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May 15, 2022 — Fifth Sunday Of Easter

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Memorial Service For Mothers, Fathers And Veterans

May and June are months when families gather to celebrate not only graduations and weddings but the smaller more intimate familial events of Mother's and Father's Day and the summer's first real barbecue on Memorial Day weekend. Through a large slice of our lives these are anchors that we treasure since they both ground us and give us great joy, happy memories and occasionally embarrassing photographs.

But often as we age these same occasions can make us melancholy. We miss our parents when they are no longer with us, instead of buying hanging baskets of flowers we buy memorial wreaths. If we do not become parents, we can miss out on the joyful circle of life transition.

Our focus on Memorial Day often changes for the better in that we pay more observance to the real purpose of the holiday in remembering those that "gave their last full measure of devotion" starting with the Civil War so we can have our freedoms. There are still so many to honor, too many young people are still paying with their lives.

On **June 5, at 1:30pm** the Bereavement Ministry is holding a Memorial Service honoring deceased mothers, fathers, and veterans. The loss can be recent or many years ago. We invite you to share your memories of a loved one or be a supportive church family member to hear the stories of others. If you are not comfortable verbalizing your memories that is fine, but we still encourage you to attend. We invite everyone to bring a picture or items that hold a special meaning to them. Please place items around the Baptismal Font and take them home after the celebration.



People live as long as they are remembered. This service is also a way of remembering those living that can use some moral support.

~ *Immaculate Conception Bereavement Ministry*

ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST AND IN THE TRADITION OF CATHOLICISM AND
UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF MARY IMMACULATE, WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO BE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF FAITH,
WORSHIPPING WITH GENERATIONS OF BELIEVERS AND SERVING GOD IN ALL PEOPLE.

We Live-Stream!

To participate please use this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8Qrck7-IpPOOcA9UQ2qRqQ/>

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...

He was a man with a little body but a big heart! Fr. Elmar Mauer, OMI, died this past Tuesday at the age of 88. He was born in Germany in 1934, and lost his mother in World War II. His mother's brother was an Oblate of Mary Immaculate missionary in America, and after starting tailor school in Germany, Fr. Elmar felt called to the priesthood. His uncle arranged for him to come to the United States at the age of 19, and after arriving at Ellis Island, he took a train to St. Louis. He entered St. Henry's Seminary in 1954 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1964. His first assignment was as a missionary in the Philippines. Then he returned to this area, and became involved in youth ministry, hospital ministry and retreats. He was also available to help parishes out when they needed a substitute priest for weekend Masses.

Fr. Elmar and I were both involved in the TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) retreats back in the days when I was the Diocesan CYO Director from 1975 – 83. He always wore red socks, and had a big smile for everyone. He was a special gift to many people here in our Diocese, and will be missed by all who knew him. May God reward him for his joyful spirit and enthusiastic service as a priest for nearly 58 years, most of it here in the Diocese of Belleville.

~Fr. Carl



Our Sympathies...

To the family of **Marylin Koberlein** formerly of our parish who passed away on May 8 at the age of 84; to **Paula Ott** on the death of her mother, Jean Graham of Palmdale, Ca, who died on May 7; & to the family of **Mary Smugala** of our parish, who died on May 9, at the age of 86.

Welcome Back...

To the retreatants and team who participated in the Men's ACTS retreat this weekend.

Red Cross Blood Drive...

THIS Sunday, May 15, In the Garden Level,
8 am – 1 pm.

Blessing Of Graduates...

Next weekend, **May 21/22,** we will bless all our grade school, high school and college graduates at each of the weekend Masses. Congratulations to the Class of 2022!

All Are Invited To A Special Holy Hour!!

On Tuesday, May 31st from 7-8 pm, we will have Adoration with music and silence. Fr. Nick will be available for Confession and end with Benediction. Join us afterwards in the Garden Level for light refreshments and social time hosted by the Theology on Tap group.

News From The Knights...

The Knights of Columbus, in coordination with the Council of Catholic Women, will be leading the parish in praying the Rosary before each weekend Mass throughout the month of May. Please arrive at Mass 30 minutes early to pray with them.

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a membership drive this weekend after all masses. They will give a Three Minutes More appeal and will be available to answer any questions in the Gathering Space after each Mass. The Knights will conduct a degree exemplification (member induction) on Sunday, May 22 at 12:15pm. If you would like to join the Knights, please contact Membership Director David Bodinet-618-910-4885 or Financial Secretary Matt Sainz-314-605-0302.



Save The Date!

Father Carl's Retirement Party—July 10- Open House Noon– 3 p.m.!

More info to come in future bulletins

Welcome...

To our new parish business manager, **Kara Dell-Hunt**, who will begin her position this Tuesday, May 17. Kara is a member of our parish, and has ten years of experience in accounting and in business operations management. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration (Emphasis in Accounting) from Lindenwood University.

