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## MASS SCHEDULES

### Holy Trinity

#### Regular Mass Schedule

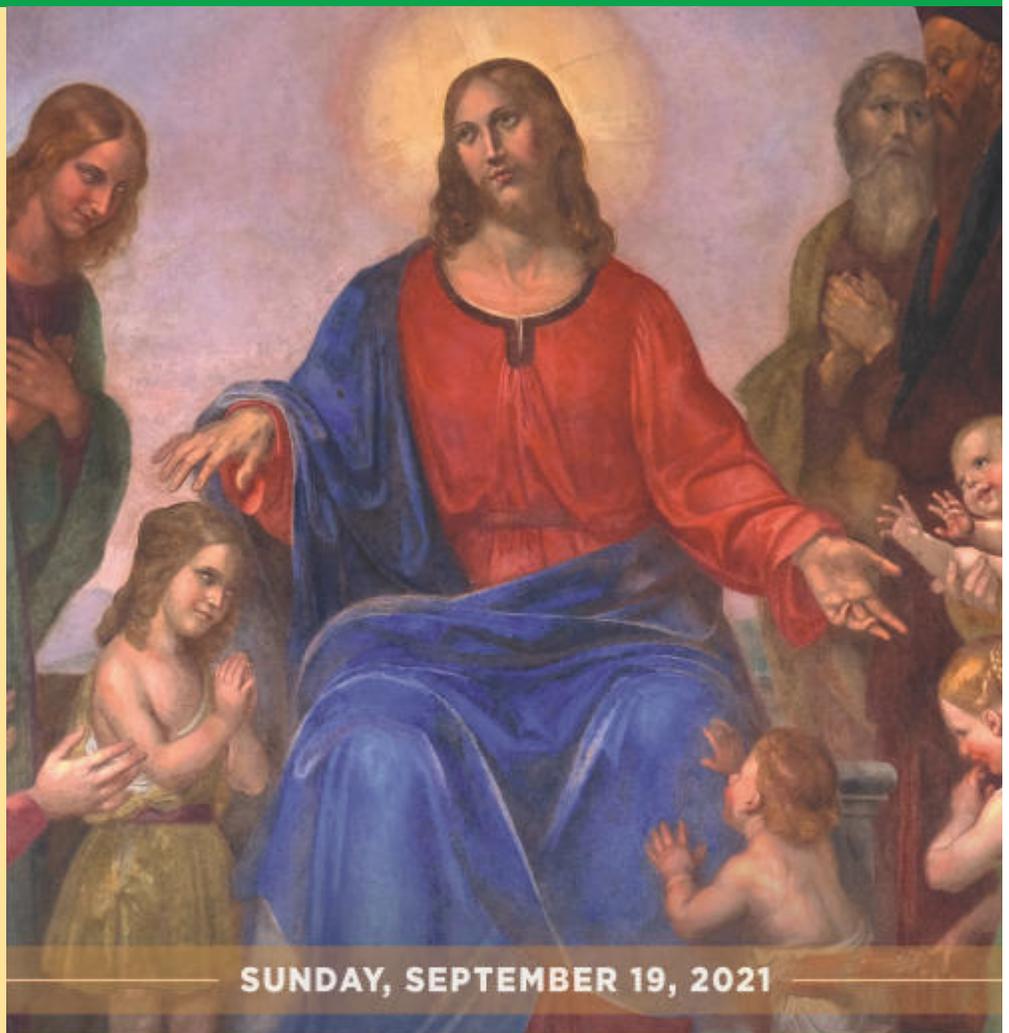
Saturday Evenings: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 7:30am, 10:30am  
Wednesday & Friday 8:10am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturdays 3:00 - 3:30pm

### St. Stephen

901 S. Main, Caseyville, IL

#### Regular Mass Schedule

Sunday 9am English  
12:00pm Spanish  
Mon -Tue-Thu 8:00am  
Wednesdays 6:30pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sundays 8-8:30am



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

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OFFERTORY	09/05/21	09/12/21
Our Weekly Needs	\$14,462	\$ 14,462
Total Contributions	\$ 14,880	\$ 11,016
<b>WE NEED your support</b>	<b>\$ 418</b>	<b>\$ 3,446</b>

Additional Ministries		
School Support	\$ 125	\$65
School Annual Fund	\$ 220	\$25
Sister Parish	\$ 59	\$348
St. Vincent dePaul	\$ 200	\$250
Picnic	\$ 205	\$100
<b>Total Additional Ministries</b>	<b>\$ 809</b>	<b>\$788</b>

