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March 13, 2022 — Second Sunday In Lent

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Campus Enhancement Plan...

In September of 2014, our Pastoral Council formed a Facilities & Property Task Force with the mandate to propose opportunities for future use/sale/development of our present facilities & property... This task force was able to sell the Main Street property and buildings in 2015 for \$1.65 million. After that, the task force eventually became dormant until 2020. In 2021, at the recommendation of the revitalized F & P Task Force, & with the approval of the Finance Council and Pastoral Council, we repurchased the 15 acres from the Diocese of Belleville for \$300,000, which they had purchased from us in 2004 at that same cost, which we need for our campus enhancement plan.

Since the completion of the Catholic Education & Activities Center in 2018, the focus of our Task Force has been athletic fields (including a Zach Eppin soccer field) for ICS. But we would also like to make some additional campus enhancements, including but not limited to a digital display sign at Quarry Rd; a large pavilion with restrooms that could be used for our Labor Day picnic & other events & activities; additional parking for Labor Day picnic & athletic field events; outdoor Stations of the Cross using the stations from the former church on Main; outdoor walking Rosary garden; greenhouses and garden for the school; Guardian Angel Legacy Society recognition space; a walking trail/cross country course in memory of Fr. Gary Hogan; & a refreshment stand for athletic fields.

We have some very preliminary cost estimates for this plan, and hope to get a site plan from a civil engineer shortly. Of course, we will have to get approval from our Finance Council, Pastoral Council and the Diocese of Belleville before moving ahead. Since we estimate that we will have about a \$3 million debt on the CEAC after the 7th year of our campaign at the end of 2023 (we're ahead of schedule on our loan payments), instead of launching just a debt reduction campaign, the Task Force is recommending that the campaign also include the cost of these campus enhancements.

I'm well aware that many of you have "campaign fatigue" from making campaign pledges and payments since 2006 (me too!), but I also think we don't want to lose our momentum on completing our new parish campus. Even though I'm retiring in July, I hope to remain in the Columbia area and will certainly be willing support this proposed project and campaign. We've accomplished some amazing things with God's amazing grace and you're amazing generosity, and I continue to be optimistic, confident that "whether we think we can or we think we can't, we'll be right!" Once again, let us work as if everything depends upon us, and pray as if everything depends upon God.

~Fr. Carl E. Scherrer, ("Lame Duck" Pastor)

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Hola, Bienvenidos— a la iglesia Catolica en Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Que tengas una bendita semana!

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Welcome New Parishioners...

If you are new to our parish and reside within the parish boundaries, and would like to be members, please call the parish office at 281-5105, and Angie will be happy to help make that happen!

Fr. Carl's Little Reservoir

This past Tuesday I attended the quarterly Metro-East Vicariate meeting, which includes all the parishes in St. Clair and Monroe County. At the conclusion of the meeting one of the Oblate of Mary Immaculate priests present mentioned that the Oblates have 31 priests serving in Ukraine, including two Bishops. Certainly we're all praying for peace there and throughout the world, but just being reminded that there are so many of our Catholic clergy and faithful there makes the situation all the more personal.

Recently the President of Ukraine made a plea for all nations of the world to show their support for his war-torn country, and of course, we all want to do something, but other than prayers we feel so helpless. Some cities and individuals have lighted up their

buildings or homes with the Ukrainian flag colors of blue and yellow. You can also make a financial contribution through the Catholic Relief Services website. Recently I read that the national flower of Ukraine is the Sunflower, and so if you see a large sunflower at church this weekend, you now know why it's there. Also, in the bulletin this week at the bottom right of the next page, you will find a copy of a special prayer for the people of Ukraine, which I encourage you to pray frequently.

Finally, when you have to pay \$5.00 or more for a gallon of gas, remember the folks in Ukraine who are under siege and hiding in bomb shelters, and be grateful that the high price of gas is your biggest worry!

~Fr. Carl

The Season Of Lent

Lenten Regulations...

Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, and all Fridays in Lent. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. The other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to ones needs, but altogether they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health and ability to work would be seriously affected, the obligation of the law is modified. Because Lent is a special season for all Christians, we should not lightly excuse ourselves from these penitential practices. To completely disregard the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Stations of the Cross...

