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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. June 27	4:00pm	Mary Louise Kuhl by CFL6 Rich Feldmann Darin J. Heimann Mr. & Mrs Joe Litteken
Sun. June 28	7:30am	Roy & Edna Mollet Tom Richter
	9:30am	James Stroot
Mon. June 29		NO MASS
Tues. June 30	7:30am	Schonhoff Family
Wed. July 01	7:00pm	Dorothy Ratermann
Thur. July 02	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Fri. July 03	7:30am	William Ratermann
Sat. July 04	4:00pm	L/D Herman & Anna Feldmann Family
Sun. July 05	7:30am	Jerome Rakers
	9:30am	St. Francis Parish 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'S NOTE: As we saw last week, we are joined with Jesus, as members of his Mystical Body, in his offering to God the Father. As the bishops wrote at the Second Vatican Council in the 1960's, "The Church, therefore, earnestly desires that **Christ's faithful, when present at this mystery of faith, should not be there as strangers or silent spectators; on the contrary, through a good understanding of the rites and prayers they should take part in the sacred action conscious of what they are doing, with devotion and full collaboration.** They should be instructed by God's word and be nourished at the table of the Lord's body; they should give thanks to God; **by offering the Immaculate Victim, not only through the hands of the priest, but also with him, they should learn also to offer themselves;** through Christ the Mediator, they should be drawn day by day into ever more perfect union with God and with each other, so that finally God may be all in all." Let us pray for each other. - Fr. Von

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP!

July 6th-10th - 9:00am- Noon - St. Francis Vacation Bible School

July 18th & 19th - St. Francis Quilt Show

Aug. 1st - St. Francis Parish Annual Picnic

SPECIAL COLLECTION: This weekend, June 27th & 28th, we will

take up the **Peter's Pence Collection** which provides Pope Leo XIV with the funds needed to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers & sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous!



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



OFFERINGS JUNE 20th & 21st:

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,441.00

Loose: \$ 667.00

Online Giving: \$ 2,130.00

General Fund Total: \$ 5,238.00

Your General Fund contribution enables

FAITH IN ACTION

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SPECIAL QUILT RAFFLE

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Awarded First Saturday in August
Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH PICNIC KIDDIE RAFFLE FOR GIRLS

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

COST IS \$1 PER TICKET or 6 tickets for \$5!
GREAT PRIZES FOR ALL AGES
GET YOUR TICKETS IN BEFORE THE PICNIC!
EARLY BIRD: Picnic Night (1st Sat. in Aug.) 6:15pm, 7:15pm, 8:15pm, & 9:15pm. Final Drawing at 10:30pm.

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH PICNIC KIDDIE RAFFLE FOR BOYS

