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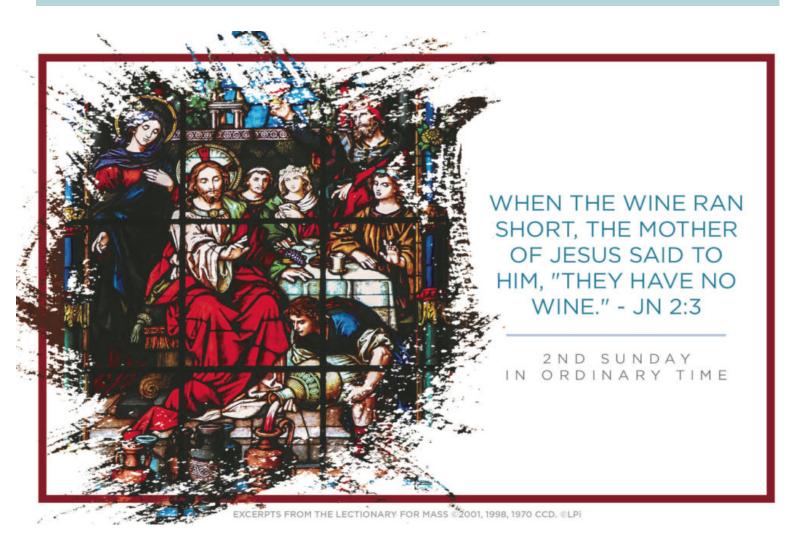
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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: St. Joseph-4:30 pm Sunday Masses: St. Paul-9:00 am St. Joseph-10:30 am

Morning Prayer-St. Joseph Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 7:40 am Friday: 11:30 am-Rosary

Daily Masses

Tuesday and Thursday: St. Joseph-8:00 am Wednesday: St. Paul 12:00 pm Friday: St. Joseph-12:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: St. Joseph-3:30-4:00 pm Sunday: St. Paul-8:30-8:50 am

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Parish Office Hours 618-993-3194

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 am-12:30 pm

1:00-4:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am-12:00 pm



St. Paul Church

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Monday-Thursday: 7:30 am-11:30 am Closed on Friday January 16, 2022 2

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Pray for the Sick and Homebound

Remember all the sick and homebound of our parish especially: Agnes Benzek, Betty Blades, Everett Blades, Gene Blades, Doris Bound, Carol Davis, Judy Evans, Ernie French, Ed Glos, Celeste Grider, Diane Gualdoni, Kelley Halper, Matthew Heckel, Robert Hopkins, Thom Ivastanin, Jan Jansco, Jr., Tammy Jones, Betty Lou Kainz, Maureen Kee, Joshua Loyd, Melody Lukesh, John Macier, Margaret Mocaby, Harry Mosley, Lorraine Musial, Agnes Olsen, John & Sheila Phillips, Angela Poskevich, Debbie Pulley, Ernie Rinella, Bernadette Romans, John & Cathi Roth, Leticia Sanchez, Christian Shoaff, Dorothy Shoaff, Herbert Soberg, and Patti Zanotti.



Anyone who needs prayers because they are sick and/or homebound, please call the office and your name will be put on the above list.

St. Paul

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SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

St. Joseph January 9, 2022

Weekly Budget Goal	\$8621
Sunday Offering (102)	\$11,516
Loose	\$348
E-giving (7)	\$280
Pay Pal (2)	\$587 ⁰⁸
Total:	\$12,73108
Candles	\$40
Solemnity of Mary (2)	\$35

Church Ruilding Fund

Contributions (19) \$548

St. Paul

Weekly Budget Goal	\$1800
Sunday Offering (31)	\$1236
Loose	<u>\$316</u>
Total	\$1552
Solemnity of Mary (3)	\$57
Needy (1)	\$60
Christmas (4)	\$135

You must each decide in your heart how much to give, and don't give reluctantly. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9.7

