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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

|              |        |                                                                 |
|--------------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. Nov. 08 | 4:00pm | Judy Markus                                                     |
| Sun. Nov. 09 | 7:30am | Dolores Wellen<br>Jerome Rakers<br>Paul Lager                   |
|              | 9:30am | Frank Dall<br>L/D Marcellus & Rita Poettker Family              |
| Mon. Nov.10  |        | <b>NO MASS</b>                                                  |
| Tues. Nov.11 | 7:30am | George & Rosina Hollenkamp                                      |
| Wed. Nov.12  | 7:30am | Aviston/Kirchner Lumber Employees                               |
| Thur. Nov.13 | 7:30am | St. Francis Parish Family                                       |
| Fri. Nov. 14 | 7:30am | Ray & Irene Buscher                                             |
| Sat. Nov. 15 | 4:00pm | Elizabeth & Bart Schroeder<br>Juanita Lanter & Angela Hostmeyer |
| Sun. Nov. 16 | 7:30am | L/D Mary & Aloys Strubhart Family                               |
|              | 9:30am | Bob & Betty Usselman<br>L/D Norbert & Estella Hollenkamp Family |

### 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



**SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, and next weekend** there will be a second collection for **Hurricane Melissa Victims**. There is a dire need for food, clothing, housing & the basic essentials of life for thousands of people. Funds will be distributed by Catholic Relief Services. This collection will support the relief efforts underway in areas that were impacted by this historic storm. The Belleville Diocese is asking for your prayers and donations – in any amount – to assist in these efforts. If you decide to give next week, please place your gift in one of the designated envelopes that are available at all entrances of the church titled “Hurricane Relief” or send directly to the Diocese of Belleville, 222 South Third Street, Belleville, Illinois 62220. Please indicate “Hurricane Relief” on the memo line of your check. May God bless our suffering brothers and sisters in the Caribbean.

**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.



### OFFERINGS NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>:

#### General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,963.00

Loose: \$ 550.00

Online Giving: \$ 3,378.25

**General Fund Total: \$ 6,891.25**



*Your General Fund contribution enables*  
**FAITH IN ACTION**



**3rd grade PSR praying the rosary.**

Special Collections:

#### Improvement Fund

\$ 2,364.00

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

|                   |                   |                   |
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| Nancy Brooks      | Karla Draper      | Lisa Eilers       |
| 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        | Don Ripperda      | Patricia Rollings |
| Phoenix Sanders   | Seona Sanders     | Kathy Schaar      |
| Rev. Carl Schrage | Don Schulte       | Tanya Shultz      |
| Mary Strieker     | Pat Sudholt       | Corey Toennies    |
| RaeAnne Toennies  | Khara Vanderhyden | Carolyn Wilson    |

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

|      |                                                        |                                             |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Sun. | Nov. 09 - 9:30am                                       | - St. Francis Sunday School Class           |
| Sun. | Nov. 09 - 12Noon - 4:00pm                              | - Quilting in Heritage RM                   |
| Mon. | Nov. 10-13 - 9:00am to 4:00pm-                         | - Quilting in Heritage RM                   |
| Tue. | Nov. 11 - <b>Remember our Veterans on Veterans Day</b> |                                             |
|      |                                                        | <b>- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>               |
| Wed. | Nov. 12 - 6:30pm - 8:30pm                              | - Quilting in Heritage RM                   |
| Wed. | Nov. 12 - 7:00pm- 8:00pm                               | - Choir Practice                            |
| Sun. | Nov. 16 - 9:30am                                       | - St. Francis Sunday School Class           |
|      | - 5:30pm                                               | - Ladies Sodality Fall Feast in Heritage Rm |

**POINSETTIA MEMORIALS:** Help decorate the altars this Christmas Season by donating to the Flower Fund in memory 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, Attn: Secretary. **Cost is \$10. Deadline is Thurs., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>!**





**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Tate Edward Huels** (son of Scott & Shaelyn [Tate] Huels) was baptized last weekend. We welcome **Tate** to our faith family.

**ST. FRANCIS LADIES SODALITY FALL FEAST:** The ladies sodality will be hosting a **Fall Feast (pre-Christmas event) on Sunday evening, Nov. 16, at 5:30pm in the Heritage Room!** Please bring a covered dish. The meat and punch will be supplied.

If you (& your guest or husband) 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 **Nick Hollenkamp providing music!** 5:30pm is Happy Hour, and 6:00pm will be the feast! **Please text or call Marge Thole (618-604-0374) to RSVP**, as we want a good idea of how much meat to provide! Hope to see many **ladies (& guests) on Nov. 16!!!**



**THANKSGIVING MASS WILL BE AT 8:00AM ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>**

**SERVER TRAINING:** Mike Dall will conduct server training for anyone in grades 4-8 on Tuesday, Nov 18, 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.



