



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Diocese of Belleville

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Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville



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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

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 6, 2026

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

The mothers of two young boys worried about letting their sons walk to school alone, but the boys insisted they were old enough. A neighbor volunteered to watch after them as she and her infant daughter took their early morning stroll. The boys walked along and chatted. They noticed the neighbor following them every day. Finally, Johnny said to Timmy, "Have you noticed Mrs. Goodnest following us to school all week? Timmy nonchalantly replied, "Yeah." and explained. "Every night, my mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, because she worries about me. The Psalm says, 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life,' so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!"

As a Christian we recognize the picture of the Potter's hands around a clump of clay. The clay is soft and wet so that the Potter can mold it into a usable shape. Our readings this week invite us to look at the pliability of our own hearts. Do we make ourselves useful to God's wishes? Someone may interpret Ezekiel's reading this week as God's invitation to be watchmen as permission to be judgmental of our fellow Christians. But as we look into St. Paul's reading to the Romans we can see that we are called not to be judgmental, but be an example of God's love. How do we do that? By living the second greatest commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Romans 33:9 NAB) As members of the Christian family, we are asked to watch out for one another. Support and love one another.

Jesus knows this is not an easy task. In a world with diverse personalities, languages and temperament Jesus helps us understand how to address the complex issue of conflict with others through Matthew's Gospel. Addressing issues face to face. If necessary, ask others who understand the truth to help us gently guide a sister or brother who is in need of help. These readings today walk a fine line between judgment and love. What parent who sees their child sinning and would not address the issue and try to help them confess and ask God for forgiveness? The difference in this thought is that we are called to walk with our Faith Family members and help them rectify their sin, we are not given the permission to condemn. Understanding Matthew 18:18, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." urges us to address the need as God would, with grace and reconciliation in mind. May goodness and mercy follow each of us daily and may we give it freely to others as we believe God will give it to us.~joan

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
(+ Deceased)

Sunday, September 6, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Confession is available

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

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church—Fred and Elaine Fitzpatrick Family Living and Deceased

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family---Leonard and Clara belle Montine+

Monday, September 7, Weekday in Ordinary Time No Mass

Tuesday, September 8, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. @ Sacred Heart—Gould Family members, living and deceased

Wednesday, September 9—St. Peter Claver, Priest
No Mass

Thursday, September 10, Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Mass

Friday, September 11, Weekday in Ordinary Time

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

Saturday, September 12, Vigil of the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. @ Holy Family—Holy Family Women's Club

Sunday, September 13, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

+  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 hall

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass in the Log Church—Ron and Helen Whited and Family

10:00 a.m. @ Holy Family---Andrew Eftink+

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



**STEWARDS OF GOD'S GIFTS:
BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD
IN THE DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE**

"The outpouring of the Holy Spirit changes all things."
- Bishop Godfrey **More>**



If anyone is interested in attending the Bishop's initiative beginning November 1, 2026 please contact Peggy Hoffmann. For more information about the initiative visit:
www.diobelle.org.



Parish SUPPORT

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

Sunday, August 30, 2026

General Collections

Envelopes (13)	\$ 5,485.00
Loose	34.00
Candles	17.00
On-Line Donation (1)	\$ 25.00

Total General Collections \$5,561.00

Special Collections \$ 0.00

Total Special Collections \$ 0.00

Total Deposit \$ 5,561.00

Maintenance Fund (2) \$ 137.00

Mass Intention (4) \$ 40.00

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>.



The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 13, 2026



Sacristan:

Rose Jordan/ Joan Scharf

Lector

Geri Basinski

Host

Geri Basinski

Choir Host

Jim Urke

We would like to Welcome and thank our visiting Priest

Sunday and Tuesdays, September 1-27 is

Father Mike Hussey, OMI

Please include in your daily prayers that God will grant us a Priest to be our shepherd.

Be aware that as of the printing of this bulletin we are not having Thursday Masses. Please watch the website at: sacredheartdupo.org for further updates.



Retired Belleville Diocesan Priest Collection
Sunday, September 13

Please prayerfully consider supporting the men who have given their all to shepherd God's flock.
See page 4 for more information.



Sacred Heart Alumni (any year) Gathering
September 24, 2026 at the
Graphite in Columbia

Graduated from Sacred Heart School? Come join the fun and represent your class beginning at 5:30 p.m. Please pass this on to anyone else you can think of! Graphite is the 'OLD' Immaculate Conception School on Main St in Columbia IL. There is a restaurant and bar there. For more information contact Sherri LaCroix.

