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# LENT

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 March 23, 2025  
 Third Sunday of Lent

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. – Myrna Schilling

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

**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**

Envelopes \$2,524; Loose \$165.25; Candles \$80; Mtce. \$25; 2025 Quilt Raffle \$40 – Thank You

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Lector:** Teresa Braunseis  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Pat Tinoco & Karen Mueller  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Joan Killebrew & Rosemary Yaekel  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – For the Parish

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Sandi Gerdes  
 David Mueth & Jennifer Neff  
 Mary Anne Hopper & Diane Mueller  
 Audrey Friederich & Riley Neff  
 Anna Gerdes

### Third Sunday of Lent

Our Old Testament reading for today is well known to us – likely one we have heard since childhood. Moses, who is tending his father-in-law’s flock at the base of Mount Horeb, may be looking for distractions to while away the time when he sees a bush in flames just off the path. What is remarkable is not the burning bush itself but its staying power. The bush is not consumed. As many of us would, Moses decides to check it out.

Moses’ openness becomes God’s cue to call out to him, indeed, to summon him far beyond what he believes himself capable of. Notice that when God calls him by name, Moses responds simply, “Here I am.” In Hebrew, this is just one word, hinni. It is how Abraham responded to God at the ultimate test of his faith (Gn 22) and how many prophets after him also will respond to their call. Once God alerts Moses to the holy ground and identifies himself in the covenantal tradition of Moses’ ancestors, Moses lowers his face in fear but remains. Much staying power will be required of him as well in the coming years.

God then reveals his intentions to bring the Israelites out of oppression in Egypt into this very wilderness where they will worship God in freedom. Moses is God’s chosen prophet and leader. This scene culminates when, at Moses’ request, God further reveals the divine name, YHWH, a form of the verb “to be.” God is the essence of being, the “I AM,” a name so sacred that it should not be uttered. Our reverence is indicated in the address, “LORD.”

### 2025 QUILT RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was Chuck Mueller, February – Kate Buettner. If you haven’t turned in your tickets for the 2025 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

**A Desperate Seeking** - September 13, 2024, through May 2, 2025 – weekend retreats start on Friday at 4:00 p.m. through Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$235 per person (includes lodging and meals). For information call 618-397-0584.

**Living in Freedom: Letting Go of Desires for Inner Peace** – Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Cost \$60

**Creating SABBATH SPACE in Our Lives** – 5-week Spring Video Study featuring Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI, Tuesdays April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 2025, 10:00 am – Noon Cost \$25 for series, \$5 for session. For more information call 618-397-0584 or register online at <https://kh.snows.org/events/deanvideo-spring2025/>.

**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. JAMES CCW EASTER PARADE SPRING LUNCHEON

The St. James CCW will have their Easter Parade Spring Luncheon on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 10:30, Lunch at noon, \$15 per person and Paid reservations are required in advance and are available by calling Kathy Hoeffken at 618-612-9563.

### CATHOLIC RELIEF

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).

### ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS

Immaculate Conception Church in Columbia is having Adoration and Confessions on Tuesday’s during Lent from 7-8 pm.

### STAY CONNECTED, GROW IN FAITH

Get local Catholic news, messages from the bishop, a list of upcoming events, faith formation opportunities, and more by joining the Belleville Diocese flocknote. Text **DIOBELLE TO 84576** to sign up today! You may also connect with the Diocese online at: [diobelle.flocknote.com](http://diobelle.flocknote.com).

### COVENANT NETWORK

Do you want to know a great way to make this Lent even better? Listen to Catholic Radio! Shut off the noise and listen to solid Catholic teaching, prayers, and call-in programs. You can listen on a smart speaker, tell Alexa to play Covenant Network Catholic Radio, on our App, Covenant Network, online at **OurCatholicRadio.org**, on your local Catholic radio station, 90.3 FM. Make this a Lent to remember.

### FAITH AND JUSTICE INTERNSHIP WITH THE BELLEVILLE DIOCESE

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic, anti-poverty social justice program of the U.S Catholic Bishops. This year, CCHD is offering a local paid internship for Catholics in our diocese to help promote the important work of CCHD and to offer experience working with and on behalf of those in poverty. The internship will provide practical work in carrying out the mandate of CCHD, opportunities to develop relationships with community leaders, reflection on Catholic social teaching, and opportunities for sharing the experience with other CCHD interns. The internship is paid and required an average of 14 hours a week for 24 weeks. For more information contact Cheryl at 618-624-2838.

### ST. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY

St. Luke’s Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at Noon, St. Luke’s Parish Hall, 226 N. Church St., Belleville. The cost is \$10 for Pulled Pork on Bun with Pickle, Slaw, Corn Chips, Cake, coffee, iced tea, and water. Please bring a canned item for the Community Interfaith Food Pantry.

### DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

The Diocese of Belleville Young Adults Presents: Bibles and Brews on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, with Casmir Cozzi, Seminarian, Bennie’s Pizza Pub, 113 East Main St., Belleville, 6:30 – 7:00 Social 7:00 – 8:30 Event. This is for young adults ages 21 – 35.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Cemetery Association is currently accepting applications for Lawn Care Support for Mount Carmel Cemetery in Belleville. There are multiple positions available for Seasonal Full-Time workers in the areas of mowing, edging/weeding (\$17 - \$18 per hour). If interested, contact the Cemetery Association at 618-397-0181 or [cdbcemeterypass@gmail.com](mailto:cdbcemeterypass@gmail.com).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS!

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s March collection; Toilet Paper – Thank you!

**Quilt/Cash Bingo** – St. James, Millstadt, **TODAY** Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Doors open at 10:30 Bingo begins at 1:00 pm

**Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** – St. Joseph Freeburg Knights of Columbus, Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – Noon, All You Can Eat