

# St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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October 05, 2025

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. Oct. 04	4:00pm	<b>St. Francis Parish Family</b>
Sun. Oct. 05	7:30am	Ruth Mary Rakers Joseph Rademacher
	9:30am	Bob & Betty Usselmann Juanita Lanter & Angie Hostmeyer L/D Marcellus & Rita Poettker Family
Mon. Oct. 06		<b>NO MASS</b>
Tues. Oct. 07	7:30am	Shirley Moss & Abby Robke
Wed. Oct. 08	7:30am	St. Francis Parish Family
Thur. Oct. 09	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Fri. Oct. 10	7:30am	Joseph "Joe" Brueggemann
Sat. Oct. 11	1:30pm	<b>Wedding: Tori Dall &amp; Aaron Buescher</b>
	4:00pm	L/D Joseph & Catherine Lueke Family L/D Lou & Trudy Luebbers Family Judy Markus
Sun. Oct. 12	7:30am	James & Emma Huelsmann William Schultz
	9:30am	Alvin "Cookie" Delores Seelbach Jim & Marilyn Rakers Family Charity Peek

## 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

## PASTOR'S NOTE:

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE:** OCIA has Begun *but YOU CAN STILL JOIN!* We gather on Mondays, at St. Dominic Annex, Breese at 7:00pm. Join us if you or someone you know is considering the possibility of joining the Catholic Church. Contact Fr. Von (214-6852), or the parish office (228-7219). Call today if you have questions or are not sure about joining with the group right now.

**PRO LIFE:** will be held Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00pm-3:00pm at the corner of 1NB Bank on Old Rt. 50 in Aviston. Witness signs will be provided.



**SYMPATHY:** Remember *Edna Mollet* (mother of Cheryl [Steve] Haar) who died. Keep *Edna & her family* in your prayers.

**THE 2026 MASS INTENTION BOOK** has dates to be filled. You can call the rectory anytime from 8:00am-2:30pm, Monday thru Friday to schedule Mass Intentions (228-7219) or email [parish@stfrancisav.org](mailto:parish@stfrancisav.org).



## OFFERINGS SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>:

### General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,286.96

Loose: \$ 566.00

Online Giving: \$ 3,328.25

**General Fund Total:** \$ 6,181.21

*Your General Fund contribution enables*

**FAITH IN ACTION**



**BI-MONTHLY QUILT DRAWING:** The *lucky winner* for September is *Dale Rakers* of Aviston. **Congratulations!**

## Special Collections:

**Improvement Fund** \$ 600.00

**Retired Belleville Diocesan Priest** \$ 30.00

**Human Development** \$ 25.00

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Hudson Billhartz	Nancy Brooks	Karla Draper
David Foy	Tracy Frey	Moe Goesten Kors
Randy Haselhorst	Jessica Hudspeth	Betty Huelsmann
Scott Huelsmann	Marie Jansen	Phyllis Kendall
Dale Lampe	Mark Moss	Darleen Nelson
Don Rakers	Patricia Rollings	Phoenix Sanders
Seona Sanders	Kathy Schaar	Rev. Carl Schrage
Don Schulte	Mary Strieker	Pat Sudholt
Corey Toennies	RaeAnne Toennies	Marge Thole
Khara Vanderhyden	Carolyn Wilson	

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. Oct. 05 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class
-12Noon-4:00pm - Sewing & Quilting in Heritage Room
Mon. Oct. 06 - 7:00pm - OCIA at St. Dominic Annex, Breese
Mon-Thu Oct. 6 -9 -9:00am-4:00pm-Quilting in the Heritage Room
Wed. Oct. 08 - 6:30pm-8:30pm- Quilting in the Heritage Room
Sun. Oct. 12 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class



**IMPROVEMENT FUND COLLECTION:** *This weekend*, there will be a second collection for the *"Parish Improvement Fund"* which is used for major repairs on the Church, etc

**SAVE THE DATE:** Quilting for the 2026 picnic will be starting shortly at the Parish Center. Reminder, we try to have our quilts measure a minimum of 90x108 inches. Quilt top piecing & quilting on **Oct 5<sup>th</sup>** from 12Noon-4:00pm and on **Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00am-4:00pm. Quilting only on Wed., **Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>** 6:30pm-8:30pm.



## LEGION NEWS - AVISTON

Fri. Oct. 10 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY  
Sat. Oct. 11 - 12:30pm - Tractor & Wagon Ride  
Sun. Oct. 12 - Pork Sausage & Roast Beef Dinner (10:30am - 6:00pm) & Rummage Sale (10:00am - 5:00pm)

**AVISTON S.A.L. SQUADRON 1239** is hosting a Tractor and Wagon Ride on **Oct. 11, at 12:30pm**. Games will be hosted at 6 stops. Cost \$20 per person to participate in the games & if you do not want to participate in the games there will be no cost. Kids are free. Family fun! Proceeds will go towards improving the Aviston American Legion. Contact Dennis Rakers (799-9986), Sam Schmitz (971-5476) or Jake Richter (420-7876) to sign up.

