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Deacon Tim DeRousse

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office at least four months in advance.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM at Blessed Sacrament Church or anytime by appointment.

Confirmation

Celebrated during the Season of Easter. Contact the Parish Office.

Eucharist

Tuesday 8:15 AM

Blessed Sacrament Church

Wednesday 8:15 AM

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

Thursday 8:15 AM

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

Friday 8:15 AM

Blessed Sacrament Church

Saturday 4:30 PM

Blessed Sacrament Church

Sunday

8:00 AM Blessed Sacrament Church

10:00 AM Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

Holy Matrimony

Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance. If you or your intended have been previously married, please talk to the pastor before you schedule anything.

Holy Orders

Contact the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated in the Fall at **Queen of Peace**, and **May 3, 2022** at **Blessed Sacrament**.

In emergencies, contact the Parish Office or the priest residence.

New Parishioners

Please call or stop by the rectory to register.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 1:00 pm

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

First Corinthians and the Stewardship of Social Media

“Love is patient, love is kind ...”

As familiar as these words are, they never seem to stray into the territory of becoming trite or silly. At their core they communicate a truth about us and about our Creator that never fails to inspire. But despite the fact that you’ve probably heard it at many weddings over time, First Corinthians isn’t just for newlyweds. It wasn’t written for married folks. It’s for every single one of us, in every state of life and every social situation, in every country and culture and language across the globe.



Which means that First Corinthians is even for the online world. It’s for Facebook and Twitter and Instagram and all the other platforms I’m forgetting (there seems to be a new one every day, doesn’t there?).

A sense of division — whether rooted in politics, culture or anything else — is growing in our world, and it’s never more obvious than when we observe interactions online. It is far easier, after all, to remember what love is when a human being of flesh and blood stands before us. When all we see is an avatar or a profile picture on a screen — especially accompanied by an opinion with which we vehemently disagree — even the most loving Christians can throw First Corinthians out the window.

As everyday stewards we know that we are charged to be not only gracious but grateful. We receive others but we also give thanks for what they bring to us — even if that’s an opportunity to “strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts.”

So before the next time you post anything online, I suggest giving First Corinthians a read — and remember, love never fails.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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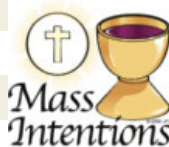
Please join us to pray for those suffering with cancer at the 8:15 am Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace on Thursday, February 3, 2022.

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH FAMILY

Laurel Joann Flikkema, daughter of Jon & Caitlin (McGlynn) Flikkema, who was Baptized in our parish.



MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS	SATURDAY	January 29	4:30 p.m. (BS)	Wyatt Rawlings Jr. Family, William Ott, MD, Joseph Millard
	SUNDAY	January 30	8:00 a.m. (BS)	Parish Family
			10:00 a.m. (QP)	Roger Smith, Rose & George Phillips
	TUESDAY	February 1	8:15 a.m. (BS)	Donald St. Eve
	WEDNESDAY	February 2	8:15 a.m. (QP)	Poor Souls
	THURSDAY	February 3	8:15 a.m. (QP)	Peggy Slapshak
	FRIDAY	February 4	8:15 a.m. (BS)	Cyril & Helen Schmisser
	SATURDAY	February 5	4:30 p.m. (BS)	Francis J. Goelz, Ronald Smith, Alice Braun, Al Dolansky
	SUNDAY	February 6	8:00 a.m. (BS)	Parish Family
			10:00 a.m. (QP)	Mary Swedo



Remember your loved ones with a Mass. Contact the parish office at 618-397-2287.



ON OUR OWN EVENT

For February, the On Our Own group will be gathering at the Abbey Restaurant on Main Street. We will be meeting on Wednesday, February 16, at 11:30am for lunch. Come and join us. 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. Hope to see you there!

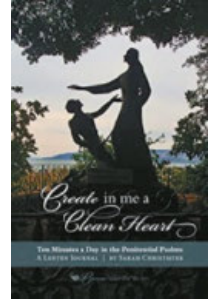
DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY

We would like to begin a Adult Day Time Bible Study soon. Those who are interested, contact Greg Nowak at nowak25@charter.net or greg.nowak@qofp.com. We would like to begin the study in February or March 2022. Day and time to be determined as well as topic. Watch for more details.