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, Chris Cronin, Christ Curtis, 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, Carol and Duane McClanahan, Geraldine McCoy, Scott McIntosh, Joanna and Ron Mentel, Robin Miller, Bob Moretto, Sr. Emile Morgan, Tammy Murdoch, Kady Myers, Brian Nobbe, Dillan Oberson, Parker, Bill Pennock, Karen Pratt, Alyssa Rhyne, Kim Ross, David Ryder, Mary Schmid, Dawn Snider, Kimela Srock, Abby Steffen, Kingston Todd, Andrea Trske, Patty Urke, Joshua Wade, Evermore Ashlyn Wagner, 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 a visit, please leave a message at (618) 286-4373 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 and 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>

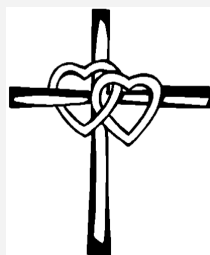
Where to Watch Mass-<https://www.youtube.com/@SacredHeartCatholicChurch-Dupo> or on our Facebook page at: [Sacred Heart Parish, Dupo, IL](https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartParishDupoIL)



♪Happy Birthday to ♪ ♪ You....Happy ♪ birthday ♪ to you...happy♪
birthday ♪ dear... **September: 8th Brad Cronin 12th Jorri Kelling**

13th Russell Buechler 15th Kim Ross 17th John Kenner 27th Kris Morice
29th Patti Urke

Happy Anniversary to...September



7th

Alois and Margaret Hoffmann

52 years

7th

Jim and Patti Urke

58 years

19th

Christopher and Mary Cronin

45 years

22nd

Jose and Kayla Jarillo

14 years

22nd

Dennis and Linda Martin

53 years

24th

Leslie and Brenda Nichols

38 years

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

**DuKare**

Hunger has no season, please remember our neighbors in our community that 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 kind and generous donations that help feed our neighbors in need.

Catholic Service Ministry Appeal 2026 begins . . .

Those who are kind to the needy honor Him.



As of July 31, 2026, we have received pledges amounting to \$971,575 from 3,368 households for an average gift of \$288. We are at 73% of our overall goal of \$1,325,000. Last year we were at 76% of our goal at this time with 3,603 households pledging their support. 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. **Our financial target is \$4,134; to date \$2,110 has been pledged and \$1,600 has been received. We have reached 51% of our goal. If you have not made a donation please prayerfully consider your stewardship.**

Vocation Corner

PRAYING FOR SEMINARIANS

Please include in your daily prayers our Diocesan Seminarians. Each week, we will feature one of our **11** seminarians. Please consider dropping them a note of support. Your thoughts and concern help them feel valued. At the very least, a simply prayer would be helpful. This week we pray for:

CASMIR COZZI
Mundelein Seminary
1000 E. Maple Avenue
Mundelein, Illinois 60060

Peace, Bishop Godfrey, OSB

Respect for Life Corner

You may be suffering from guilt, sadness, isolation, nightmares, addictions, eating disorders, anxiety and other negative emotions and behaviors. Many women and men are surprised at the emotions they experience after abortion which can include, but certainly are not limited to those mentioned above. There is hope. There is help. It is most important for you to know that you are not alone! We want to reach out to you with the mercy and love of Christ and help you be at peace with yourself and God. While abortion is part of your history, it doesn't need to define your future. If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, please contact Project Rachel through the Diocese of Belleville in Illinois at 618-722-5031. The help line is answered live Monday and Thursday, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. If you reach the voicemail, please leave a message and we will call you back when it is a good time for you.



Retired Diocesan Priests Collection September 12-13

Our Belleville Diocese currently has 53 diocesan priests: 28 are currently retired and 25 are in active ministry. Of those 25 in active ministry, 13 are of retirement age but continue to serve us. With this large number of retirement-age priests and escalating health care costs, the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection on September 12-13 will help provide the resources needed for their care now and in the future. All monies will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications for our retired diocesan priests. Show your appreciation to the priests who have walked with you on your life's journey with a generous gift to this special collection. There is a special tithing envelope in your tithing packet for this collection. **Thank You!**
Note: Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious

PAUL
KIM
CATHOLIC SPEAKER

SAVE THE DATE
SEPTEMBER 9TH

ST. CLARE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1411 CROSS ST. O'FALLON, IL 62269

Seeking Volunteers for Mass and The Beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026 The Dome at America's Center, St. Louis, MO

An historic moment for the Catholic Church in the United States that will bring together thousands of pilgrims from across the country to celebrate the life and legacy of one of America's most beloved Catholic evangelists.

Whether you have a few hours or several days to give, there are a variety of volunteer opportunities available before and during the celebration.

To volunteer visit <https://www.celebratesheen.com/volunteer>

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

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

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!

Laity invited to study theology at Saint Meinrad

Seek God through prayer, study, and a tradition of Benedictine hospitality. The Saint Meinrad Graduate Theology Program invites you to learn about its MA and certificates in theology during an online Open House on Wed Sept 23 at 6:30 pm CT, OR an in-person Open House on Sat Oct 10. Learn more at: www.saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse.



St. Vincent dePaul's Walk for the Poor on Saturday, September 19, 2026

Please join us anytime between 8am to noon at the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows to walk to help our neighbors in need. You can find registration forms or to register online at: <https://svdpsouthil.org/events>; by phone at: (618) 394-0126 or you can register on the day of the walk. We are deeply grateful for your generosity, your prayers, and your continued support. Every gift, no matter the size, helps us provide food, assistance, and hope to individuals and families facing difficult circumstances. Be a part of this miracle with your contribution!



