

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

Pastor - Fr. Von C. Deeke (cell 618-214-6852)

September 07, 2025

Office Manager - Amber Griesbaum

Admin. Assistant - Carol Rapp

Custodian & Sexton: John Toennies

Dir. of Religious Education - Sister Jeannette Fennewald

Telephone: 618-228-7219

Mailing address: P.O. Box 93

E-mail: parish@stfrancisav.org

Web page: www.stfrancisav.org

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. Sept. 06	4:00pm	George & Rosina Hollenkamp Judy Markus Al Hostmeyer, Jerome & Andrew Mondt Ruth Langhauser
Sun. Sept. 07	7:30am 9:30am	Jerome Rakers Rite of Candidacy Mass Steve Holtgrave Family L/D Norbert & Estella Hollenkamp Family George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Mon. Sept. 08		NO MASS
Tues. Sept. 09	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Wed. Sept. 10	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Thur. Sept. 11	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Fri. Sept. 12	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Sat. Sept. 13	4:00pm	George & Rosina Hollenkamp Nick & Marita Strubhart & Jenny Boshera Genevieve Lueke
Sun. Sept. 14	7:30am 9:30am	William Schultz George & Rosina Hollenkamp St. Francis Parish 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



PASTOR'S NOTE:

Blessed Carlo Acutis is to be canonized a saint this Sunday. We pray for his intercession for our students, especially our seventh-graders who will be accepted as candidates for Confirmation and your family might want to watch "Carlos Acutis: God's Influencer," "The Boy from Milan: Stories of Carlo Acutis," or "Digital Disciple: Carlo Acutis and the Eucharist" on Formed this week.

Congratulations to our seventh-graders! Let us continue to pray for each other.
- Fr. Von

PSR NEWS: As the school year begins, we are preparing the children of St. Francis Parish for receiving sacraments for the 1st time. If you have a child in 1st or 2nd grade who is not in PSR or attending All saints Academy, we need to know this as soon as possible so he or she can receive the necessary preparation. If you have a 7th grader, her or she will need to start the preparation for Confirmation in the Spring of 2027. Preparations for sacraments is a two year program. Please contact the parish office and leave a message for Sister Jeanette or email dre@stfrancis.org.

OFFERINGS AUGUST 30th & 31st:

General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,311.00

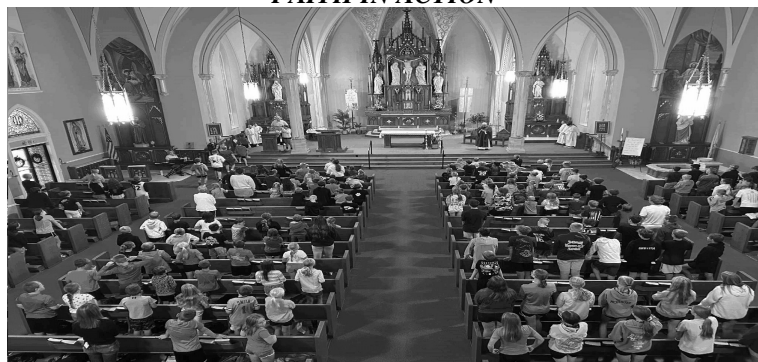
Loose: \$ 631.00

Online Giving: \$ 3,481.25

General Fund Total: \$ 5,423.25

Your General Fund contribution enables

FAITH IN ACTION



St. Francis PSR mass

Special Collections:

Gaza Relief Collection \$ 200.00

St. Vincent de Paul Collection \$ 185.00

Improvement Fund \$ 556.00

Retired Belleville Diocesan Priest \$ 45.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Hudson Billhartz	Nancy Brooks	Fr. Von Deeke
Karla Draper	David Foy	Tracy Frey
Moe Goestenkers	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 Stricker
Pat Sudholt	Corey Toennies	RaeAnne Toennies
Marge Thole	Khara Vanderhyden	Carolyn Wilson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. Sept. 07 - 9:30am - St. Francis Sunday School Begins!

9:30am - **7th grade Rite of Candidacy Mass**

Sun. Sept. 21 - 9:30am - Catechetical Sunday Mass

St. Francis now has access to FORMED. FORMED is like "Netflix for Catholics". Here are instructions on how to Create an Account:

1. Visit [Formed.org/signup](https://www.Formed.org/signup)
2. Click on "Continue to Sign up/Login" (skip this step if the page says "Join your Parish")
3. Near the bottom, click on "Sign Up"
4. Enter your information then click on "Sign Up"; .Here it may ask you to put in a code from your email. Or it may just have you click "sign in now" from your email.
5. Enter the Zip Code, 62216
6. Select St. Francis of Assisi
7. Click "Submit"

You will need to create an account on a browser before downloading the App. After signing into the app you may be sent another email.





