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Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville

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By Appointment

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Administrator: *Reverend Andrew J. Knopik*



*The Very Reverend Godfrey Muller, OSB
Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville*



Parish Staff

Trustees:	Ms. Rose Jordan Mr. Dennis Martin
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 @ 3:30 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

April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday

Year A

A little boy was attending an Easter service when he began to feel sick. He tapped his mother on the shoulder and said, "Mom, can we go home now?" "No," she replied abruptly. The boy waited a minute, and tapped her on the shoulder again. "I think I'm going to throw up," he whispered. His mom looked at him and noticed he did look a bit pale. "Okay. Go out the front door of the church, across the parking lot, and throw up behind the bushes," she instructed him. Less than a minute later, the boy came back and sat down again in his seat. His mother whispered, "Did you throw up?" The boy nodded his head. "But how could you have gone all the way across the parking lot, thrown up, and walked back so quickly?" she asked. "I didn't even have to leave the church," the boy proudly replied. "I found a box at the front of the church doors that says 'For the sick!'"

Alleluia! He is risen! Everything proclaimed in the Old Testament about Him has now come to fruition. He was born of a virgin, He proclaimed His Father's kingdom to the lost, He cured the sick, and He became a prisoner of love. As Mary held her Son one last time, she knew that no one could physically hurt Him anymore. All the pain and suffering were over...or were they? As I reflect on the season of Lent and the readings associated with it, I wonder if Jesus is still not suffering. Yes, the human suffering is over, but His heart is still being pierced by my sin.

This prisoner of love who gave everything for me, is He still suffering? As I enter the Season of Easter I will be reassured that He is still with me. No matter how many times I fall, He will continue to pick me back up. I am always consoled when the Pharisees and Sadducees condemned Him for being present to tax collectors and prostitutes and I read this passage, "Jesus heard this and said to them [that], "Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners." (Mark 2:17 NABRE) That's me, the sinner! He is calling my name.

In this joyous season of Easter I am encouraged to keep trying. Reassured that His love for me is immeasurable. In the weeks ahead, solemnly listen to Him as He tells us time and time again, He is with us always. I pray that each of you does not lose your Lenten spirit. Jesus is still encouraging us to pray for one another, take care of our neighbors in need, fast from those things that keep us from Him and the Father, and always stay in constant preparedness so that we can be with Him always when we are called home. Be glad and rejoice for He is preparing a place for us all.~Joan

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
(+ Deceased)

Sunday, April 5, Easter Sunday

+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available

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

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church—**Diane**



Young and Family

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family—**Walter and Frances Knopik+**

April 6, Monday within the Octave of Easter No Mass

April 7, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart—**Bob and Theola Schonlau+**

April 8-Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family—**John Lampe**

April 9-Thursday within the Octave of Easter

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart—**Casey and Wolf family members, living and deceased**

April 10-Friday within the Octave of Easter

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family—**Lawrence Frost +**

Saturday, April 11, Vigil of Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

5:00 p.m. @ Holy Family—**Lawrence Frost+**

Sunday, April 12, Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart—**Henry, Marie and Blake Rene Urke and Ted and Delores Rogers+**

9:00 a.m. Coffee and donut fellowship in the parish center

9:00 Latin Mass in the Log Church—**Ron and Helen**

Whited and Family

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family—**Pluff Family Living and Deceased**



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



Parish SUPPORT

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

March 22, 2026

General Collections

Envelopes (20)	\$ 775.00
Loose	10.00
Candles	0.00
On-line Donations	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

Total General Collections

\$ 785.00

Special Collections

Catholic Service Ministry Appeal (2)	\$ 250.00
Easter Flowers (7)	190.00

Total Special Collections

\$ 440.00

Total Deposit

\$1,225.00

Maintenance Fund (1)

\$ 30.00

Mass Intentions (1)

\$ 10.00

The Messenger ()

\$ 0.00

Society of St. Vincent dePaul ()

\$ 0.00

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>.



**Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 12, 2026**



**Sacristan:
Lector
Host
Choir Host**

**Rose Jordan/Joan Scharf
Emily Weber
Emily Weber
Peggy Hoffmann**



Parish Council Nominations close today

We have two three-year and one two-year council position open for nominations in the April election. If you would like to nominate someone or be put on the ballot, please use the nomination form on page 6 and put it in the collection box in the back of church. Direct questions to Peggy Hoffmann.

