletin will be sent to the publisher on Friday, September 19, 2025. If you have anything you would like in the 28th bulletin. please have it to me by Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at noon. Please send it to sacredheartdupo@gmail.com. Thank you, Joan

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PRAY FOR:



Paul Adams, Tony Albers, Cassidy Aldridge, David and Sandy Anderson, Laretta Anzalone, Kim Arnold, Lindsey Arnold, Donita Baldwin, Aubrey Bayard, Benjamin Bassler, Monica Bauer, Lydia Boyer and family, Jolene Carroll, Mildred Casey, Richard Chartrand, Todd Clasquin, I.D. Cleveland, Hannah, Julie Duke, Jerry, and Marilyn Dycus, Mary Engleman, Eli Fielder, Loretta Gardner, Marion Gautreaux, Erica and Michael Golightly, Phyllis and Michael Gould, Joseph Gourley, Mary Gramm, Bryant Hahn, Christ Hallerman, Susan Heape, Charles Heard, Jerry Hight, Margaret Hoffmann, Alan Hooch, John Jacobs, Linda Johnson, Earnest Jordan, Norma Karstetter, Richard Kelling, Maryann Klosterman, Hailey Kofron, Candice LaCroix, Constance LaCroix, William LaCroix, Randy Ladyman, Allen Lalk, 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, Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Paul Schonlau, Richard Singer, Dawn Snider, Abby Steffen, Kingston Todd, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Grace Wagner, Maryann Wagner, Angela Weber, Susan and Curt Weichert, 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 Reverend Andrew Knopik to visit, please leave a message for him at (618) 207-1308 with the name, hospital, and room number (if you have it).

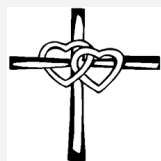
Home Visitation and Communion-If anyone would appreciate a visit or Communion brought to their home please call Reverend Andrew Knopik at (618) 207-1308 or leave a message at the parish office (618-286-4373).

Hall Rental-For hall rental information please contact Karen Pratt at (618) 541-8698. The Parish Policy and Rental Agreement can be found on the website: <https://sacredheartdupo.org>



♪Happy Birthday to ♪ ♪ ♪You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy♪
 birthday ♪ ♪dear...**September: 15th-Dorothy Ross 17th-John Kenner**
27th-Kris Morice 29th-Patti Urke

Happy Anniversary to September



19th	Christopher and Mary Cronin	44 years
22nd	Jose and Kayla Javillo	13 years
22nd	Dennis and Linda Martin	52 years
24th	Leslie and Brenda Nichols	37 years

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

Priest Convocation in Mt. Vernon, IL

Due to the Convocation there will be no weekday Masses September 29– October 1, 2025. Weekday Mass will resume on Thursday, October 2, 2025.



Retired Belleville Diocesan Priests Collection

It is not too late to prayerfully consider your stewardship for those who answered God's call.

The Messenger All Soul's Day Tributes Available

If you would like to provide a tribute for a loved one in the October 23rd edition of the Messenger please see the form on the table in the back of Church. The cost is \$20 per entry and due by October 6, 2025.



Catholic Service Ministry Appeal 2025 From Bishop McGovern. . .
The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

The Messenger, our diocesan newspaper, brings local, national and international news of our Catholic faith right into your home through its print and online editions. Your gift to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps to support The Messenger. If you haven't done so, subscribe to The Messenger today and also make your gift to the Appeal! Thank you for your generosity.

As of **July 31 Sacred Heart of Jesus Church 13** households gave **\$2,570**. Our goal for this year is **\$4,298**. We are only **60%** of our goal, and need **\$1,728** to meet our goal. *Please prayerfully consider your stewardship for the organizations that assist those in need throughout the Diocese of Belleville.*

Respect for Life Corner

“We pray to you, O Lord, that we always recognize each member of this human family as being made in your image and beloved by you, with worth and dignity.”
 USCCB, “Prayer to Heal Racial Division”

40 Days for Life
Fairview Heights, IL
September 24-November 2, 2025

Life Chain Sunday
October 5, 2025
From 2:00-3:00 p.m.

St. James Church, Millstadt’s Life Chain Event
Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 2-3 p.m.

