

# St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Sat. Sept. 20	4:00pm	George & Rosina Hollenkamp Dora Beer Michael Haukap Joseph & Mary Jane Gebhart
Sun. Sept. 21	7:30am 9:30am	James & Emma Huelsmann George & Rosina Hollenkamp Andy & Ruth Bruns & Evonne Timmermann
Mon. Sept. 22		<b>NO MASS</b>
Tues. Sept. 23	7:30am	George & Rosina Hollenkamp
Wed. Sept. 24	7:30am	Don Boeser
Thur. Sept. 25	7:30am	St. Francis Parish Family
Fri. Sept. 26	7:30am	L/D Bernard & Louise Brueggemann
Sat. Sept. 27	4:00pm	Marita Strubhart Judy Markus
Sun. Sept. 28	7:30am 9:30am	Eugene & Dorothy Horstmann George & Rosina Hollenkamp Jennifer Kalmer Olinda & Dick Kues 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:

We express our thanks to our catechists, our teachers, on this Catechetical Sunday. Thank you for being good steward of your time and talents and sharing your love of Jesus with our students. Let us all hear God's call to be good stewards of the time and talent that He has given us.

Let us pray for each other. -Fr. Von Deeke

## IMPROVEMENT FUND UPDATE on MAJOR expenses after the new Handicap Entrance for the church include:

Church basement tuckpointing: \$27,680.00

Installed new outside light, trim loft wire, & altar lights: \$1,265.10

Church parking lot asphalt & striping: \$27,200.00

Church gutters & downspouts: \$5,913.68

Clean & seal Church exterior: \$34,687.00

New water line for Concession stand: \$3,457.45

Chair lift for the Rectory: \$4,250.00

Insulation for Rectory: \$3,250.00

Handicap ramp for the Rectory \$3,500.00

New Rectory roof: \$20,304.00

Other: Fascia for Parish Center, Paint steps at Church, \$781.68

**Total for all MAJOR expenses = \$132,288.91**

## OFFERINGS SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>:

### General Fund

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,461.00

Loose: \$ 685.00

Online Giving: \$ 2,338.25

**General Fund Total: \$ 5,484.25**

*Your General Fund contribution enables*

**FAITH IN ACTION**



*Before and After of the Rectory Roof*

## Special Collections:

**Improvement Fund** \$ 1,025.00

**Retired Belleville Diocesan Priest** \$ 370.00

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Andrea Bernabey	Hudson Billhartz	Nancy Brooks
Karla Draper	David Foy	Tracy Frey
Moe Goestenkers	Jessica Hudspeth	Betty Huelsmann
Scott Huelsmann	Marie Jansen	Phyllis Kendall
Dale Lampe	Edna Mollet	Mark Moss
Darleen Nelson	Don Rakers	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:

Sat. & Sun. Sept. 20 & 21 - All Masses - Catechetical Sunday

**PSR NEWS:** As the school year begins, we are preparing the children of St. Francis Parish for receiving sacraments for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. If you have a child in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> grade who is not in PSR or attending All Saints Academy, we need to know this as soon as possible so he/she can receive the necessary preparation. If you have a 7<sup>th</sup> grader, he/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 for Sr Jeanette or email [dre@stfrancis.org](mailto:dre@stfrancis.org).

**SYMPATHY:** **Joe Hubbard** of Belleville, IL passed away. He worked with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Visitation Mon. Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00pm - 7:00pm at Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 Harrison Street, Belleville. Please keep Joe and his family in your prayers.



**HOLYLANDS ARTS:** St. Francis church will be hosting the Holylands Arts on **Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> & Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>**. There will be Olive Wood Handcrafted religious items. Due to declining tourism in the Holy Land, Catholic artisans face economic hardship. Their mission is to support the skilled craftspeople by providing a marketplace for the beautiful, hand carved works in the United States. When you purchase one of these unique art pieces, you directly support Catholic families in Bethlehem and the surrounding regions. To learn more about the products, please visit [www.theholylands.org](http://www.theholylands.org).

**THE 2026 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 (228-7219) or email [parish@stfrancisav.org](mailto:parish@stfrancisav.org).



**WANT TO BE CATHOLIC?** Considering joining the Catholic Church? Do you know someone interested in joining the Faith? **The first session is Mon., Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm.** If so, contact Fr. Von (618-228-7219), or the parish office.



