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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021

Worship Schedule

Mass

Sat:

5:00 pm @ St. Teresa Sun:

7:00 am @ St. Teresa **9:00 am @ St. Luke** 11:00 am @ St. Teresa

Weekday Mass

Mon, Tue & Thu: 8:30 am @ St. Luke Wed

8:30 am @ St. Teresa

Adoration Chapel only open on Tuesdays

9:00 am - 6:30 pm

Parish Offices

1201 Lebanon Ave Belleville, IL 62221

Mon, Tue & Thu: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Wed:

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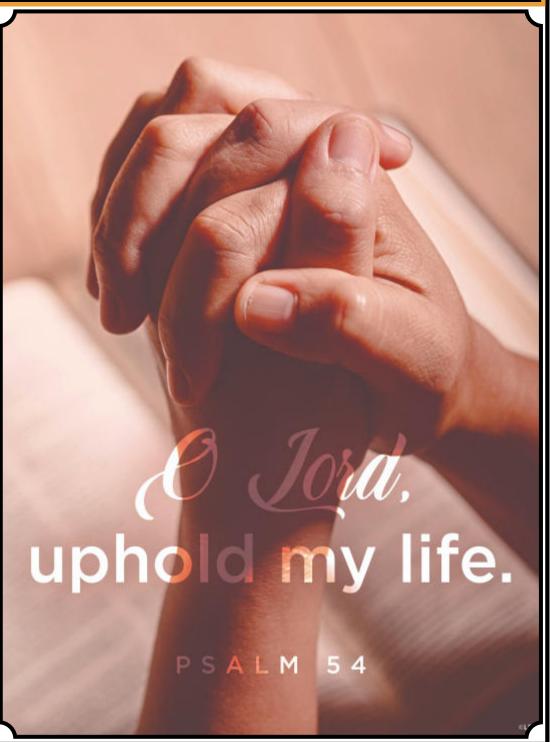
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Sacraments

Reconciliation

4:00 – 4:40 pm Saturday at St. Teresa Church or by Appointment

Baptism: Contact Rectory

Marriage: Contact Rectory 4 Months in Advance

Priesthood or Diaconate

Contact: Vocation Office at 235-9601

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you, or someone you know, has a desire to know more about the Catholic faith, please contact the Rectory

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE:

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Hearing Assist Devices are available at St. Teresa Church, please ask a hospitality minister for assistance.

St. Luke



Check Out The Websites!



Catechetical Sunday

At the 11:00 am Mass this Sunday, September 19 we will recognize all of the teachers, catechists and coordinators who instruct, evangelize and guide our children, youth and adults in the parish. As a community, we will send them forth with a blessing for the year.



The following people will be acknowledged:

School Teachers
Scripture Study Leaders

PSR Catechists Youth Ministry Leaders

RCIA Catechists & Sponsors Children's Liturgy of the Word Catechists

(If you are a teacher, leader or catechist in one of these groups, please come forward after the homily to receive a blessing)

Thank you for guiding others in the faith and for you dedication to spreading the Good News. May God bless all of you as you continue to serve our parish and school community this year.

To learn more about how you as catechists and teachers, as well as all the baptized can grow in knowledge and faith, go to the USCCB Web site:

www.usccb.org/catecheticalsunday/

The word "catechesis" means "to echo." Literally, we are to echo the good news of Jesus Christ to the world. This is not a suggestion; it is a command of our Lord. Some people are called and set apart in our communities as catechists, those formally trained and charged with passing on the Gospel to children and adults, inside and outside of our communities. On Catechetical Sunday, we acknowledge them and remind ourselves of the need for formation and growth in all of us. To be a catechist is a privileged calling, and today be sure to say "thank you" to one in your community.

However, it would be wrong on this day to only look to those bearing the NAME of catechist for an echoing of good news. ALL of us are called to echo and share the Gospel message. Parents are the first and primary catechists in a child's life. But we also are important catechists in the lives of our coworkers, our spouses, our relatives, and our friends. Some say catechesis begins in the home, and while that is true, it carries with it a parent/child connotation. But where does catechesis really begin? It begins in the HEART. This year on Catechetical Sunday, may your heart be moved to motivate you to share with others the good news of Jesus Christ.