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

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1. Grand Prize \$1,100 Cash - All Smiles Day Care, Boeser Machine Inc., Building Blocks Day Care, Catholic Fraternal Life Council 6, Edward Jones - Amy Kruse, DHN Graphics, Hoelscher Interiors, Inc., Jansen Chevrolet, M&K Bus, Moss Funeral Home, Tri County Feed Mill, Mike & Linda Palm and Dean and Ronda Schrage.
 2. (4) St Louis Blues Tickets (\$600 value) - Aviston Auto Body
 3. \$500 Cash prize - C.T.R. Concrete & Builders
 4. \$500 Cash prize - D Tours and Travel
 5. \$500 Cash prize - Faust Construction
 6. \$500 Cash prize - Imming Insurance Agency
 7. \$500 Cash prize - Markus Excavating Inc.
 8. \$500 Cash prize - Theresa Richards - COUNTRY Financial
 9. One year lawn treatment 12,000 sq ft (\$500 value) Grass Masters
 10. Queen quilt - St. Francis Altar Sodality
 11. \$300 Cash prize - Aviston Knights of Columbus
 12. \$300 Cash prize - E. J. Kehrer Farm Supply Inc.
 13. (4) Battlehawks tickets for (1) game in 2027 season - Kues Bros Realty & Auction
 14. \$250 Cash prize - Schrage Service Co Inc.
 15. \$150 Gift Certificate - THE COUNTY
 16. (2) Folding lawn chairs (\$120 value) Germantown Trust & Savings Bank
 17. \$100 Cash prize - C & D Carpet Cleaning
 18. John Deere toy tractor (\$100 value) Riechmann Bros. LLC
 19. \$50 - Cash prize - Dan and Marge Thole
 20. \$50 Gift certificate - Faust Automotive
 21. \$50 Gift certificate - Foppe Ace Hardware
 22. \$50 Gift certificate - Foppe Ace Hardware
 23. Family Fun Pack - V & H Recreation Inc.
 24. (2) Pork Dinners - Aviston Legion Post 1239
 25. (1) Year subscription - The Breeze Journal
 26. (2) Pork Dinners - Aviston Legion Post 1239
 27. \$30 Gift cert - Glass & Auto Cosmetics & Hat - Clinton Co. Garage Door.
 28. \$30 Gift cert - Glass & Auto Cosmetics & Hat - Clinton Co. Garage Door.
 29. \$30 Gift cert - Glass & Auto Cosmetics & Hat - Clinton Co. Garage Door.
 30. \$30 Gift cert - Glass & Auto Cosmetics & Hat - Clinton Co. Garage Door.
 31. \$30 Gift cert - Glass & Auto Cosmetics & Hat - Clinton Co. Garage Door.
 32. \$25 Gift cert - Catholic Supply of St Louis Inc. & (4) Books - OSV Curriculum
- DONATIONS \$5 Each OR \$20.00
*Ticket printing provided by M & E Auto Body, The Kach Family
- ST. FRANCIS PICNIC AVISTON, ILLINOIS**
Just Seven Minutes North of Albers East \$34 from I-64
Saturday, August 1, 2026 (Mass at 4 p.m.)
CHICKEN AND BEEF DINNER when made Dessert - 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Carports 300-750 • Quilt Bingo (BL 50038) - 6:30 p.m.
Fantastic Find, Games & Inflatables for Kids (8 pm)



Pick up your tickets today! Tickets are at all entrances of the church and at the back porch of the Rectory!

Special Collections:

Improvement Fund \$ 175.00

Peter's Pence \$ 90.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Nancy Brooks	Lisa Eilers	David Foy
Tracy Frey	Carla Haselhorst	Ryan Haukap
Michael Hogg	Betty Huelsmann	Scott Huelsmann
Marie Jansen	Phyllis Kendall	Dale Lampe
Carol Markus	Mark Moss	Darleen Nelson
Don Rakers	Patricia Rollings	Phoenix Sanders
Seona Sanders	Kathy Schaar	Rev. Carl Schrage
Don Schulte	Tanya Shultz	Colton Snow
Pat Sudholt	Brayden Thole	Marge Thole
Corey Toennies	RaeAnne Toennies	Khara Vanderhyden
Darvin Zeisset		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Mon. June 29 - **DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR VBS**

Fri. July 03 - **First Friday Calls - Church office closed!**

Sat. July 04 - **HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!!!!**



A BIG THANK YOU to all the people who helped clean the parish center on Tuesday night. Your help is greatly appreciated! -**Vacation Bible School Team & Picnic Committee**



If anyone knows of any homebound parishioners who would like to receive Communion on the First Friday of each month, please call Fr. Von at 618-214-6852.



CONGRATULATIONS to *Avianna Rose Goforth* (daughter of Alyson Goforth) & *Marleigh Josephine Tarr* (Daughter of Tyler Tarr & Alyson Goforth) who was baptized last weekend. We welcome *Avianna & Marleigh* to our faith family



SYMPATHIES: Remember *David John Broeckling* (brother of Donna Mae Strubhart) & who passed away. Keep *David & their families* in your prayers

ST. FRANCIS PARISH 2026 PICNIC NEWS:

WORKERS LISTS: Picnic chairpersons are working on the list of workers for this year's picnic on Saturday, August 1st. **If you are new to the parish or have not worked the picnic previously, YOUR help is desperately needed!!**



Contact Brian Beckmann (920-6719), Jeff Kuhl (210-5933), the rectory (228-7219), or email

parish@stfrancisav.org & offer your help!!

BIG RAFFLE TICKETS are available at all Church entrances for



\$5 each or 5/\$20.00. The big raffle is one of the **major** fund raisers at the picnic! **There are 32 prizes this year!**

There are 15 prizes worth \$250 or more with **The**

Grand Prize is currently at \$1,000! Help promote the BIG raffle by taking a hand full of tickets to work, vacation, to family/ friends, or simply while you're out & about. Everyone please help sell!