Along Washington Street in Millstadt. If you are interested in participating, please contact Suzie Kidd at mailto:kidsuz@gmail.com

For more information on these two events, see the flyers in the back of Church on the bulletin board.

Vocation Corner

Today’s Gospel is the popular, often quoted, section from John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son”. We see it often proclaimed at professional sporting events. Do we embrace those words? Can we give of ourselves to consider a vocation to the Priesthood or Sisterhood? Can we encourage and support our young folks who might be pondering this path in life? Be bold and pose the question – “Are you considering a religious vocation?”

The Metro East Vicariate Council of Catholic Women Thursday, October 2, 2025

The Council will be hosting their *2025 Fall Day of Prayer/ Meeting*. It will be held at **St. Mary Church in Valmeyer**. The presentation, *The Missionary Influence and My Path to Priesthood* will be given by Father Sebastian Ukoh C.M. Reservations are required by September 22. Please call Madonna Stapf 618-791-3675 for more information. If anyone is interested in going please see Karen Pratt.

YOU ARE INVITED to an **OPEN HOUSE** at



HINCKE-SENSE RESIDENCE FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

2620 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville, IL 62221

Sunday, September 21
 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM

Please join us for a tour and refreshments and visit with your retired priests.



2025 A Holy Year of Hope JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Our theme for the Jubilee Year is **Pilgrims of Hope**. This week please pray for:
Catechists

For more information, visit one of these websites:
 Diocese of Belleville: www.diobelle.org,
 United State Conference of Catholic Bishops
<https://www.usccb.org/jubilee2025>



Gibault News...

Happy New School Year! We are rocking and rolling at Gibault – Come check us out! 7th and 8th graders can schedule a shadow visit and spend the day with one of our Student Ambassadors. Come and experience what a day in the life of a Hawk is all about! Want to know more about Gibault? Schedule a private tour! Come and check out our home games and cheer on our Hawks with us! Open House is coming up on October 5th – come and take a tour of the school, meet the teachers, and see what our alumni are up to. Any questions can be emailed to our Admissions Coordinator, Pam Kueker at pkueker@gibaulthawks.com.

Catholic Urban Programs (CUP)



CUP is asking for help with food and household essentials for their pantry. To find a complete list of items needed visit them at: catholicurbanprograms.org.

CUP and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are two separate entities within the Diocese of Belleville.



The Annual Diocesan Blessing of the Harvest is Friday, September 19, 2025 at the Boulds Farm in Eldorado, IL. If you would like information to attend see the flyer in the back of church.

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

St. Teresa Church, Marydale DRIVE-THRU Chicken Dinner

When: Sunday, September 28, 2025

Time: Serving 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 per Meal

Meal includes: ½ Fried Chicken (4 pieces), Dressing, Slaw, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, and Green Beans

Also: Handmade Quilt Raffle

Where: Located six miles north of Carlyle on Route 127

Follow the signs

(Follow us on Facebook @MarydaleStTeresa)

Cornhole Tournament

DRAW PARTNERS

\$25 entry fee

October 25, 2025

11:00am sign in

Round Robin

Sacred Heart Church

124 S. 3rd St. Dupo, IL

The winners will split ½ of the pot

Call Sherri LaCroix 618-696-9451 for details

You're Invited

Deepen your faith and renew your spirit by joining us on the 2025 Women's ACTS retreat!

When: September 25-28, 2025

Where: Our Lady of the Snows Shrine

Hosted by: Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

For additional information and to register, scan the QR code.



Contact:

Donna Lance (618.719.9141)

Courtney Harper (314.922.8459)

Praise forever
to the
KING OF KINGS



Holy Family Men & Women's Club
presents

TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, September 26, 2025

Doors Open @6pm - Trivia Starts @7pm

\$12 per person

(Maximum 10 people per table)

BOOK A FULL TABLE IN ADVANCE ONLY PAY \$100

Holy Family Gymnasium
109 Church Street
Cahokia Heights, IL 62206

First Place Prize \$500

For reservations call:

Dave Nugent 618-286-0372

Joe Morice 618-337-7842

RSVPs strongly suggested



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Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreats for 2025/2026