Bernard Bauza Lenore Bechtoldt Clara Behrns Randy Bertelsman Jimmy Buehlhorn Diane C. Veronica Clark Joan Cook Tom Cordie Tom Ebner Dean Eschman Theresa Kaye Franks John Fritsche Wilma Gass **Doris Grant** Joel Halminiak Sheila Hoffmeister Daniel Jacobs Sally Jay Yoshiko Johnson Steve Kaba, III



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Names are removed after 4 weeks unless the office is notified.

Our Military Prayer Line

Please remember in your prayer ALL our military members.



Jake Billhartz, Ft. Benning, GA
LCpl. Sandra Gale, Kuwait
Sgt. Philip Haake, South Korea
Capt. Anthony M. Rowe, Lackland, AFB
ABHC Alec Weeks, CVN 68, Bremerton, WA
John Wildermuth, Goose Creek Naval Base, SC



We welcome to our faith family **Joseph Gregory Woodrome** who received the Sacrament of Baptism on September 12, 2021.

Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 18

5:00 pm @ ST Jay Dowling

Sunday, September 19 25th Sunday in Ord Time

7:00 am @ ST Mary Lou Adams

9:00 am @ SL Roach & Friedrich Families

11:00 am @ ST William Carl Still

Monday, September 20 Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn & Paul Chŏng Ha-sang & Companions

8:30 am @ SL Rosemary Childers

Tuesday, September 21 Matthew

8:30 am @ SL Allyson Berg-Wolf Wednesday, September 22

8:30 am @ ST Mary Sciarra

Thursday, September 23 Pius of Pietrelcina

8:30 am @ SL Fr. Jerry Hechenberger

Friday, September 24

NO MASS

Saturday, September 25

5:00 pm @ ST Paul Fiedler

Sunday, September 26 26^{th} Sunday in Ord Time

7:00 am @ ST Alvin & Donna Bietsch

9:00 am @ SL Bob Dreyer

11:00 am @ ST Donna Grossmann; Ray Korte

Stewardship of Treasure

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September 12 St. Luke



 Weekly Envelope
 \$ 2,250.00

 Loose
 \$ 167.00

 Online Giving
 \$ 578.35

 Total
 \$ 2,995.35

 Other Collections
 \$ 258.00

Weekend	Budgeted	Actual	
August 29	\$ 3,770	\$ 2,709	
September 5	\$ 3,770	\$ 4,625	
September 12	\$ 3,770	\$ 2,995	
Total	\$11,310	\$10,329	

St. Teresa

Envelope \$ 6,951.01 Loose \$ 404.00 Online Giving \$ 4,126.07 **Total** \$ 11,481.08 Other \$ 1,180.00

Weekend	Budgeted	Actual	
August 29	\$ 10,692	\$ 7,589	
September 5	\$ 10,692	\$ 8,773	
September 12	\$ 10,692	\$ 11,481	
Total	\$ 32,076	\$ 27,843	

This week, we welcome our Religious students to the Parishes' School Education of Religion for the 2021-2022 year. Our first class on Wednesday evening was September 15 and our first class on Sunday will be September 19. We are so happy to have our children back in the classroom. It is wonderful to see their bright, smiling faces. We have 14 teachers in the Parishes' School of Religion. We have three new teachers. We welcome them to our program. Melanie Gniewek is new to our Kindergarten class on Sunday morning. Helen York is the new 5th grade teacher on Sunday morning and Connie Goyda is the new 4th, grade teacher on Wednesday evening. We are grateful to all our teachers for their time and energy as they welcome the students back to class. If you need anything, please e-mail Sister Tess at tmarkus@ssndcp.org or Connie woods, the Administrative Assistant connie.woods@bellevillepsr.org Reminder: we have a new phone # for the Parishes' School of Religion. It is 618-722-2366.

Sr Tess Markus, SSND; Sr Carol Markus, SSND Co-coordinators of the Parishes' School of Religion

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20. Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6-8. James 3:16-4:31. Mark 9:30-37.

