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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. Oct. 31	4:00pm	Donald Boeser L/D Herman & Anna Feldmann Family L/D Robert Von Bokel Family
Sun. Nov. 01 ***All Saints Day***	7:30am 9:30am	***St. Francis Parish Family*** ***St. Francis Parish Family***
Mon. Nov. 02 ***All Souls Day***	7:30am	***Deceased of the Parish***
Tues. Nov. 03	7:30am	Paul Lager Charlie Markus
Wed. Nov. 04	7:00pm	Fr. Steven Poole
Thur. Nov. 05	7:30am	Matt & Mary Rakers Family Owen Venhaus
Fri. Nov. 06	7:30am	St. Francis Parish Family
Sat. Nov. 07	4:00pm	David Nettemeier
Sun. Nov. 08	7:30am 9:30am	Jerome Rakers Florence Frohn Floyd & Pat Sudholt Jennifer Kalmer Frank Dall

CONFESSIONS:
(Also by appointment)
Sat. 2:00pm - 3:40pm
Sun. 8:45am - 9:10am

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

PASTOR NOTE: Continuing from the Order of Christian Funerals: "The Catholic Church commends its deceased members to the mercy of God by means of its funeral rites. It likewise asks that the Christian faithful continue to offer prayer for deceased family members and friends. The annual celebration of All Souls' Day, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed on November 2, attests to this salutary practice."

We will have a Mass this Monday morning at 7:30 AM, All Souls' Day. Let us pray for each other. Fr. Von

PICNIC REPORT: The final report for the 2026 picnic revealed net proceeds of $46,495.57. Considering all the rain, This is AMAZING! ***JOB WELL DONE BY ALL!!!*** Thank you **everyone** for all your prayers and hard work before, during and after the picnic! Due to the rain, we will most likely have to use those rainy day back up funds. As you will soon see in the FY 2025-2026 report, which will be mailed within the next month, we were in the red and that was with an amazing picnic last year. Please pray about this.

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.

OFFERINGS OCT. 24th & OCT. 25th :

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes:	$ 1,981.00
Loose:	$ 683.00
Online Giving:	$ 2,313.00
General Fund Total:	$ 4,977.00



Your General Fund contribution enables
FAITH IN ACTION

Berns, Shirley M. – November 15, 2025

Draper, Karla J. – November 27, 2025

Kuhl, Mary Louise – December 25, 2025

Frohn, Florence M. – January 5, 2026

Nicklin, Daniel J. "Dan" – January 9, 2026

Von Bokel, Dolores L. – January 16, 2026

Hogg, Florence M. – January 16, 2026

Strieker, MaryAnn E. "Mary" – February 14, 2026

Ripperda, Donald F. "Don" – February 22, 2026

Strieker, Trudy A. – April 12, 2026

Goestenkors, Maureen A. "Moe" – April 16, 2026

Shultz, Tanya L. – June 27, 2026

Sudholt, Bernadette R. "Pat" – July 4, 2026

Huelsmann, Heather M. – September 17, 2026

May they all rest in peace.

Special Collections:

Improvement Fund	$ 380.00
World Mission Sunday	$ 85.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Nancy Brooks	Phyllis Faust	David Foy
Tracy Frey	Carla Haselhorst	Michael Hogg
Betty Huelsmann	Scott Huelsmann	Marie Jansen
Phyllis Kendall	Dale Lampe	Mary Litteken
Carol Markus	Mark Moss	Darleen Nelson
Dale Rakers	Don Rakers	Patricia Rollings
Kathy Schaar	Rev. Carl Schrage	Don Schulte
Marge Thole	Corey Toennies	RaeAnne Toennies
Khara Vanderhyden	Darvin Zeisset	

****For a parishioner in a local hospital who would like a visit from the Servants of St. Francis Patient Outreach program, please call/text Kim Dickshot 618-977-7161.**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. Nov. 01 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class
Mon. Nov. 02 - 7:00pm -OCIA at St. Dominic Annex, Breese
Fri. Nov. 06 - FIRST FRIDAY CALLS
Sun. Nov. 08 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class

PARISH CENTER FUND - AUGUST 2026

Balance on 9/1/2026:	**$ 332,307.07**
Income:	**$ 503.98**
-Donations:	**$ 10.00**
-Interest:	**$ 493.98**
Expenses (ISPD):	**$ 0.00**
Balance on 9/30/2026:	**$ 332,811.05**



SYMPATHY: Remember ***Carolyn M. Isaak*** (mother of Craig [Tammy] Isaak & Sandy [Neal] Richter) who passed away. Keep ***Carolyn*** and her family in your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE: The Coping with Loss Team would like to sponsor a luncheon for those who lost a spouse or friend or anyone who would like to join some fun and fellowship. It will be held in the kitchenette /Heritage Room on Friday, **Nov. 13th** at 11:30am. Guest speaker Kris Fulkerson will join us with a brief talk. **Please RSVP to Diane Wellen 618-623-8866.**



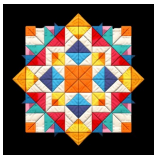


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR NEEDY: Help fill the playpen near the north entrance of church! In November, the playpen will then be used to collect new & gently used coats, gloves, scarves and hats for the needy.