Each Friday at 2:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in church.

Lenten Reconciliation...

During this season of Lent, we will have reconciliation after all weekend Masses.

K of C Fish Fry Schedule...

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their **drive-thru-only 3-7 p.m.** fish fries on **Fridays: March 18, April 1, and April 15.**



Come Help Out!

The K of C's **need help on any given fish fry day from 2pm until 7pm.** Duties would include, but are not limited to, cutting and breading fish, cooking, plating, traffic control, dish washing, clean-up, and order taking. Your flexibility is appreciated, as needs change throughout the day. We request anyone interested in helping please email the Knights at gk@kofc6165.org or go to their website at www.kofc6165.org to sign up online. Thank you.



Memorial Mass For Donna Huebner...

Saturday, **March 26 at 11:00 am.** At church, luncheon to follow in Garden Level.

Blood Drive Results...

Thanks to all who gave the gift of life at the blood drive, we collected 44 units, with our goal being 32 units. Thank you!!!

Work Day Thanks...

Thanks to all who came to help with the parish work day on Saturday, **March 12.**

ICS New Student Registration...

Sunday March 21, 10 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. in the ICS office.

Catholic Prayer For Ukraine

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjust aggressors who seek to subdue them. Grant them steadfast trust in your mercy and protection.

O Mother of God, who gave us your miraculous icon at Zarvanytsia, intercede for the Ukrainian people, who run to the shelter of your mercy in their times of need.

O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Grant peace and protection to the people of Ukraine. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and deliver us from distress, for You are merciful and compassionate and love humanity. To You we give glory: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

~Prayer written by Carrie Chuff,
a Ukrainian Greek-Catholic mom.

Quilter's Corner

Join our super fun quilter's group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11:30 a.m. All skill levels welcome and appreciated—even beginners! Contact Carlene at 281-5877



It Won't Be Complete Without YOU!

Photography for our new directory has started. It isn't too late to sign up to have your photo taken!!! **Times have been added April 19.** SIGN-UP ON OUR CHURCH'S WEBSITE, USE THE QR CODE PROVIDED, or call the parish office and Angie or Sheryl can help you! Your participation will help the church and you!



Every family photographed for the directory will receive a copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait at no cost. Please, sign-up today!

Important Announcement...

Going forward, we will not be accepting anything but canned goods or food in plastic microwavable containers for our SVdP Pantry, unless we specifically ask for other things. There is a rodent problem in the storage area and pre-packaged meals in cardboard etc... are being ruined. Thank you for understanding!

Online Giving --Right Now!

Use this QR code to visit ICC's online giving page. Update your monthly offerings, check your pledge balance OR make a one-time gift to a special cause. *Thank you for sharing your blessings!*



Reminder...

If ICS is cancelled due to inclement weather, there will be **NO morning Mass** & the Parish Office will also be closed.

Rite of Election 2022...

At the Cathedral of St. Peter in Belleville, on March 6, Bishop McGovern accepted the following people as enrolled in the Book of the Elect, to be baptized and receive all the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: *Maximus Lopes, Lillian Lopes, Ilyana Lopes, Alekzander Lopes, Jaycee Jackson, Gene Jackson, Lori Jackson and Dennis Schlemmer.* Bishop McGovern also welcomed those who, having been baptized, are Called to the Full Communion of Faith at the Easter Vigil: *Laura Oberkfell, Eric Piel, Len Ott, Amanda Ritson-Schlemmer, Grayson Ritson, and Emily Callis.* Please keep them in your prayers!



ICCCW News...

***Bunco Ladies Night Out:** Thursday, April 28!

Too fun to miss! Laughing is contagious here!

***ICCCW is now accepting names for the position of Vice President and Secretary for the 2022-2024** two year term. Please call or email

Kathy Ritter to express your interest. 618-719-6819; kritter1634@hotmail.com

***Our Spring Quilt and Basket has begun!** Com to our March 3rd meeting and see them! Check out our Parish website soon to review the contents of these exquisite baskets.

***Save the Date!** Our Thursday, April 28th Bunco

Ladies Night Out will feature our Bunco game, a silent auction, the quilt and basket raffle, 50/50, and the Popsicle Pick! There will be a wine bar and a snacks galore table!