"I'm Better Than You." Our lives are filled with all manner of put down, one upmanship, top dog behavior. When the disciples where caught in a similar conversation by Jesus, their response was silence. Perhaps, from embarrassment, even shame - especially after his teaching. He says to them and to us, be last not first, be of service, be open to receive.

- Who needs to be first at something this week rather than me?
- ♦ Whom can I serve because they need some help?
- Whom will I receive with joy as I would a child or grandchild?

Community Interfaith Food Pantry

Both Parishes are a partner in the Food Pantry.

► This week's needed item:

Cereals: Pancake Mix & Syrup also accepting garden produce

Please leave your items in either church and they will be taken to the pantry. Monetary donations can be placed in the Sunday collections, mark envelope "Food Pantry", & will assist in buying perishables.

Ministers of the Liturgy September 26

September 20						
Sat 5pm @ ST	Lector	Beth Schindelar				
	Min. of Com.	Dcn. Ron Tiberi, Susan Evers, Diane Lanter				
	Ushers	Bill Cramer, Elizabeth Koesterer, Volunteers				
	Cleaners	Vicki & Steve Dunn				
Sun 7am @ ST	Lector	Karen Foeller				
	Min. of Com.	Barbara Snider, Jim Wolf, Carol Zimmermann				
	Ushers	Mike Caponi, Dennis Meile, Mark Kaiser, Volunteer				
	Cleaners	Mark & Carol Gass				
Sun 9am @ SL	Lector	JoAnn Stack				
	Min. of Com.	Tom Stack				
	Ushers	Ed Goreczny, Steve Mudd, Rickey Lugge, Volunteer				
	Cleaners	Cathy Kehoe, Volunteer				
Sun 11am @ ST	Lector	Kara LeChien				
	Min. of Com.	Dcn. Ron Tiberi, Doug Hamilton, Jane Haake				
	Ushers	Dennis Haake, Bill Fahrner, Ames Foley, Brent Garcia				
	Cleaners	Volunteers				

Thank you for sharing your time and talent!

St. Teresa's Parish and Friends have "adopted" AYS every Monday for the 5 Mondays during the FORLIFE 40DFL Fall campaign. Our first Monday will be

September 27 from 7am-7pm. We have most of the time slots pretty-well covered but would love to have more representation at the "fence" at Planned Parenthood in Fairview Hats., for those able; and many prayers from those unable to physically attend. If you can adopt 1 hour each Monday to join your prayers with ours for an End to Abortion, you will be so welcome and so blessed! Please contact one of the following to sign up or for more information:

Carol Muckensturm 618-401-1778, Rosemary Heinen 618-978-6638, or Pat Werner 618-416-0340. You can also contact: theresa@coalitionforlifestl.com: or call Coalition for Life, St. Louis 314-827-4039, or visit www.coalitionforlifestl.com

New Battle on Taxpayer Funding of Abortion

Efforts to save the Hyde Amendment are continuing, but now there's ANOTHER, huge battle shaping up over taxpayer funding of abortion.

Congress is moving forward on a "human infrastructure" bill, which is likely to include things that many Catholics support, including expanded health care coverage. But there is serious concern that such health care proposals will include funding for elective abortion.

Congressional leadership is using a rare process for this bill, known as "budget reconciliation," that requires fewer votes to pass it than most laws.

That is why Congress must hear from YOU now! Tell your representatives that any health care proposals MUST NOT fund elective abortion. Visit: https://www.notaxpayerabortion.com/

Sunday September 19	Monday September 20	Tuesday September 21	Wednesday September 22	Thursday September 23	Friday September 24	Saturday September 25
7:00 am ST 9:00 am SL 11:00 am ST	Mass 8:30 am St. Luke	Mass 8:30 am St. Luke	Mass 8:30 am St. Teresa	Mass 8:30 am St. Luke	NO MASS	Confessions 4:00 pm St. Teresa
PSR 8:45 am St. Augustine	School Board 6:30 pm ST Parish Center	Adoration 9:15 am-6:30 pm Chapel	PSR 6:00 pm St. Augustine	Quilters Quilters		Mass 5:00 pm St. Teresa
Catechetical Sunday	Joint Pastoral Council 7:00 pm	Blood Drive 2:00-6:00 pm SL Hall		SL Finance Council 10:00 am Community House		
		Evening Prayer 6:30 pm Chapel		Legion of Mary 12:30 pm Community House		

Please Note: Items in Green are at St. Luke: Items in Black are at St. Teresa

St. Luke St. Teresa

Would you like to get involved in one of our worship ministries?