LENTEN PREPARATION

In order to prepare ourselves for the joy of Easter, we must "Spiritually Cleanse" ourselves during our Lenten Journey. What better way to prepare for Lent than by studying the 7 Penitential Psalms that Holy Scripture provides us. In this 4 week study, we will focus on 2 Psalms each week (Psalm 51, the Miserere will be its own week). This Bible Study will utilize Sarah Christmyer's book, "Create in Me a Clean Heart". Our study will be on Wednesday evenings at 7pm (Feb. 2nd,- 23rd) in preparation for Ash Wednesday.



Those interested in this study contact Greg Nowak at greg.kowak@qofp.com or nowak25@charter.net. Books will need to be ordered and we will use the Zoom platform.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

An open letter to Catholic School Students:

Do you know why you are going to a Catholic school? Permit me to give you a little bit of background.

Your parents and grandparents are the ones who built the Catholic school educational system in your city, state, and nation. Your parents and grandparents saw the importance of a great education and saw the connection between their faith in God and his Church and education to assist the greater community in becoming more than just an average citizen of society and believer in Christ.

A Catholic school education is now more expensive than it used to be. In previous decades, religious sisters and brothers who worked for next to nothing staffed our Catholic schools. They spent long hours to make sure the teachings of the Church and the education of the next generation was excellent. Now our teachers are mostly laywomen and men. And they deserve a living wage and to provide for their own families.

As Catholic Schools Week begins, let us remember where our Catholic schools were, and where they are going.

Let us pray...

God of knowledge and faith, thank you for the opportunity to go to a Catholic school. When I go to Mass, I hear that knowledge is so important. Thank you for my parents and grandparents who have built our school and supported it throughout the years. Help me to be a good student and to become a good supporter of my parish, city, and country. Please bless all those men and women who have spent their lives teaching in our Catholic schools. Please bless my friends and teachers I learn with every day.

I ask for all these blessings in the name of God's Son, Jesus. Amen.





EVENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

Tuesday, February 1

QP-SODALITY/MOTHER'S CLUB: 7 pm Mtg. in the school cafeteria.

Thursday, February 3

CHOIR PRACTICE: 7 pm in QP church.

Monday, February 7

BS ST. VINCENT de PAUL: Mtg. 7 pm in parish office basement.

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

Mary Beth Rompel Schaltenbrand, who passed away on January 15, 2022, **Raymond T.**

Wiley, who passed away on January 17, 2022, and **Wayne C. Muren**, who passed away on January 20, 2022. May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.



“LOVE IS ALL AROUND”

Knights of Columbus Hall,
 Saturday, February 12th from 7-10 pm
 Old Collinsville Rd, Fairview Hts.
 Live music by Steve Shining and the ShinSings Orchestra. Come swing to classic hits and pop tunes! Bring your own snacks. Cash bar and desserts available. Silent Auction! Call to reserve your space 618-409-0015. Tickets \$10 under age 5 free. MASK required. This event will benefit the St. Augustine Belleville Food Pantry and the non-profit Rising Stars Youth Organization. Thank you.



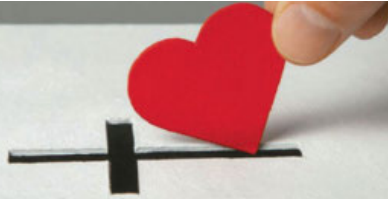
Encounter all the Possibilities to enrich your Faith! Subscribe to **The Messenger** at 618-233-8670. To subscribe online go to www.bellevillemessenger.org February is Subscription Renewal Month.

CLEAN-OFF DAY AT THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville & Holy Cross Cemetery in Fairview Hts. will be removing the live Christmas Blankets and Wreaths on Friday, February 4, 2022.

BS: December (Inc. Christmas) Budget \$63,500	Actual YTD: \$76,569
QP: December (Inc. Christmas) Budget \$53,400	Actual YTD: \$43,823

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Our Parish Community does benefit from your donations. Please prayerfully consider donating today using your debit/credit card, checking, or savings account. Make a donation for Sunday Contributions, donate to St. Vincent de Paul, Mass Memorial, School Annual fund, School Tuition Assistance, Church Improvement Fund.

ONLY 3 EASY STEPS!!

