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Mass: Saturday 4pm – Sunday 9am
February 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, February 7th, 4:00 p.m. – Joseph Kloh
STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:
Envelopes \$202.50 – Thank You

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:
Saturday, February 7th, 4:00 p.m.
Lector: Pat Vogel
Minister: Body of Christ Barb Jany & Joan Killebrew
Minister: Blood of Christ Pat Tinoco & David Mueth
Servers:
Crossbearer:

Sunday, February 8th, 9:00 a.m.
Sandi Gerdes
Jennifer Neff & Vic Klein
Rich Kreher & Mary Anne Hopper
Carson Parker & Addison Parker
Noah Huffman



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When Jesus proclaims whom he considers “blessed,” the strong and the proud are not listed. The rich and powerful are absent. Jesus says the blessed ones are the humble and lowly, the faithful who pursue justice and who take refuge in the Lord (see Zep 3:12). They boast only in the Lord Jesus and his salvation (see 1 Cor 1:31). To them, God promises the kingdom of God, an upside-down kingdom in which the last are first.

The blessed ones imitate God with their merciful acts—feeding the hungry, protecting the resident alien, and raising up those who are bowed down (see Ps 146:7-9). To them, God promises his mercy on the day of judgment.

The blessed ones mourn, because they are the oppressed and the captives, the fatherless and widows, the ones in exile longing for home. These blessed are those whom Paul describes as “lowly and despised of the world,” as “those who count for nothing” (1 Cor 1:28). To them, God promises his comfort and consolation, which in the Bible means redemption, it means the eternal day of sabbath rest and joy at the end of earthly strivings, it means the wiping away of all tears (see Rev 21:4).

The blessed ones long for God’s justice. They have pure hearts that single-mindedly seek the things of God and speak only the truth (see Zep 3:13). They love God’s law (see Zep 2:3); they secure justice for the oppressed (see Ps 146:7). To them, God promises what their heart most desires: they will be satisfied with God himself; they will be “filled with all the fullness of God” (Eph 3:19).

The blessed ones sow shalom, peace, wherever they go. Because they are meek, they do not return evil for evil or trample the weak. Like Jesus, they are gentle. They reconcile enemies to God and to one another. They are called the children of God because they are like their Father.

2026 QUILT RAFFLE

If you haven’t turned in your 2026 Quilt Raffle Tickets, please do so before the February 1st drawing to be entered in all 12 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 Quite Retreats: March-April
Days of Reflection & Spiritual Cinema: February-May
From the Tower of Babel to Pentecost: Embracing our Differences, Praising in Unity – Monday, February 16, 2026 from 10 am to 3 pm. Cost \$60 (lunch included). For information call 618-397-0584.
Lenten Day of Reflection: On the Lenten Journey – Thursday, March 5th from 10 am – 3 pm. Cost \$60.00 (Lunch included). For information call 618-397-0584.



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.



THANK YOU!

Thank you to Aiden and Avery Parker and Carter Jany for cleaning the snow off of the sidewalks and to Vic Klein for cleaning the parking lot. It was very much appreciated!



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 or call Sue Walsh 314-974-2516. Thank you!

St. Michael’s Annual “Trivia Night”

Have you reserved your table yet (we have 2 tables available) for Saturday, February 7th St. Michael’s “Trivia Night” The doors open at 6 pm and play starts at 7:00 pm. \$120 per table includes “Survivor” round and two other special games; Mulligans available, 8 people maximum per table. Questions & answers presented in PowerPoint! Cash prizes. Silent Auction, wine pull & 50/50. Bring your own snacks & drinks. For reservations, please call Barb Jany at 618-920-5384.
Please Note: Once again, the Trivia Committee are asking parishioners to donate items for the Silent Auction and also bottles of wine are needed for the “Wine Pull”. Items may be left in the entrance of church. **We are still in need of Wine for the Wine Pull.**



ST. MICHAEL MEN’S EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The Euchre Tournament sponsored by the Men’s Club will be Saturday, February 28, at 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:00 pm. All you can drink beer and soda; all you can eat fried chicken (at the end on the last round). Call Rich Kreher 314-341-4904 with any questions.

ST. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY

St. Luke’s Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, February 3rd at Noon, St. Luke’s Parish Hall, 226 N. Church St., Belleville. The cost is \$10 for Chicken a la King over Biscuit, Tossed Salad, Chunky Applesauce, Cake, coffee, iced tea, and water.



THE MESSENGER

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend is February 7 & 8. Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to The Messenger Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or by credit card at www.bellevilemessenger.org and click SUBSCRIBE or call 618-722-5045 during business hours for phone payment. The cost for a 1-year subscription is \$40 for printed, home-delivery, \$35 for digital access and \$45 for both. **Please make checks payable to The Messenger and make sure to include your e-mail address if digital subscription is selected.**

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The 2025 Contribution Statements were mailed. If you don’t receive your statement please contact Sue Walsh.



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael’s February collection; Toothpaste and toothbrushes, Mouthwash and Floss - Thank you!
St. Augustine, Hecker – Quilt/Cash Bingo, Sunday, February 8th, Hecker Community Center. Fried Chicken & Pork Sausage Plates 10 am – 1 pm Bingo begins at 1:30 pm
St. John the Baptist, Smithton – Annual Card Social, Friday, February 6th @ 7 pm.
St. Augustine, Belleville – Trivia Night to benefit St. Augustine Food Pantry, Saturday, February 21st. Reservations or Questions contact Stacy Haas 618-920-9077