There is also one **Trustee position expiring** (please speak with Fr. Andy, **this is not a nominated position**).



DuKare

In this season of winter please remember there are many in our community that still need your help. All your donations are greatly appreciated;

Manwich© 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.

Aid for Women

SPRING LUNCHEON

5 | 7 | 26

Skokie Country Club, Glencoe, IL



Guest Speaker:
Mark Schultz
Platinum-Selling, Award-Winning Singer and Songwriter



Invocation:
Fr. Wayne Watts
Pastor of Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish, Wilmette



Scan for details & registration

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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, Jerry Hight, 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, Linda Martin, Michele Martin, Duane McClanahan, Geraldine McCoy, Scott McIntosh, Joanna and Ron Mentel, Robin Miller, Bob Moretto, Sr. Emile Morgan, Tammy Murdoch, Kady Myers, Brenda Nichols, Brian Nobbe, Dillan Oberson, Parker, Bill Pennock, Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Paul Schonlau, Dawn Snider, Kimela Srock, Abby Steffen, Kingston Todd, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Ashlyn Wagner, Grace Wagner, Maryann Wagner, Angela and Emily 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
Hunter Kelling, U. S. Navy
Joseph F. Gloeckner, U. S. Navy

Sister of Jake Weber
 Son of Holly and Travis Kelling
 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>

Where to Watch Mass-<https://www.youtube.com/@SacredHeartCatholicChurch-Dupo> or on our Facebook page at: [Sacred Heart Parish, Dupo, IL](https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartParishDupoIL)

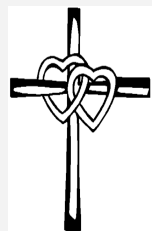
To get a digital copy of the bulletin just send your email address to sacredheartdupo@gmail.com



♪Happy Birthday to ♪ ♪ ♪You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy♪
 birthday ♪ ♪dear...**April: 12th-Deborah Duke 13th-Carol Cronin**

15th-Alice LaMastus and Barbara Weber 17th-Phyllis Gould
29th-Peggy Hoffmann and Karen Hood

Happy Anniversary to...April



16th	Richard and Jill Chartrand	3	years
18th	Travis and Holly Kelling	28	years
22nd	Raymond and Melanie Curtis	21	years
23rd	Russell and Vanessa Buechler	43	years
24th	John and Candace LaCroix	56	years
30th	David and Becky Uhrhan	49	years

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



The final numbers are in and due to all those who helped make the event a success, supported the raffles and auctions, especially our benefactors the event produced a final count of **\$5,596.00**. Thank you all, **Sherri LaCroix and Karen Pratt, Co-chairs**



Catholic Service Ministry Appeal 2026 begins . . .
The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

On behalf of Father Godfrey Mullen, Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville, and diocesan ministries and programs, a most heartfelt thanks to all those who have already responded with a gift to the 2026 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 17 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.

Last year Sacred Heart fell short of our goal by \$1,600. Prayerfully consider your stewardship this year!

Please make your check out to the parish and write CSMA in the memo line.

Vocation Corner

As we begin Holy Week, we see Jesus following the will (call) of the Father. He will complete His call even to the Cross. Are we willing to follow our call – even if it means giving of ourselves totally in service to the Lord? Everyone has their unique call. Everyone needs to respond to the will of the Father – priesthood, sisterhood, married life, single. Take some quiet time during this sacred week and listen, in our innermost being, to what the Lord really wants us to be.



Gibault Catholic High School News and events....

Calling ALL 6th-8th graders! Join us for a Junior High Party on the Patio on April 17th from 6-8pm.

Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B44AAAC28A5FEC16-62702280-junior> to sign up. Come hang out with our student ambassadors and have some fun.

Kings House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitor Center presents...

***Violence Divine: Overcoming the Bible's Betrayal of Its Non-Violent God* – a 4-week spring video study featuring John Dominic Crossan** Facilitator: Fr. Mark Dean, OMI

Dates: Tuesdays, April 7, 21, 28, May 5, 2026

Time: 10 am – 12 Noon

In this four-part series, one of the world's foremost historical Jesus scholars helps the church rise above the greatest of Christian treasons: that everlasting peace can only be achieved through the onslaught of divine violence.

