



Saint Henry Catholic Church

5315 W. Main St., Belleville, IL 62226

June 14, 2026
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 9:36-10:8



11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Without cost you have received; without cost
you are to give.” - Mt 10:6-8

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A few years ago, I met a woman in my parish who was a successful lawyer. Yet in her free time, she poured her energy into a nonprofit she founded to advocate for children with special needs. When I asked what inspired her, she spoke of her niece, who was born with disabilities. Her niece was both a glorious gift and a constant challenge. Out of that painful, beautiful experience, she felt called to create something lasting for other children and parents. The nonprofit thrived, not because she had mapped it all out, but because she was deeply moved to act.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is “**moved with compassion for the crowd, for they were “like sheep without a shepherd.”** (Matthew 9:36) So he calls his disciples, ordinary men with no special qualifications, and sends them to heal, preach, and cast out demons. Their mission flows not from their skills but from his authority and the Spirit's gifts.

The Second Vatican Council teaches that the Spirit continually pours out charisms, special graces for the good of the Church and the world (cf. Lumen Gentium 4 & 12). These often arise from the unfolding of our lives: from what breaks your heart, what fills you with hope, what suffering has shaped you. The Spirit works through those very experiences to equip us with gifts that build up others.

What is your charism? Well, what needs around you call you to loving action? This could be where Christ is sending you. Allow your heart to be moved like Christ's. Then get to work.

— *Father John Muir*

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Weekday Masses
Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Liturgical Ministers	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Greeter	Gift Bearer	Usher
June 20th Saturday, 4:00 PM	Trish Denton	David Bollman Ramona Effinger	Pat Visintine Janet Visintine	Ivan Tepen Patti Tepen	Kacie Denton Susan O'Malley
June 21st Sunday, 8:30 AM	Karen O'Dell	Gayle Bibee	Joyce Dierkes	Bernadette Gadu Kathy Pajares	Daniel Broeckling George Mehochko
June 21st Sunday, 10:30 AM	Maureen Reed	Marilyn Elam	Kathleen Dumontier	Lynne Fulte Dawn York	Chris Knee Carol Tyler

Respect Life Corner

"As we reflect with gratitude on the blessings God has bestowed on our country, our devotion to the Sacred Heart demands that we consider how we might foster truth, justice, and charity in American life. We are called to bring our faith into the actions we take and the lives we lead in our communities. We celebrate the ways the Church has contributed to a more just world, and we invite all in our society to see the face of Christ reflected in each sister and brother."

Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample,
Archbishop of Portland "Reflection on the
Consecration to the Sacred Heart"

Vocation Corner

"Thanks to my parents' strong faith and values, I had the great opportunity to attend Catholic school. My participation in youth groups and the exemplary witness of a parish priest then led me to discover God's call to the priesthood. I also felt called to work in mass media and wanted to make Christ present on what Pope Benedict XVI called the "digital continent." While attending university to study communication, I became involved in apostolates helping young people grow closer to God and His Church. All these experiences motivated me to enter seminary and, after my ordination, to pursue further studies in social communication in Rome. In my 15 years as a priest, I have served in various parishes and in the communications ministry for the Archdiocese of Yucatan. My vocation gives meaning to my life..." Fr. Jorge Martinez Ruz – Archdiocese of Yucatan; Columbia Magazine – Jan/Feb 2025

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

In his mercy, Jesus sent his Apostles into ministry — and the Apostles are still ministering today. We see them in the sanctuary, in the confessional. They are our priests, sent to shepherd Christ's sheep. This week, let's pray for our shepherds.

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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Readings for the week of June 14, 2026

Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8
Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/ Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Observances for the week of June 14, 2026

Sunday: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Flag Day
Monday:
Tuesday:
Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday: St. Romuald, Abbot; World Refugee Day; Juneteenth
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day
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Mass Intentions for the week of June 14, 2026

SUN	6/14	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	John Rensing For The People
MON	6/15	8:00 AM	Catholic Extension Donor Intentions
TUES	6/16	8:00 AM	Jean Gass
WED	6/17	8:00 AM	Bill Stroot
THURS	6/18	8:00 AM	Catholic Extension Donor Intentions
FRI	6/19	8:00 AM	Maria Pezzuto
SAT	6/20	8:00 AM 4:00 PM	Jim Hogan For The People
SUN	6/21	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Rita & Jim Pajares Curtis Wiley, Jr.