**SAVE THE DATE:** Quilting for the 2026 picnic will be starting shortly at the Parish Center. Reminder, we try to have our quilts measure a minimum of 90x108 inches. First, quilt top piecing & quilting starts on **Wed., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** from 9:00am-4:00pm & 6:30pm-8:30pm, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> from 12Noon-4:00pm and on Mon., Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-4:00pm. Quilting only on Wed., Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8:30pm.



**JOB OPENING:** The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a full-time Controller responsible for all aspects of financial management, including accounting, tax filing, and regulatory and financial reporting and auditing, budget and forecast preparation, as well as development of internal control policies and procedures. For more information please visit <https://www.diobelle.org/temporal-affairs/human-resources/employment-opportunities>

**FALL/WINTER HOLIDAY RUMMAGE SALE at the Aviston Legion on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am-5:00pm (\$4 brown bag 3:00pm-5:00pm) Halloween, Thanksgiving, & Christmas items ONLY.** Dates to bring donated items to the Legion are Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>, 12Noon-6:00pm. Questions? Call Debi Luebbers (618-581-1950).



**\$UPPORT OUR \$AINTS ~ S.O.S. RAFFLE:** All Saints Academy 11<sup>th</sup> annual Raffle, **Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>**. It is an online, email-based raffle that will provide one lucky winner with a Grand Prize of \$5,000, one \$1,000 prize, one \$500 prize, or one of ten \$100 prizes! A \$200 prize will be awarded as part of our "Early Bird" drawing, to be held on **Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>**. The "Early Bird" drawing will include all tickets purchased through **Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>** (online ticket purchases by 11:59 pm and offline ticket purchases received in the ASA office by 3:00 pm). The "Early Bird" winner will be eligible for the remaining prizes. Tickets are \$25 or BUY 5, get 1 FREE. Purchases are limited to those 18 years of age and older. To purchase a ticket, use the link (<https://goraisedough.com/buy/3210>), ASA website for a printable raffle ticket, contact an ASA family, or Lynn Winkler 789-3342 or [klwinkler1@gmail.com](mailto:klwinkler1@gmail.com).

**JOIN TEC & QUEST: Sun., Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>** for a Vocation Celebration. Mass at 3:00pm at St. Dominic Church, Breese, IL. Dinner and Q&A with Fr. Levi and Sr. Sarah at 4:30pm at Southside park. Outdoor games and fellowship until 7:00pm. The main entree will be provided. Bring a side to share and bring your own non alcoholic beverage. Send questions to: [bellevillequest@gmail.com](mailto:bellevillequest@gmail.com).

**BELLEVILLE TEC RETREAT 2025/2026:** Have you attended a Teens Encounter Christ retreat during your lifetime? TEC retreat weekends for the 2025/2026 academic school year. TEC is a 3-day Catholic retreat weekend designed for young adults, juniors and seniors (or older) in high school, who are looking for an opportunity to develop a stronger relationship with God and/or their fellow Christians. If you, or someone you know, are looking for an opportunity to enhance your relationship with Jesus Christ or experience your Catholic faith in a dynamic and fun-filled setting, then a TEC retreat may be just what you are looking for. The TEC weekends are scheduled for **October 11-13** at Mater Dei High School in Breese and **January 17-19** at Immaculate Conception School in Columbia. To learn more, or attend a TEC weekend, please visit our website at [bellevilletec.org](http://bellevilletec.org). If you've attended a TEC weekend in the past and would like to attend one of the reunions, please visit [bellevilletec.org](http://bellevilletec.org) for additional details.

#### LEGION NEWS - AVISTON

Fri. Sept. 26 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm FISH FRY

**ALS GOLF SCRAMBLE**—5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tee'd Off ALS Golf Scramble, **Sat., Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>** 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. 21<sup>st</sup>**, 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!**

**\*Albers American Legion Post 1026** - Sun., **Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**, 4:30pm - 7:00pm. Adults \$14.00, Kids (5-12 \$6), 4 & under Free, meal includes, Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green beans & coleslaw. Bingo players will receive \$2 off their meal. Dine-in & carry-out available.

**\*St. Teresa Church** - 18021 Marydale Road, Carlyle. Sun., **Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>**, 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. 5<sup>th</sup>**, 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. 21<sup>st</sup>**, 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.

**OPEN HOUSE:** at the Hincke-Sense Residence for Retired Priests today – Sun., **Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**, 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Refreshments, tours, and visits with the retired priests. Please join us, 2620 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville, 62221.