Parish Construction Loan		
Our weekly needs	\$11,888	\$ 11,888
Your contributions	\$ 7,295	\$ 4,020
<b>WE NEED your support</b>	<b>\$ 4,593</b>	<b>\$ 7,868</b>

- # Registered Active Families in the Parish: 706
- # Newly Registered Families this year to date: 19
- # Registered Active Families Used Envelopes last week: 95
- # Registered Active Families Used On-Line Giving last week: 78
- # Registered Active Families Contributed to One Future last week: 25

**PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING**  
Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**The sick, their loved ones and caregivers.  
May they never lose sight of the love of God.**

- Tom Elfrink
- Dan Noel
- Norma Rensing
- Bill Trent
- Paul Anderson
- Rifa Uhl
- Margaret Hampton
- Sue Schey
- Jean Ann Brophy
- Chrissie Cissell
- Patrick Guest

Please help us keep our list up-to-date! Call the parish office if you'd like to add a name.

Remember your loved ones or a special intention by offering a Mass. Masses are a \$10 donation each and available in the church office

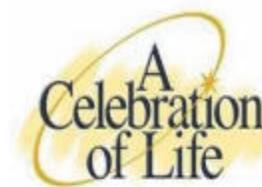
**OWLS  
October 1st @5:30pm**



Taco Bar is our main dish! Please bring a side to share or \$5 contribution. We also need a couple more people to step forward and help plan the monthly gathering. We can't go forward without more help!

**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows**

Fall Retreat sponsored by the Victorious Missionaries – This is Me! The Power That Comes with Knowing Who You Are and Whose You Are October 15-17, 2021 Shrine Visitor Center Presented by Danielle Harrison In our retreat time together, we will celebrate our giftedness, reclaim our space, thank God for our being here – and of course, embrace the wonder of who we are as children of God. Visit [vmsa.org](http://vmsa.org) for a printable registration form or call 618.394.6281 to register.



The family of Hazel Baker would like to invite Holy Trinity Parishioners to a Celebration of Life **Saturday, Sept. 25th from 5-7 pm** at Kassly Funeral Home.

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a part-time (20 hours per week) Director of Respect Life Apostolate (RLA) to educate Catholics – whether clergy, religious, or laity – on the issues surrounding the Catholic Church's teachings regarding the dignity of the human person and sanctity of human life. The Director provides leadership for the RLA and works towards collaboration among offices and agencies within the Curia. Send resume, cover letter, and references to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 South Third Street, Belleville, IL 62220 or email [humanresources@diobelle.org](mailto:humanresources@diobelle.org) Application Deadline: September 24, 2021

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Please email items to [news@holyltrinityil.org](mailto:news@holyltrinityil.org)  
All submissions may be edited and will be included as space allows. **Deadline for submitting items for the bulletin is: Friday at 5pm** One week prior to publication

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

- Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/  
Mk 9:30-37
- Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
- Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
- Friday:** Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/  
Lk 9:43b-45
- Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/  
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>SAT 9/18</b>	4pm	Lucille & Lawrence Martin Alex & Darlene Schutzenhofer Joseph Zarzecki Leo Speichinger Marjorie Farrell Dan Noel
<b>SUN 9/19</b>	7:30am	For our parish
	10:30am	Julie Brauer Horvath Stanley Myrda Deb Elfrink Mary Lou Wright
<b>WED 9/22</b>	8:10am	Alex & Darlene Schutzenhofer John F. Newell, Jr.
<b>FRI 9/24</b>	8:10am	Faye Krause Laura Bigham
<b>SAT 9/25</b>	4pm	Nettie Kapp Deb Elfrink Leo Speichinger Faye Krause Dan Noel
<b>SUN 9/26</b>	7:30am	For our parish
	10:30am	Lucille & Lawrence Martin Deb Elfrink Hazel Baker Laura Bigham



Dear Parishioners,

Mr. Josh Elmore is a seminarian for the Diocese of Belleville and is in his second year of Pre-theology. His home parish is Holy Childhood, Mascoutah. Josh has been assigned to Holy Trinity this school year. He will be here only on Sundays and will assist at Mass and teach a class with Youth Faith Formation. Welcome Josh! Also, his aunt is a parishioner of Holy Trinity—Susan Pyle.

Back when things were locked down and the only way to participate at Mass was through social media, I said that this was a moment of grace. And so it has been. In fact every difficulty and trial can be a moment to experience God's grace. Pope Francis says, "The journey of the Church and our own personal journeys as Christians are not always easy; they meet with difficulties and trials. To follow the Lord, to let his Spirit transform the shadowy parts of our lives, our ungodly ways of acting, and cleanse us of our sins, is to set out on a path with many obstacles, both in the world around us but also within us, in the heart. But difficulties and trials are part of the path that leads to God's glory, just as they were for Jesus who was glorified on the cross; we will always encounter them in life! Do not be discouraged! We have the power of the Holy Spirit to overcome these trials!"

