

The Most Holy Trinity

Mass Intentions

Mon, May 27th, Mass at the Cemetery, 8 a.m.: Patsy Kertz, by Ken & family
Tues., May 28th, 8 a.m.: Karen Ramsey, by Tom & Diane Gross
Wed., May 29th, 8 a.m.: In honor of Marion Gregson's 90th Birthday, by Violet Wetzler
Fri., May 31st, 8 a.m.: Kathy Heidkamp, by Arlene & Glenda
Sat., June 1st, 4 p.m.: Steve Trost, by family & friends
Sun., June 2nd, 10 a.m.: Pauline Sampson, by Carol DeRousse; For the Parish

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, June 1st, 4 p.m.:

Lector - D. Gielow
Ushers - M. & B. Doiron
Eucharistic Ministers - D. Gross, K. Fahey, B. Schrieber
Servers - Volunteers
Gift Bearers - C. Schaefer & Ushers

Sunday, June 2nd, 10 a.m.:

Lector - P. Masterson
Ushers - D. & B. Young
Eucharistic Ministers - L. Krebel, G. Ratz, M. Poirrier
Servers - E. Eckart, K. Juelfs
Gift Bearers - E. Brewer family

Please Pray For ...

Rhonda Mehring-Smith; Nursing Home Residents;
Homebound Parishioners

Names remain for 4 weeks. Call the rectory.

Thought For The Week

It's hard for us to go forward when we're looking back.

On the Lighter Side

Did you ever wonder why a business man would go from his air-conditioned house to his air-conditioned office in his air-conditioned car and then go to a health club and pay \$50 an hour to sit in a sauna to sweat?

ATTENTION



Liturgical Schedules

New liturgical schedules have been emailed/mailed. If we have an email address on file for you, we emailed the schedules. If we do not have an email address on file, we mailed you a hard copy. Please let us know if you did not receive the schedules. Thanks!

Readings

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Know this: The Lord is God of heaven and earth. There is no other. Because God worked wonders for you, keep the commands that you and your children may prosper.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:14-17

You did not receive a spirit of slavery but a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry out "Abba, Father!" The Spirit bears witness that we are children of God.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus commissioned the eleven to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

From the Desk of Fr. Dennis

"Did anything so great ever happen before?" Moses asks in today's first reading. After celebrating Easter and then Pentecost, we may ask the same question. Throughout Easter we recalled how the Son made the ultimate sacrifice for us, the Father raised him from the dead, and then they sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always. Indeed, as we celebrate today's FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY, we realize that nothing so great as all this has ever happened before. And that those events of over two thousand years ago continue to happen for us each day.

In each of today's readings, the author points out God's remarkable uniqueness. Moses tells the people that no other god had ever done all the one-of-a-kind wonders that the Lord had done for them. St. Paul writes that through the Holy Spirit we have been adopted as God's own children, a relationship with God that is like no other. In telling the disciples to make disciples of all nations, he commands them to baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, a new way of Baptism. How fortunate we are to receive the grace we do from our unique God.

Plan on joining us next Sunday, the Feast of Corpus Christi, at 10 am for our Eucharistic Procession at the end of Mass. We will walk around the Church block returning in the front door, weather permitting. If walking that distance is too far for you, you can remain in Church and pray. We will join you and end with Benediction. Looking forward to sharing this wonderful experience with you.

Please come and join us for Mass on Monday, Memorial Day at 8 am. We will have Mass at our cemetery. Let us not take for granted the sacrifices our Military Men and Women have made for us. Have a blest week! Remember, don't worry so much, and know that you are loved!

~ Fr. Dennis

Happenings This Week

Mon.: Memorial Day – Mass at 8 am at the Cemetery, bring your lawn chair and gather at the Cross
Tues.: Mass at 8 am; Bible Study at 9 am
Wed.: Mass at 8 am; 6pm Appointment for Marriage Prep
Thurs.: Mass at 10 am at St. Patrick's
Sat./Sun.: Feast of Corpus Christi – Corpus Christi procession following the 10 am Mass. The procession will be around the block, weather permitting. Ending with Benediction.

Respect Life

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.” ~ USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis’ “Day for Life Greeting” © 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Vacation Bible School!

SJB presents: “Creation” Vacation Bible School! Join us June 10th-12th from 9-11:30 a.m. VBS will be held at St. Patrick’s in Ruma. We welcome ages 4 through 4th grade. Register on our parish website (www.sjbcatholicredbud.com, under “Faith Formation”), or use the QR Code. You may also call the rectory at 618-282-3222. Registration deadline is June 1st.



QR Code to VBS page on Church Website

Mass for Life

Mass for Life, May 29th, St. Clare of Assisi Church, O’Fallon. Mass at 6 p.m. with Rosary to follow. Bishop Michael McGovern invites you to join him to celebrate life and pray for the unborn.