Position Available:

Seasonal Groundskeeper

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a part-time seasonal Groundskeeper. This position offers flexible daytime hours working 24-30 hours per week. This position supports the Maintenance Technician in preserving the grounds of the Pastoral Center and other diocesan-owned buildings. While most work will involve lawncare, some exterior and interior general maintenance may be performed. Essential qualifications include a minimum of a high school diploma or GED and experience using lawn equipment. To apply send cover letter with résumé to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 S. 3rd St., Belleville, IL, 62220. FAX to 618-722-5020; email to humanresources@diobelle.org. **Application deadline: March 15, 2022**

Synod-What Is It??

Synod is a Greek word (Synodos) meaning a meeting assembly. The two Greek words that make up Synod are syn meaning together and hodos meaning way or journey. The entire Catholic Church is called to participate in the upcoming Synod of Bishops!

The upcoming Synod is entitled: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission."

Our Parish is hosting a Synod Listening Session on March 27 From 12:15p.m. to 1:45 p.m. in the ICS Gym. Watch for more information coming in subsequent bulletins.

Or go to <https://www.diobelle.org/>



Stewardship...Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

March 6, 2022

Actual	\$21,839.66
Budget	\$22,400.00
Actual YTD	\$1,365,441.66
Budget YTD	\$1,407,300.00
Over (under)	\$ (41,858.34)
Prior YTD	\$1,262,456.36
Over (under)	\$102,985.30
CEAC	\$2,976.46
CI	\$185.00
Gibault	\$55.00
Guatemala	\$268.00
Messenger	\$30.00
Black and Indian Mission	\$40.00
CRS	\$90.00
SVdP	\$400.00
Easter Flowers	\$10.00

CEAC Memorials:

John Sheridan	\$4,661.74
Patricia Gilbreth	\$1,035.00
Joan Johns	\$125.00
Margie Pautler	\$10.00

Eugene J. Schorb -Immaculate Conception

Fund for Catholic Education – Memorials:

Leo, Elsie & Robert Koberlein	\$1,000.00
Mary Jane Frey	\$645.00
Ronald Wallace	\$735.00
<i>EJ Trust</i>	\$574.61

CEAC Debt Status...

There is \$4.266 million...as of 3/1/2022
 ~If you have an outstanding pledge from the 7 year campaign, please continue to honor your commitment.
 ~If you have already fulfilled your campaign pledge commitment, I thank you and ask that you consider making a new pledge or continuing to donate on an ongoing basis until the debt is retired.
 ~If you have not yet made a pledge, I ask that you please consider doing so. We are focusing on paying down the remaining debt as quickly as possible to avoid paying interest. Thanks for your continued support of the parish.
 ~ Fr. Carl

Be A Part Of Our Future...

After consultation with our Pastoral Council and Finance Council, our Planned Giving Committee and I are announcing the formation of the parish Guardian Angel Legacy Society to help insure a vibrant future for our parish. To become a charter member of the Guardian Angel Society, simply indicate how you will include Immaculate Conception parish in your estate plan, on the membership form, you should have received in the mail recently. Return the form to the parish office in the confidential envelope provided. All those who make a commitment during this calendar year will be considered charter members of the society, and will receive special recognition.



If you have any questions or need more information about the legacy society, please contact Keith Huels, our parish business manager, at the parish office. May the God who is never outdone in generosity reward you as only God can!

CSMA...

The CSMA for 2022 has officially started! **This year our goal is to have 250 participants!** The past two years we have exceeded our monetary goal! Lets do it again!! Every gift, large or small is needed!! There are envelopes in the gathering space if you have not gotten your mailing yet! Every penny of what is given to the CSMA goes DIRECTLY to the agencies that it supports. Now, more than ever with rising inflation and the pandemic, these agencies need our help to help the poorest of the poor. Please support this worthy cause! No gift is too small and EVERY gift is much appreciated!

Prayer List Guidelines: Please be kind and call the office when someone needs to come off of the prayer list. Please **only put troops on the list that are on active duty in harms way.** Thank you!

Please Pray For...