Peace,

*Fr. Jim*

Weekly Discussion Questions



These discussion questions connect to each week's YFF class, but can be used by all of us to reflect on the Gospel and it's message for us

Questions for All of us:

Life Question: How do you make others feel welcome?
Gospel Question: What does Jesus teach by his welcoming a child?

Adults and Teens

What could be read in the signs of our times?
What predictions would you make for the near future?

Grades 7-8

Life Question: How do you make others feel welcome?
Gospel Question: What does Jesus teach by welcoming a child?

Grades 4-6

Life Question: What makes a friend?
Gospel Question: How can serving make you the greatest?

Grades 2-3

Life Question: How do you serve others?
Gospel Question: Who does Jesus say is the greatest?

Grades K-1

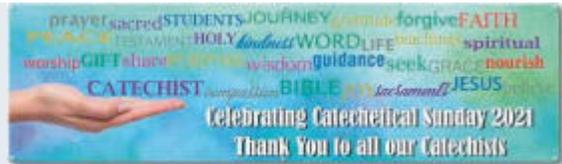
Life Question: What do I do to welcome people?
Gospel Question: Why do we attend religion or faith formation classes and Mass?

Preschool

Life Question: What do I know about Jesus?
Gospel Question: Where do we go each week to celebrate God in our lives?

Confirmation Preparation

Attention all 8th grade students and parents. We will have a parent meeting THIS Sunday, September 19th from 1:00-3:00 in the Parish Center. Those to be confirmed and 1 parent are asked to attend

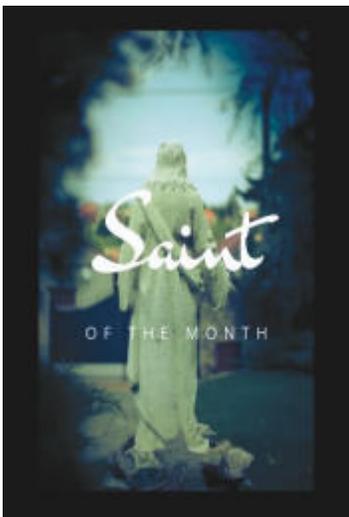


Catechetical Sunday is TODAY!

We want to thank our catechists involved with the School, YFF, Children's Liturgy of the Word, SEEDS, Youth Ministry, RCIA, TMIY, Adult Bible Study and many other programs. They offer dedicated and sacrificial service to help people of all ages grow in relationship with Christ and understanding of the Church. Make sure to thank anyone that you know in these ministries

St. Therese of Lisieux

We celebrate the feast day of St. Therese on October 1st every year. She was canonized in 1925 and recognized as a Doctor of the Church in 1997. A Doctor of the Church is someone who has provided great insight into our faith or who God is to us. St. Therese taught us to find little ways to offer ourselves to God through service, prayer, and sacrifice.



DO YOU WANT TO HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE? THEN, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER SERVING AS A CATECHIST (A FANCY WORD FOR TEACHER FOR THE CHURCH). WE NEED CATECHISTS FOR OUR YFF PROGRAM THAT MEETS SUNDAYS 9:00 - 10:15. YOU WILL BE GIVEN A CURRICULUM THAT PROVIDES LESSON PLANS, SUPPLIES AND AS MUCH SUPPORT AS YOU NEED. CONTACT JOE LASCALA FOR MORE INFORMATION.

SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH: "ASK AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU; SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND; KNOCK AND THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED TO YOU" (MATTHEW 7:7). WE LOOK AT THIS VERSE AND WE REFLECT ON HOW WE ARE CALLED TO ACTION. THE BEGINNING OF EACH PHRASE BEGINS WITH A VERB, SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE TO DO FOR GOD TO RESPOND.

## THE VIEW FROM THE BACK OF THE LINE

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it.

That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put

in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always.

It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially.

If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## WHY ARE CATHOLICS REQUIRED TO FAST BEFORE COMMUNION?

How we prepare for an important event helps us with the intentionality of our actions and raises our awareness. We prepare our house for guests.

We wash our car before an important trip. We create a nursery for a newborn child. All of these actions heighten our senses for what is about to come.

