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 September 3, 2023  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. – For the Parish

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

**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**

Envelopes \$1,324.25; Loose \$619.23; Candles \$41.50; Mtce. \$100 – Thank You

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Lector:** Pat Vogel  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Joan Killebrew & Barb Jany  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Sussan Halt & Pat Tinoco

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Cletus Mueth

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 Judy Mueth  
 Margie Bahan & David Mueth  
 Jennifer Neff & Brian Lester



**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Beginning with Romans 12, Paul outlines the implications of God’s faithfulness and generosity, particularly God’s commitment to save all. Speaking of both a bodily sacrifice and an intellectual transformation, Paul effectually suggests that grace and gift should impact the entire person. Our response to God must be embodied; it has to do with how we live, move, and interact with others and with the material world. John’s Gospel also emphasizes Jesus’ incarnation, or the Word becoming flesh in the world to live among others. Since Christ’s death for us while we were still sinners has made evident God’s groundless, unreasonable, and extravagant gift, the living sacrifice of one’s body through solidarity with the vulnerable and needy, including especially the underserving, become our “spiritual worship” or response.

Paul is clear that we must not conform to “this age”. We must put aside the old ways of competitive calculation that belong to Adamic humanity. Just as God is always improvising and doing something new and surprising to save all, we must also renew our minds to discern and follow God’s creative, novel acts. Not conforming to the world by renewing the mind enables the psalmist and compels Jeremiah to follow God’s will and share God’s words despite opposition and ridicule.

This is precisely what Peter is unable to do in Matthew 16. Having just confessed Jesus as the Messiah, Peter fails to change his thinking further when Jesus talks about his suffering and sacrifice at the hands of the powerful. Unable to discern and follow God’s will in ways that will please God, Peter, risks becoming a stumbling block rather than a rock on which the Church is built.



**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.



**GIBAULT NEWS**

Mark your calendars for October 21 for this year’s Oktoberfest – “Havana Nights!” For full event information including ways to get involved, visit [www.Gibault2023.givesmart.com](http://www.Gibault2023.givesmart.com). For \$125, Hawk Fans can purchase a Family Pass that covers admission to most of our home games (some exclusions apply.) This pass is valid for volleyball, basketball, soccer, softball, baseball, and select boys’ soccer home games. Visit [GCHSSportsPass.givesmart.com](http://GCHSSportsPass.givesmart.com) to purchase your pass!  
**Gibault Men’s Club Full Moon Ride** on Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm. For more information text Darren 618-972-9989 or Mark 314-496-0056.



**CCW NEWS**

There will be a Pumpkin Party Meeting on Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon. Light luncheon will be served. All ladies of the parish are welcome.



**Show Your Gratitude to Our Priests  
 Retired Diocesan Priests Collection September 9-10**

On both ordinary and extraordinary days, our priests have been there for us...at baptisms, weddings, First Communion and Confirmation, at times of sickness and sorrow...dedicating their lives to bring us closer to Christ. Now it is our turn to be there for them during their retirement years through a gift to the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection. All funds will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications. Note: Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which is held in December. Show your appreciation with a generous gift next weekend – September 9-10. Thank you so much.



**2023 QUILT RAFFLE**

Our winner of the January quilt was Jim & Jodi Probst, February – Gloria Sollee, March – Christine Hopper, April – Emily Cortner, May – Carol Quirin, June – Betty Bolt, July – Marty Assmann, August – Barb Jany. You have 4 more chances to win.



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

During the intense heat of summer, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council desperately needs bottled water and Gatorade (or similar drinks) for the homeless who visit the soup kitchen, thrift store and OverNite Center every day.  
 And...no matter what the weather...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) are also needed! If you are able to help, items can be dropped in the back of the church.



**YOUNG ADULT MASS**

Bishop McGovern invites young Catholic adults, ages 18-35 to join him at a Reception on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 6:00 pm, in the Undercroft of the Cathedral. All are invited to attend the regularly scheduled 5:00 pm Mass in the Cathedral church. For more information, contact Clara Basola 618-722-5047 or [cbasola@diobelle.org](mailto:cbasola@diobelle.org).



**NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS**

Suicide Prevention Training and “We Remember You” Candlelight Vigil – Wednesday, September 6, 2023. NO COST  
 Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention Training at 5:30 – 6:30 pm at the Visitors Center  
 “We Remember You” Candlelight Vigil at 7:00 pm at the Shrine’s Lourdes Grotto  
 For more information call 618-394-6281 or <https://snows.org>.  
**Spiritual Cinema** including Reflection and Discussion – Tuesdays, Sept. 12, Oct. 10 & Nov. 14 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm. Cost: Free will offering. Call 618-397-0584 for more information. Space Limited



**HOME SCHOOL MASS**

Bishop McGovern invites all families that home school children to celebrate Mass together on Wednesday., September 13 at 11:00 am at St. Clare Church, 1411 Cross Street, O’Fallon, IL. Lunch will be available afterward.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s September collection; Shaving cream and razors, tampons and maxi-pads – Thank you!  
**St. James, Millstadt** – Quilt and Cash Bingo Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. and Bingo begins at 1:00 p.m.  
**St. Mary and St. John United Church of Christ, Valmeyer** – Church Picnic September 17<sup>th</sup> 11 am – 6 pm  
**St. Augustine, Belleville** – Parish Picnic September 23<sup>rd</sup> 4-10 pm  
**St. James, Millstadt** – Wine Tasting Experience September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Doors open at 6:30 pm. Any questions please call Michelle Huckle 618-781-7665 or Dawn Sheldon 618-223-9605



**ST. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY**

St. Luke’s Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> doors open at 10:30 lunch served at Noon, St. Luke’s Parish Hall, 226 N. Church St., Belleville. Cost is \$10 for Chicken Salad & Croissant, Tossed Salad, Jello/Cottage Cheese Fluff, Cake, coffee, hot tea, iced tea, and water. Please bring a canned item for the Community Interfaith Food Pantry.