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# LENT

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Mass: Saturday 4pm – Sunday 9am  
March 8, 2026  
Third Sunday of Lent

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. – For the Parish

Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Celeste Krausz

### STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$2,739.50; Loose \$867; Candles \$66; Catholic Ed. \$50; Cemetery \$15; Mtce. \$30; 2026 Quilt Raffle \$200 – Thank You

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

#### Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.

**Lector:** Pat Vogel  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Barb Jany & Joan Killebrew  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Karen Mueller & Pat Tinoco  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

#### Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.

Rich Kreher  
Sandi Gerdes & Vic Klein  
Mary Anne Hopper & Jennifer Neff  
Addison Parker & Carson Parker  
Noah Huffman

### Third Sunday of Lent

The first reading picks up the Exodus story after God’s dramatic rescue of Abraham’s descendants from slavery in Egypt. Now they are in the desert, on their way to the land God promised to Abraham, and they are thirsty. They are so thirsty that they complain that Moses has brought them out of Egypt and into the desert to die of thirst. In John’s Gospel, Jesus tells a thirsty woman that he has living water that will quench thirst forever. Later in John, we learn that this living water is the Holy Spirit, who will be a river flowing out from all those who believe in Christ and receive the gift of the Spirit. God gives water that quenches all our thirsts, bodily and spiritually. This water is so abundant (rivers of it!) that it overflows from those who have it to all those who are thirsty.

### 2026 QUILT RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was Mary Muskopf, February – Pat Ramsey. 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 10 drawings.

**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)  
**Spring Quiet Retreats** – Men’s Quiet Retreats: May -1-3  
Women’s Quiet Retreats: March-April  
Days of Reflection & Spiritual Cinema: February-May  
**Church History Series: A History of Heaven and Hell** – Saturdays, March 14, 21, 28, 2026 from 10 am to 12 pm Cost 15 per session/\$45 for the series

**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.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS COATS!

Cold winter weather has arrived and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council desperately needs coats to distribute to those in need. **Gently-used or new coats of all types in all sizes for all ages- toddlers, children, teens and adults (men and women) are being requested.** Items can be placed in the entrance of church. Warm your heart by keeping someone warm and donate a coat today! Thank you very much.

### HAS YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER CHANGED? DO WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS? ARE YOU NOT ON OUR PARISH MAILING LIST & NEED TO REGISTER?

We need to update our census. If you are not getting parish emails please drop a note in the collection basket with your name, email address, and phone number or you may email [stmichaels4@aol.com](mailto:stmichaels4@aol.com) or call Sue Walsh 314-974-2516. Thank you!

### THE MESSENGER

Easter Tributes – The messenger will once again be printing Easter Tributes to honor your Loved One. Forms are in the entrance of church. Cost is \$20 per name (checks need to be made out to: The Messenger). Deadline in March 20, 2026. Any questions please call 618-722-5047.

### DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

The Diocese of Belleville Young Adults Presents: Bibles and Brews on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> with Canon Benjamin Coggeshall. Gruv Bistro & Wine Bar, 223 E. Main St., Belleville, 6:30 – 7:00 Social 7:00 – 8:30 Event. This is for young adults ages 21 – 35.

### ST. JAMES CCW

Take me out to the Ballgame Noon Luncheon on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. General Admission is \$15 per person. Doors open at 10 am Lunch at Noon. Reservation Forms and Raffle Tickets are in the entrance of church.

### BUILDING AND GROUNDS TECHNICIAN

The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a **Buildings and Grounds Technician**. The person in this position performs routine maintenance and repairs on building systems, furnace filters, and floor drains; works closely with outside contractors and vendors for specialized repairs and projects: responsible for snow/ice removal; and assists with lawn maintenance. Visit <https://www.diobelle.org/temporal-affairs/human-resources/employment-opportunities> for the full advertisement. Deadline: March 13, 2026.

### The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

This weekend our parish has an opportunity to support the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Each year, through our prayers and gifts to the Appeal, diocesan ministries continue to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, care for the sick and elderly, educate children, reach out to youth, train lay ministers and catechists and so much more. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail or forgot to bring it, please use one of the envelopes available in your pew or bring your card next week. Your contribution will touch the lives of thousands of people throughout southern Illinois; on behalf of each of the, please accept our heartfelt thanks.

### ILLINOIS PRO LIFE MARCH

Join the Belleville Diocese as we pray for the vulnerable and stand up for the dignity of all human life! March 19, 2026, Springfield, IL. 10:00 am; Holy Mass, Exposition Hall, IL State Fairgrounds, 1:00 pm Rally and March, IL State Capitol Complex. Drive yourself, or take our bus (Adults \$25/Student \$10) T-Shirts available for \$10 each. More information on the bulletin board.

### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **reveal Christ’s love** to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS!

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s March collection; Toilet Paper - Thank you!  
**Sacred Heart Parish, Effingham** – St. Pat’s Bash Casino Night – Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Live Auction, Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing, Raffle, Tickets are \$50 each. Information on the bulletin board in the entrance of church

When I receive my periodical health insurance statements, I always see the large, boldfaced print on top of the first page: **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**. My health plan helps me to understand the benefits and know how well they are supporting my physical well-being. For this, I am very thankful. When reading this message some time ago, I thought about the spiritual benefits that were being given to my soul, so I taped the large EOB on the front cover of my Bible. This is a good reminder when I read the sacred words about Jesus, the divine physician, who benefits my soul with saving grace. I have the assurance from the Lord that I can ask, seek, and knock anytime for the door to be opened for spiritual assistance.