Sunday 16

Mass-9:00 am-SP

Welcome Fr. Frank Coen

PSR after Mass

Mass-10:30 am-SJ

Welcome Fr. Joseph Brown

Children's Liturgy Word

Readings: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9 -10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 **YFF-**6:00 pm

Bible Discussion-12 pm

No Services

Church Bingo-7:00 pm-KC Marion

Monday 17

Office is Closed-Martin Luther King

Readings: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9,

16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday 18

Morning Prayer-7:40 am-SJ

Communion Service

Readings: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27 -28/Mk 2:23-28

-20/ MK 2:23-20

KC Ladies Auxiliary-6:00 pm White Elephant gift exchange.



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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Mass Intentions

Sat Jan. 15 Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:30 pm Parish Family-SJ

*Sun Jan. 16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am † Joan Skyles-SP

-10:30 am † Lambert & Louise Abell-SJ

Mon Jan. 17 St. Anthony

No Services

Tues Jan. 18 Weekday

-7:40 am Morning Prayer-SJ

-Communion Service

Wed Jan. 19 Weekday

-No Services

Thurs Jan. 20 Weekday

-7:40 am Morning Prayer-SJ

-Communion Service

-6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration

Fri Jan. 21 St. Agnes

-11:30 am Rosary-SJ

-Communion Service

Sat Jan. 22 Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:30 pm Parish Family-SJ

**Sun Jan. 23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am † Georgina Bishop-SP

-10:30 am † Bob Perlowski & Family-SJ

*In Memory of Richard Hoffman

** In Memory of Joseph Burger

Pray for Those in the Military

We remember in prayer our parishioners, relatives and friends serving in the military, especially Jesse Armstrong, Jared Broemmel, Nathaniel Broemmel, Steven and Michael Garland, Christopher Garwood, Jim McCarty, Jacque Risley, Elizabeth Shaw, Ian Shaw, Simon Shaw, Kyle Shea, Sean Shea, Dakotah Smith, Dylan Teckenbrock, Brendan Vaughn, Paul Wetstein, Daniel Wiesner, Zachary Wiesner, Ashton Worack, and John Ryan Worack, Jr. Pray for peace in the world.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Third Sunday in OT, January-22, 4:30 am

L Clarke Deacon

EM Cathy Braswell, Donna Rheaume

S Banks Gordon, Aaron Simich

HM PArnolds, DSmith, C&S Vodrazka

Sac. Angie Simich

Third Sunday in OT, January 23, 10:30 am

L Carl Sternberg

EM Brenda Crackel, Scott Gimmy

S Ehren Neikes, Keira Neikes

HM C Diel, K Ehrhardt, T Rabideau, ML Luckett

Sac. Cindy Gibbons CLW Teri Sternberg

Mass for Life

Please join Bishop Michael McGovern for Holy Mass on Sunday, January 16, at 10:30 am at Holy Trinity Church, 505 Fountains Parkway, Fairview Heights, IL. We are especially mindful in the month of January of the tragic anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Together we need the power of prayer and God's grace to build a culture where every human life is cherished and respected from conception until natural death. All are invited to draw strength from the power of Christ's holy word and the gift of the Holy Eucharist. For more information, contact Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722-5003 or by e-mail at mail to: jhoffmann@diobelle.org



From 5:00pm-7:00pm Family Life Center Gym For more details call Chuck Ehrhardt 618-525-1005.