KIDS RAFFLE TICKETS for our Church Picnic are now



available at every church entrance! We have GREAT prizes for the BOYS RAFFLE & GIRLS RAFFLE!

Tickets are 6 tickets for \$5 or \$1 each! Please

complete the tickets & turn them in the collection basket

or bring them to the picnic on August 1st! Hurry and get them in though because there will be Early Bird drawings at 6:15pm, 7:15pm, 8:15pm & 9:15pm. The final drawing will be at 10:30pm.

Thanks so much for making this booth a big success at our picnic!!

BASKET BOOTH: Please bring your basket(s) to the Parish



Center on **July 11th & 12th** after all the Masses. **Our goal is 250 baskets.** The dollar value of your container should be \$15 to \$25. No need to wrap your donation – we have a creative team of wrappers to do that for you. Need ideas or

someone to assemble a container for you? Call Lisa Strieker (698-2299) or Kristi Hilmes (972-6114). **(Empty baskets on the rectory back porch are begging to be filled. Filled baskets may also be dropped off on the rectory back porch.)**

FANTASTIC FINDS COUNTRY STORE: Any craft items can be dropped off after all masses the weekend of **July 11th & 12th** at



the west entrance of the Parish Center on Aviston/ Albers road. **Our goal is 100 items.** Bring baked items, garden produce, homemade salsa, jellies, soup and dip mixes, etc to same location, the morning of the picnic. Please make sure all food items are wrapped/ labeled.

Thank you for your talents, support & interest in the Country Store. Questions? Call Lee Jansen (401-2953).

PICNIC QUILTS REMINDER: All picnic quilts need to be turned in the weekend of **July 11th & 12th**. Please make sure the names are on your quilt. Any questions please contact, Martha Ribbing at (618-228-7433).



FAITH FOCUS

The Mass Doesn't End When We Leave

The final words of Mass are not just a dismissal—they are a mission. After hearing God's Word and receiving Christ in the Eucharist, we are sent into the world transformed. The Mass strengthens us to bring Christ into our homes, workplaces, schools, and communities through love, mercy, forgiveness, and witness. The early Christians understood this well: the Mass was meant to shape how they lived every day. We do not leave Jesus at church—we carry Him into the world.



This week: After Mass, ask in prayer, "Lord, how are You sending me to love and serve others this week?" Then look for one concrete opportunity to respond to that invitation.



JULY 2026 LITURGICAL SCHEDULES are now available on the website at www.stfrancisav.org/parish-life/schedules



ST. FRANCIS QUILT SHOW is on **July 18th & 19th** from 11:00am-3:00pm at the St. Francis Parish Center.

CYM: We are looking for an Additional CYM Advisory Member for the upcoming year. If anyone is interested in learning about this opportunity please contact Angie Kohlbrecher (618) 660-6032 or Maya Kampwerth (618) 363-7665.

REGISTER NOW: DEADLINE TO REGISTER



FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is

JUNE 29th!! VBS is the week of July 6th-

10th in the parish center from 9:00am-

12Noon. *Registration Forms are on the

church web page, scan the QR code, or

contact Janice Lampe (228-7709) or Sue Szoke (228-7811).



PSR REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! To register, go to our web page www.stfrancisav.org and click PSR Registration under the Links & Forms tab. To use the "pay online" option, scan the QR code or go to the direct link www.osvhub.com/stfrancisav/religious-ed/parish-school-of-religion-psr



LEGION NEWS - AVISTON:

Fri. July 03 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm - FISH FRY

JOB OPENING: Diocese of Belleville is seeking an Administrative Assistant who will support the bi-monthly monthly newspaper, The Messenger. Minimum of a high school diploma, associated degree preferred, or equivalent experience. A practicing Catholic preferred with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices & organizational structure. Send cover letter and resume to Catholic Diocese of Belleville at humanresources@diobelle.org. Application deadline is July 15, 2026.

Bailey's Bash 2026 - Golf Scramble: at Bent Oak Golf Course in Breese on Saturday, June 27th in honor of Bailey George, who passed away from cancer in 2016 at the age of 20. Proceeds from this event support two charities - Love You More Foundation & Relay For Life of Clinton County. Please contact Kari Becker (618-334-4176) or Jordan Becker (618-971-9520)

