

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon. Aug. 18	7:30am	NO MASS
Tue. Aug. 19	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Wed. Aug. 20	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp All Aviston Lumber Employees
Thur. Aug. 21	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Fri. Aug. 22	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Sat. Aug. 23	4:00pm	George & Rosina Hollenkamp Juanita Lanter & Angie Hostmeyer
Sun. Aug. 24	7:30am	Margaret Rademacher
	9:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp L/D Vince & Bernice Poettker 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

AUGUST 16th & 17th WEEKEND SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00pm- Dane Kohlbrecher, Madyson Korte & (4) *Volunteers*

Sun. 7:30am- Adler & Arlen Beer, Hadley & Waylan Buehne,
James Strieker

9:30am- Addy & Easton Budde, Parker Deering,
Aliya & Kylie Hollenkamp

AUGUST 23rd & 24th WEEKEND SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00pm- Mia Hoelscher & (4) *Volunteers*

Sun. 7:30am- Auggie & Della Block, Aiden & Caleb Deien
& James Strieker

9:30am- Parker Deering, Aften Emig,
Aliya & Kylie Hollenkamp & Eli Maxwell

(If you cannot be there at the appointed time, please get a sub!)

We pray for all of our students who started school last week, including our Mater Dei Catholic High School, All Saints Academy, and Aviston Elementary students, and all other school students. May you have a blessed and rewarding school year! Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) students began meeting last week and attended Mass last Friday on the Feast of the Assumption. Thank you to Sister Jeanette, Connie Robben, our PSR teachers and assistants for getting our new school year off to a good start. Our weekday Masses have resumed at 7:30 AM on Tuesday through Friday. In general, our PSR students attend on Tuesday and Thursday, unless there is a Holy Day or other special day in the week. My knee replacement recovery seems to be going well. I have been using my cane instead of a walker since last Monday. I see the surgeon this Thursday for my second follow-up appointment. Thank you again for all of your prayers, cards, and help. Let us pray for each other. - Fr. Von Deeke

OFFERINGS AUGUST 9th & 10th:

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 3,545.00

Loose: \$ 572.00

Online Giving: \$ 2,913.25

General Fund Total: \$ 7,030.25

Your General Fund contribution enables

FAITH IN ACTION



THANK YOU to our 2025-2026 PSR teaching staff! Have a great year.

Not pictured: Terry Thole, Ann Venhaus, Jayne Glaser, Mike Dall,
Hannah & Kurt Schmitz

Special Collections:

Improvement Collection \$ 795.00

Servants of St. Vincent de Paul \$ 150.00

Diocesan Retired Priests \$ 50.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Hudson Billhartz	Nancy Brooks	Fr. Von Deeke
Karla Draper	David Foy	Tracy Frey
Moe Goestenkors	Betty Huelsmann	Scott Huelsmann
Marie Jansen	Phyllis Kendall	Dale Lampe
Edna Mollet	Mark Moss	Darleen Nelson
Don Rakers	Rachel Rehkemper	Patricia Rollings
Phoenix Sanders	Seona Sanders	Kathy Schaar
Rev. Carl Schrage	Don Schulte	Mary Strieker
Pat Sudholt	Corey Toennies	RaeAnne Toennies
Marge Thole	Khara Vanderhyden	Carolyn Wilson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Tues. Aug. 26 - 7:00pm - CYM Meeting at Parish Center



SYMPATHY: Michael Haar (father of Jeremy [Gina] Haar) who passed away. Keep **Michael and his family** in your prayers.

WANT TO BE CATHOLIC? Don't put it off. If you would like to become a Catholic, or if you know someone who would, please contact Fr. Von (228-7219) right away. We will have several meetings to get to know candidates and to orient them concerning the process.



SPECIAL COLLECTION: *Next weekend*, August 23rd & 24th, our parish will take up the ***Gaza Relief Collection***. **PLEASE PRAY FOR GAZA!** Archbishop Broglio has asked every US diocese, as soon as possible, to take up a collection for humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers/sisters in Gaza and surrounding areas. "It is with great pastoral concern for the ongoing crisis in Gaza that I write to you today. Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza & surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions. The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that **"Gaza is starving."**



CONGRATULATIONS to ***Henry Jerome Timmermann*** (daughter of Andrew & Katelyn (Lampe) Timmermann) who was baptized last weekend. We welcome ***Henry*** to our faith family.

WE NEED YOU! St. Francis Sunday School Program is seeking volunteers to serve as the program Coordinator & volunteers to fill a rotational teaching schedule during the 2025 - 2026 school year. Both roles require a background check & Diocesan Child Protection training. For more info, contact April Foutch (618-367-3800).

