

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

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Confessions: heard each Saturday night from 4 to 4:45 pm

Parish Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

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Theme for the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity: The Lord God is one, there is no other. We have been chosen as his own, and, through the Spirit, are able to call God Abba. Through baptism all nations are called to share in the life of the Son and acknowledge the triune God.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Friday, 5/24 8:00am- Jerry Mollet

Saturday, 5/25 5:00pm- For the Graduates of the Parish and all the Veterans of the Parish

Sunday, 5/26 8:00am- For the Graduates of the Parish and all the Veterans of the Parish

Monday 5/27 7:00pm- Mike & Wally Amann and Roy Schreder

Friday 5/31 8:00am- Delmar and Wylma Wachtel

Saturday 6/1 5:00pm- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's

Sunday 6/2 8:00am- Don Braun, Quentin & Veronica Gregson,

Frances Gregson, & Clem Orlet, and Lois Papenberg



OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD FROM 5/19/2024:

Weekly Envelopes (55)-\$1423.00

Loose- \$115.00

Youth-\$12.00

Carpet Fund Donations- \$1,250.00

Parking Lot/Resolution Projects Donations-**\$2,700.00**

*Scholarship Fund - \$2,904.00 (Total
Donated since 8/1/2023)*

Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR WEEK

Saturday, June 1st, 5pm

Set Up: Donna Rheinecker

Servers: Mehrmanns

Lector: Donna Rheinecker

Extraordinary Minister: Kevin Shreder

Extraordinary Minister (W): Annette Schreder

Extraordinary Minister (W): Gary Wittenauer

Camera:

Sunday, June 2nd, 8am

Set Up: Elaine Biffar

Servers: Doerrs

Lector: Betty Schreder

Extraordinary Minister: John Kaiser

Extraordinary Minister (W): Dennis Biffar

Extraordinary Minister (W): Kyle Doerr

Camera: Mike Karban



Please pray for the following:

Darlene Frisch, Jeanelle Dinan, Madalyn Killebrew, Kenny Kern, Marcia Rheinecker, Ricky Wittenauer, Ava Kern, Nancy Grohmann, Jim & Joanne Cowell, Helen Parker, Mike Rheinecker, Evelyn Kelley Marquart, Roger Cortner, Frank Kohler, Josh Middendorf, Ethel Mae Kreher, Shirley Wittenauer, Annette Lovelace, Mel Parker, Geri Griffin, Melissa Stellhorn, Rhonda Mehring-Smith, Gary Rist, Sydney Furman, Delbert Wittenauer, and Dorothy Christiansen.

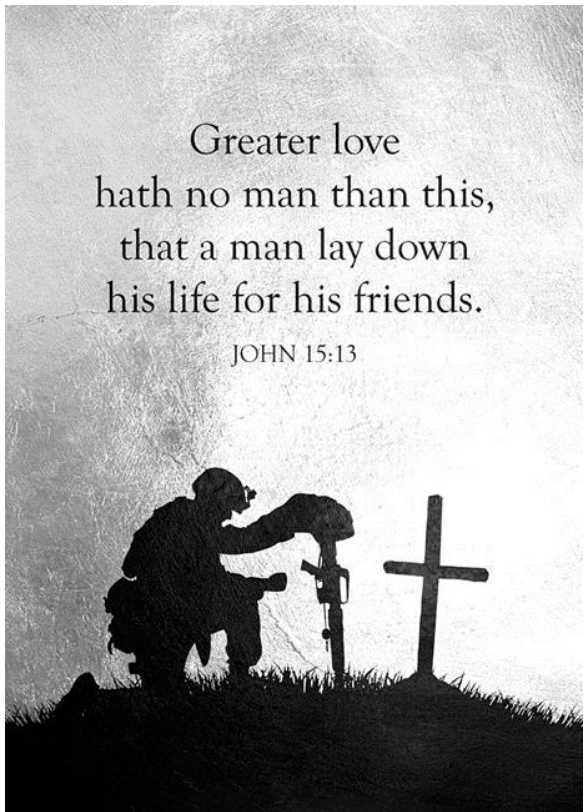
For Active Service Personnel: Justin S. Bushong, United States Coast Guard, Austin Grohmann, United States Marine Corps, and Austin Gregson, United States Marine Corps.

**Anointing of
the Sick will be
next weekend
following both
Masses.**



Greater love
hath no man than this,
that a man lay down
his life for his friends.

JOHN 15:13



FROM THE PASTOR...

Father Linus Umoren, C.M.

Reflection on the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

Little Johnny was passing a church while riding his bike. As he passed, the priest came out and said: Johnny, aren't you coming into Mass. Johnny said, I would, but, I'm afraid someone will steal my bike while I am inside. the priest said: Don't worry, Johnny, The Holy Spirit will watch your bike. Now come in. When Johnny came in, he began to make "The Sign Of The Cross: "In The Name Of the Father, And Of The Son..... Amen. The priest said; Johnny, what about the Holy Spirit...did you forget? No, Father, He is outside watching my bike.