Sunday, June 14, 2026 | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC- BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection:

We often find it hard to love the Church if we find it hard to love a particular priest, a particular bishop. That's the thing about priests and bishops and all the laborers in the field: they are human. They are sinners. Just like you and me.

Laborers

The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few."

This excerpt from Matthew's Gospel has become a catchphrase in the modern Church. We give ourselves vertigo with the amount of head-shaking we do over the much-lamented "decline in numbers."

Which numbers, you ask? Well, take your pick — numbers of baptized Catholic children who continue to profess their faith in adulthood, numbers of registered parishioners, numbers of priests ordained each year. All are a fraction of what they were generations ago.

That last one — the priests — that's a particular worry for us, isn't it? So we pray, "Send us laborers, Lord! Make them holy. Make them earnest."

And then we add, in the silence of our hearts: "Make them perfect."

It's no secret that part of the reason the pews are empty is because we often find it hard to love the Church if we find it hard to love a particular priest, a particular bishop, or a particular human representative of the Church.

Because that's the thing about priests and bishops and all the laborers in the field: they are human. They are sinners. Just like you and me.

We must consider this: today's Gospel lists the Apostles whom Jesus sent out in ministry to heal, console, and evangelize, and right at the end — like a record scratch — comes the name of Judas Iscariot, the betrayer. If ever a laborer failed in his work, it was Judas.

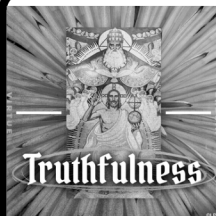
And surely, when he did, his fellow laborers were so demoralized and so disenchanted that they considered laying down their tools and leaving the harvest to wither and die.

But they did not, and we must not.

Without cost we have received, and without cost we are called to give.

So we labor on, for the day is drawing to a close, and the threshing time is near.

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Truthfulness, Explained!

Sin began with a lie.

It was a lie that Satan told Eve in the Garden of Eden, and it was by doubting God's faithfulness — by thinking God to be a liar — that the fall of man came about.

Of course, God Himself is Truth — Adam and Eve discovered that when they believed the lie. Therefore, if we belong to God, we must live truthfully — in small matters and in large ones, so that the witness we bear to the ultimate Truth of God shall always be taken seriously. "Witness is an act of justice that establishes the truth or makes it known," says the Catechism (CCC 2472), which also calls the act of martyrdom "truth written in letters of blood." (CCC 2474)

When Ananias tries to deceive the Christian community and secretly hoard wealth for himself, Peter tells him he has "lied not to human beings, but to God." (Acts 5:4)

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Prayer of Discipleship

Dear Jesus,

You've called every soul to yourself, aware of our faults and failures, but also our gifts, perspectives, our talents, and our dreams. As we grow to know you, help us to more fully understand ourselves and, in doing so, to use our unique positions to spread your love to the world. Amen.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

"Heavenly Father, we offer all the prayer requests on our prayer chain to you. We ask that you would hear and answer each one according to your perfect will. We trust in your love, your power, and your grace. May your peace reign in our hearts and in the lives of those we are praying for."

Benson Family	Janet	Matt
Caitlyn	Jenny	Mike
Cathy	Kathleen	Odette
David	Kathy	Scott
Dorothy	Kay	Smith/Gereaux Family
Father Port	Lou	Tanya
Gilbert	Margie	Toby

Please keep in your prayers all who are ill, specially those listed below, their families and their caregivers.

To add names to the Prayer List, please contact Carol Lesko by phone at 618-698-5838. If she unavailable to take your call please leave a message.

Names will be published for 4 weeks unless we are notified to retain them longer.



****All parish support listed is from the week's collections, mailed in, and online donations.****

June 7, 2026

Envelopes/Loose	\$ 5,514.65
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 277.50
Guatemala	\$ 195.90
Seminarian Education	\$ 5.00
Ascension of The Lord	\$ 15.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 15.00

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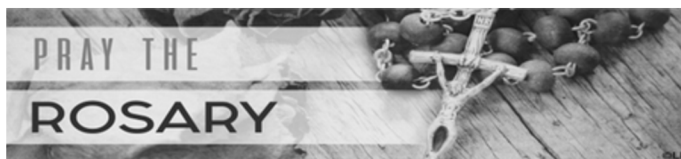
to everyone who supports our parish through donations, prayer, and or service!



