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Mass: Saturday 4pm – Sunday 9am  
April 12, 2026  
Second Sunday of Easter

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. – For the Parish

Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Betty Beckerle

**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**

Envelopes \$4,357.50; Loose \$864; Candles \$56; Easter \$2,640; Holy Land \$96; CHM \$50; CRS \$20; Cath Ed \$130; Mtce. \$100; Rice Bowls \$37.87 – Thank You

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.**

**Lector:** Teresa Braunseis  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Barb Jany & Pat Tinoco  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Joan Killebrew & Susan Halt  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**

Sandi Gerdes  
Mary Anne Hopper & Jennifer Neff  
Vic Klein & Rich Kreher  
Riley Neff & Kinzley Kurtz  
Anna Gerdes

**Second Sunday of Easter**

The first reading, from Acts, provides a snapshot into the four ways the early Church lived the Good News. First, they learned about the life, ministry, and teachings of Jesus, as remembered and passed down from the apostles. Second, they shared a “communal life” in which believers sold possessions and shared resources in order to make sure that nobody was in need. Third, they broke bread together, which means that they ate together, sharing life over meals in their homes; it also means that they celebrated the Lord’s Supper together as part of those meals. Fourth and finally, they devoted themselves to “the prayers,” which likely means both the prayers they inherited from their Jewish traditions as well as the Lord’s Prayer, the prayer given to them by Jesus.

The second reading and the Gospel focus on the nature of faith, or what it means to trust and believe without seeing. When the risen Jesus appears to his disciples, he offers to his doubtful disciple Thomas the proof that it is really he, by showing the nail marks in his hands and the wound in his side. Thomas responds with wonder and worship: “My Lord and my God!” (Jn 20:28). This blessing is echoed in Peter’s first letter, when he writes to those who have not seen Christ for themselves but love him and believe in him anyway. Perhaps we might think that Thomas was blessed because he saw, but Jesus blesses all of us who have not seen and still have believed.

**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, Choir and Fr. Clyde.

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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council again this year needs donations of bottled water, Gatorade (individual bottles), Capri Sun (individual pouches) or similar drinks, individually packaged snacks, such as crackers, meat sticks, cookies, fruit cups/pudding etc. Items can be placed in the back of church.

**SPRING FARM BLESSING**

All are invited to join Fr. Godfrey for the Spring Farm Blessing which will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 1:00 pm at the Ryan Peter Family Farm, 7755 Highway 15, Mr. Carmel, IL. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit, vegetables and garden produce in sealed, marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Non-perishable food items for the needy of the area will be collected.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to Gerard Gregson for putting up the barricades in the parking lot for Church Event Parking Only.

**TOTUS TUUS**

Totus Tuus is coming to the Belleville Diocese this summer! Totus Tuus is a fun and faith-filled Catholic summer program for students in Grades 1-12. Grades 1-6 meet during the day (Monday-Friday) Grades 7-12 meet in the evening (Sunday-Thursday). Five locations across the diocese will host Totus Tuus this summer, and families are welcome to register at any location – even if their parish is not hosting. Dates and locations are available now. Registration information coming soon!

**MEVCCW SPRING DAY OF PRAYER**

The Metro East Vicariate Council of Catholic Women will be hosting their 2026 Spring Day of Prayer/Meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2026. It will be held at Queen of Peace Parish, Belleville. The presentation, **Stewardship of Faith: Sharing the Gift We’ve Been Given** will be given by Bishop-elect Godfrey Mullen, OSB. Reservations are required by April 24<sup>th</sup>. On-line reservation form may be accessed at <https://forms.gle/nWT9J8gob6Xcz1t39>. Please call Karen Vick 618-978-6897 with any questions.

**MASS & MINGLE**

Mass & Mingle for expectant parents & those with growing families, The Cathedral of St. Peter April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Mass will include a blessing followed by a reception with pizza and refreshments in the undercroft.

**RICE BOWLS**

Please turn in your Rice Bowls next weekend, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Virtues are formed by prayer. Prayer preserves temperance, suppresses anger, prevents emotions of pride and envy. **Prayer draws into the soul the Holy Spirit, and raises us to heaven.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s April collection; Laundry soap, bleach, stain removers, fabric softeners - Thank you!

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

**God First Loved Us – Retreats** Starting September 12, 2025 through May 1, 2026. Retreat begins on Friday at 4:00 pm through Sunday’s at 1:00 pm - \$250 per person (includes lodging and meals)  
**God First Loved Us – Men’s Quiet Retreats:** May -1-3  
**Nourishing Hope in Our Beautiful and Wounded World – 7-Day Preached Retreat** with Sr. Melannie Svoboda, SND – Monday, July 13, 4:00 pm through Sunday July 19 at 10 am. Lodging \$643, Double Occupancy \$588, Commuter \$495. Call 618-397-0584.  
Directed One Retreat – May 11-18  
Directed Two Retreat – June 15-22  
Call 618-397-0584 for more information  
Days of Reflection & Spiritual Cinema: February-May  
**Violence Divine: Overcoming the Bible’s Betrayal of Its Non-Violent God** – a 4-week spring video study Tuesday’s April 7, 21, 28, May 5, 2026 10 am – Noon Cost \$20 for series; \$5 per session. Call 618-397-0584 for more information  
**Day of Reflection: Seeking Our Archetypes: Richard Rohr, Carl Jung and the Energies that Move Us All** – Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 3 pm. Cost is \$60 (lunch included) To register call 618-397-0584 or Snows.org.

**2026 QUILT RAFFLE**

Our winner of the January quilt was Mary Muskopf, February – Pat Ramsey, March – Carolyn Sabo. If you haven’t turned in your tickets for the 2026 Quilt Raffle, please turn them in so that you will be entered in the remaining 9 drawings.

**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.

**CCW NEWS**

The Ladies CCW Meeting will be on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at noon in the parish hall. A light lunch will be served. All ladies of the parish are welcome!

