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Easter special cover



## 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 26, 2026**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
*Alleluia He is risen!***



**Year A**

A native-American elder once described his own inner struggles like this: "Inside of me there are two dogs. One of the dogs is mean and evil. The other dog is good. The mean dog fights the good dog all the time." After being asked which dog wins, he thought for a moment and replied, "The one I feed the most of course."

Each of us has our own struggles. Jesus felt His struggle in the Garden of Gethsemane as He cried, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will." (Matthew 26:39b NAB) No matter how strong our faith is, we feel the good and evil fighting within us. It is during these times of struggle that our faith sometimes grows weak. The readings today from the Acts of the Apostles encourage us to reach deep into our waters of Baptism and breathe in the Most Holy Spirit given to us during our Confirmation. These are our constant strengths. Gifts given by the Father to help us on our journey. Just as He did not abandon His Son on the cross, He does not abandon us on our life journey. The second reading from 1 Peter provides us with the pattern we are to follow. Jesus, even though He suffered, did not retaliate with evil, only love. Just as He showed us how to love as the Father loves us during His ministry, He showed us how to have mercy and forgiveness during those trying times in our lives. Every year my PSR class is instructed to go to an outer wall in our classroom and start pushing. I keep telling them to push harder and move the wall. When they finally collapse from the exhaustion, we discuss how revenge feels. An empty, effortless void that only makes you weaker. But then, if we shake each other's hands, how easy love flows and peaceful we feel. That is the love Jesus teaches us.

Through John's Gospel, Jesus confirms the only way to eternal life free of pain and suffering is through Him. When do you hear His voice and follow? In the darkness of your lives He calls us to follow Him. There is no other way to heaven than through the true Shepherd. There are many false voices calling to us; money, greed, envy, pride, etc. There is only one voice that our souls long to hear and follow. As our Easter journey continues, take out your Baptismal and Confirmation pictures and items. Most of us will not remember our Baptisms but think about the Baptism's you have attended and put yourself there again. Remember what you professed at Confirmation and hear the voice that called you. Then, the next time you take the Most Holy Eucharist I pray you hear His voice calling you to His bosom.~Joan.

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**  
(+ Deceased)

**Sunday, April 26, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available  
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart–**Harold and Jewel Bradley+**

9:00 Latin Mass in the Log Church–**Helen Whited and Family members**

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Lawrence Frost+**

**Monday, April 27-Octave of Easter No Mass**

**Tuesday, April 28-St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr and St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest**

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart –**Larry and Rose Sanders+**

**Wednesday, April 29-St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

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

**Thursday, April 30-St. Pius V. Pope**

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

**Friday, May 1, St. Joseph the Worker First Friday**

8:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Andrew M Knopik+**  
*The Very Reverend Godfrey Muller, OSB installed as the Tenth Bishop of the Belleville Diocese*

**Saturday, May 2, Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter**


10:00 a.m. Rosary for all life @ Sacred Heart  
5:00 p.m. @ Holy Family–**Tim McGinnis+**

**Sunday, May 3, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

+ 7:30 a.m. Confession is available  
8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart–**Irwin and Ferna Hoffmann+**

9:00 Latin Mass in the Log Church–**Fred and Elaine Fitzpatrick Family, Living & Deceased**

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family–**Pete and Norma Montine+**

 Join us for the Holy Rosary next Saturday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church or if the weather is nice, we will meet in the Mary Garden (bring a lawn chair). Direct questions to Carol McClanahan, Chair.



**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.

**The Memorial Day Community Service will be on Monday, May 25 at 11:00 a.m. the American Legion. Direct all questions to I.D. Cleveland.**



**Parish SUPPORT**

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

**Sunday, April 19, 2026**

**General Collections**

Envelopes (15)	\$ 485.00
Loose	31.00
Candles	<u>\$ 9.00</u>

**Total General Collections**

**\$ 525.00**

**Special Collection**

**Total Special Collections**

**\$ 0.00**

**Total Deposit**

**\$ 525.00**

**Maintenance Fund (1)**

**\$ 30.00**

**Mass Intentions ()**

**\$ 0.00**

**St. Vincent dePaul ()**

**\$ 0.00**

**On-line giving (1)**

**\$ 100.00**

**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 of Easter**  
**May 3, 2026**



**Sacristan:**  
**Lector**  
**Host**  
**Choir Host**

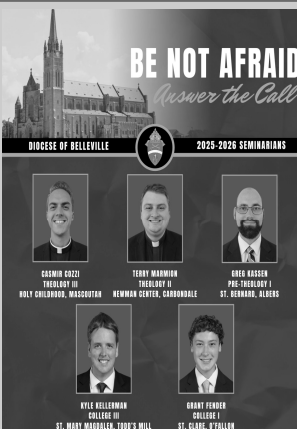
**Rose Jordan/Joan Scharf**  
**Phyllis Gould**  
**Joan Scharf**  
**Peggy Hoffmann**



**The election results are in...**

Congratulations to the Parish Council Elections Winners: **Sherri LaCroix, Dave Uhrhan and Kathy Koebbe** for continuing to serve the parish. We would also like to thank **Emily Weber** for running.

**Thanks to everyone who voted,**  
**I.D. Cleveland, Parish Council President**



**Seminary Education Collection**  
**Sunday, May 3, 2026**

Prayerfully consider helping the young men who have said "yes" to God's call.