Wednesday 19

No Services

Readings: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps

144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

RCIA-6:00 pm **YFF**-6:00 pm

Marion KC Mtg.-7:30 pm

Thursday 20

Morning Prayer-7:40 am-SJ Communion Service

Readings: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Pickleball 5-7 pm FLC Eucharistic Adoration-6:00 pm Bingo-7:00 pm-KC Hall

Friday 21

Rosary-11:30 am-SJ

Communion Service

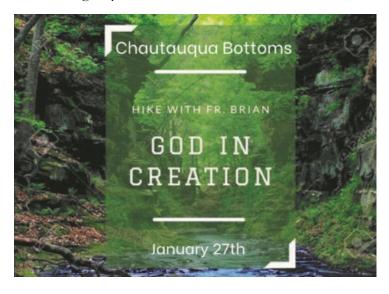
Readings: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6

and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Whoever believes in me will do the works that \vec{l} do...John 14:12

At Sister Thea Bowman Catholic School – the only remaining Catholic elementary school in East St. Louis – 100% of the students graduate from high school and 95% enroll in colleges and universities, trade schools and the military! **Your support** of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps to make this possible. If you have not already done so, please consider making a gift today. The youngsters at Sister Thea Bowman are counting on you.



St. Joseph and St. Paul Nominations for Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council asks you to prayerfully discern candidates to replace our three (2 from SJ and 1 from SP) outgoing council members. If you know any fellow parishioner who has:

- Enthusiasm about the direction of the parishes.
- A willingness to listen to others.
- Desire for spiritual growth in oneself and in parish.
- Is willing and able to make the commitment to this ministry.

Nominations will begin the weekend of December 18

Joint Pastoral Council

St. Paul Representatives

Matt Leitzen Barbara Cooksey Brue Steh Thomas Burton

St. Joseph Representatives

Andrea Arnold Scott Gimmy Teresa Machicao-Hopkins Leticia DeMattei



Saturday 22

Reconciliation-3:30-4:00 pm **Mass-4:30** pm-SJ

Sunday-23

Mass-9:00 am-SP

PSR after Mass

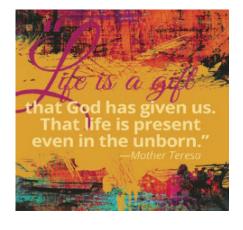
Mass-10:30 am-SJ

Children's Liturgy Word

Readings: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

YFF-6:00 pm



From the Pastor

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Several years ago I spent a summer in the Bay Area going to school to get certified in spiritual direction. During the weekends I would go to baseball games and do a lot of hiking. One of my favorite hikes was in Muir Woods, just off the Golden Gate Bridge.

I was fascinated by the sequoia and redwood trees. I've never seen such huge trees in my life. They were quite majestic. As I was hiking I noticed that some of the trees had fallen from storms. Seeing these huge redwoods on their side, I noticed that the roots of all the fallen trees were really short. I was expecting a huge root system that would support such tall trees. I was puzzled. How could such a short and small root system hold up and support these largest of trees? So I asked a park ranger and he filled me in.

He told me that indeed redwoods and sequoias have some of the shortest roots of all trees. So how do they weather the storms over the centuries? He told me that each redwood takes it very shallow roots and intertwines with the roots of other redwoods. They're all connected by their intertwining roots underground. So when a storm comes and these top heavy trees start swaying in the winds, they literally hold each other up by their interconnected roots. That's why they can grow and thrive for centuries.

There's something to be learned from these beautiful trees. They support each other in times of stress. So should we. This week is the Week of Christian Unity. It's an opportunity to recognize among Christians that we are all one in Christ. Jesus prayed in John's Gospel that we would all be one. During this time of great polarization and divisiveness, Jesus calls us back to oneness with him.

Sometimes I think Jesus is scratching his head about how divided we Christians have become. Did you know that there are over roughly 40,000 different denominations of Christianity in the world today? Ugh! I can imagine Jesus saying to himself "What are those people down there thinking?"

I'm asking you in your prayers this week to pray for Christian unity. We can't change much, except for our attitudes towards other Christians.