St. Francis Sunday School Program starts **Sept. 7th, 2025!** Classes are held during 9:30AM-10:30AM during Mass on Sundays. Children age 3 through 5 (Kindergarten) and potty trained are eligible to join. This program will help your child grow in their faith. They will learn how to pray, hear bible stories, make bible crafts, sing songs, play games & eat yummy snacks! Register NOW on the St. Francis website under "Links & Forms". Direct link stfrancisav.org/sunday-school-registration



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COME JOIN THE CYM: First meeting of year will be, Tuesday, **August 26th**, at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. Check out their Facebook page - St. Francis Aviston CYM to see what they are all about.

LEGION NEWS - AVISTON:

- Mon. Aug. 18 - 7:00pm - Legion Meeting
- Tues. Aug. 19 - 6:00pm - Auxiliary Meeting
- Fri. Aug. 22 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY

LOCAL PICNICS - BELLEVILLE DIOCESE:

- ***ST. AUGUSTINE** - Hecker, Sat. **Aug. 16th** Quilt Bingo 6:30pm.
- ***HOLY CHILDHOOD** - Mascoutah, IL, Sat. **Aug. 23rd** 4:00pm Mass.
- ***ST. THERESA/ST. LUKE** -Belleville, Sat. **Aug 23rd** 4:00pm Mass.
- ***IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** - Columbia, Mon. Sept. 1st. 11:00am - 7:00pm
- ***ST. JOSEPH'S** - Freeburg, Sat. & Sun. **Sept. 6th & 7th** 4:00pm Mass. Dinner 3:00pm - 7:30pm, Quilt Bingo 5:00pm-11:00pm.
- ***HOLY TRINITY** - Fairview Heights, Sat. **Sept. 20th** 4:00pm Mass.

ST. BERNARD RAFFLE: Aug. 16th, \$8,000 in prizes awarded. One \$5,000 prize and three \$1,000 prizes. Ticket Price-\$100. Please contact St. Bernard Parish office at (618) 248-5112 or mail a check payable to St. Bernard Parish Raffle, P O Box 10, Albers, IL 62215 for \$100 and we will send you a receipt if you are interested in purchasing a ticket.

UPDATE: Has your phone number, address, or email been changed recently? It is very important to make sure we have the correct information on file. We still have 165 families listed with a landline (228-XXXX). Let us know if you have disconnected your landline recently. Please call 618-228-7219 or email parish@stfrancisav.org.



THE 2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK has dates to be filled. You can call the rectory anytime from 8:00am-2:30pm, Monday thru Friday to schedule Mass Intentions. (618-228-7219) or email parish@stfrancisav.org



AVISTON OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT- is **Sat., Aug. 23rd** at Roland Barkau Golf Course in Okawville. Please call/text Andrew Kampwerth (520-5406) or Cody Imming (581-3940) to register a team or become a hole sponsor. See ACIC FB for additional details.



AVISTON OKTOBERFEST: Sat., Sept. 13th- Mark your calendars! Enjoy German food, beer, and music. Proceeds from the event are used to support our great community.

ALS GOLF SCRAMBLE-5th Annual Tee'd Off ALS Golf Scramble, Sat., **Oct. 4th** at Roland Barkau Golf Course, Okawville,. All proceeds go to the Tim Miller Research Lab, Washington University to find a cure. Ways to support: golfing, sponsors, monetary donation, or a memorial sign with mum in the memorial garden. For more info go to FB page Tee'd Off with ALS or contact Melissa Netemeyer @ 618-691-9413.

JOB OPENING: Administrative Assistant to Bishop Edward K. Braxton. For full description of job duties please go to website: diobelle.org/temporal-affairs/human-resources/employment-opportunities

CLINTON COUNTY HCE: Presents "Basic Bread and Beyond!" Join us for a special presentation by Fr. Dominic Garramone, Benedictine monk and PBS TV host, on Saturday, August 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Mater Dei Catholic High School in Breese, IL. Fr. Dominic is known for his high-energy, entertaining, and educational cooking demonstrations. His cookbooks and other specialty items from Saint Bede Abbey will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$20.00, and pre-registration is requested. Proceeds will support community projects through Clinton County HCE. To purchase tickets or for more information, call 618-594-3669, contact any HCE board member, or visit the Clinton County Extension Office in Breese.



PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST: Breese KC, August 31st, 8:00am - 11:00am; Dine-in or Carry out. Adults \$12.00, Children \$6.00.

HEARTLAND COMMUNITY CHORUS: An invitation to audition!



Please consider joining us for our 13th season! We welcome singers age 16 and older from the Metro East area to join our group, which is based in Highland. We rehearse on Monday nights from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Auditions will be held on Fri., Aug. 29th, from 6:00-8:00pm, and on Sat., Aug. 30th, from 10am-Noon. Location: St. Paul Church, 2nd floor, 1411 Main Street, Highland IL 62249 If you can't make those times, contact director Luanne Murphy at 618-791-8408. More information at our website: heartlandcommunitychorus.org.



INTERESTED IN BEING A KC MEMBER? Information papers are at all 3 church entrances. Call or text John Kohnen (618-420-9069) or Ryan Hauk (618-520-8427).