June 14, 2026

Sunday	8:30 AM Mass Live Stream 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass
Monday	8:00 AM Mass
Tuesday	8:00 AM Mass NO Ladies Club
Wednesday	8:00 AM Mass Eucharistic Exposition 2:30-4:30 pm
Thursday	8:00 AM Mass Finance Council Mtg 6:30 PM
Friday	8:00 AM Mass
Saturday	8:00 AM Mass 4:00 PM Mass
Sunday	8:30 AM Mass Live Stream 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass

I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!
- Psalm 34:4-5, 8



The Parish Rosary Program. Each week parishioners are requested to either email to the church secretary sthenryc@peaknet.net or drop a slip of paper in the collection basket with the number of rosaries they prayed this week. (started February 12, 2023)

Weekly	Year to Date	Grand Total
122	3,173	19,921



Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Pallottine Renewal Center, Florissant, MO (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on July 17-19, 2026. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it!

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Make a Difference in Your Community— On Your Schedule!

Are you looking for a meaningful way to give back to local students? Althoff Catholic High School is seeking enthusiastic, dependable Substitute Teachers to join our school family! Requirements: must be willing to become compliant with the Child Protection Policy of the Diocese of Belleville and completion of employment paperwork. If interested contact Greg Leib, Assistant Principal at 618-235-1100 #104 or gleib@althoffcatholic.org.

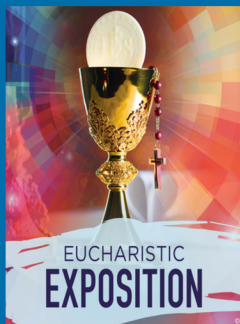
St. Vincent de Paul - Baby Bottle fundraiser



St. Henry Chapter of St. Vincent De Paul is holding a fundraiser to support our local Pregnancy Care Center.

The Baby Bottles were are given out on Mothers' Day, May 10th. Please place your loose change into the Baby Bottles over the next 5 weeks and then return the bottles to the church on Fathers' Day, June 21st.

Please return the Baby Bottles next weekend.



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
is the most powerful prayer a person
can say to obtain God's mercy!
If you have never experienced The
Chaplet in song then you are in for an
amazing experience.

Eucharistic Exposition every
Wednesday from 2:30-4:30.

BIRTHDAYS

Jack Scoville 6/15	Jerome Ahrens 6/19
Kevin Zimmer 6/15	Joseph Sintzel 6/19
Nancy Wilhelm 6/16	Diane Lauer 6/20
Bryan Grafe 6/17	Judith Wuller 6/20
James Davidson 6/17	Karley Quirk 6/20
Jana Miller 6/17	Joan Acker 6/21
Kathleen Choate 6/17	Judi McMinn 6/21
Norman Schlueter 6/17	Mary Boucher 6/21
Conner Barton 6/18	



As we journey through winter and prepare
for spring, we set new goals dedicated to
strengthening our church's community.
Faithfulness in giving allows us to share the gifts
that God has given us, so our spiritual home
may thrive. That is why our church offers
Online Giving as an option to support our
ongoing mission and ministries.

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Remember your loved
ones with a Mass.
Contact the parish
office at
618-233-2423

FLAG DAY



AND THE U. S. ARMY'S
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JUNE 14

2026 *St. Vincent de Paul* RUMMAGE SALE

Featuring New Tagged Items

Friday, June 19

\$3.00 EARLY BIRD ADMISSION
4 – 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 20

8 a.m.-12 p.m.

HALF OFF SALE 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

— AND —

\$5.00 Brown Paper Bag Sale

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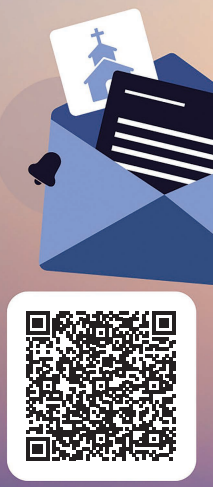


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