Thank You to Our Advertisers!

St. Anne’s CCW

Picnic Appeal

Our Annual Picnic Appeal letter has been mailed. We are planning to have a Quilt Bingo on Sunday, July 14th in the gym. This event, along with the Appeal, is to help us make our \$40,000-\$45,000 budget goal.

If everyone gives something, the load will be easier for all. No amount is too big or too small! God bless you for all you do to support St. John’s!

Stewardship Thought

Today’s second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters – the heirs - of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord’s command to “go and make disciples of all the nations.”

Lunch, Card Party, and Bingo!

Lunch, Card Party, and Bingo, June 4, St. Luke’s, Belleville. Doors open at 10:30am; lunch served at noon; event ends at 3pm. Cost of event: \$10.00; no reservation required. Special features: cards, bingo, or any game you choose with prizes. Menu: chicken Caesar salad, roll or crackers/butter, Ambrosia salad, cake, coffee, hot tea, iced tea, and water. Please bring canned items for the Community Interfaith Food Pantry.

United for Life

United for Life will be June 1st from 10-11 a.m. Please come support ALL life from conception to natural death. Participants will gather at the gazebo near the four-way stop, given a sign, and stand/sit as a witness in supporting all life. God bless all for gathering to protect His children!

Blood Pressure Screening

SJB Church’s monthly blood pressure screening will be May 25th and 26th. Thank you to our volunteers this month - Sheryl Rehmer and Ruthie Mollet.

Job Opportunity

Do you have a spiritual calling for the Catholic ministry and a commitment to live faith through charitable work? Our partner The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville, IL Council is hiring an ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. This is the career opportunity of a lifetime! Send resume and cover letter to svdphr@svdpsouthil.net. You may also view the job description here: <https://svdpsouthil.org/job-opportunity>



Memorial Day Mass

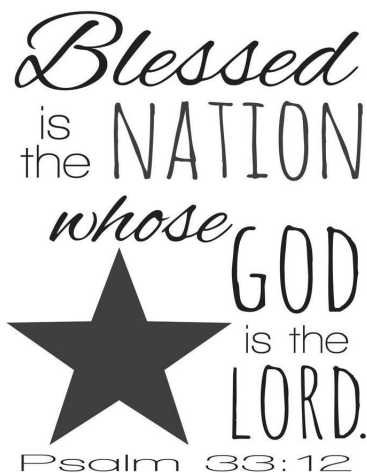
You are invited to join us for Mass on Memorial Day at 8 am at St. John’s Cemetery. Please bring your lawn chair and join us at the Cross.

Eucharistic Processions

A Eucharistic Procession, just like Eucharistic Adoration, is an extension of the worship of Jesus Christ, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The supreme act of adoration and the source and summit of the Christian life is the celebration of the Mass, and that celebration is prolonged and intensified through Eucharistic worship outside of the Mass. In Eucharistic Processions, the missionary aspect of the Eucharist is emphasized as we go forth into the world. Not only gazing upon our Eucharistic Lord, but walking with him, we experience what the disciples did 2000 years ago as they walked with Jesus, proclaiming the Good news to the world. **A parish community that undertakes a Eucharistic Procession has made the decision to publicly proclaim its belief in Jesus' True Presence in the Eucharist.** By this public witness of faith, the parish invites people in the community to encounter the Risen Lord present in the Eucharistic Host. For those who participate in the procession, it is an opportunity not only to proclaim their faith but also to grow in their faith. The procession is, finally, an invitation to Jesus himself to be a part of our daily lives, to be immersed in the world in which we live. As Pope Benedict stated: "We entrust these streets, these homes, our daily life to his goodness. May our streets be streets of Jesus! May our houses be homes for him and with him! May our life of every day be penetrated by his presence."

Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal

Did you know your gift to the 2024 Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving". It's that simple! Every donation - large or small - is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on YOU! Please visit www.diobelle.org today!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Below are our upcoming summer and fall 2024 experiences. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

8/2/2024 - 8/4/2024, St. Peters, MO

9/27/2024 - 9/29/2024, St. Peters, MO

10/11/2024 - 10/13/2024, Springfield, IL

Invitation From Bishop Braxton

His Excellency, The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D., Bishop Emeritus of Belleville, invites you to join him for a Mass of Thanksgiving, on Sunday, July 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM O'clock in the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville, Illinois commemorating the 54th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood the 29th Anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopacy and the 80th Anniversary of his birth. The Intention of this Mass will be Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese. You are invited to greet the Bishop and enjoy Refreshments at a Reception immediately after the Mass in the Undercroft of the Cathedral. RSVP by Friday June 14 to Mary Fleming, Chief of Staff, m Fleming@diobelle.org 618-722-5031. Please Note: Your prompt response is extremely important in order for us to prepare the refreshments for the Reception.