The Belleville Diocese is providing 2 TEC retreat weekends for the 2025/2026 academic school year. TEC is a 3-day Catholic retreat weekend designed for young adults, juniors and seniors (or older) in high school, who are looking for an opportunity to develop a stronger relationship with God and/or their fellow Christians. If you, or someone you know, are looking for an opportunity to enhance your relationship with Jesus Christ or experience your Catholic faith in a dynamic and fun-filled setting, then a TEC retreat may be just what you are looking for. The TEC weekends are scheduled for October 11-13 at Mater Dei High School in Breese and January 17-19 at Immaculate Conception School in Columbia. To learn more, or attend a TEC weekend, please visit our website at: bellevilletec.org. If you've attended a TEC weekend in the past and would like to attend one of the reunions, please visit bellevilletec.org for additional details.



NATIONAL SHRINE OF
OUR LADY of the SNOWS
Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows presents....

God First Loved Us

September 12, 2025 through May 1, 2026
Weekend Retreats beginning on Friday at 4
p.m. through Sunday at 1 p.m.

The new quiet retreat delves into Pope Francis' la test encyclical, Dilexit Nos (meaning "He loved us"), a beautiful meditation on the human and divine love of Christ. Using the heart as a symbol of the core of the person, this retreat will explore the Holy Father's description of Sacred Heart devotion, focusing on how we can find healing, comfort, inspiration and community in our contemplation of the love emanating from the heart of Jesus.

Minimum donation is: \$250 per person (includes lodging and meals.)

Painting the Stars: Science, Religion and an Evolving Faith
4-week Video Study

Tuesdays, September 16, 23, 2025 from 10 am - noon

Cost: \$5 per session/\$20 for the series Call: 618-397-0584

Etling Scripture Study

New Covenant: The Sermon on the Mount

Saturday, September 20, 2025 from 10 am - noon

Cost: \$15 Call 618-394-6281 to reserve a place.

WAY of LIGHTS & Wreaths a family tradition

We're seeking volunteers to create beautiful, handcrafted wreaths for our silent auction to benefit the Way of Lights and the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Your time and talent in making wreaths would directly support The Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. Would you be interested in donating your time to create a wreath for this event?

November 21 - December 17, 2025

Your name and wreath designs will be viewed by over 160,000 people!

- Silent auction open to the public
- You may enter more than one wreath

Photos of your wreath(s) will be posted on the Shrine website: snows.org/wreaths

- Each entry is tax-deductible

Please note we cannot accept live wreaths or wreaths over 36" in diameter. If you have questions, please contact Gina or Beth at 618-397-6700 or at wreaths@snows.org or visit snows.org/wreaths

Spiritual Cinema Nights at the King's House is back!

Tuesday's beginning with a Simple Supper at 5:30 p.m.
and the film begins at 6:15 p.m.

September 16 is The Six Triple Eight

October 28 is Nonnas

November 11 is Ordinary Angels

Cost: dinner is a free-will donation and the film is **free**.

For more information call 618-394-6281 or see the flyer on the bulletin board in the back of church.



Diocese of Belleville

**YOUNG ADULTS
PRESENTS**

BIBLES AND BREWS

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER**

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With Fr. Nick Muenks
Associate Pastor of St. Ferdinand Parish, Florissant, MO
Defender of the Bond at the St. Louis Metropolitan
Tribunal
Topic: Canon Law

**FOR YOUNG ADULTS
AGES 21 - 35**

Location: Eckert's Cider Shed

951 S Green Mt Rd, Belleville, IL 62220

6:30 - 7:00PM SOCIAL

7:00 - 8:30PM EVENT



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 Diocese of Belleville Young Adults

Aid for Women

ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER

**THURSDAY | 25 | SEPTEMBER
*5:00 PM | 2025**

***5:00 PM** Presentation and Q&A with Robert Lawler, MD
Aid for Women Medical Director

5:30 PM Benefit Reception

6:30 PM Dinner and Program

For more information,
reservations and
sponsorship information,
visit the event page at



www.helpaidforwomen.org/dinner2025



DuKare

As we leave the Easter season, please remember there are many in our community that still need your help. All your donations are greatly appreciated; **Ramen noodles and jelly** are desperately needed at this time. Direct questions to Geri Basinski, Rose Jordan, I.D. Cleveland, Christopher Cronin or Linda Martin.

The DuKare team appreciates everyone for their generous donations that help feed those in need.