Cost: \$20 for series; \$5 per session

For more information, call 618-397-0584 Register online at: <https://kh.snows.org/events/2026-spring-vs/>

Day of Reflection: Seeking Our Archetypes: Richard Rohr, Carl Jung and the energies that Move Us All

Presenter: Chaz Franke

Date: Thursday, May 7, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$60.00 (lunch included)

In this day of reflection we will sit and find the archetypes that have been driving your unique story. We will enlist two special guides, Carl Jung and a learned student of his teachings, Richard Rohr, to help us find our inner mystic. We will explore the concept of the archetypes, classic examples of symbols and figures from religion across time, ways we all carry every story that has been told and find practices that help us deepen our connection.

Respect for Life Corner

“To celebrate the Gospel of life means to celebrate the God of life, the God who gives life... In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ”

(The Gospel of Life 84).

The Metro-East Vicariate Council of Catholic Women (MEV CCW) Spring Day of Prayer

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at Queen of Peace Parish, Belleville
Registration begins at 8:15 a.m.

Events include: Eucharistic Celebration; Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB speaking on Stewardship of Faith: Sharing the Gift We've Been Given; Spiritual Exercise; Pot of Gold (50/50) Drawing; Basket Raffle; Attendance prizes; Empty Boxes of Joy pickup; Collection of personal care items for Our Brothers Keepers (cash donations also accepted); Short business meeting with installation of new officers and parish council reports.

Note: We will need to be finished by 2:00 in order to allow safe pickup for the QoP students, so my goal is to keep things running on time.

It really will be a great day! The Agenda and Registration forms are in the back of church. Registration online at:

<https://forms.gle/nWT9J8gob6Xcz1t39>

Kings House Continued: Directed Retreats

Directed One Retreat: Starting Monday, May 11-18, 2026

Directed Two Retreat: Starting Monday, June 15-22, 2026

Join us for a directed retreat that offers a sacred, quiet space to pause from daily life and deepen your relationship with God. Through daily, personal meetings with a director, personal scripture study, and optional prayer, this experience helps you recognize God's presence. Minimum donation is \$682.00 (including lodging) or \$495 for commuters.

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

Here's what's happening in the 2026 Liturgical and parish Calendars

Parish Council Elections	April 12 and 19, 2026
Solemnity Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)	Thursday, May 14, 2026
Pentecost Sunday	May 24, 2026
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	June 7, 2026
Solemnity of the Assumption Of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Saturday-obligation dispensed)	August 15, 2026
Solemnity of All Saints Day	November 1, 2026
The First Sunday of Advent (we begin Cycle B readings)	November 29, 2026
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Tuesday)	December 8, 2026
Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)	Friday, December 25, 2026

Stay tuned for other upcoming events!

St. James Council of Catholic Women Presents...

Take Me Out to the Ballgame Noon Luncheon
Thursday, April 9, 2026
Doors open at 10 a.m. Luncheon 12 (noon)-2:30 p.m.

Where: St. James Parish Center, 405 West Madison Street, Millstadt

Menu: Fried chicken, Au Gratin potatoes, seasoned green beans, slaw, Jello salad, dinner rolls, and dessert **Cost:** \$15

Fun activities: Quilt/Cash and Basket Raffles, Bingo, Sweet Shop and attendance prizes

Paid Advanced reservations required. Contact: Chris Toenjes at (618) 581-5429 or reserve on-line at:
Onecau.se/2026ccwluncheon

Tickets will not be sold at the door!

Singles Late 50s and Above

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing RENEW weekend retreat at the Pallottine Retreat Center (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on **April 10-12, 2026**. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it!

For details visit us by-email: renewretreat.stl@gmail.com, on our website: www.RenewRetreats.org, or by telephone at: (314) 703-1002 .

Knights of Columbus #4596 presents

Color Raffle Only

April 12, 2026

Games start @ 1 pm

Holy Family Gymnasium
 109 Church St., Cahokia, IL

8 games \$250 payout **2 games \$500 payout**

For more info contact Bo: Franey727@gmail.com

Proceeds benefit: **Knights of Columbus Charities**

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Sacred Heart Parish Council Nomination Ballot

Parish Council Elections-elections will take place on **Sunday, April 12 and 19, 2026**. Two 3-year and one two-year positions that will be up for election. If you would like to run for or nominate someone for a position on the parish council please use this form. Place the form in the Nomination box or give it to Peggy Hoffmann

Nominations are due by April 5, 2026.

I, _____
 would like to add **my name** to the parish council ballot.

Or

I, would like to **nominate**:

 to the parish council ballot.