Think about the gifts and strengths that God has given you. Are you outgoing and enjoy meeting new people? Maybe God is calling you to be an Usher or a Greeter. Are you a good public speaker? Maybe God is calling you to be a Lector. Do you have a great love for the Eucharist? Maybe God is calling you to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. If you are interested, a training session for Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers for either parish will be held on Sunday, September 26, starting at 12:15 pm at St. Teresa then going over to St. Luke to finish. Please let us know if you will be attending by contacting ccrawford@stteresabelleville.org

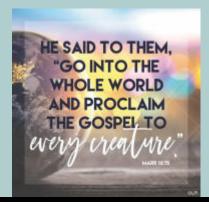


Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 21 2:00 - 6:00 pm St. Luke Parish Center

St Luke's Rummage Sale

We made about \$2000 at our rummage sale last weekend, which is the average amount for the past several years. To everyone who donated their treasures and those who bought them, thank you! To those who volunteered before, at, and after the sale, thank you, thank you! We could not have had a successful sale without all of you! Kathy Lewis and Susan Evers, co-chairs



It's Back!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During 11AM Mass Starting Sunday, October 3

> Children ages 3 and up welcome! No registration needed.

MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Hand sanitizer and social distance will be utilized as much as possible.

LEADERS NEEDED!!!!

Contact Lizzie Lehde @ 618-593-1654 or lizzielehde@gmail.com for more info!



St. Augustine's Parish Picnic 1910 West Belle, Belleville Saturday, September 25

Mass 4:00 pm
Chicken Dinner 3:00-7:00 pm
Picnic Stands, Food, Raffles and
Music by Saloonatics at 6:00 pm
Games and Inflatables for Kids

St. Bernard, Albers Wurstmarkt Sunday, September 26 10:30 am - 5:30 pm

Whole Hog Pork Sausage and Roast Beef Dinners Carry Out Only - \$12 each Drive Thru Option Available call 618-267-1181

You're invited to an in-person

High School Night at Cor Jesu Academy

on Thursday, September 30!
Register at corjesu.org/admissions/
visit/high-school-nights

We invite you to meet Cor Jesu students and learn, from their perspectives, how they shine at CJA through faith, spirituality, academics, fine arts, co-curriculars, athletics and more.

Registration is open to girls in grades 5-8 and their families. Session 1 will be held from 6:00-6:30 pm and session 2 will be held from 7:15-7:45 pm.

Please note that only Cor Jesu will be presenting at this event.

We hope to see you there!



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the



bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

Grandpa and Grandson on the Go

In so many ways, children mirror for us adults a simple, authentic faith centered in compassion generosity. Writes one grandfather of his own discovery of such faith:

"My grandson, a toddler on the go, and I, his grandfather with Parkinson's, have a closeness around matters of motion. He knows that I can't carry or lift him, so he climbs into my lap. It worries me that he might only think of me as 'Papa on the couch.'

"Yesterday, I got off the couch with difficulty. Before I knew it, my grandson came up behind me, placing his hands behind my knees. He helped me walk, using all of his 30 pounds to support me. I was in tears.

"What do children see, feel and understand?

"Everything."

[Lawrence Zelnick. Psy.D.]

Children possess an honesty and a generosity that we adults somehow "outgrow." But Christ calls us to embrace the uncomplicated but genuine faith of a child: to love God and others without condition or expectation. "Child-like faith" is never discouraged, never becomes cynical or jaded, never ceases to be amazed and grateful for the many ways God reveals his presence in our lives. Such faith is not complicated or compromised by ego or expectation; such faith is centered in the joy and happiness of the beloved. The power of such simple faith is its ability to overcome every rationalization, fear, complication and agenda in order to mirror the selflessness of Jesus. Christ calls us to the simple faith of a child; to love without condition or return, with honesty and faithfulness. Only in embracina such child-like kindness, compassion, generosity and forgiveness can we attain true greatness in the Kingdom of God.



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