The fast required by canon law before holy Communion

has its roots in Jewish spiritual practices. We fast for cleansing and to demonstrate our reliance on God. Catholics used to fast for much longer periods of time, but it was Pope Paul VI in 1964 who set the time at one hour in an attempt to encourage people to receive the holy Eucharist more frequently. That one-hour

observance allows us to pause and reflect on what we will participate in in the very near future. We deny our bodies so that we can focus more clearly on the Body of Christ that we will consume.



Vocations Corner

“There can be no promotion of vocations or Christian mission apart from constant contemplative prayer. The Christian life needs to be nourished by attentive listening to God’s word and, above all, by the cultivation of a personal relationship with the Lord in Eucharistic adoration, the privileged “place” for our encounter with God...Mary Most Holy, the Mother of our Savior, had the courage to embrace this ideal, placing her youth and her enthusiasm in God’s hands. Through her intercession, may we be granted that same openness of heart, that same readiness to respond, “Here I am”, to the Lord’s call, and that same joy in setting out (cf. Lk 1:39), like her, to proclaim Him to the whole world.”

– Pope Francis, November 26, 2016

FROM DEACON ART

The rewards of the just: God’s inspiration is at work in everyone. However, there are people in whom divine inspiration seems to have no effect; people who commit crimes cold-bloodedly, and who never rejoice at the sight of the true and the beautiful. Even though they may seem to prosper, their punishment is assured even in this world. The anxieties and fears that assail them make their prosperity a bitterness to them. As for the just, even though their passage through life is often dogged by misfortune, the inward satisfaction of obeying divine inspiration gives them great strength and is sufficient reward for them.

Adult choir is back! Rehearsals will be Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 Please contact Abbey at missapianostudio@gmail.com if you are interested

BDCCW Annual Convention October 13<sup>th</sup> at Camp Ondessonk

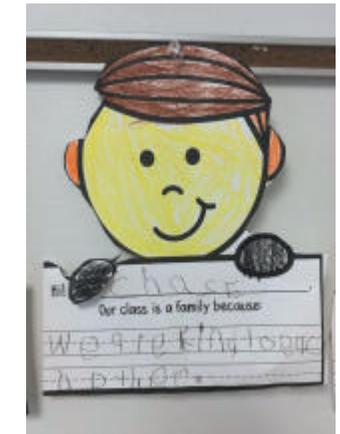
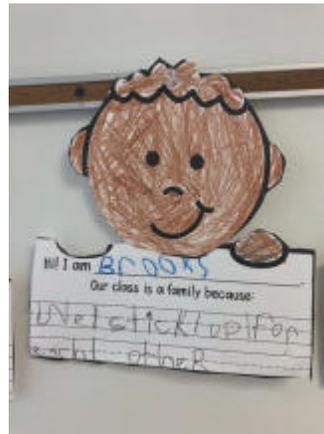
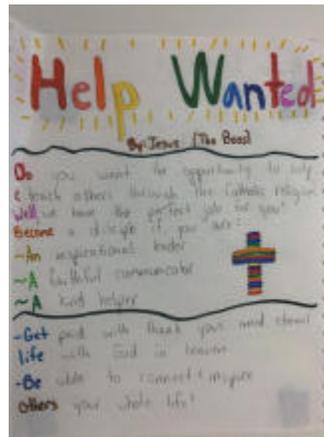
We will spend the day surrounded by the natural beauty of God’s great gift to us, and reflect on “Caring for our Common Home”... as we care for one another. Our guest speakers will be Sheila Hopkins, former president of the National CCW, and Nolan Hurst, Camping Services Director at Camp Ondessonk. Come gather with your sisters in Christ from throughout the diocese as we celebrate Mass with Bishop McGovern, share our faith, and learn ways to care for each other and our common home. RSVP by Sept 27<sup>th</sup> for a special discount on your registration fee. Forms are available from your parish office, and on our website at https://dps.diobelle.org/dps/bdccw/home Just click on the Convention 2021 banner to get to the registration form. Complete and print the form, and mail in with your payment. Bring all your friends!



From September 22 through October 31, 2021 you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood 331 Salem Place Fairview Heights and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you’d like more information – and especially if you’d like to volunteer to help, please contact thersa@coalitionforlifestl.com or call Coalition For Life STL office at 314-827-4039 or visit www.coalitionforlifestl.com and sign up for prayer hours on our Vigil Calendar. Also check with your parish Respect Life Coordinator who may have already Adopted A Day for your parish.

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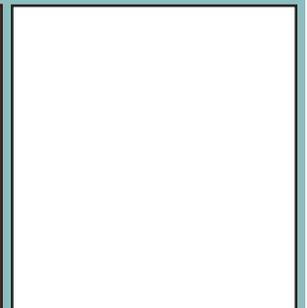
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