She is married to Mike Hunt, and has two sons in Immaculate Conception School.

Kara will be filling the position previously held by Keith Huels, who will officially retire on May 20, after 5 ½ years of exceptional service to our parish.

Congratulations...

To the following winners of the Mother's Day Cakes: 5 p.m.—Mary Rapp Kincaid; 7 a.m.-Kathy Dunphy; 9 a.m. Connie Huebner; 11 a.m. Janet Micheel

Confirmation...

We look forward to Bishop McGovern coming to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with us on Monday, May 23, at 7:00 pm. All are invited.

Thanks...

To all who helped with the parish workday yesterday. Your stewardship of your time and talent is greatly appreciate.

Job Opportunity...

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND HOUSEKEEPER TO BISHOP EDWARD K. BRAXTON, BISHOP EMERITUS

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant and Housekeeper to the Bishop Edward K. Braxton. This full-time position offers flexible hours. Duties include, but not limited to, calendar management and scheduling appointments, organizing electronic and paper files, proofreading documents including manuscripts, and maintaining the household and hospitality needs through cleaning, preparing meals, laundry, grocery shopping, running errands, some local driving, and greeting guests.

Essential qualifications include a minimum of a high school diploma, associate degree preferred, or equivalent experience; and 3+ years' experience in a related role providing administrative/clerical support in addition to experience with housekeeping and meal preparation. Candidate must be highly organized and have excellent verbal and written communication skills. Must be proficient with Microsoft Office and maintain a high level of confidentiality.

To Apply: Send cover letter, résumé, and references to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 South Third Street, Belleville, Illinois 62220 or email humanresources@diobelle.org. Application **Deadline: June 5, 2022**

St. Vincent de Paul will host an Essential Needs Collection

Collection to benefit Catholic Urban Programs (CUP). **This weekend May 14 & 15**, at all Masses! Please bring items to church and hand to the SVdP representatives in the upper parking lot. They are especially needing the following items: Thank you in advance for your generosity!! More info?? Contact Ernie Schoellhorn: 314-775-6929

Canned meat (pork, beef, chicken)

Flour

Sugar

Cooking oil

Bar Soap

Bleach

Conditioner

Diapers (especially size 4-6)

Dish Soap

Hand Sanitizer

Laundry Soap

Lysol Wipes

Lotion

Maxi Pads

Paper Towels

Shaving Supplies

Shampoo

Tampons

Toilet Paper

****Blue Jeans & Underwear**

especially needed!!

*****Please no vegetables, CUP is also the**

beneficiary of the Postal

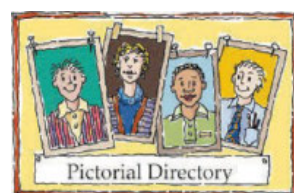
Workers food drive.

Save The Date!

The Run for Life and Learning, benefiting Birthright STL, is June 4! Join us at Creve Coeur Lake on June 4 for a chip-timed 6K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run, and ¼ Mile Kids Run with FRED BIRD. Register or donate at run4lifeandlearning.com. Contact us at run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com for sponsorship opportunities. Proceeds enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education and secure better lives for themselves and their families.

Job Opportunity—St Augustine Hecker...

Our Parish Secretary is retiring on or before December 31st, 2022; so we are advertising for applicants for this position. It is a part-time job, without benefits, but with flexible hours. It would be for three days maximum per week. If anyone would be interested in seeing a detailed Job Description or learning more about the position, please have them call Joan Powell at the Parish Office on Mondays & Thursdays, 618/473-2217 or by email to staug@htc.net.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY...LAST CALL!

We have added 2 more dates!

June 27 & 28. IF you have not gotten your photo taken, please go to the parish website and register to have it done now!

You will receive a free 8x10 and church directory for having your picture taken!!



ICCCW News...

*Please welcome our new officers: **President** – Glenda Sexauer, **Vice President** – Lori Doerr and **Secretary** – Brenda Zipfel. May the Holy Spirit inspire them with joy and great ideas to guide our ICCCW. **Thank you** to our out going officers, Secretary, Mary Anne Moses-Farley, and President, Kathy Ritter.

***Special Thanks** to all who gave of their Time, Talent, and Treasure to make sure our raffles, our Bunco Ladies Night Out, the Popsickle Pick, and the silent auction were successful. Our fundraisers provide all the supply needs for the celebration of our Holy Mass, the funeral meals, and a variety of other needs.

***Thank you, Knights of Columbus**, for grilling our brats and burgers on our spring banquet picnic evening. We appreciate all your support!

