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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man’s ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, “Ephphatha!”—that is, “Be opened!” - Mk 7:32-34

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Special Collection for Haiti will be taken through the month of September. Please mark HAITI on envelope or check. Donations can also be sent directly to the US Bishops Conference, mark "Haiti" in memo to P.O. Box 96278, Washington DC, 20090-6278.



**ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Idea Solicitation Meeting.**

A Parish cluster meeting will be held on Wed., September 15th at 7 pm at Queen of Peace in the side room. The purpose for this meeting will be to solicit ideas that you, the parishioner of our parish family, have for future programs or for programs you would like to see in our parish cluster. Greg Nowak will explain programs for this upcoming year. Refreshments will be provided. Please come and bring your ideas. Interested in Bible Study. Our Parish cluster study for this year will concentrate on the Pauline Letters.

As St. Peter once wrote: *"So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, speaking of this as he does in all his letters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand..." (2 Pet 3:15-16). This statement is as applicable today as it was two millennia ago.* While St. Paul's letters contain great "wisdom," they also contain many things "hard to understand." But there is a solution to this age-old problem and it begins with answering important historical questions. Who was St. Paul? To whom, from where, and why was he writing? In this Bible Study, we will learn the answers to these critical questions as we study, in their original historical context, the Letters of St. Paul and find therein, as countless generations have before us, ancient and invaluable "wisdom" for our Christian lives today. No books are required for this study except for your Bible. Understanding Paul and his letters will really make the Sunday readings come alive for you. Our Study begins on Wednesday, September 15th, at 7 pm at the Queen of Peace side room after the Idea Solicitation meeting concludes. All interested contact Greg Nowak at nowak25@charter.net or greg.nowak@qofp.com for more information. This study will also be streamed via the Zoom platform for those who prefer that method.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION BEGINS NEXT WEEK

PSR at St. Henry will be starting on September 12th. Classes are every Sunday from 9:00 to 10:15 am and is open to all students from Kindergarten through 8th grade. If you would like to register your child, please contact Kim Ahrens at kpahrens@yahoo.com or 618-540-8383 and request registration information. Also, can be found at St. Henry website at sthenrybelleville.com.

**CURIOUS ABOUT CATHOLICISM?
Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

Have questions? Ready to dive in? It doesn't matter where you are. The path into the Catholic Church is a process of discernment and conversion. The first step is meeting with Greg Nowak, our Director of Adult Faith Formation. For some people, the process may take a while (those who are very unfamiliar with Catholicism), but, for others, it may be relatively short and simple (those who are already Christian and/or have been around the Catholic Church for a long time), or it might be somewhere in between. If you have been thinking of becoming Catholic, contact Greg Nowak at 314-479-6179 (cell), nowak25@charter.net, greg.nowak@qofp.com. RCIA will be starting this fall.



Sunflower Field Photos

Fundraiser for Catholic Relief Services-Led Farming Program If you've thought about taking a drive and exploring the beauty of nature, you might want to drive by the farm of Dale and Kay Haudrich, 7903 State Route 156, Waterloo, IL.

The Haudrich's are participating in a program called Growing Hope Globally and have planted a parcel of land next to their home in sunflowers. The sunflowers are in bloom now. The Haudrichs encourage everyone to not only enjoy the beauty of the sunflowers but to take pictures of the themselves in the sunflower field. There will be a donation box available to make a donation to the Growing Hope Globally Nicaragua program that is led by Catholic Relief Services. Farmers in this program are working to improve soil health through crop diversification, and they are also working to increase income through marketing efforts and community savings and lending programs. Anyone wanting more information about Growing Hope Globally may go to growinghopeglobally.org. Donations may also be made at the webpage or mailed to, Growing Hope Globally, PO Box 5628, Carol Stream IL 60197-5628.