USHERS, GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS NEEDED! With the new scheduling program (Ministry Scheduler Pro), it gives the volunteers the opportunity to be able to schedule themselves, put in days off (days you know you can't make it to church), put in your preferences: Mass time, how many times a month you want to be scheduled, etc. Are you interested? Email/call our parish secretary, parish@stfrancisav.org or (228-7219).



SEWING QUILT TOPS & QUILTING in the Heritage Room for the 2027 picnic will continue Wed., Nov. 4th from 9:00am-4:00pm and 6:30pm-8:30 again Sun., Nov. 8th from 12Noon-4:00pm (No lunch). Quilting will be Mon., Nov. 9th thru Thurs., Nov. 12th from 9:00am-4:00pm and Nov. 11th 6:30pm -8:30pm. A delicious lunch provided on every day except on Sunday.



QUILT OF THE BI-MONTH - The first drawing for the **2027 Quilt of the Bi-Month is January 31st.** Tickets are found in church by all entrances. Tickets can be turned in to the parish office or in the collection basket at any mass. Tell all your friends and family! Please be generous! *Thanks!*

LEGION NEWS - AVISTON:
Fri. Nov. 07 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY AVISTON

PRAYING FOR SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our Diocesan Seminarians. Each week, we will feature one of our 11 seminarians. Please consider dropping them a note of support. At the very least, a simply prayer would be helpful. For this week:

GUS KING
Conception Seminary College
37174 State Hwy VV
P.O. Box 502
Conception, MO 64433



FAITH FOCUS



All Saints & All Souls: One Family in Christ
November begins with two beautiful celebrations. On All Saints' Day (November 1), we honor all those who have reached heaven, including many whose names we may never know. On All Souls' Day (November 2), we pray for those who have died, entrusting them to God's mercy as they journey toward the fullness of heaven. These days remind us that death does not end our relationship in Christ. We remain one family, united by His love.

This week: Pray for a loved one who has died, and ask a saint to pray for you.



NOVEMBER 2026 LITURGICAL SCHEDULES are now on the website at www.stfrancisav.org/schedules

SERVANTS OF ST. FRANCIS: Visiting the Homebound! Having social time is so important for one's mental health! There are residents who are homebound and are unable to get out on a regular basis. We have parishioners who make informal visits to these folks. A volunteer parishioner is assigned 1-2 residents in our area that they visit on a convenient basis for both parties. This can be on an every 2-4 week cycle. Scheduling is flexible. If you know someone who would appreciate a parishioner to pop in for a visit, please contact Colleen Harper at 618-791-5302 or caharp63@gmail.com. If you love socializing, maybe this is your calling! It is a great way to get to know someone that you might not have crossed paths with.

SACRAMENTAL PRAYER REQUESTS: We have 24 students this year who will be making their 1st Reconciliation on December 1st and receiving Communion for the first time on April 3rd. At each door there is a small basket with names of these students. We encourage you to take a name and pray for them on a regular basis. A nice reaching out to him or her would be a short note letting him or her know that you are praying for him or her this year. The note can be delivered to Sister Jeannette or the parish office and we will see that the family gets the note. This is a small way to let them know that they are a part of the parish family.





CANCER (HEALING) MASS at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Posen, IL on Wed., **Nov. 11th** at 6:00pm. Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass for those suffering from cancer and other illnesses. *All are welcome to attend.*

ETERNAL LIGHT CONCERT: Sunday, **Nov. 1st** at 2:00pm at Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville. Music of Remembrance and Hope

QUEST RETREAT: Freshmen & Sophomores grow your faith, friendships & relationship with God! **Nov. 14th -15th** at Mater Dei Breese. Price $50.00. If interested please email bellevillequest@gmail.com for more information.



DRIVE THRU FALL CHICKEN DINNER:
ST. CECILIA, BARTELSO: Sun., Nov. 1, 11:00am - 5:00pm ½ Chicken, Homemade Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Slaw and Cake. Carryouts available. $15.00 Sponsored by St. Cecilia Ladies Sodality.
ST. GEORGE, NEW BADEN: Sun., Nov. 8, 4:00pm - 6:30pm. ½ Chicken, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Slaw and Chocolate Texas Cake. $15.00.