***Quilt and Basket Winners: Quilt:** Jenny Candler; **Linnemann's Gas Certificate:** Zoe Ann Schwarze; **Afghan:** Gayle Braun; **D'Italia Basket:** Keith Huels; **Electric Kettle Basket:** Yvonne Brandt; **Growing Your Wealth:** Carol Dabbs; **Spa Day for a Tween:** Janice Lewis; **Fuel Up in the Morning:** Loretta Chazelle; **Cinco de Mayo:** Larry Pretto; **Drinks on the Patio:** Maria Renner; **Baker's Basket:** Yvonne Sendejas.

Eucharistic Adoration...

Eucharistic Adoration is held Tuesdays from 5-8p.m. Come and join us!



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.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Request – Wheelchairs Needed

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council is in need of wheelchairs for the disabled and elderly they serve at Cosgrove's Kitchen, the Help Center and the Night-Time Drop-In Center. If you have a wheelchair you no longer need, please call Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at 618-394-0126 or 618-799-8505. Please feel free to share this message with others. Thank you and God bless!



Adeodatus Says:

"If everything is not yet all right, it is not yet the end!"

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

May 1, 2022

Actual	\$26,269.99
Budget	\$22,400.00
Actual YTD	\$1,808,082.15
Budget YTD	\$1,815,200.00
Over (under)	(\$7,117.85)
Prior YTD	\$1,665,220.11
Over (under)	\$142,862.04
CEAC	\$2,612.00
Capital Improvements	\$90.00
Gibault	\$30.00
Guatemala	\$563.00
CCC	\$65.00
Votive Offering	\$163.00
SVdP	\$35.00
Holy Land	\$25.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$95.00
Seminarian Education	\$380.00
STBS	\$1000.00
Our Brother's Keeper	\$500.00

CEAC Debt Status... 5/15/2022

Bank Bonds	\$ 112,279
Diocese Bonds	\$ 1,742,000
Parishioner Bonds	\$ 1,258,000
Endowment Bonds/Loan ..	\$ 750,000
Total Outstanding Debt ...	\$ 3,862,279

~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!



The 2022 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Go and do likewise... -Luke 10:37

"Each year the faithful of our Belleville Diocese are asked to help the works of Christ continue and grow through their support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. By making a gift you are helping build up the Body of Christ in our various ministries and providing help for the poor and vulnerable." - Bishop Michael McGovern **** As of 5/10 we have 152 donors from ICC! 99 to go! Lets keep going and reach our goal of 250 before summer!**

From Our Young Stewards...

Children's Collection: \$6.00

Time & Talent: "I helped pick up my room. I helped Mommy"; "I took care of my little sister!"; "I shared a snack with a friend"; "I helped clean my room"; "helped Albie with Legos!"; "I helped my brother clean our room!"



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!

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



AA Open Meeting

All are welcome.
Thursdays at 6:30pm in the Fr. Steve Library (Garden Level). For questions or info, contact Karen at 618-719-8529.

Please Pray For...

Connie Luechtefeld
Patty Pulcher
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
A. Moore
S. Wright
S. Brown
Fr. Paul Gallagher, OFM
Joe Hubbard
Sabo Family
Geneva Lambert
Angela Krupp
Richard Sambo

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
Super Special Intention
Janice McDermott
Chandler Moore
Dennis Krupp
Jo Inman
Rene Kuzemka
Olin Gossett
Scott Dabbs

Jim Bulinski
Delores Deleveski
Jayne Rettle
Mary Helregel
Jean Eugea
Steve Herbel
Ginny Lambert
Norm Schmidt
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*

Need gift cards??

Stop by the Parish Office and buy Scrip! A percentage of each card will go to the CEAC!

This Week's Liturgical Celebrations

Monday May 16, 8:05 a.m. We Remember Glenn & Donna Huebner
Tuesday, May 17, 10:00 a.m. *Baccalaureate Mass NO 8:05a.m. Mass*
We Pray for the Class of 2022
Wednesday May 18, 8:05 a.m. We Remember Ray and Velma Budde
Thursday May 19, 8:05 a.m. We Remember Special Intention
Friday, May 20, 8:05 a.m. We Remember Charlie Farley
Saturday May 21, 5:00 p.m. We Remember Tom Holtgrave
Sunday May 22, 7:00 a.m. We Remember Bernard & Ida Weilbacher
9:00 a.m. We Remember Gerry Schilling

Discipleship Corner...

"God looked on everything he had made, and found it very good." (Ps 1:31).
As his children, God expects us to find all that he has made very good, indeed, delightful, and pleasurable. So, make our Father happy. Enjoy the majestic sight of the Rockies rising from the plains, the wail of a loon, the smell of the hyacinths in early spring, the magical combination of grease and salt of a Ruffles potato chip passing over your tongue, and the touch of another human. These are all God's creation. Enjoy, but do not allow them to surpass God's place in your life.

Vocation Corner...