Connie Luechtefeld
 Danielle Dorlac
 Donna Archambault-Kania
 Arlin Stechmesser
 Jan Hoffman
 M. Brown
 Donna Marlo Wirz
 Jack Finney
 Sherri Kay Bradley-Whitehouse
 Bill Huss
 Catherine Marlo
 Mary Consolino
 Nicole Pennington
 Gerri Griffin
 Margaret Ann Conrad
 Dolores G.
 Joy Bretz
 Alan Mattingly
 Ellen Dietz
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 Rose Reichert
 Donald Nicoloff
 Gary Pinson
 Carole Paris
 Paul Kjosa
 Michael Robinson
 Debbie Murphy
 Art Carle
 Kate Beck
 Margaret Wallace
 Brian Kreher
 Special Intention
 Derek Hoppe
 Bill Kutz
 Kelsey Christisen
 Theresa Dorshorst
 Mike Conrad
 Rowan Mueth
 Donald Mehrmann
 Diane Maxson
 Stephen A. Marlo
 Tootie May
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 Chandler Moore
 Dennis Krupp
 Evelyn Hopkins
 Jo Inman
 Rene Kuzemka
 Olin Gossett

Mary Krebel
 Scott Dabbs
 Jim Bulinski
 Irma Naumann

Troops in Service...
Army Ranger Joseph Pope
 Katherine Gilbreth *EM2 USN*
COL Brian Schoellhorn, *US Army*
OSSN Seth Spencer
 Brandon Molner *USMC*,
 SPC Dylan Stem *US Army*
 Capt. Benjamin Thoma *USAF*
 Kristopher Castellanos, *US Marines*
 Andrew J. Gilbreth, *USAF*
 2nd Lt. Justin Habiger, *US Army*
 Master Sgt Eve Dorshorst, *USAF*
 Capt Aaron Toenjes *USAF*
 Chase Mansfield, *USMC*
 Tanner Autry, *USMC*



From Our Young Stewards...

Children's Collection:\$3

Time & Talent: I listened to my mom; said thank you for my birthday presents.

Sister Thea Bowman Catholic School

Cash Mega Raffle....

Ticket Cost? \$100 Buy 1 Ticket - Get 1 Free. Buy 2 Tickets - Get 3 Free. Buy 3 Tickets - Get 5 Free.

Prizes? \$10,000 Grand Prize - \$1,000 Second Prize - \$500 Third Prize. **For more info contact**

Karen Waide: Cooperwaide@aol.com



Adeodatus Says:
 "Transformed people transform people!"

Women's Tuesday Bible Study



Come, enjoy the Spirit stirring in community!— **Women's Tuesday Bible Study has returned to the Fr. Steve Library on Tuesday**

evenings, at 6:30pm. We spend an hour reflecting on upcoming Sunday readings and Advent reflections, this community will meet and grow throughout the liturgical year.

Questions? Contact Lizanne:

lyoung@iccmail.org

This Week's Liturgical Celebrations

Monday March 14, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Tobey Teegard
Tuesday, March 15, 8:05 a.m.....We Pray For Special Intentions
Wednesday March 16, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Chester & Lilian Kopec
Thursday March 17, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Delores Murphy
Friday, March 18, 8:05 a.m.....We Remember Jeanette Wegrzyn
2:15 p.m.Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m.Stations of the Cross
Saturday March 19, 5:00 p.m.....We Remember Mrs. Tague
Sunday March 20, 7:00 a.m.....(Park & Pray) We Remember Gertrude Scherrer
9:00 a.m.....We Remember Glenn Grayson
11:00 a.m.....We Remember Patrick Wheatly

Discipleship Corner...

Last Sunday I had the honor to usher at the Rite of Election and the Call To Continuing Conversion service at our Cathedral in Belleville with other members of the Diocesan CCW. As Bishop McGovern addressed the Candidates and Catechumens in private, the rest of us enjoyed a presentation about the cathedral. I learned the term 'nave' (where the laity sit – regular folks like me) derives from the Latin word 'navis' meaning "ship." When we come to church and take our seat, we are not part of an audience. We have come together as a crew to journey to the Lord. This is not a cruise ship where we come to relax and be served. We are crew members and must be concerned for the health and welfare of all the crew. Our society has been sorely impacted by the pandemic, and many of our brothers and sisters are lost and afraid; struggling to do their part to keep this ship afloat. During this Lenten season as we work to walk more closely with Jesus, consider what you can do to help a fellow crew member. Remember, we are "All in the same boat" on our voyage to salvation.