1. Go to: QP: qofp.weshareonline.org/
 BS: blessedsacramentbelleville.weshareonline.org/

Or scan the QR code:

QP:QR CODE



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and click Give Online.

2. Click the collection you wish to donate to.
3. Click Recurring donation, enter your donation \$ & frequency.

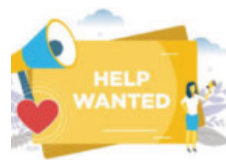
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Part-Time Accounting/Bookkeeper Position Available Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council, a Catholic, non-profit 501c-3 that serves the poor, has a part-time bookkeeper/accounting position available at the Council Office, 8800 West Main Street, Belleville (across from Blessed Sacrament Church). This experienced candidate must be proficient with Quick Books Pro, accounts receivable/accounts payable, payroll/payroll taxes, financial reports, budget preparation and enjoy interacting with people.

If interested in applying, please call 618-394-0126 and leave a message or text 618-799-8505.



ATTENTION BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISHIONERS: DONATION UNKNOWN??

Recently, someone made a donation to Blessed Sacrament Parish from their UMB retirement IRA fund. Sometimes when we receive these donations, they come without a name or identification on them. If you recently made your annual donation from a UMB account and it was sent to the parish office, please contact us at 618-397-2287 so that we can give you the proper credit and get a tax letter for you.

Thank you for your generosity and God bless you, Fr. Matt & staff

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Lenten Fish Frys

Blessed Sacrament Fish Fry committee has announced the Lenten Fish Fry dates for 2022... **March 11th, April 1st & 29th.** Watch the bulletin for volunteer opportunities.



COSGROVE'S KITCHEN CASSEROLE PROGRAM

QP St. Vincent de Paul is asking for your help. It is time for the quarterly collection for Cosgrove's Kitchen. We are still unable to collect food items, so we are asking for monetary donations again.

The Kitchen and Drop-In Centers are in dire need of supplies. Between the two they serve breakfast and lunch; and provide a snack for those who come to the Drop-In Center at night. If you are able to help, please put your check or cash donations in an envelope labeled SVDP Belleville Council and drop it in the collection basket at church. Please make checks payable to Belleville Council SVDP, and mark in memo "Cosgrove's Kitchen".

If you are not attending church, your donations can be sent to the Parish Office, 8707 West Main St., Belleville, IL. 62223. Please mark on envelope "Cosgrove's Kitchen". **We will be accepting donations until FEBRUARY 21ST.** Thank you in advance for your generosity. In these difficult times our parishioners are always there to help those in need!

"Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?"

—Corrie ten Boom



OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE A Night Under the Stars 2022 DINNER AUCTION + ADULT PROM

Dear Parish Family,

Our Lady Queen of Peace School invites you to join us for the annual dinner auction on Saturday, February 26, 2022! We would love to see parishioners, alumni, alumni parents, everyone at A Night Under the Stars in the Parish Center. To purchase tickets, please visit <https://qofp.ejoinme.org>. You can use that same link to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win \$750 cash, a YETI Tundra 45 Cooler or a Quarter Side of Beef or Free Tuition for one student for the 2022-2023 school year. Our Sweet Shoppe will be open for you to grab all of the goodies you can eat, too! Can't make it but still want to help? No problem! You can visit the link to take out an ad in the program or be a sponsor. Want to donate items to our Silent Auction? Simply click this link <https://smile.amazon.com/registries/custom/3BV44ACERL6JI/guest-view> to our Amazon Wish List. You purchase your donation and it will ship directly to school!

Are you an awesome baker or know of a local bakery that has amazing treats? Just follow this link <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfU-brDwcRh4I3jt030uezMq2ws4FkvKIMGf-KnanUVKepJRg/viewform> to sign up to donate to our Sweet Shoppe!

We would love to see you all there, so grab your friends and family and click the link

<https://qofp.ejoinme.org> to get your tickets today!

Sincerely,

Liz Stookey and Stacey Hesse
2022 Auction Chairs

BECOME A PRAYER CHAIN WARRIOR Believe in the Power of Prayer?

We could use your help! Join the Prayer Chain and help us pray for the intentions of family and friends from both of our parishes. Contact Sharon Needham at 618-234-7550 or email: needhamsharon2@gmail.com.



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