Luke 10:4 (NIV) states: "Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road." Jesus gave this instruction to the 72 disciples to emphasize absolute dependence on God for provision, speed, urgency, and undivided focus on their mission to preach the kingdom. Your prayers and support make all the difference.

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PRAY FOR:**



Paul Adams, Tony Albers, Cassidy Aldridge, David and Sandy Anderson, Lauretta 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 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, Jerry Martin, 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, Karen Pratt, Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Paul Schonlau, Dawn Snider, Kimela Srock, Abby Steffen, Kingston Todd, Andrea Trske, 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!***



<b>Tressa Tucker</b> , U.S. Air Force	Sister of Jake Weber
<b>Hunter Kelling</b> , U. S. Navy	Son of Holly and Travis Kelling
<b>Joseph F. Gloeckner</b> , 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>

**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)

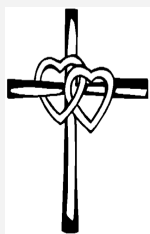


♪Happy Birthday to ♪ ♪ ♪You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy♪  
birthday ♪ ♪dear...**April: 29th-Peggy Hoffmann and Karen Hood**

**May: 9th-Diane Lovell 10th: John Koebbe**

**13th: Vernon Wienhoff 22nd: Fr. Paul Wienhoff 23rd: Oscar McCoy 31st: Glenn Levin**

**Happy Anniversary to...April**



**30th David and Becky Uhrhan 49 years**

**May**

**12th I.D. and Barbara Cleveland 42 years**

**17th David and Elizabeth Vernon 51 years**

**21st Ralph and Joan Scharf 50 years**

**30th Duane and Carol McClanahan 63 years**

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



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

“It is only through your prayers, kindness and generosity that our diocesan ministries can continue providing services to our parishes, schools and the needy among us throughout the 28 southernmost counties of Illinois. Please support the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today!” -Bishop-elect Godfrey Mullen, OSB

**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*

“Growing up in a Catholic homeschooling family, I knew my faith well. Though our cattle ranch was 45 minutes from the closest church, Sunday Mass was always a priority. My parents’ example of praying with Scripture each morning inspired me to do the same during high school. As my relationship with God grew, I began to hear his call to the priesthood. The priests I knew influenced me greatly, and reading about the life of Blessed Michael McGivney strengthened my desire to serve as a priest. After my ordination as a transitional deacon, I had to take a couple of years for health reasons. During that time, I re-read biographies of and letters from Blessed Solanus Casey – who is my great-great-great-uncle – and was inspired by how he always thanked God despite his own suffering and difficulty during seminary. Today, more than a year since my priestly ordination, I cannot thank God enough for the great blessings he gives me as I serve his people, especially by celebrating the Mass and hearing confessions.” Fr. Caleb Cunningham; Diocese of Baker, OR; Columba Magazine November 2024

**Respect for Life Corner**

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Every Suicide is Tragic” [usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic](http://usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic)



**Annual Diocesan Spring Farm Blessing**  
**Tuesday, April 28, 2026 @ 1:00 p.m.**

**Ryan Peter Family Farm**

7755 Highway 15, Mt. Carmel, IL 62863

All are welcome to join Father Godfrey for the annual Spring blessing. You are invited to bring seeds, farm animals or equipment/machinery to be blessed. See the flyer in the back of church for directions.

Everyone is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry.



**Gibault Catholic High School News and events....**

7th and 8th graders come hang out with our student ambassadors and have some fun. Go to: [gibalthawks.com](http://gibalthawks.com) and click the “Inquire” button to schedule your visit.

**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 QofP 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>

**St. Mary Recycle Mission Group**  
**Religious item Collection**

We can take in or give just about anything of Religious nature that can be used by other churches, convents or religious organizations such as: Crucifixes, Statues (any size, no outdoor concrete statues), Rosaries (damaged ok), Candle Sticks, Relics, Holy Medals and cards, Linens, Paraments, Framed Religious Pictures, Used Musical Instruments (No Pianos or Organs), Prayer books// Breviaries/Catholic Encyclopedias (**Please No Furniture, Religious Books/Reading Books/Story Books, Hymnals, pamphlets, Magazines, DVD's, VHS Tapes, Christmas items or Wax Candles**) Please do not throw anything out that may be questionable as we take items in any condition. **See Joan in the office if you have questions or need more information.**

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

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

Church and Hall Cleaning	Monday, May 11, 2026
Solemnity Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)	Thursday, May 14, 2026
Pentecost Sunday	May 24, 2026
Community Memorial Service 11 a.m. @ the American Legion	Monday, May 25, 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!**

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 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.

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

**Directed Two Retreat: 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.

**For all events...** To get more information call 618-397-0584 or Register online at: <https://kh.snows.org/>

### Lunch & Card Party

**Tuesday, May 5, 2026**  
St. Luke's Parish Center  
226 North Church St., Belleville, IL





**MOTHER'S DAY**

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: Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes,  
Seasoned Green Beans,  
Cake, Coffee, hot tea, iced tea & water**

**Tally: \$12 (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.



### Church and Parish Center Cleaning

The next date for cleaning is Monday, May 11, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. Many hands make light work.

See Barbara and I.D. Cleveland for more information.