The mystery of the Holy Trinity, which we celebrate this weekend, is a doctrine articulated by the ecumenical council of Nicaea in 325. The belief in the Holy Trinity is one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and, more so, the greatest mystery of our Faith, namely, that Three Divine Persons are sharing the same Divine nature in one God. "There is one God, who has three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each Person is God, yet there is still only one God" (CCC #234, #253-256). The feast leads us to the understanding of the true nature of God.

Although the term "Trinity" is not found in the Bible, there are specific references to the actions of the Trinitarian God in the New Testament. The great commission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 28:19); the apostolic greeting formula: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all" (2 Corinthians 13:13) are some indications to the biblical foundation for the doctrine of the Trinity. Thus, the doctrine underlies all major Christian feasts, including Christmas, the Epiphany, Good Friday, Easter, the Ascension, and Pentecost. We are all baptized, absolved of our sins, and anointed in the name of the Blessed Trinity.

The history of God's people reveals a God who desires to enter an intimate relationship with his people, a God who comes into their account not just as a transcendent being but always present in the world. We know that God creates because we are part of the mystery of creation. We know that He saves because we have experienced the salvific work of God in Jesus Christ. Our faith in the Trinitarian God is an invitation to experience God in His distinct self-expression. The God of history who has revealed himself to communities and individuals through the ages in different ways continues to act here and now as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Jesus teaches about the nature of God in his willingness to forgive us, adopts us, and empowers us with the Holy Spirit. Most of what we know about God's life is what we see in Jesus Christ. In Him, God is Our Father, who art in Heaven. The Trinity then expresses the relationship between the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and by extension, with all adopted sons and daughters of God.

St. AUGUSTINE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-A Special Mass has been added for the Feast of Saint Augustine this Monday, May 27th, 2024 @ 7pm, here at St. Augustine's- Hecker.

-Kirchenfest Meeting Thursday, May 30th, 7:30pm Parish Center.

-Bicentennial Committee Meeting, Monday, June 3rd, 7pm Parish Center

-Kirchenfest **Saturday, August 17th, 2024**; Mass @ 3pm, Dinner served 3-7pm, More to follow in next few weeks!!

May you all be blessed this Memorial Day weekend with your friends and family!!!!



Gathering to pray the Rosary will begin again before the 1st Sunday Mass each month, beginning June 2, 2024, 7:30am. Contact Scott Gregson if you would like to volunteer. Scott can be reached at 618-581-3368.

The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Serve the Lord with gladness.
-Psalm 100

Did you know **YOUR GIFT** to The 2024 Catholic Service and 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!

ST. AUGUSTINE'S
PLEDGES TO DATE: 23
(\$5,760.00 Pledged)

88% OF OUR GOAL MET!!!
(\$6,569.00 Parish Goal)



Lunch & Card Party

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

St. Luke's Parish Center

226 North Church St., Belleville, IL



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Play Cards or a Board Game of your choice & BINGO
Doors Open-10:30am, Lunch Served-Noon, Event Ends-3pm
Delicious Lunch! Have fun & support St. Luke's Parish!

**Menu: Caesar Chicken Salad, Roll or Crackers/Butter,
Ambrosia Salad, Cake, Coffee, hot tea, iced tea & water**

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Tally: \$10 (includes lunch or lunch carryout)
Cards & BINGO with prizes
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**Bring canned goods
for the Food Pantry**



2025 ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN YOUTH CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS

March 8, 2025
Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville, IL
Bishop Michael G. McGovern, Celebrant



Pueri Cantores, the national student choral organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish & school treble and mixed voice choirs (grades 4-12) in the region to participate in a Festival & Mass.

Singers will unite with hundreds of their peers as one combined choir to sing beautiful music from the Church's rich historical repertoire. More information will be available soon at www.pcco.org.

Annual Picnic & Homecoming

Saturday, July 6, 2024

ST. MICHAEL'S Paderborn, Il.

FEATURING:

"All you can eat"
Fried Chicken Dinner

Serving from 3:00 – 7:00 PM
In Our Air-Conditioned Hall

"Hand Stitched"
QUILT/CASH BINGO

6:00 p.m. - ?
(In case of inclement weather
play will move into the Air-
Condition hall at 7:00 p.m.)