**LOVE TO SING?:** St Francis Choir is looking for new members. Practice is now on **Wednesdays**, 7:00pm-8:00pm, every week now until **Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>** for the Christmas season. Questions? Contact Dan Fuehne.



#### **GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS NEEDED:**



**What does a greeter do?** Friendly men and women who welcome parishioners before Mass with a smile and "Hello". Must come 15 minutes before Mass to welcome people as they come in the door.

**What does a gift bearer do?** Parishioners carry the gifts of bread & wine to the priest. Gift bearers represent the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. Are you interested? Please email/call our parish secretary, Amber, at [parish@stfrancisav.org](mailto:parish@stfrancisav.org) or (618-228-7219).

#### **QUILT OF THE BI-MONTH** - The first drawing for the **2026**



**Quilt of the Bi-Month is January 31<sup>st</sup>.** 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!*

**PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE SICK:** For the past couple years the PSR students have had a Healing Prayer Service. We will have the Healing Service within a Communion Service on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> (7:30 am). During the Prayer of the Faithful, PSR students will carry a candle to be placed on the Mary and Joseph altars as the name is read. If you wish to purchase a candle, please send in \$4 and the name of the recipient and donor by November 20<sup>th</sup>. (We are trying to get this organized before the Christmas preparations happen.) Please put in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory by 4:00pm, November 21<sup>st</sup>, in an envelope clearly marked "Candle" along with the name of recipient and donor.



**ST. FRANCIS PARISH SURVEY:** Want to help shape the future of our Parish family? We'd love to hear from you! Please take a few minutes to fill out the Parish Survey using the QR code or one of the other available methods. If you have any questions, additional input, or would like to be involved in developing or participating in any of the survey initiatives, feel free to reach out to one of our team



members: Fr. Von, Sister Jeannette, Denise Castillo, Milissa Faust, Corey Huegen, Lynn Huegen, Kevin Kohlbrecher, Dan Ribbing, Terry Thole, and Dave Weis. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jLvgKXNvudOWy1H1nsFWhBmLfL7dpYWe/view?usp=drivesdk>

#### **LEGION NEWS - AVISTON**

Wed. Nov. 12 - 7:30pm - SAL Meeting  
Thur. Nov. 13 - 7:00pm - Exec. Board Meeting  
Fri. Nov. 14 - 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 and 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. 30<sup>th</sup> at the Aviston Legion dining room. Serving from 7:00am-11:30am. Sausage links, scrambled eggs, hash rounds, biscuits & gravy, pancakes, and fruit. Dine-in or Carry-out.



**MATER DEI NEWS:** **Fall Play: November 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>** : Enjoy a performance of the Agatha Christie mystery *And Then There Were None* at 7:00pm. or November 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. Tickets will be sold at the door - \$6 adults, \$4 students k-12. (Knight Club members receive two free tickets.).



**DRIVE THRU CHICKEN DINNER: ST. GEORGE, NEW BADEN** Sun., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm-6:30pm. ½ Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing, Green Beans, Coleslaw, & Chocolate Texas Cake. \$15.00 each.

**DRIVE THRU PORK CHOP DINNER:** Sun. Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 11:00am - 5:00pm. Sponsored by Wheatfield Twp. Fire Dept. At the Church Hall in Beaver Prairie(13322 Church Rd., Carlyle). \$15.00 per meal. Pork Chop, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, gravy, corn & applesauce

**Veterans Day celebration:** Clinton County Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by American Legion Post 1026 in New Baden , beginning with a 10:00am service at St. George's Church. There will be a dinner, followed by a program; parade at 3:00pm. Everyone's welcome.



**Bibles & Brews:** Young Adult Ages 21-35 years old. Wed., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Gruv Bistro & Wine Bar, 223 E. Main St., Belleville. Come join the fun with Daniel Jakubisin!

**CANCER (HEALING) MASS** at St. Teresa, St. Mary Carlyle on Tue., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. We will start with a Rosary at 5:30pm, Adoration & Reconciliation from 6:00-6:45pm Mass at 7:00pm. Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass for those suffering from cancer and other illnesses. *All are welcome to attend.*



**QUEST** - a 2 day faith experience for Freshmen and Sophomores. Learn about your relationships with yourself, others and God in fun ways - November 22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Dominic Parish in Breese. Sign up at [www.bellevilletec.org](http://www.bellevilletec.org). Any questions, please contact [bellevillequest@gmail.com](mailto:bellevillequest@gmail.com).

