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AND ON
EARTH
PEACE TO
THOSE
ON WHOM
HIS FAVOR
RESTS.

LUKE 2:14

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 10/20/22 at Queen of Peace, and Spring 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

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

As we age, time seems to pass more quickly. Years seemingly fly by as one holiday flows into the next, January quickly becomes December and life maintains its hectic pace. What do we accomplish in all of that busyness? Perhaps technology is responsible for some of the frenzy, keeping us isolated in our social media worlds, communicating through texts rather than in person, and always connected to world events. We're over stimulated in many ways by information, noise, opinions, and ideologies. Yet, we still find the time to decorate our homes, purchase gifts, and plan Christmas gatherings. We know, however, that the true meaning of Christmas is not found in twinkling lights, beautifully adorned trees, perfectly set tables or exchanged gifts. We are being called to something deeper and more authentic.

Christmas reminds us to look for God along the way of our lives and not get distracted by the illusions around us. Our world's complexity can leave us feeling displaced, desperate, alone, neglected, and unimportant. Joseph and Mary felt that way too. In the midst of all that captures and intrigues us in our self-created virtual worlds, is this longing for the anchor of faith to keep us grounded and make sense of it all. Only faith can give us the perspective to see what truly matters in life. We discover our divinely blessed humanity. The uncertain and challenging journey to Bethlehem gives way to the tender moments of birth and its embrace. Christmas softens us and slows us down a bit. It shows us Jesus as the light who enlightens everyone. It shows us the truth. The faith that comes from Christmas calms our fears and allows us to go into the nighttime of our lives courageously. We are never lost or alone. We need to stop and savor more of life's moments before they slip away in time. God is with us, loving us, and leading us where we need to be. God is born again and again in every soul willing to give birth to His presence. God connects us and provides us with a place where we feel safe and welcome: home. Merry Christmas! ©LPi



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

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS	SATURDAY	December 24	5:00pm.(BS)	Hatch & Tidwell Families
	Christmas Eve		10:00pm.(QP)	Elie & Ferguson Families
	SUNDAY	December 25	9:00am.(QP)	McEvilly, Miller, & Wallace Families
			10:00am.(QP)	Special Intention for Robert & Margy McGlynn, Roger Smith, Rose & George Phillips
	TUESDAY	December 27	8:15am.(BS)	Ronald E. Smith
	WEDNESDAY	December 28	8:15am.(QP)	Linda Heap
	THURSDAY	December 29	8:15am.(QP)	Poor Souls
	FRIDAY	December 30	8:15am.(BS)	Mary Ann & Vincent O'Leary, Linda Cheatham
	SATURDAY	December 31	4:30pm.(BS)	Jane & Doy Freeland
	SUNDAY	January 1	9:00am.(QP)	Parish Family
		10:00am.(QP)	CBHS Class of 1957	



Christmas Flower Memorials

Gregory Arns Family
Adolph & Emma Auer
Auer, Gruber & Chady Families
Steve & Ann Babik
Anna & Ernest Bauer
Pete Bauer
Helen A. Bechtel
Victor Behrmann
Eddie Blake
Clara & Andy Boza
Margaret Brastein
Bill, Lynn & Steve Brotherton
Rosemary Buss
The Clark Family
The Dahlmann & Fritsch Families
The Descher Family
Albert Dolansky
Geraldine Eads
Elie & Ferguson Families
The Ernst Family
The Goelz & Abegg Families
Jack Gagen
Mrytle & John Gagen
Andrew Glauber

The Grass Family
Ann Gregor
William Gregor
Michael Gregor
Martin Hart
The Hatch Family
Loreane & Floyd Henley
Ken Henley
Louise & Rudy Hervatin
The Joseph Family
Dr. Bill Knaus
Hazel Knaus
Richard Knaus
Robert Knaus
John Kohnz Family
Clarence & Eleanor Krietemeyer
Ronda Krietemeyer
The Lanter Family
The Ledee Family
Dr. Harry Lipe
McEville, Miller & Wallace Families
Vinnie & Gladys McEville

Rosalind Mack
Tom Majka, Sr.
John Morgan
Margaret & Roy Neighbors
Becky Neighbors
Stanley & Virginia Nowakowski
Rose & George Phillips, Sr.
The Price & Toth Families
Michael Roche
The Schmisser Family
Mildred & Ed Schott
Roger Smith
Karen Stein
Randy Stein
Ray Stephens
Thelma & Donald Stogner
Roger & Maryann Sullivan
Alvin & Dorothy Sutter
The Wagner Family
Ban J. Wessel
James J. Wessel
Annea Wiegand
George & Lottie Wieggers
Lucille Zabawa

HOLIDAY MASS TIMES

New Years Eve Saturday, December 31, 2022

4:30 pm @ Blessed Sacrament

New Years Day Sunday, January 1, 2023

8:00 am @ Blessed Sacrament

10:00 am @ Queen of Peace

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, I think of the words St. John wrote in one of his epistles: "we have come to know and believe in the love God has for us." My sincere prayer for the people of our diocese is that as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, each of us comes to know and believe more deeply in the love God has for us. May this Christmas be filled with a spirit of kindness and compassion and may you, your families and loved ones be filled with the peace of Christ in the New Year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Bishop Michael McGovern





BLESSED SACRAMENT AUCTION UPDATE

Thank you to our Blessed Sacrament parish family and friends for helping us put on a successful auction!! We appreciate all those that attended the auction, purchased an advertisement, made a donation or supported in anyway! We are very pleased to have raised over \$95,000!!



BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH REPAIRS

We recently had to repair/upgrade the thermostat system in the church. The cost of that repair was \$13,000. **THANK YOU** to Quilters/St. Ann Sodality for their donation of \$2,000.

In addition, we have discovered the wooden doors on the church are failing. The proposal to replace all of the exterior doors with galvanized doors is estimated to be \$35,000. Any donations to help cover these expenses will be greatly appreciated.



WITH SYMPATHY, please keep in your thoughts and prayers... **Neil Hayden**, passed away on December 10, 2022. May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.

Save the Date!
Saturday, March 18, 2023
Queen of Peace School Auction



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!! Queen of Peace St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all the parishioners and Friends who donated to our recent Cosgrove's Kitchen and the Drop-In-Center collections. Because of your generosity we were able to donate \$625.00. This money will definitely help both Cosgrove's Kitchen and the Drop-In Center.

Thank you all again for being so generous and always willing to help those in need. St. Vincent de Paul can always count on our QP Parishioners and Friends!



BS: October Budget \$27,700	Actual MTD: \$20,433
QP: October Budget \$27,700	Actual MTD: \$25,569

STAY UP TO DATE ON YOUR PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS.

CONSIDER ON-LINE GIVING

Go to:

QP: qofp.weshareonline.org/ or
 BS: blessedsacramentbelleville.weshareonline.org/

Or scan the QR code:



Then click Give Online.

Pick the collection you wish to donate to.

END OF YEAR GIVING

As calendar year 2022 nears a close, there are a number of way to benefit your parish...



- A gift by check must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2022.
- Gifts of stock must be transferred by December 31, 2022.
- Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA are more complex and must clear your account by December 31, 2022.

***Remember to consult with your personal tax advisor regarding your own situation.**

Thank you for your continued support to your parish.

Christmas Memorial Candles

Antonia Abegg
Frank Abegg
John P. Ackermann
Eloise Ackermann Larry Allen
Mary F. Arvin
Adolph & Emma Auer
The Auer Family
Anna & Ernest Bauer
Pete Bauer
Margaret Brastein
Betty & Henry Buss
Rosemary Buss
The Brinson Family
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cermak, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cermak, Sr.
The Chady Family
The Cheatham Family
Marie & Al Clark
Katherine & Charles Clark
Kathryn Crossley
Mary & Francis Cullen
Kathryn Dahlmann
William j. Dahlmann
Leo & Loretta Daly
Rev. Richard Daly
Al Dolansky
Elie & Ferguson Families
Les Ernst
Patrick Fiore
Kilian F. Fritsch
Mary S. Fritsch
Elizabeth Fritsch-Hayes
Patricia Fritsch-Woolford
Dolores M. Goelz

Elisabeth M. Goelz
Francis J. Goelz
Louis Goelz
Martha Goelz
Ann Gregor
Michael Gregor
William Gregor
The Gruber Family
Martin C. Hart
Frances & Vincent Hatch
Harold "Joe" Haubrich
Ruth & Edward Horrigan
Arlynn & Thomas Hubert, Sr.
Joanne & Thomas Hubert, Jr.
Ruth & Robert Jackson
Jim Kelley
John Kilda, Jr.
Richard "R.J." Krause
Ruth & Raymond Krause
Charlotte Kroupa
Marie & Jack Kuegler
Patrick & Jean Lee
Marlene Lintz
Dr. Harry V. Lipe
Monica McEvelly
McEvelly, Miller & Wallace Families
Cecilia Goelz/MacDonald
Janie Stivers Mast
William & Estelle Matlack
Mark Mattern
Andrew Alton Mueller
LeRoy Mueller

Phillip Nigma
Dr. Michael Noetzel
Mary Ann O'Leary
Vincent O'Leary
The Parker Family
Caroline Peter
Charles E. Price, Jr.
Charles E. Price, Sr.
John Roy Price
John A. & Rosemary Price
Susan Price
Beatrice Reaka
Veronica Schutzenhofer
Bernadine & Earie Smith
Brian Smith
Robert Smith
Ronald Smith
Frank Srogus, Sr.
Nellie Srogus
Antanas Stancius
Elena Stancius
Alfa Stancius
Donald St. Eve
Florence St. Eve
Donald Tewell
Margaret Tewell
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Tojo
Concha & Charles Votava
Dorothy Wigginton
Mary Wigginton (2)
Stewart Wigginton
Sr. Josefita Wojcicka
Deborah Wondolowski
Ruby & Joseph Ziaja



45TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Diocesan Christmas Collection is taken up at the Christmas Masses. Envelopes can be found in your packet or online at the Diocesan website at www.diobelle.org. One hundred percent of the money collected for this fund stays in our Diocese to help people with emergency utility services, shelter, food, transportation, burial expenses, and other forms of countless aid. During this past year \$143,820 was distributed to those in need through your gifts to the Christmas Collection. Our Christmas Collection has been a much needed source of help for many. Please know I am most grateful for any support you might be able to give.

Sincerely your in Christ,
Most Reverend Michael McGoven

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