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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. Nov. 07	***2:00pm***	***Madeline Frohn & Alonzo Nunez Wedding***
	4:00pm	David Nettemeier
Sun. Nov. 08	7:30am	Jerome Rakers Florence Frohn Floyd & Pat Sudholt
	9:30am	Jennifer Kalmer Frank Dall
Mon. Nov. 09	7:30am	**NO MASS**
Tues. Nov. 10	7:30am	All Aviston/Kirchner Lumber Employees
Wed. Nov. 11	7:00pm	St. Francis Parish Family
Thur. Nov. 12	7:30am	Claudette Wiehardt & Henrietta Jansen Josie Timmermann
Fri. Nov. 13	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp Schonhoff Family
Sat. Nov. 14	4:00pm	Judy Markus Genevieve Lueke L/D Charlie & Dorothy Schrage Family
Sun. Nov. 15	7:30am	L/D Aloys & Mary Strubhart Family
	9:30am	Richard & Dorothy Richter Norbert & Stella Hollenkamp Family Olinda & Dick Kues Family

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: "Masses celebrated for the deceased on the anniversaries of death or at other significant times continue the Church's prayer and remembrance. For Catholic Christians, cemeteries, especially Catholic cemeteries, call to mind the resurrection of the dead. In addition, they are the focus for the Church's remembering of the dead and offering of prayer for them." Let us pray for each other. Fr. Von



THANKSGIVING MASS WILL BE AT 8:00AM ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26th.

CONGRATULATIONS to ***Alonzo & Madeline(Frohn) Nunez*** upon receiving the Sacrament of Marriage this weekend. May God Bless them with many years of happiness



OFFERINGS OCT. 31st & NOV. 1st :

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes:	$ 2,998.00
Loose:	$ 655.25
Online Giving:	$ 4,047.25
General Fund Total:	$ 7,700.50



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Thank you to everyone who donated to the K of C Baby Shower.

Special Collections:

Improvement Fund	$ 2,456.50
World Mission Sunday	$ 10.00
Parish Center Fund	$ 10,227.25

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. 08 -	9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class
Mon.	Nov. 09 -	7:00pm -OCIA at St. Dominic Annex, Breese
	Nov. 09-12 -	9:00am to 4:00pm- Quilting in Heritage RM
Wed	Nov. 11 -	***Remember our Veterans on Veterans Day***
		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
		6:30pm - 8:30pm Quilting in Heritage RM
Fri.	Nov. 13 -	11:30am - Coping with Loss Meeting
Sun.	Nov. 15 -	9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class

PARISH CENTER UPDATE: We continue to move forward as we received six strong proposals for the first phase of design and planning services. We are in the process of finalizing selections for this Phase 1 approach based on the overall combination of qualifications, familiarity with the project, proposed services, and cost. The next step will be working with the chosen team to further develop the concept for the Parish Center, refine the proposed layout, and establish a solid project cost estimate. This information will help us better understand the project and provide the materials needed as we prepare for the next steps in the capital campaign process. We are grateful for the interest in this project and appreciate everyone's patience, prayers, and continued support as we work thoughtfully toward a plan that will best serve our parish community.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: ***Next weekend***, our special collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). For 50+ years, CCHD has been funding grassroots economic & community development initiatives to end poverty. 25% of the collection stays in our Belleville Diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects & poverty education programs in our parishes, schools and PSRs. The remaining 75% goes to the national CCHD office to fund large grants throughout the nation. Please be generous.

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.

SEWING QUILT TOPS & QUILTING in the Heritage Room for the 2027 picnic will continue on 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.



LEGION NEWS - AVISTON:

Mon.	Nov. 09 - Blood Drive
Tue.	Nov. 10 - 7:30pm SAL Meeting
Thur.	Nov. 12 - 7:00pm Exec. Board Meeting
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:

JACOB WALKER
Conception Seminary College
37174 State Hwy VV
P.O. Box 502
Conception, MO 64433



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

FAITH FOCUS

What Is the Communion of Saints?



The Communion of Saints reminds us that the Church is more than those gathered at Mass. Through Christ, we are united with the faithful on earth, the saints in heaven, and those being purified for heaven. We can ask the saints to pray for us, just as we ask friends and family to pray for us. This is not worship; it is part of the spiritual family we share in Christ.

This week: Choose a saint whose life inspires you. Learn a little about that saint and ask for their prayers as you follow Jesus.

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 **Dec. 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.



LADIES SODALITY FALL FEAST: The ladies sodality will be hosting a Fall Feast on Sunday, **Nov. 22**, at 5:30pm! Please bring a covered dish, as the meat will be supplied along with some punch. If you (& husband or guest) care to join us, *please bring a vegetable or jello salad if your last name begins with "A to L", If your last name is from "M to Z", please bring a dessert*. After the meal, the men or guests can play cards in another room, and the ladies will have a brief meeting! Entertainment will follow with ***Rich Carlton providing music!*** 5:30pm is Happy Hour, and 6:00pm will be the feast! Please text or call Martha Ribbing at 618-228-7433 to RSVP, as we want a good idea of how much meat to provide! Hope to see many ladies (& guests) on **Nov. 22**, 5:30pm!





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.*

DRIVE THRU FALL CHICKEN DINNER:
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.



VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION: Clinton County Veterans Day celebration on **Nov. 11th** will be hosted by American Legion Post 252 in Breese, starting with 9:30am mass at St. Dominic's Church. There will be a dinner at 11:30am, followed by a program at 1:00pm; parade at 2:30pm; dance at 4:00pm; and a raffle. Everyone is welcome.