Vocation Corner...

This week is the feast of St. Joseph. "When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him." (Matt 1:24) "It was grace that moved Joseph to embrace his vocation as the guardian of Israel's Messiah. It's the same grace that empowers us to accept God's call and wisdom for our lives. Joseph's yes in faith changed the world. God also has a plan for your life. You don't know where your yes might lead and how God might use it. Ask Joseph to help. Then, like Joseph, go out in faith to be a "doer of the word" (James 1:22d)." (The Word Among Us)

Important Volunteer Info!

Anyone who wishes to volunteer at school or church when there are children present **MUST** be compliant with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. Please be proactive! **EVERYONE** must have an IL state background check as well as doing the online refresher and filling out CANTS forms. ***Coaches and employees will need to be fingerprinted** in addition to the usual Child Protection paperwork. Contact Angie at the Parish office if you have questions. ***The initial course is now available online. Please contact Angie at the parish office for directions.** Not sure if you are compliant?? **Contact Angie at the parish office.** ***The online refresher course for the 2021-2022 IS NOW AVAILABLE! Follow the link on our website!** If you can't find it there, it is also on the diocesan website: <http://diobelle.org/b.aspx> Questions? Contact Angie at the parish office 281-5105. ***Sexual Abuse Hotline:** Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.

Lazarus Come Forth: Our Path to a Better Future Couples Retreat ...

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitor Center – **In Person** Presenters: Fr. Mark Dean, OMI, Fr. Sal Gonzalez, OMI, Karen & Scott Seaborn; Friday, April 29 – May 1 5 pm – 2 pm Sun; **Cost:** \$350 per couple (includes lodging and meals). Register online at snows.org/programs, or call 618-394-6281 to register.

Full Stewardship Spirituality...

By our Baptism, we are all called to discipleship. Full Stewardship Spirituality is about making a full response to the Lord's call to live out that Baptismal commitment. Thanks to all who have already returned their commitment form. Teamwork makes the dream work. No one of us, nor no one group of us, can be Church by ourselves.

Weekly Reflections

March 20, 2022

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15
Second Reading: First Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Prayer Shawls Available!

Do you know someone who needs prayers?? Why not bring them some comfort with a hand made prayer shawl, from our Prayer Shawl Ministry?? Each Shawl will wrap your loved one in the prayers of our parish! Even during this vastly different time with COVID, we can get your loved one a prayer shawl. We deliver in sanitized bags and will leave on a porch or you can still pick up at the office during office hours. Call Marsha Narzinski at 314-517-4927 or Angie at the parish office 281-5105.

Quest #146 on March 19-20, 2022 in Breese, IL

Quest is a fast-paced 33-hour Christian experience for high school freshmen and sophomores. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships, and self in a fun-filled, thoughtful, and carefree surrounding. A time to meet new people while praying, playing, singing, and sharing with them. Quest gives you the chance to search for the real you.

Pro-life/Pregnancy Resources...

~Free and confidential pregnancy testing, counseling, and practical support: -Life Network of Southern Illinois (in Waterloo & Red Bud) 618-939-4224 mylifenet.org

~Birthright Counseling STL (3 locations in St. Louis) birthrightstl.org

~Free and confidential counseling for anyone hurt by abortion-Project Rachel 618-722-5068 hopeafterabortion.com

~A caring place for women who are pregnant and experiencing homelessness-Fontebella Maternity Home 618/406-4355.

If you, or someone you know, have an unborn baby diagnosed with "fetal abnormalities" or an "adverse prenatal diagnosis", please refer to: BeNotAfraid.net or PrenatalPartnersforLife.org.

Both offer free parent-centered case management and parental support for parents carrying to term following a prenatal diagnosis. Birthrightstl.org offers their Melissa's Smile program, a counseling and supportive resource for mothers and fathers whose baby has been diagnosed . prenatally with a genetic abnormality or whose baby has been born with a disability or serious medical condition.



AA Open Meeting

All are welcome. Thursdays at 7:30pm in the Fr. Steve Library (Garden Level). For questions or info, contact Karen at 618-719-8529.