Mass
5:00 PM

*** * * RAFFLE PRIZES * * ***

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| 1) \$500 Cash | 5) Emeril Lagasse Power Grill |
| 2) Hand Stitched Quilt | 6) Worx Nitro 42 pc Tool Set & Tactix Modular Storage System |
| 3) 3 in 1 Worx Cordless Combo Kit | 7) 5 Piece Folding Dining Set |
| 4) I Home Auto Vac Nova S1 | 8) \$100 Cash |

PLUS USUAL PICNIC ATTRACTIONS

License #B51272

Paderborn is located:

3 miles off Route 159 / 4 miles South of Smithton, IL
3 miles North of Hecker, IL / 8 miles South of Millstadt, IL
On Floraville Road . . . *(watch for the signs)*

CREATION



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Presented by St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Red Bud IL



June 10 - 12

9:00 am - 11:30 am

St. Patrick Catholic Church

#1 Pioneer Lane, Ruma IL

(ages 4 through 4th grade)

Register on line using QR Code

Or call the rectory at 618-282-3222

Registration Deadline is June 1st.



DIOCESAN INFORMATION

DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE -- PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is an active ministry in the Diocese of Belleville!!! Planned Parenthood continues to see women (some report one woman every 20 minutes six days a week). It is so vital that we be there for these women to offer free and confidential help in their time of need. It is our hope to continue to foster a sense of compassion in our communities making them a safe place to welcome those who suffer after an abortion and encourage reconciliation and healing in Jesus Christ. Those in need of help and counseling can confidentially contact someone by phone or email. Here's a link to Project Rachel on the diocesan website with additional information: <https://www.diobelle.org/respectlife/project-rachel>.

To stay informed of Pro-Life events in our Diocese, like and follow our FaceBook page, Respect Life Apostolate – Belleville

RESPECT FOR LIFE CORNER

“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.

<https://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/upload/Flyer-RLP2014-Color.pdf>

<https://www.usccb.org/resources/RLPA-23-01-prayer-guide.png>

5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION IS COMING UP NEXT MONTH!!

**Saturday and Sunday, June 29th & 30th –
St. Vincent de Paul (Waterloo) & Life Network (Waterloo)**

We appreciate your generosity during these 5th Sunday Collections. Once again, if you wish to have your donation listed on your annual financial statement, please indicate on your check memo line or put cash in an envelope with the designation of 5th Sunday Collection. Thank you!



“I first felt the call to the priesthood during high school, but it wasn’t a big epiphany; it just like the natural next step. My prayer life was developing rapidly, and I was encouraged by the youth ministry and the Knights at my parish. I knew of the need for Catholic priests, so it felt like my duty to vie the vocations at least some consideration. My discernment continues until finally entered the seminary after graduating from university. I became a priest for Oratory of St. Philip Neri in Toronto. My life has been more fruitful and challenging than I ever imagined...

and much of that fruit comes from the challenges.

Fr. Christopher Huynh; Oratory of St. Philip Neri; Columbia Magazine, Sept. 2023

We also gratefully and prayerfully remember all those who sacrificed their lives serving our country. This ultimate giving of oneself is the most selfless act of love we humans perform. Also, we have the Ordination of Levi James to the Transitional Diaconate next weekend, Saturday, June 1st. Attend if you can.



The Serra Club of St. County is an organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to foster and affirm vocations to the Priesthood and vowed religious life. Our purpose is to pray for vocations and inform our community the need for vocations. We provide many social events for our Priests, Deacons and Nuns. We sponsor occasional visits to the Seminaries for our grade and high students guided by a priest or a seminarian. Our group meets every first and third Friday of the month at Corpus Christi Parish Hall 206 Rasp St. Shiloh, IL 62269. We begin Mass at 11:00 am, follow by lunch and a brief meeting, and a prominent speaker. Additional information please call Marvin Winkeler (402 214-1155 or Mel Lucash 618-531-4244 **Serra has a new web page: serrastclair.org**



2024 VARIOUS QUILT OF THE MONTH RAFFLES IN THE AREA

- **St. Michael, Paderborn – January thru December 2024. \$20 per ticket. 12 Chances to win!! Picture of quilts available inside Parish office. Contact Sue Walsh 473-2798. Limited number of tickets available in Parish Office at St. Augustine’s.**
- **St. Patrick’s Ruma – January thru December 2024; \$20 per ticket; tickets available in the Parish Office at St. Augustine’s. Questions call Kathy Schmidt at 618/284-7274.**
- **St. James, Millstadt – Quilt-A-Rama, Tickets drawn the first Monday of every month during 2024. Tickets are \$25.00 each. See your Parish Office for tickets or contact St. James, 618/476-3513.**
- **Our Lady of Good Counsel Renault Quilt of the Month!**
Tickets are \$25.00 each for the year of drawings. Winner goes back into the box for a chance to be drawn next month. Please call Phyllis at 618-458-6854 or text Lisa 618-444-5544 to purchase a ticket.
- **Holy Trinity Catholic Church- St. Ann’s CCW, Quilt of the Month Raffle 2024**
Tickets are \$25.00 each, drawings are held 2nd Wednesday of each month; Contact Carol Geluck for more info! 618-792-9439.