SYMPATHY: Ralph L. "LeRoy" Hostmeyer (husband of Janice Hostmeyer; father of Bridgett [Eric] Poettker) who passed away. Please keep **Ralph** and his family in your prayers.

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



SECOND COLLECTION: *This weekend*, we will take up the **Retired Diocesan Priests Collection**. On both ordinary & extraordinary days, our priests have been there for us...at baptisms, weddings, First Communion, Confirmation, at times of sickness & sorrow, dedicating their lives to bring us closer to Christ. Now it is our turn to be there for them during their retirement years. All funds will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications. *Did you know:* Our Belleville Diocese currently has 60 diocesan priests: 34 currently retired & 26 in active ministry. *Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which is held in December.* Show your appreciation with a generous gift. Thank you so much.



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 (367-3800).



Sept. 21st - Catechetical Weekend - Meant to Bless and recognize the importance of all Catechists and faith formation leaders. Request all PSR Teachers, RCIA, Adult Education, CYM Advisors, VBS leaders and anyone involved as a teacher/leader to attend any Mass at St. Francis so they can be recognized and receive a blessing!

THE 2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK has dates to be filled. You can call the rectory anytime from 8:00am-4:00pm, Monday thru Friday to schedule Mass Intentions (228-7219) or email parish@stfrancisav.org.



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.



MATER DEI JUNIOR KNIGHTS: Mater Dei Catholic High School invites children grade 4 and younger to join Junior Knights! For the informational letter, as well as both the printable registration form and the link to the online registration form, please visit our website: materdeiknights.org. While children may join at any time, the registration form & fee are due by Wednesday, **Sept. 17th**, to guarantee a shirt by the homecoming parade (**Oct. 1st**). For questions, contact Maria Zurliene (526-7216) or mzurliene@materdeiknights.org.



Bibles & Brews: Young Adult Ages 21-35 years old. Wednesday, **Sept. 10th** at 6:30pm at Eckert's Cider Shed, 951 S. Green Mount Rd. Come join the fun with Father Nick Muenks!



WANT TO BE CATHOLIC? Considering joining the Catholic Church?



Do you know someone interested in joining the Faith? **The first session is Mon., Sept. 22nd at 7:00pm.** If so, contact Fr. Von (618-228-7219), or the parish office.

Interested in learning how to piece a quilt top? The Aviston Altar Sodality will be offering a class on **Sept. 10th** at 6:30pm. The classes will continue on Wednesdays until the quilt top is finished. There will be a few sewing machines for use but bring your own if possible. Call Diane Hegger (971-9212) or Martha Ribbing (228-7433) to sign up. There will be a list of materials you will need to get prior to class.



LEGION NEWS - AVISTON

Fri. Sept. 12 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY

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. 50/50 tickets are available \$20 for 5 or \$5 per ticket. Contact Nolan Robben.

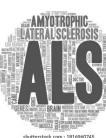


CANCER (HEALING) MASS at St. Rose in St. Rose, IL on Tue., **Sept. 16th**. Mass at 6:30pm. Mass for those suffering from cancer and other illnesses. *All are welcome to attend.*

LOCAL PICNICS - BELLEVILLE DIOCESE:

***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

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 Matt Netemeyer (550-9587) or Mike Toebe (304-4350).

CHICKEN DINNERS:

***St. Felicitas Church**- Beaver Prairie, 13322 Church Rd, Carlyle. Sun., **Sept. 21st**, 11:00am - 5:00pm. \$15.00 per meal & it includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cole slaw and applesauce. Quilt Raffle tickets available. **DRIVE-THRU ONLY!**

***Breese American Legion Post 252** - Sun., **Sept. 14th**, 11:00am - 5:00pm. \$15.00 per meal & it includes, Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green beans & coleslaw. Dine-in & carry-out available.

***St. Teresa Church** - 18021 Marydale Road, Carlyle. Sun., **Sept. 28th**, 11:00am - 4:00pm. \$15.00 per meal & it includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans & slaw. **DRIVE-THRU ONLY!**

***St. Dominic Church** - 345 N. Clinton St, Breese, Sun., **Oct. 5th**, 11:00am-5:00pm. \$15.00 per meal & it includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cole slaw and dessert. Quilt Raffle tickets available. Carry-out & Dine-in available.

CLINTON COUNTY CELEBRATE LIFE: A community Outreach event Sun., **Sept. 21st**, 2:00pm - 6:00pm at Northside Park, 999 N. Walnut, Breese. Renew hope and discover resources you or a loved one might need to live a full and healthy life mentally, emotionally, spiritually & physically.



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