**PORK SAUSAGE & ROAST BEEF DINNER:** Sunday, **Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>**, 10:30am-6:00pm at the Aviston Legion. Dinner includes sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, applesauce & dessert. The traditional pork & quilt raffles will also be conducted. It will be Carryout dinners made to order with sit-down dining space available event. In conjunction with the dinner, the Auxiliary will have their annual

**FALL/WINTER HOLIDAY RUMMAGE SALE** at the Aviston Legion on **Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>**, 10:00am-5:00pm (\$4 brown bag 3:00pm-5:00pm) Halloween, Thanksgiving, & Christmas items ONLY. Dates to bring donated items to the Legion are Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>, 12Noon-6:00pm. Questions? Call Debi Luebbbers (618-581-1950).



**RUMMAGE SALE:** St. Anthony's, Beckemeyer, Thur. **Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> - Oct 31<sup>st</sup>** 9:00am - 8:00pm & Sun. **Nov 1<sup>st</sup>** 9:00am - 12noon. Donations are being accepted on Mon., **Oct 13<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>** (9:00am - 5:0pm) or until full. NO donations on Sundays. NO Tube TV's, Exercise equipment, car seats, or Encyclopedia will be accepted.



**CHICKEN DINNER:** St. Dominic Church, 345 N. Clinton St, Breese, Sun., **Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>**, 11:00am-5:00pm. \$15.00 per meal & it includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cole slaw and dessert. Quilt Raffle tickets available. Carry-out & Dine-in available.

**VENDOR CRAFT FAIR:** **Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>**, 10:00am-3:00pm at the Breese American Legion, hosted by The Breese American Legion Auxiliary.

**SUPPORT OUR SAINTS RAFFLE:** All Saints Academy 11<sup>th</sup> annual Raffle, **Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>**. It is an online, email-based raffle that will provide one lucky winner with a Grand Prize of \$5,000, one \$1,000 prize, one \$500 prize, or one of ten \$100 prizes! A \$200 prize will be awarded as part of our "Early Bird" drawing, to be held on **Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>**. The "Early Bird" drawing will include all tickets purchased through **Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>** (online ticket purchases by 11:59 pm and offline ticket purchases received in the ASA office by 3:00 pm). The "Early Bird" winner will be eligible for the remaining prizes. Tickets are \$25 or BUY 5, get 1 FREE. Purchases are limited to those 18 years of age and older. To purchase a ticket, (<https://goraisedough.com/buy/3210>), ASA website for a printable raffle ticket, contact an ASA family, or Lynn Winkeler 789-3342 or [klwinkeler1@gmail.com](mailto:klwinkeler1@gmail.com).

**CITIZENS FOR AVISTON - SAVE THE DATE!** The **55<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner** on **Saturday, January 31, 2026** at the Aviston American Legion. Doors open at **5:45pm**, with carry-outs available from 4:30pm-5:30pm. Dinner will be served from 6:00pm-7:30pm. A **\$90 donation admits two** and includes dinner, draft beer, a monthly drawing entry, and live entertainment by the **Cheers Band**, playing from **8:30pm-12:30am**. The evening will feature ten exciting cash prize drawings, with a **grand prize of \$2,000**. Tickets can be purchased by visiting the Citizens for Aviston Facebook page or contacting a committee member at 618-513-3483. Payments are accepted via Venmo (@Citizens4Aviston), cash, or check. All proceeds will benefit Aviston Park, helping to support our community for years to come.

**BELLEVILLE TEC RETREAT 2025/2026:** TEC is a 3-day Catholic retreat weekend designed for young adults, juniors and seniors in high school. If you are looking for an opportunity to enhance your relationship with Jesus Christ and/or fellow Christians, experience your Catholic faith in a dynamic and fun-filled setting, then a TEC retreat may be just what you are looking for. The TEC weekends are scheduled for **October 11-13** at Mater Dei High School in Breese and **January 17-19** at Immaculate Conception School in Columbia. To learn more, or attend a TEC weekend, please visit our website at [bellevilletec.org](http://bellevilletec.org). If you've attended a TEC weekend in the past and would like to attend one of the reunions, please visit [bellevilletec.org](http://bellevilletec.org) for additional details.



**Bibles & Brews:** Young Adult Ages 21-35 years old. Wednesday, **Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm at Gruv Bistro & Wine Bar, 223 E. Main St., Belleville. Come join the fun with Katie Hinderer!

**REVITALIZE YOUR FAITH:** St. Rose is offering an excellent and inspiring Video Journey thru the Catechism of our Catholic Church, at St. Rose Development Building, **Tues., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Childcare will be provided. Please call Rich Koerkenmeier (974-1910) or Myrt Rollins (314-707-7063) to sign up & how many for childcare.



## PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

*Nominations will be accepted until SUNDAY October 12, 2025.*

The terms expiring are **Blake Feldmann, Coleen Klein, and Katelyn Timmermann**. Three new members are needed for a 3-year term of office. At least six candidates are needed. Candidates must be at least 18 years old, active practicing Catholics, and active members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Candidates must be able to attend all regular meetings held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. Please nominate individuals [or yourself] whom you think would make good members on the Council. *Outgoing members may be re-nominated.* All nominees will be contacted to obtain their consent to be on the ballot. Members remaining on the Council are **April Foutch, Adrian Hagen, Brad Halstead, Lynn Huegen, Darlene Timmermann** and **Nancy Woltering**.

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Please put in the collection basket or nominations can also be submitted online at <https://www.stfrancisav.org> under the links and forms tab.