St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon. Apr. 15		NO MASS
Tue. Apr. 16	7:30am	Henry Feldmann
Wed. Apr. 17	7:30am	William Ratermann
Thur. Apr. 18	7:30am	L/D Leo Lampe & Martha(Kues)Lampe
Fri. Apr. 19	7:30am	Deacon Charlie Litteken
Sat. Apr. 20	1:00pm 4:00pm	<i>Wedding: Nathan Peltes &</i> <i>Alivia Brooks</i> Joseph & Mary Jane Gebhart
Sun. Apr. 21	7:30am	Larry & Vera Tonnies
	9:30am	Deacon Steve AuBuchon Joe & Anne Timmermann

CONFESSIONS: (also by appointment) Sat. 3:15pm - 3:40pm

Sun. 8:45am - 9:10am

WEEKLY ROSARY:

Sat. Afternoon at 3:30pm Sun. Morning at 7:10am

APRIL 13th & 14th WEEKEND SERVERS

Sat. 4:00pm-Dane & Keegan Kohlbrecher, Aubrey Netemeyer, James Strieker, & (1) Volunteer

Sun. 7:30am-Adler Beer, Aiden & Caleb Deien, Peyton Kapp, & Brennan Toennies

9:30am-Jack Buschmann, Noelle Castillo, Avery Emig, Myah Hilmes & (2) Volunteers

APRIL 20th & 21st WEEKEND SERVERS

Sat. 4:00pm-Madyson Korte, James Strieker, & (3) Volunteers
Sun.7:30am-Auggie & Della Block, Callen Strubhart & (2) Volunteers
9:30am-Jack Buschmann, Aliya Hollenkamp, Aubrey Netemeyer & (2) Volunteers

(If you cannot be there at the appointed time, please get a sub!)

PASTOR'S NOTE: We have a very active Quilting Ministry. Imagine a group of women (or PSR students) in a group quilting, working together. A prayer has "stitched" them together in their shared purpose of creating quilts/blankets, creating something that will bring comfort, joy and warmth to many people, including to the sick, dying and vulnerable. What is it when you receive a quilt? You receive a garment that proclaims peace – peace over you, peace around you, peace within you, peace under you. You receive a quilt that has been stitched in love - love that is freely given for its own sake. The work of the quilters is the very image of peace with which Jesus blesses his apostles in today's gospel, "Peace be with you...!" A peace that is the embrace of God's love, peace that forgives and reconciles, peace that heals and lifts up, peace that is not just passive absence of conflict but the active pursuit of justice and mercy for all. The apostles have passed on to "us" the task of "witnessing," living, growing, and spreading that peace! We - "you" are now up to bat!

OFFERINGS April 6th & 7th:

General Fund	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2,975.00
Loose:	\$ 1,107.00
Easter Offering:	\$ 185.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,237.25
General Fund Total:	\$ 7,504.25

Your General Fund contribution enables FAITH IN ACTION



First Communion 2024

Special Collections:		
Improvement Fund	\$ 1	,724.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$	85.00
Seminarian Education	\$	25.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Dora Beer	Nan
David Foy	Kat
June Hamilton	Aub
Jim Huelsmann	Mar
Phyllis Kendall	Cha
Darleen Nelson	Rac
Kathy Schaar	Dor
Mary Strieker	Pat
Marge Thole	Rae
Rosemary Venhaus	Judy

Nancy Brooks Kathy Friedman Aubrey Holtmann Marie Jansen Charles Markus Rachel Rehkemper Don Schulte Pat Sudholt RaeAnne Toennies fudy Winchester

Charlene Erlinger Moe Goestenkors Betty Huelsmann Jennifer Kendall Mark Moss Patricia Rollings Bill Schultz Marita Strubhart Khara Vanderhyden

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. April 14 - 9:30am -St. Francis Sunday School Classes Sun. April 21 - 9:30am -St. Francis Sunday School Classes -HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEACON STEVE AUBUCHON!!!



CONGRATULATIONS to *Lacey Ann Deiters* (daughter of Craig & Chelsie Deiters) who was baptized last weekend. We welcome *Lacey* to our faith family.

CONGRATULATIONS to *Peyton & Lauren (Kampwerth) Kreke* upon receiving the Sacrament of Marriage this weekend.

May God Bless them with many years of happiness!

SYMPATHIES: Remember *Kevin A. Zeisset* (brother of Darvin [Shelly] Zeisset) who died. Keep *Kevin & his family* in your prayers.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS tomorrow, Monday, April 15th, on



the new handicap entrance (parking lot entrance)! The Parking Lot (south) entrance will be closed beginning Monday until construction is completed. The church's main/front door will remain open for weekday Mass and

private prayer. You are only able to use the rectory's front door entrance for the Parish Office (not the back porch). Construction activity will be blocking the rectory's back porch entrance.