New Adult therapeutic dementia day center in Belleville All In 4 You

For more information contact the Executive Director, Cheri Wessel at (618) 416-4040 or visit the website at: www.allin4you.com

All Soul's Day Tribute in the Messenger

The 2026 tributes will appear in the October 22nd issue of the Messenger. If you would like to put a tribute in, please use the order form in the back of church. For more information email them at: advertising@bellevillemessenger.org or call (618) 722-5047. Due by October 2, 2027. Tributes are a \$20 donation.



National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center Presents....

Spiritual Cinema Fall 20206 Schedule at the King's House Retreat Center

Tuesdays with simple suppers beginning at 5:30 p.m. and the films begin at 6:15 p.m.

September 8: Remarkably Bright Creatures

October 6: Sheep Detectives

November 10: Spare Parts

For more information see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Suicide Prevention Training and "We Remember You"

Candlelight Vigil for Those Lost to Suicide
Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Presented by The Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows and the St. Clair County Suicide Prevention Alliance.

Suicide Prevention Training at 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Shrine Visitors Center "We Remember You" Candlelight Vigil at 7:00 pm at the Shrine Church & Glow Garden of Hope, dedicated to those lost to suicide, on the church plaza. If you or someone you know is concerned for another or has been affected by suicide, please join us for our Suicide Prevention Training and/or Candlelight Vigil to honor those we have lost to suicide.

Cost: No Charge, but please register to assure seating availability.

For more information, call 618-394-6281 or visit our website at <https://snows.org>

Church History Series: The Legacy of St. Augustine

Saturdays, September 12 and 19, 2026, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon **Presenter:** Mark Etling, PhD

St. Augustine is one of the most influential theologians in the history of Christianity. His wide-ranging theology covered everything from the Trinity to original sin to the relationship between Church and state. He lived during a period of transition when Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire. Anyone raised as a Catholic or most any other Christian denomination has been exposed to the theology of Augustine.

Cost: \$15 per session/\$30 for the series

Register online at snows.org/events/Augustine-series or call 618-394-6281.

Morality, Public Policy and the Common Good: How the Church Stands in the World

Thursday, September 17, 2026, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon **Presenter:** Fr. Charles Bouchard, OP

Cost: \$15 Register by calling 618-394-6281 or online at: snows.org/events/Church-World

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



Casserole Opportunity

We have the opportunity to make casseroles for food pantries (a portion of these casseroles will also be used to help our neighbors in the Columbia, Dupo and East Carondelet communities). Please feel free to take as many pans as you like. The recipe is inside the pan. After making the casserole just freeze them and return the frozen casserole to church by Sunday, October 4, 2026.

Direct all questions to the Vincentian team: Rose Jordan, Ralph or Joan Scharf.



- **St. Joseph, Freeburg, Friday and Saturday, September 11 & 12** More information coming soon at: <https://www.stjosephfreeburg.org/>
- **Queen of Peace, Belleville, Saturday, September 12:** More Information Coming <https://bellevillecatholic.com/>
- **St. Mary, Centralia, Saturday, September 12:** Mass at 4pm, Chicken Dinner, Food Stand, Cake Walk, Basket Stand, Live Music More information available at <https://stmarycentralia.org/Flyer>
- **Holy Trinity, Fairview Heights, Saturday, September 12:** More information coming @ <https://htcs.org/>
- **St. Mary Catholic and St. John United Church of Christ, Valmeyer, Saturday, September 20:** 11 a.m. –5p.m. Bake sale, Country Store, Silent Auction, Raffle tickets, children's games and live entertainment,
- **St. Augustine, Belleville, Saturday, September 25:** 4 p.m.-10p.m. (Mass @ 4 p.m.) chicken dinner, bingo, music, games, basket stand for more information see www.stasaints.org
- **St. Clare, O'Fallon, Saturday, September 26:** 4-10PM, Octoberfest, German food, live music, raffles, inflatables Visit <https://stclarechurch.org/Flyer>
- **St. John the Baptist, West Frankfort/St Aloysius ~ Sacred Heart Sunday, September 27:** Mass at 11am
- **St. Andrew, Murphysboro, Wednesday, October 14:** Wursthfest

Watch for updates and additions as they become available!

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows 2026 Way of Lights *Friday, November 20 – Thursday, December 31, 2026*

Performer Request : You are invited to share your wonderful talents at The Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows' annual Way of Lights season. We are in need of musicians to perform each evening from 6:00 to 9:00 pm for our guests. A great way to promote your ensemble and share the Christmas spirit! If you would like to perform, please call 618-397-6700 or email perform@snows.org.



Wreath Display...Share your creative touch for a good cause by crafting a handmade wreath for our public silent auction, running **November 20 – December 18, 2026**. Your work will directly benefit the Way of Lights and the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate at The Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, gaining exposure before an estimated **180,000 visitors**. Every wreath submission qualifies as a tax-deductible entry, and feel free to submit more than one design. Please limit the size to under 36 inches in diameter and no live plants. Thank you!

Order a family plant
and share a living piece
of holiday joy!



Donate a family plant and share a living piece of holiday memories by visiting: snows.org/memorial-and-traditional-planting



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