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#### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, November 29th, 4:00 p.m. - For the Parish

Sunday, November 30th, 9:00 a.m. – Jerry Quirin

#### STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$1,305; Loose \$284; Candles \$71; CCHD \$40; Mtce \$25; Hurricane Melissa \$21; Mass Stipend \$20 - Thank You

#### **LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:** Thursday, November 27th, 9:00 a.m.

Carol Reiter Lector: **Minister: Body of Christ** Volunteer Minister: Blood of Christ Volunteer

Servers: Crossbearer:

#### Saturday, November 29th, 4:00 p.m.

Pat Vogel

Barb Jany & Susan Halt Pat Tinoco & Joan Killebrew Sunday, November 30th, 9:00 a.m. Rich Kreher Jennifer Neff & Sandi Gerdes Vic Klein & David Mueth Carson Parker & Riley Neff

Anna Gerdes

#### Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

We end the liturgical year with the celebration of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. While our prayers on this day speak in praise of his majesty and glory, we also remember that we serve a humble king who reigns through service and selfemptying love. Today's solemnity invites us to embrace his vision of justice and truth, that we might be transformed more and more into subjects fit for his heavenly kingdom.

In the selection from the Second Book of Samuel, we hear that David was both recognized by the people and appointed by God to be king of Israel. The responsorial psalm emphasizes the great delight that Israel had in visiting their holy city, Jerusalem, the home of both the united monarchy, established with King David, and the temple, built by the son of David, King Solomon. The song is one of tremendous delight!

Luke's Gospel text for today's feast invites us to consider what it means for Jesus to be king. He is on the cross. He has been crucified. While Jesus hangs there, the rulers and the soldiers sneer at him, and above his head the inscription reads, "This is the King of the Jews." The scene is filled with irony. Those who use this title for Jesus do so to mock him. Yet all the while, we and one of the criminals know the truth. Jesus is, indeed, the King of Jews. This is no ordinary kingship. The kingship of Jesus, the Christ, is made known not in extravagant robes and ceremonies but in the embrace and the humiliation of the cross.

#### 2025 OUILT RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was Chuck Mueller, February - Kate Buettner, March - David & Janice Holdener, April - Jim & Jodie  $Probst,\,May-Michelle\,\,Walls,\,June-Janet\,\,Kreher,\,July-Phil\,\,Halt,$ August - Vern Moehrs, September - Sarah Birkner, October - Susan Kossina. If you haven't turned in your tickets for the 2025 Quilt Raffle, please turn them in so that your will be entered in the remaining 2 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: January 9-11, 16-18, May -1-3

Women's Quite Retreats: March-April

Days of Reflection & Spiritual Cinema: February-May

Advent's Deepening Call to Welcome the Tender Grace of Godwith-Us! - Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Shrine Visitors Center. Cost \$60 (lunch included)

The Way of Lights – November 21 through December 3, 2025, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Indoor activities are closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

Way of Lights 5K Run – Join us for our 5k Competitive Run and 1.5-mile Fun Walk on January 1, 2026. For more information call 618-397-6700 or visit snows.org/wolrun

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 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.

### GIBAULT

Gibault Catholic School is collecting plastic lids. The lids may be left in the entrance of church. They will be collecting lids until January 30, 2026.

#### WAY OF LIGHTS

Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights, greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display in the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows' Visitors Center from November 21 through December 31. If interested, please email <u>programs@snows.org</u> or call 618-394-6281

#### THANK YOU

A Blessed and Grace-filled Thank You to the Parishioners of St. Michael's Parish for their generous support of the "Legacy of Life" Baby Bottle Drive. Your continued support helps so many women who are in dire need of so many services, for themselves, and also those with children. Once again Than You from the Knights of Columbus #4741 of Millstadt.

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#### MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 8th at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. All men of the Parish are welcome. A Signup sheet is in the entrance of church.

#### OFFERING ENVELOPES AND QUILT OF THE MONTH

The 2026 Offering envelopes are in the entrance of church. If you give online, you will not have a box of envelopes.

The 2026 Ouilt of the Month Letter and Raffle tickets are in the entrance of church. Please pick up your envelope so that we can save money on postage.

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#### **CCW NEWS**

The Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 10th, a sign-up sheet is in the entrance of church. Please bring 5 nonperishable food items or personal car items to be entered into a drawing for prizes

#### ST. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY

St. Luke's Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, December 2nd at Noon, St. Luke's Parish Hall, 226 N. Church St., Belleville. The cost is \$10 for Pork Loin/Dressing & Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Creamy Grape Salad with Pecans, Cake, coffee, iced tea, and water. Please bring a canned item for the Community Interfaith Food

#### CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION

Thank you for your support in the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! The monies raised will help support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. One example is WePower, a Metro-East organization that brings together local residents to create better structures for supporting families with young children. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! You may use the CCHD envelope in your envelope packet or donate online.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael's November

collection; Sheets, Blankets, Quilts– Thank you!

St. Boniface, Evansville – Bingo, Quilts, Hams, Cash, TODAY Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Food starts at 11 am Bingo starts at 1 pm

For the more we are united among ourselves, the more we will be able to lead others to the fold of the Good Shepherd, and to live as brothers and sisters in the one house of the Father.