Father Brian

JustFaith Catholic Program Offered Virtually Starting 2nd Week of January 2022

How do I respond to poverty and injustice? What tools does my Catholic faith have to offer? Faith and Poverty: A Biblical Response is an 8 week program that explores God's call to respond to poverty in our local communities, equipping participants to take action in effective and sustainable ways. Meaningful prayer experiences in the context of a small faith community are an essential part of each session. The program will be offered virtually on Zoom for any interested Catholics in our diocese starting the 2nd week of January. Every effort will be made find a meeting time that accommodates the schedule of those interested in the program. For a short introductory video go to youtube.com/watch? v=CRWqV KhwLQ. For more information go to https:// justfaith.org/faith-and-poverty-a-biblical-response-jfc/. The program is sponsored through a local grant from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. For more information or to express interest, contact Chervl Sommer, Diocesan Director for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at cchddiobelle@gmail.com or 618-624-2838.



St. Paul Church



LAMP INTENTIONS:

Prayers for better health for Barbara & Brian Pitcher from Carol Ratachie Special intentions of a Parishioner In honor of St. Francis of Assisi Special Intention for Jan from Mom Special Intention for Jamie from Mamma Special intention from a Parishioner

LAMP INTENTIONS IN LOVING MEMORY AND REPOSE OF SOULS

Ralph & Eileen Lee by Maureen Kee & Family
Granny & Grampy Anderson with love Rob, Andrea, Amelia & Ava
Polich, Zasada and Bishop Families from Donnie & Janice
Joe, Agnes and Phyllis Poskevich from their Family
Paul Farthing by Marilyn & Family
Rebekah Anne from Grandpa & Grandma
Joan Skyles from a Friend
Rose Jansco Roberson from the Family
Mary Moroni Thomas from Dwain & Martin
Wally Musial from Lorraine
Peter & Frances Glad & Family from Lorraine Musial
Joseph & Palmira Poskevich from their Family
Loren, Georgina, & Ben from Daniel & Nicki
Tom Evans from Sandra Evans & Family
Rebekah from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent

Holly Pyle from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent
Grandma & Grandpa Helfrich from Gary, Tammy, John Michael,
Jeremy & Brent
William F. & Jimmy Smith by their Family
Nono, Noni, JoAnn, Pedo & Chuckie from Chuck, Judy & Ryan
Sam & Mary Davis, Dave, C.B. Scott & Jerry from Chuck, Judy & Ryan
Erin from Dad, Mama & Ry
Vernon Kee from Maureen, Scout, Karen, Judi, Tim & Rick
Molly Jeanette by her Dads
Vernon Kee by son Tim & Rick
Richard & Jeanette Wade by son Rick & Tim
Loved Ones from a Parishioner
Johnny from Sis
Bob Sniegowski from Carol Ratachie

Jack Hatfield from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent

Birthday Blessings

January

- 18 Janice Gaddis
- 19 Shirley Avery
- 20 Jim Gualdoni
- Andy Gualdoni
- 23 Josie Welch Glasco



ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

January

- Bill & Sandi West (53 years)
- 19 Bob & Barbara Cooksey (26 years)



Messenger Subscription Renewal Weekend

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend is February 5-6. Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to The Messenger Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or on-line at www.bellevillemessenger.org Please make checks payable to the Messenger. The cost is still only \$25 for print or digital and \$30 for both!

Christmas Giving Tree - Pregnancy Matters

"The Christmas Giving Tree" is to help provide needed baby items for the Pregnancy Matters Center. Please take an "Ornament" and purchase that item and return it to church. The tree will be up from December 19th thru January 16th.

Calendar of Events

16 **Mass**-9:00 am

PSR after Mass

Welcome Fr. Frank Coen

19 **No** 12:00 pm Mass

23 **Mass**-9:00 am-Welcome Fr. Frank Coen

PSR after Mass

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS AT ST. PAUL January 23, 2022-9:00 am

L Vicky Reed

S Halle McBride, Ava Anderson

EM Cindy Pulsford

G Tim Kee, Rick Wade

J TKee, RWade, TBurton, JPulsford



THINK OF WHAT IS above, NOT OF WHAT IS ON EARTH.

Reminder

At this time your yearly Lamps need to be renewed. If you have any questions, you can call Sandi at 618-983-5073.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus. ©LPi



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