Our Parish is excited to officially "break ground" on the new ADA



entrance! Pictured from Left to Right is Pastoral Council President David Weis, General Contractors of Faust Construction and Parish Members Al & Ryan Faust, Fr.Dan Friedman, Deacon Steve AuBuchon, and Finance Committee Members Milissa Faust, Dan Mondt and Doug Ess.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!:

ST. FRANCIS QUILT SHOW is on July 20th & 21st from 11:00am-3:00pm at the St. Francis Parish Center. Cost: \$3. Includes refreshments, attendance prizes, craft items for sale & more!



PICNIC QUILTS REMINDER: All picnic quilts need to be turned in the weekend of July 13th & 14th. Please make sure the names are on your quilt. If other arrangements need to be made, call Kathy Barkman at (618-973-2119).



ST. FRANCIS PARISH PICNIC is the first Saturday in August every year. Save the date for Saturday, August 3rd, 2024. Please call Amber at the rectory if you would like to volunteer for a couple hours to help out the Parish that day! Your help is needed!! (618-228-7219)



ATTENTION CRAFTERS & DIYers: We are hoping to upgrade our "Country Store" at the Picnic this year. Do you have a cricut or a 3d printer? Do you love doing Pinterest DIYs, make candles, soaps, scrubs, or bath bombs? Do you crochet or make things out of fabric (bowl cozy,

fabric pumpkins) varn/beads (beanie hats, plant holders, macrames, dream catchers), wood (door hangers, door signs, home decor), mesh wreaths, etc. Please call/text Lee Jansen (401-2953) or Darlene Timmermann (920-8188) to drop off any items.

URGENTLY NEEDED! We need you! We have an urgent need for



a new chair for ADVERTISING. The Admin Assistant, **NEEDED** Amber Griesbaum, will help train. Chair duties include: contact newspapers, radio stations, & local churches for the Quilt Show & Picnic, take Quilt Show & Picnic flyers to businesses, take notes at the picnic meetings, etc. If interested, email (parish@stfrancisav.org) or call the rectory (228-7219).

URGENTLY NEEDED! A new chair and co chair for the Saturday Morning Runners. Chair duties are nice and simple and you will still be able to enjoy the picnic all night! Duties include: finding 7th going into 8th grade volunteers, and help before picnic from 9:30am-1:30pm.

Getting ready for parish picnics? St. Anthony, Beckemeyer is having a quilt sale. Please call Rosemary at 618-444-1942, Florence at 618-526-4466, or Betsy at 618-978-2058 for quilt availability & pricing.

CONGRATULATIONS to *Frank & Florence Hogg* who are celebrating their 73rd Wedding Anniversary Sunday, April 14th at the 7:30am Mass. May God grant them many more years of happiness together.



ST. FRANCIS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: What: Save the date for SCUBA VBS! When: July 8-12th from 9:00am – 12 noon Where: St. Francis Parish Center Who: Kids going into K-5th Grade as of Aug 2024

JOB OPENING: St. Francis Parish is hiring for the position of



Director of Religious Education (DRE). The position may include administrative assistant responsibilities & may be part time or full time. Interested candidates should drop off or send resume to the rectory (PO Box 93) or email (parish@stfrancisav.org).

The North Central Vicariate Council of Catholic Women

(NCVCCW) and the ladies of St. Mary of Immaculate Conception Parish in Mt. Vernon welcome all ladies to the NCV CCW Spring Meeting & Day of Spiritual Reflection. This event will be on Wed., April 24 from 8:00am-2:30pm in St. Mary's Parish Center. The day incudes presentations on How to Live Your Best Life as a Catholic Woman, How to Enhance Your Home Prayer Life, Mass and parish sharing. Cost is \$15 includes lunch. Plan to join your sisters in Christ for a joyful, inspiring and spiritual day. The registration form is available from your parish office. Looking forward to seeing you.

BLESSING OF THE FARM: All are invited to the **Annual**



Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm led by Bishop Michael McGovern on **Fri., April 26**th at 1:00pm at The Farmer Belleville, IL. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit, vegetables & garden produce in sealed, marked containers, along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry.

BECKEMEYER SONS OF THE LEGION BREAKFAST: Drive thru or Dine In. April 14th, 7:30am-12Noon. Breakfast include Sausage, Pancakes, Biscuit & Gravy, Eggs, Hash Browns & Fruit.

ALBERS LEGION CHICKEN DINNER: Sunday, April 21st,



4:30pm-7:00pm. Fried chicken, mash potatoes &/or gravy, green beans, slaw, and dessert. Adults \$14, Kids (5-12) \$6, under 5 Free. Bingo Players will receive \$2 off their meal. Adult Carry outs Available.

LEGION NEWS - AVISTON:

Mon.	Apr. 15	-7:00pm - Legion Meeting
Tues.	Apr. 16	-7:00pm - Auxiliary Meeting
Fri.	Apr. 19	- 4:30pm-7:30pm - FISH FRY

AVISTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CLUB will be



sponsoring Aviston Community Garage Sale on May 17th & 18th. To be listed on the address list, email the ACIC at avistongaragesale@gmail.com by Saturday, May 4th. Please include a short description of items you will be selling. The Address List will be available at the Village

Hall, Post Office, and the ACIC Facebook page.