"There was never a dull moment growing up with seven siblings. Little did I know that this experience would prepare me well for Benedictine life, a life of stability in community lived in the enclosure of the monastery. Would I have become a monk if my grandmother had not prayed that one of her grandsons would become a priest; if my dad had not told me, "It doesn't hurt to give God the first option"; Nothing is more beautiful than encountering Christ. I didn't lose my family when I entered the monastery; I joined a family much larger than 10. I belong to God's family."
~Fr. Caesarius Marple, OSB; Westminster Abbey, Mission, British Columbia; Columbia Magazine April 2020

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 AVAILABLE ONLINE! 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.



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/boxtopsforyoureducation/crc-downloads/2020/2020-08/site_download_btfeoverview2020.ashx?la=en

Weekly Reflections

May 21, 2022

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29



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.

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.

A Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land

November 28 to December 9, 2022

Chaplain: Rev. Steven Beatty Vicar General, Diocese of Belleville Pilgrimage Director: Cheryl Sommer Catholic Relief Services Diocesan Animator Worship Director: Sue Huett Asbeck Hosted by Catholic Relief Services in the Diocese of Belleville and The Messenger For pricing and further details email crsdiobelle@gmail.com or contact Cheryl Sommer, CRS Diocesan Animator at 618-624-2838.

Mid-life Singles: Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 3-5, 2022. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 including meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail re-



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Impressive Fundraising Gets Fun Reward!

We raised over \$11,000 for the American Heart Association. Students who raised over \$100 got the pleasure of squirting Mrs. Whelan and Mr. Gregson with paint. Even the teachers joined in at the end.



May Crowning and Terrific Kids...



News From Gibault...

Enrolling for 2022-2023

There's still time to become a Hawk! We are accepting applications for incoming freshmen and transfer students. If you'd like to visit Gibault, we offer Private Tours all summer long. See how you can "Find your home at Gibault!" Contact Kelly Day at kday@gibalthawks.com for more information!

Summer Camps

Keep your kids busy at our 2022 Summer Camps! Download registration forms at: <https://gibalthawks.com/summer-camps-2022/>

Summer Classic

Be part of our 2022 Summer Classic on Friday, June 17. Register your team and learn about sponsorship opportunities online at www.bidpal.net/gibaultgolfclassic. You may also contact Desiree at 939-3883 or dfrasure@gibalthawks.com.

Whole Hog Raffle

Fill your freezer just in time for summer grilling! This prize package includes a whole hog and processing. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online at www.bidpal.net/gibaultgolfclassic or by contacting Desiree at 939-3883 or dfrasure@gibalthawks.com. Drawing will be held on June 17; winner need not be present to win.

Trivia Night

Future Hawks! You're invited to a Junior High Trivia Night – June 3, 2022, from 6-8 p.m. at Gibault. All incoming 6-8 graders are invited. You can bring a team of up to 6 students or we will combine students to make a team. Snacks and drinks provided! RSVP at: <https://bit.ly/gchstrivia>

Host Families

Gibault is seeking host families for our international students for the 2022-2023 school year. Current Gibault families receive a \$1,000 discount off their tuition for hosting. For more information on how you can help a student experience Gibault, contact Patty at plderousse.educatius@gmail.com.

We're #gibaultproud of: Faith Miskell (Sts. Peter & Paul Parish) who was the Gibault recipient of the Bishop's Discipleship Award; our 2022 Prom King Ian Bollinger (St. John the Baptist Parish – Red Bud) and Queen Faith Miskell (Sts. Peter & Paul Parish), Senior Soccer Players -Alyssa Grither (Sts. Peter & Paul Parish), **Adelynn Murphy** (Immaculate Conception Parish), Katie Scharf (St. James Parish – Millstadt), & **Reece Ward** (Immaculate Conception Parish), and Daniel Darin (St. Agatha Parish – New Athens) who was named The Republic Times' Athlete of the Week!

Soccer Camp...

Join us this summer for a fun soccer camp! We have partnered with Elite FT again and are hosting the camp from July 18th to 21st from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Oerter Park in Columbia, IL. The kids can expect to improve foot skills, learn moves, play small-sided games and have FUN! Elite FT coaching is led by back Dave Fernandez. Dave is an amazing coach of youth soccer. His reputation is superb and your kids will have a blast! All information can be found at www.eliteft.com/soccer-camps The cost of the camp is \$75 for ages 3-4 (6:00pm to 6:45pm) and \$125 for ages Kinder to 8th. If anyone has any questions, please contact Brian Boyd @ bmboyd02@yahoo.com.

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@icmail.org.

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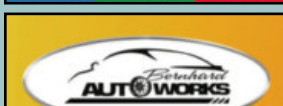
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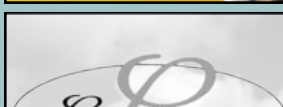
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