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Want to receive the good news about ICS? Send an email to: Mrs. Bev Epplin: bepplin@icsmail.org & she will add you to our distribution list.

Scenes From DC...

Our 8th graders just returned from Washington DC. This is just one of many education packed fieldtrips here at ICS. Enjoy just a few pictures below from their trip.



Help Out Our School!

ICS is still collecting the Box Tops for Education. This is FREE money for the school. You can still cut them off the actual boxes and you can also simply scan your receipt using the app. (see link). NOW - you can turn in your receipts to the school office and we will do all the work for you. Again, this is FREE money to ICS!!!! https://www.boxtops4education.com/-/media/gmi/boxtopsforeducation/crc-downloads/2020/2020-08/site_download_btfeoverview2020.ashx?la=en

News From Gibault...

Class of 2026 Registration

Registration for the Gibault Class of 2026 is almost here! Registration will be held on March 21 and March 22 from 5-8 p.m. Please sign up for a registration time on one of these dates using our Sign-up Genius Link: <https://bit.ly/GCHSreg22>

There is still time to apply. Contact Kelly Day at kday@gibalthawks.com for more information on how to become a Hawk!

Visit Us!

If you've ever thought about being a Gibault Hawk, now is the perfect time to visit! We invite 7th-8th graders and current high school students to spend the day as Shadow Visitors. Attend classes, meet teachers and coaches, have lunch in our cafeteria, and more! The whole family is welcome on a Private Tour where you can ask questions and see our campus. Schedule your Shadow Visit or Tour at <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

Taste of the Region

Tickets are now on sale for Taste of the Region, presented by The Gibault Women's Club. This year's event will be held on Saturday, March 26, from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. at Gibault. Featuring over 20 vendors and live entertainment! Tickets available at the Gibault office or online at <https://GHS-WomensClub.square.site>

Position Available:

Admin Assistant for the Tribunal Office...

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a part-time (16-24 hours per week) Administrative Assistant for the Tribunal who provides administrative and clerical support to the Judicial Vicar. Basic knowledge and understanding of bookkeeping practices are required. Applicant must have excellent organizational skills; strong written and oral communication skills; exercise problem solving, discretion and interpersonal skills; must be detailed and flexible; and must maintain confidentiality. Essential qualifications include a minimum of a high school diploma, associate's degree preferred, or equivalent experience; and 3+ years' experience in a related role of providing administrative/clerical support, plus knowledge in Microsoft Office and other computer programs/applications. Bilingual preferred. Practicing Catholic preferred with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices and organizational structure. To apply send cover letter with résumé to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 S. 3rd St., Belleville, IL. 62220. FAX to 618-722-5020; email to humanresources@diobelle.org. Application deadline: Thursday, March 31, 2022. 222 SOUTH THIRD STREET – BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS 62220-1985 (618)-722-5020. Application deadline: March 21, 2022.

Sacramental Information

Baptisms: Parents/guardians are asked to attend a preparation seminar (which happens on the 2nd Sunday of the month after 9am Mass—approximately 10am—in the lower-level library). Please contact the parish office to schedule your baptism or for more info.

Weddings: Please contact the Parish office a minimum of four months prior to Marriage.

Anointing of the Sick & Funerals: Since individual needs differ, please contact the Parish office at 281-5105 for pastoral care. Do not hesitate to call; we are grateful for the opportunity to open our hearts to you and your family and offer these sacramental services.

RCIA: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) The RCIA is for everyone who has been drawn by God to form deeper relationship. Wherever you are in your faith practice—baptized in another Christian faith, starting from the beginning, or simply enriching your Catholic practice—consider the RCIA. Get to know God better and find out what it means to be Catholic. We meet in the Parish Office on Sundays, starting with "Breaking Open the Word" dismissal from 9 a.m. Mass, and catechetical sessions from 10-11:30 a.m. Contact **Lizanne Young: at the Parish Office, 281-5105, ext. 354, or email lyoung@iccmil.org.**

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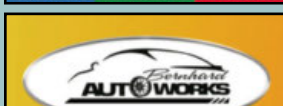
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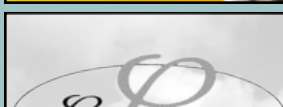
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