Parish Office & Schools are Closed for Labor Day.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	SATURDAY	September 4	4:30 p.m. (BS)	Mary Wigginton, Leontine Ledee, Mary Ann Sinovic, Lois Sieron
	SUNDAY	September 5	8:00 a.m. (BS)	Parish Family
			10:00 a.m. (QP)	Roger Smith, Rose & George Phillips, Adolph & Emma Auer, Charles Strub
	TUESDAY	September 7	8:00 a.m. (BS)	Ronald Smith
	WEDNESDAY	September 8	8:15 a.m. (QP)	Rev. Steve Humphrey
	THURSDAY	September 9	8:00 a.m. (QP)	Virginia Arterburn
	FRIDAY	September 10	8:15 a.m. (BS)	Cyril & Helen Schmisieur
	SATURDAY	September 11	4:30 p.m. (BS)	James Kassly, Rose Marie Micka, Lavina Descher, Lloyd Proffitt
	SUNDAY	September 12	8:00 a.m. (BS)	Parish Family
			10:00 a.m. (QP)	Lucille Zabawa, Joseph & Marie Meyer, Kathy Rettle



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 4/5 2021

Entrance Song: BB #208 *Praise to the Lord*

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation! Come, all who hear: Now to his altar draw near, Joining in glad adoration!
2. Praise to the Lord, who shall prosper our work and defend us; Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, Who with his love will befriend us.
3. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in us adore him! All that has life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the "Amen" sound from his people again, Now as we worship before him! Text: 14 14 47 8; Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Stralsund, 1665; adapt. fr. The Chorale Book for England, 1863.

Greeting, Penitential Rite

Gloria: Refrain Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Text © 2010, ICEL. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music © 2011, Tom Booth. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.



Collect

The Liturgy of the Word

The readings can be found at www.usccb.org

First Reading:

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Responsorial Psalm: *Bless the Lord my soul, who heals the broken hearted.*

Second Reading:

James 2:1-5

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel:

Mark 7:31-37

Homily

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God, from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Universal Prayer

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Song: BB #393

Open My Eyes

Verses 1, 5. Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

2. Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice. Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.
3. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love. Bridge And the first shall be last, and our eyes are opened and we'll hear like never before. And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll see God's face in places we've never known.
4. I live within you. Deep in your heart, O Love. I live within you. Rest now in me. Text: Based on Mark 8:22–25; Psalm 51 (50):12–14a. Spanish bridge text © 1970, Conferencia Episcopal Española. All rights reserved. Used with permission. English verses 1-3,



Holy, Holy: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Text ©2010, ICEL. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music©1978,2009 OCP

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come, until you come again. Text©2010 ICEL. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music© 1988,2009 OCP. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

Amen: Amen, amen, amen. Music©1988 OCP, All rights reserved. Used with permission.

Our Father Sign of Peace: Lamb of God: Lamb of God: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (Repeat) Lamb of God

you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace. Music ©1978 OCP. All rights reserved Used with permission.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Communion Song: BB #437 On Eagle's Wings

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" Refrain And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.
2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.
3. You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.
4. For to his angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Final Refrain And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand. And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

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Prayer After Communion:

The Concluding Rites:

Final Blessing and Dismissal:

Recessional: BB #576 In the Day of the Lord

Refrain: In the day of the Lord, the sun will shine like the dawn of eternal day. All creation will rise to dance and sing the glory of the Lord!

1. And on that day will justice triumph, on that day will all be free: free from want, free from fear, free to live!
2. Then shall the nations throng together to the mountain of the Lord: they shall walk in the light of the Lord!
3. And they shall beat their swords to plowshares; there will be an end to war: one in peace, one in love, one in God!

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God, You have called us through Baptism to discipleship, believing in your Son, Jesus Christ, who has sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to the world. We pray to you, asking that you grant us more priests and religious who will help us build up your Church in the Diocese of Belleville and the world. Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many of our youth. Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves in service to our Lord Jesus and his people. May a new generation of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers be a sign of your presence among us. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.



With Sympathy, please keep in your thoughts and prayers...

Patrick "PJ" Keeley, Jr., who passed away on

August 17, 2021, and **Raymond Rakowski**, who passed away on August 19, 2021. May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.

