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April 7, 2024  
Second Sunday of Easter

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. – For the Parish

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Jackie Billings

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 20 minutes before Mass

**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**

Envelopes \$656.24; Loose \$435.05; Candles \$36; CRS \$50; Good Friday \$535; Easter \$3,140; Rice Bowl \$14.80; Mtce. \$10; 2024 Quilt Raffle \$60 – Thank You

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Lector:** Carol Reiter  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Barb Jany & Pat Tinoco  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** David Mueth & Karen Mueller  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

**Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**  
Morgan Gauch  
Sandi Gerdes & Brian Lester  
Margie Bahan & Jennifer Neff  
Kinzley Kurtz & Harlow Kibbon  
Anna Gerdes

**Second Sunday of Easter**

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Liturgy of the Word begins with a most beautiful and idealistic text from Acts. Of special significance is the description that the Jerusalem community “was of one heart and mind,” with “everything in common.” How many of us struggle daily to live for the common good!

The reading from the First Letter of John, like our responsorial psalm, invites us to reflect on the incomprehensible love of God. God’s commandments are not intended to be a burden for us; rather, they have been given to us as guides for living faith-filled lives. While locked behind closed doors, Jesus appears to the disciples and offers them peace. Upon recognizing Jesus, the disciples rejoice. Jesus extends peace to them a second time, then bestows the Holy Spirit on them. In yet another encounter behind locked doors, Jesus appears again. This time, after extending peace to the disciples, Jesus invites Thomas to touch him and to believe in him. This scene

**GIBAULT NEWS**

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Future Hawk Hangout – April 12<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm  
Future Hawk Baseball Tailgate – May 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30  
**Gibault Women’s Club Rummage Sale** – Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 8 am – 2 pm. (1/2 Price and bag sale after noon). Donations can be dropped off on April 8 & 9 from 8 am – 6 pm and April 10 & 11 from 8 am – 8 pm.

**St. James CCW Presents Born in the USA  
(A Noon Luncheon Experience)**

Thursday, April 11, 2024, at St. James Parish Center. \$15 Per Person 12:00 – 2:30 pm, doors open at 10:00 am. Menu: Pulled pork, Vegetables, Hash Brown Casserole, Slaw, Jello Salad and Apple Pie. Featuring: Sweet Shoppe, Quilt/Cash Raffle, Basket Raffle, Bingo, Attendance prizes. Paid RSVPs are required in advance. Please call Jane Kuester at 618-476-1395.

**2024 QUILT RAFFLE**

Our winner of the January quilt was Jan Mueller, February – Angi Klohr, March – Esther Keefe. If you haven’t turned in your tickets for the 2024 Quilt Raffle, please turn them in so that you will be entered in the remaining 9 drawings.

**The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal  
Serve the Lord with gladness – Psalm 100**

“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 – Please consider a gift to the appeal today!



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP AGAIN!**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its Night-Time Center and 300+ people per day coming for meals at Cosgrove’s Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for food. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients and, if you are able, your donation of food (all kinds) that will be cooked and served at the soup kitchen and/or individually packaged food items (cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, instant oatmeal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta in a cup) to distribute at the Over-Nite Center.

**WELCOME TO GOD’S FAMILY**

Who was reborn of water and the Holy Spirit  
Child of God at the Sacred font of Baptism  
Jackson Paul Schoenherr

May God continue the good work that has begun in them!  
Jackson is the son of parishioners Steven & Brittany Schoenherr



**DIOCESAN SPRING FARM BLESSING**

All are invited to join Bishop McGovern for the **Spring Farm Blessing**, which will be held on Friday, April 26, 2024, at 1:00 pm at Braeutigam Orchards located at 2795 Turkey Hill Lane, Belleville. Please feel free to bring seeds, farm animals, and farm equipment and machinery to be blessed. You are also encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry.

**St. Michael’s Prayer Chain** – To request that someone be added to the Prayer Chain contact Karen Mueller at 473-3401. The person will be on the “prayer chain” for one (1) month, unless the person that requested the prayers asks for longer.

**HOLY WEEK “THANK YOU”**

Thank you to all who served in any way during this past Holy Week. A special “thank you” to all the Lectors, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, decorating committee, and Fr. Clyde and Fr. Jim.

**ST. MICHAEL CCW MEETING**

There will be a Noon Luncheon and meeting on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. All ladies of the parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS  
Caring for Our Common Home** – Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>. \$10 per session or \$30 for series. For more information call 618-394-6281

**Couples Retreat** – Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm through Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm. Cost is \$400 per couple (includes lodging and meals). Register online at <https://kh.snows.org/events/> or call 618-397-0584.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR**

St. Clare of Assisi Church 1411 Cross St., O’Fallon, IL on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s April collection; Laundry soap, Bleach, Stain removers, Fabric softeners – Thank you!