Annual 4-Person Golf Tournament

SJB School's Annual 4-Person Golf Tournament will be Thursday, June 6th at North County Country Club in Red Bud! Shotgun start at 8 a.m.; entry fee is \$250 per team (includes golf, cart, meal, drink tickets); optional Skin Game. All proceeds benefit SJB! Pick up a registration form at the entrances, complete, and return by Monday, June 3rd. Any questions, contact Chris at 618-317-5397.

Quilts for Fundraisers

4. Q. Gerald & Barb Ratz

Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts

(Witness Is What Counts!) Faith can only be communicated through witness, and that means love. Not with our own ideas but with the gospel, lived out in our own lives and brought to life within us by the Holy Spirit. There is, as it were, a synergy between us and the Holy Spirit, and this leads to witness. The Church is carried forward by the saints, who are the very ones who bear this witness. As both John Paul II and Benedict XVI have said, today’s world stands in great need of witnesses, not so much of teachers, but rather of witnesses. It’s not so much about speaking, but rather speaking with our whole lives: living consistently, the very consistency of our lives! This consistency means living Christianity as an encounter with Jesus that brings me to others, not just as a social label. In terms of society, this is how we are—we are Christians closed in on ourselves. No, not this! Witness is what counts!

Your Gifts to God & Parish

Sunday.....	\$4,828.00
Loose.....	\$333.36
Total (Goal: \$5,866.00).....	\$5,161.36
Adopt a Parish.....	\$10.00
Capital Campaign.....	\$60.00
Catholic Communications Campaign.....	\$40.00
Initial Offering.....	\$25.00
School Support.....	\$120.00
Seminary Education Fund.....	\$35.00

Ordination Anniversary

Father Dennis will celebrate his 49th Ordination Anniversary on June 7th! Be sure to congratulate him and thank him for everything he does for our SJB parish and school family!

Gibault News

Enrolling for Fall 2024: We are accepting incoming freshmen and transfer students at all other grade levels. To learn how you can be part of the Gibault family, visit <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

Summer Camps: Choose from art, boys’ and girls’ basketball, boys’ and girls’ volleyball, and boy’s soccer. <https://gibaulthawks.com/2024-summer-camps/>

Summer Classic Golf Tournament: This year’s tournament will be held on Friday, June 21st. You can sponsor our event, donate raffle prizes, or gather a team to play at the beautiful Annbriar Golf Course. For more info, email dfrasura@gibaulthawks.com or visit our event website: <https://SummerClassic.givesmart.com>

The National Eucharistic Revival

In preparation for the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July, the Blessed Sacrament will be carried from the four corners of the United States. The Diocese of Belleville is honored that the St. Junipero Serra Route from the West will come for a two day visit on July 7 & 8. Bishop McGovern will be meeting the Pilgrimage delegates at St. Augustine of Hippo in East St. Louis on Sunday July 7 at approximately 3 pm, where an Adoration service will take place inside the Church. We will then proceed to the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows at 5:30 pm. Catholics from our diocese and the surrounding areas are invited to come to the Shrine starting at 3 pm, to tour devotional sites and the Shrine Museum, visit the children’s art display, and enjoy a meal from a variety of food trucks. At 6 pm a solemn Eucharistic Procession will begin at the Visitor’s Center, travel through the Way of the Cross devotional site, and end at the outdoor amphitheater. Once there, we will have Adoration, Scripture readings, witness talks, music by Steve Angrisano, and inspirational talks by Bishop Mark Bartosic and Bishop Robert Lombardo, (Auxiliary Bishops of Chicago), and Bishop McGovern. At 8:30 pm there will be a candlelight procession to Christ the King Chapel, where overnight Adoration will take place. Our pilgrimage will continue Monday, July 8, at 9 am at the Cathedral of St. Peter with tours of the Cathedral, witness talks, and inspiring music. Mass will begin at 10 am. Following Mass, a motorcade procession will transport the Blessed Sacrament to Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Collinsville, where the Blessed Sacrament will be received by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield. Please watch for more information.

Prayer Project: Bishop McGovern has requested that the prayer intentions of the faithful of the Belleville Diocese be collected. The prayers will be carried in the Eucharistic Procession and then offered to Our Lord Jesus during the Adoration Service. On the table near the gifts, you will find papers to write your intentions. Please place in the baskets and we will deliver to the July 7th celebration.

24 Games, 24 Quilts!

Save the date! SJB Quilt Bingo, July 14th, in our Parish Center. Play 24 games for 24 quilts! More info soon!