ON OUR OWN EVENT

The On Our Own group will be meeting on Wednesday, September 15 for an early dinner. Come and join us at 4pm at 4204 Main Street Brewing Co. Restaurant in Belleville. We will talk, eat, laugh, and enjoy each other's company. New people are always welcome! If you have questions, please contact Karen Vick at 618-277-3374 or kvgr4@aol.com.



THE QP PARISH FESTIVAL IS SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

Here are some highlights for this year's festival:

- Quilt Bingo Begins at 2 pm.
- All you can Eat Chicken dinner starts at 4:30-7pm.
- Amber Fade plays at 7pm
- Raffles for a \$400 Schnucks gift card, hand-made quilt and a Xbox Series S.
- Large silent auction from 4-9 pm in school cafeteria
- Food & drinks
- Big 6 and Beat the Dealer
- Kids games
- Tribout's rides

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HOW CAN I HELP?

The festival is only a success because of all QP Parishioners coming together. There are still many ways in which you can help.

- Please sign up to volunteer in back of church or at <https://signup.com/go/wKveKbQ>.
- Invite your family and friends to attend.
- Please sign up to make desserts. We need approximately 200 desserts between the cake stand and chicken dinner. We currently are short of what we need. Please sign up in back of church or at the website. **Desserts can be dropped off anytime between 9am and 2 pm on the day of the festival.**
- We need donations of canned soda and water. Please drop off in back of church or School office on school days.
- Purchase Large CASH raffle tickets.
- Purchase Raffle tickets for Quilt, Schnucks Gift Card, or Xbox Series S.

If you have any questions, contact Ben Hoffmann at 618-570-4828.

QP Festival Silent Auction Items Still Needed

Please consider donating items that can be auctioned separately or included in gift baskets. **New or gently used merchandise of all types is needed.** Donations can be left in the Silent Auction container in church or on these dates at the **Convent - Tues. & Thurs . Sept., 7th & 8th from 6-8 pm.** If you have questions, please contact Lynn Schott, 618-558-2638.

MASK MANDATES REINSTATED

Bishop McGovern has reinstated masks to be worn in all parish buildings until further notice.

BLESSED SACRAMENT GOLF CLASSIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

Far Oaks Golf Club

7:00 am Registration

8:00 am Shotgun Start

Foursome \$400 (\$100 per golfer)

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Contact Blessed Sacrament School for more information at 397-1111, or email to:

dmartinez@blessedsacramentbelleville.com



BLESSED SACRAMENT FUNDRISE!!

Help the 8th Grade Class at Blessed Sacrament raise funds for their final year events. They will be collecting all **clothing accessories and household textiles: (clothing, coats, shoes, handbags, wallets ties, belts, backpacks to bedding, curtains and tablecloths, etc.) NO HARD ITEMS.** We will be accepting donations until September 25th. Please bring all donations to the main entrance by the school office and place in bins. Thank you for supporting the Class of 2022!

QP MOTHER'S CLUB/SODALITY MEETING

MCS invites you to our first meeting of the school year! Tuesday, 9/7/21 @ 6:30pm in the school cafeteria.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PICNIC NEWS

Thank you to everyone who came out of the AC to enjoy the parish picnic!

Quilt winner was **Michelle Delvecchio.**

50/50 Raffle Winners: Chris Thacker & Jim Gomric.

We would especially like to thank our chairperson, Sarah Shannon for getting this all together, the volunteers who stepped up to help, and to our new custodians Mike Schwent and Danny Shannon for all their hard work before, during and after the picnic.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING DAY

Please join Bishop McGovern, Father Nick Fleming on Sunday, September 12 at St. Clare Church in O'Fallon to discover the beauty of Natural Family Planning. The day begins with the 10:30 a.m. Mass and concludes at 4 p.m. Lunch is provided and families are welcome! Childcare will be provided. Please RSVP with number attending and ages of children to emily.joost@gmail.com.

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