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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

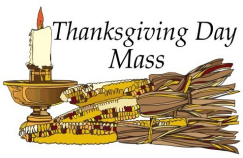
Sat. Nov. 14	4:00pm	Judy Markus Genevieve Lueke L/D Charlie & Dorothy Schrage Family
Sun. Nov. 15	7:30am	L/D Aloys & Mary Strubhart Family
	9:30am	Richard & Dorothy Richter Norbert & Stella Hollenkamp Family Olinda & Dick Kues Family
Mon. Nov. 16	7:30am	**NO MASS**
Tues. Nov. 17	7:30am	**NO MASS**
Wed. Nov. 18	6:00pm	**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ONLY**
Thur. Nov. 19	7:30am	**NO MASS**
Fri. Nov. 20	7:30am	**NO MASS**
Sat. Nov. 21	4:00pm	L/D Herman & Anna Feldmann Family August Daiber
Sun. Nov. 22	7:30am	L/D Mr. & Mrs. Alois Kuper Family Olinda & Dick Kues Family
	9:30am	Ed & Marcella Haukap

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 cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium."

Let us pray for each other Fr. Von



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

SPECIAL COLLECTION: ***This 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**. Thank you.**

OFFERINGS NOV. 7th & NOV. 8th :

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes:	$ 4,181.00
Loose:	$ 544.00
Online Giving:	$ 2,803.00
General Fund Total:	$ 7,528.00

Your General Fund contribution enables
FAITH IN ACTION



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Prayer Service for the Sick on October 15, 2026.

Special Collections:

Improvement Fund	$ 1,010.00
Human Development	$ 90.00
Parish Center Fund	$ 120.00

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
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. 15 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class
Mon. Nov. 16 - 7:00pm -OCIA at St. Dominic Annex, Breese
Tues. Nov. 17 - 6:00pm - 8:00pm - Server Training at Church
Sun. Nov. 22 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Class

THE GIVING TREE will be placed in Church Saturday, **Nov. 21st**. This year we will be donating gifts to families in need from Aviston Countryside Manor, Aviston Terrace, DCFS, and Hispanic families. Each gift goes to a specific individual. *Important: Please attach the gift tag you take from the Giving Tree to your gift*. No need to wrap, however placing in a gift bag is appreciated! **December 13th is the last date for receiving gifts**. If you know of anyone who could use our assistance, call Krissy Venturini at 618-267-9761. Thank you for your generosity and sincere wishes for a Blessed Holiday!

POINSETTIA MEMORIALS: Help decorate the altars this Christmas Season by donating to the Flower Fund in memory/honor of your loved one(s). They will be remembered in our Christmas Liturgy celebration. Look for the ***"Christmas Flower Offering Envelope"*** in your envelope package ***(make sure to include the name of your loved one(s)).*** Place your donation in the collection basket or send directly to the rectory. **Cost is $10 per line**. ***Deadline is Thurs., Dec. 10th!***

SERVER TRAINING: Mike Dall will conduct server training for anyone in grades 4-8 on **Tuesday, Nov 17th**, at 6:00pm- 8:00pm. Please bring your permission slip that you receive from PSR. There will also be permission slips available at the training. Current servers who would like a refresher are welcome to attend.

The next BAPTISM PREP CLASS is now Sunday, December 6th at 10:30am. Church regulations require parents of children being baptized to attend a Pre-Baptism class. **A baptism will not be scheduled until after you have taken this class.** Godparents are encouraged to attend. **Reservations are required** by calling the rectory at 228-7219.

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. 22nd**, 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. 22nd, 5:30pm**!

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!

FAITH FOCUS



Why Do We Pray for the Dead?

Our prayers for those who have died are an expression of love and hope. The Church teaches that those who die in God's grace but still need purification are prepared for the joy of heaven. We can pray for them and entrust them to God's mercy. Our prayers do not replace Christ's saving work; they express our trust in His mercy and our enduring love for those who have gone before us.

This week: Offer a prayer for someone who has died. You might also attend Mass, visit a cemetery, or offer a simple act of remembrance.

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:

TYLER HORSTMANN
Glennon College Seminary
5200 Glennon Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63119



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.



ACIC CHRISTMAS KICKOFF!! Sunday, Nov.29th, Santa's Stop at the Vintage Hall. 2:00pm-5:00pm pictures with Santa, food & activities. Go to ACIC - Aviston Community Improvement Club Facebook page for more info.

LEGION NEWS - AVISTON

Mon.	Nov. 16	-7:00pm - Legion Meeting
Tues.	Nov. 17	-7:00pm - Auxiliary Meeting
Thur.	Nov. 19	-7:30pm - K of C Meeting
Fri.	Nov. 20	-4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY



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

AVISTON KC BREAKFAST: would like to invite everyone to their fall fundraiser breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 29th at the Aviston Legion dining room. Serving from 7:00am-11:30am. Dine-in or Carry-out.

BREAKFAST: at Albers Legion, Sun. **Nov. 15th**. 8:00am to 11:00am. Sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs, fried potatoes & bicuits & gravy.

NATIVITY SETS FROM AROUND THE WORLD: at Hincke Residence for Priests, 2620 Lebanon Ave, Belleville. Sunday, Dec. 6th 1:00pm - 6:00pm.

THANKSGIVING DINNERS- If you or someone you know is in need of a Thanksgiving dinner, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council will provide dinners on Thanksgiving Day–Thurs., Nov. 28th . Dinner will be served at: **Msgr. Voss Parish Center, St. Henry Catholic Church, 5303 West Main Street, in Belleville, 10:45am–12Noon Delivery available (max. 3 meals) to homebound only.** Reservations for dining at St. Henry or delivery to homebound are required & must be made by **Nov. 20th**; please call: 618-722-5024.