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 May 19, 2024
 Solemnity of Pentecost

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, May 25th, 5:00 p.m. – Norman & Dorothy Becherer
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 20 minutes before Mass

STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$1,195.70; Loose \$700; Candles \$60; Cemetery \$25; Mass Stipend \$20 – Thank You

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Saturday, May 25th, 5:00 p.m.
Lector: Carol Reiter
Minister: Body of Christ Barb Jany & Joan Killebrew
Minister: Blood of Christ Susan Halt & Rosemary Yaekel
Servers:
Crossbearer:

Sunday, May 26th, 9:00 a.m. – For the Parish

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Rich Kreher
 Vic Klein & Mary Anne Hopper
 Morgan Gauch & Margie Bahan
 Nolan & Shane Traiteur
 Anna Gerdes

Solemnity of Pentecost

Today is the Solemnity of Pentecost, when we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and their sharing of the Good News of Jesus Christ with the world. This day is acknowledged as the birth of the Church, since it is the day when the frightened and confused disciples emerged from the upper room, boldly proclaiming the mighty acts of God through the crucified and risen Lord.

The feast to which today’s Gospel refers is Sukkot, also called the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths. It began as a one-day fall harvest festival, but over time it became linked with a celebration of the dedication of Solomon’s temple. Also, because it was a pilgrimage festival and the massive crowds of visitors to Jerusalem were housed in tents, it became a reminder of the Exodus, when the Israelites dwelt in tents. By the first century AD, the feast lasted seven or possibly eight days. It was a time of great celebration, including thanksgiving for the harvest and prayers for God’s blessing of rain for the coming year. Every morning during Sukkot, priests and Levites of the temple would go to the Pool of Siloah (or Siloam), just south of the temple mount, to draw water, which was then poured on the altar of the temple as a libation, accompanied by trumpets and signing crowds. It was a time of great joy!

Sukkot and its water-drawing ceremony provide the backdrop for today’s Gospel. But this is the last day, described as “the great day.” Perhaps it is the Sabbath, or at least a Sabbath-like day, when no work was allowed, so on this day there was no water-drawing ceremony. This is when Jesus stands and proclaims himself to be the giver of water. Most likely, his audience would have been shocked by this announcement, after all the excitement of the feast. Living water is a metaphor for the Holy Spirit and that Jesus promises the sending of the Holy Spirit, when he is crucified and exalted.

2024 QUILT RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was Jan Mueller, February – Angi Klohr, March – Esther Keefe, April – Kathy Gass. If you haven’t turned in your tickets for the 2024 Quilt Raffle, please turn them in so that you will be entered in the remaining 8 drawings.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP AGAIN!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its Night-Time Center and 300+ people per day coming for meals at Cosgrove’s Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for food. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients and, if you are able, your donation of food (all kinds) that will be cooked and served at the soup kitchen and/or 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) to distribute at the Over-Nite Center.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

Directed Retreat II from July 8 through July 15th. The 7-day summer Directed II Retreat is a primary way to hear the voice of God through the people and events of daily experiences. The goal of the directed retreat is to allow you to go deeper into your relationship with God while savoring what is happening in your life. Call 618-397-0584 for more information.



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.

The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Serve the Lord with gladness – Psalm 100

Did you know **YOUR GIFT** to the 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese’s website at www.diobelle.org and click on “Giving”. It’s that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on **YOU**. Please visit www.diobelle.org today!



GIBAULT NEWS

Enrolling – There is still time to be Gibault Hawk this fall! We are accepting incoming freshmen and transfer students of all grade levels. To learn more, visit <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

Summer Camps – Registration for our summer camps is now open! Choose from art, boys’ and girls’ basketball, boys’ and girls’ volleyball, and boys’ soccer. <https://gibaulthawks.com/2024-summer-camps/>

Summer Classic Golf Tournament – Annbriar Golf Course on Friday, June 21, 2024. Information on the Bulletin Board or <https://SummerClassic.givesmart.com>.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL IS HIRING

Do you have a spiritual calling for the Catholic ministry and a commitment to live faith through charitable work. Our partner The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville, II Council is hiring an Assistant Executive Director. This is the career opportunity of a lifetime! Send resume and cover letter to svdphr@svdpsouthil.net.



ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH – RUMA

The Annual Strawberry Festival is **TODAY** Sunday, May 19th from 11:00 am – 2:30 pm. Dinner includes Fried Chicken & all the Fixins’ plus Homemade Dressing and Strawberries & Ice Cream.

INVITATION TO BISHOP BRAXTON’S CELEBRATION

His Excellency, The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D., Bishop Emeritus of Belleville, invites you to join him for a Mass of Thanksgiving, on Sunday, July 14, 2024, at 5:00 PM in the Cathedral of St. Peter commemorating the 54th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood the 29th Anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopacy and the 80th Anniversary of his birth. The Intention of this Mass will be Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese. You are invited to greet the Bishop and enjoy Refreshments at a Reception immediately after the Mass in the Undercroft of the Cathedral. RSVP by Friday, June 14 to Mary Fleming, mffleming@diobelle.org or 618-722-5031.

A SPECIAL INVITATION

During the month of June Mount Carmel Catholic Cemetery and Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery are offering pre-need graves at a special, reduced cost. For additional information or to make an appointment please call: 618-397-0181.



PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE: In the Footsteps of Paul
December 1 -11, 2024

Retreat Leaders: Fr. Jim Buerster, Deacon John Gomez, and Cheryl Sommer – Hosted by Catholic Relief Services in the Diocese of Belleville. The Cost is \$3,999. Registration deadline is June 1, 2024. For more information contact Cheryl Sommer at crsdiobelle@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael’s May collection; Bath soap and Deodorants – Thank you!