



**Pastor:**  
Fr. Patrick N. Peter

# Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**December 6, 2020**

**First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11**

**Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14**

**Gospel: Mark 1:1-8**



### Parish Organizations, Committees and Ministries

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
Sunday 8am and 11am

#### Weekday Masses:

8am: Monday, Tuesday  
Wednesday and Friday

#### Holy Day Masses:

8am, 12:10pm, & 7pm

#### Confessions:

4:30pm on Saturday  
or by appointment

#### Baptism & Marriage:

For arrangement please  
contact the Parish office

#### Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday at Noon

#### Office Hours:

Mon. – Fri. 9am-3pm

#### Office Staff:

Judie Kuper  
Office Manager  
Carol Niemeyer  
Office Secretary  
526-7746

#### All Saints Academy

Kahiwalani Goetsch  
Principal  
Dustin McSparin  
Office Manager  
295 N. Clinton St.  
526-4323

#### Mater Dei High School

Dennis Litteken  
Principal  
900 N. Mater Dei Dr.  
526-7216

#### Websites:

**St. Dominic Church** [www.saintdominicbreese.org](http://www.saintdominicbreese.org)  
**Diocese of Belleville** [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org)  
**Knights of Columbus** [www.breeseknights.org](http://www.breeseknights.org)  
**Mater Dei High School** [www.materdeiknights.org](http://www.materdeiknights.org)  
**All Saints Academy** [www2.asasaints.com](http://www2.asasaints.com)

#### Parish Council

Helen Essenpreis Pres.  
Leann Wilke  
Joe McNamara-V-Pres.  
Bob Albers  
Amy Koch  
Laura Kruep-Sec.  
Laurie Klostermann  
Paul Klostermann  
Dave Kruep

#### Trustees

Dawn Tebbe  
Steve Usselmann

#### Adult Servers

Mary Ellen Detmer

#### Adoration

Allison Cowgill

#### Altar Sodality

Barb VonAlst-Pres  
Maribeth Detmer-V-Pres.

#### Building & Maintenance

Bob Albers  
Dave Kruep  
Mike Niemeyer

#### Choirs, Cantors, Musicians

Leah Loddeke

#### Church Decorating

Lynn Hollenkamp

#### Community Committee

Helen Essenpreis  
Laura Kruep  
Amy Koch

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Pat Peter

#### First Friday/Homebound Ministry

Fr. Pat

#### Lectors

Rod Kloeckner

#### Liturgy Committee

Leann Wilke  
Amy Koch

#### Men's Sodality

Dennis Ratermann

#### Picnic Executives

open

#### Prayer Ministry

Lorine Schmidt

#### Rosary Leaders

Connie Robben

#### RCIA

Fr. Pat Peter

#### Sacristans

Gail Linn  
Josie Timmermann  
Cyndi Riley

#### Servers

Fr. Pat

#### Spiritual Formation

Helen Essenpreis  
Laurie Klostermann  
Amy Koch

#### Stewardship Committee

Joe McNamara  
Paul Klostermann

#### Ushers

Rich Eilermann

#### Welcoming Committee

Dot Bauman  
Leann Wilke  
Laura Kruep

#### Youth Faith Formation

Dan Robben

#### Youth Ministry

Diane Klostermann

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 5

**8:30am:** Rosary  
**9:00am:** Padre Pio Mass  
**5:30pm:** Gerald Huene  
Richard Timmermann

### Sunday, December 6

**8:00am:** In memory of Frank & Kathleen Klostermann  
**11:00am:** Parish Family

### Monday, December 7

**8:00am:** Corneal Zurliene  
**Adoration 1-6pm**  
**7:00pm:** Night of Prayer

### Tuesday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

**8:00am:** Odelia Niemeyer  
**12:10pm:** Roberta Clark  
**7:00pm:** Eileen Poelker

### Wednesday, December 9

**8:00am:** Leo "Buster" Schmidt  
Bret Sander  
St. Jude Devotion after Mass  
**6:45pm:** Confessions for  
YFF students

### Thursday, December 10 **NO MASS**

### Friday, December 11

**8:00am:** Leona Glaub

### Saturday, December 12

**1:30pm Wedding:** Samantha Ciburowski & Justice Dryder  
**5:30pm:** In memory of Dolores, Charlie and Bill Cinton

### Sunday, December 13

**8:00am:** Bernadine Huelsmann  
**11:00am:** Parish Family  
**12:00pm Baptism:** Ty Jacob Benhoff

#### Last Week's Stewardship

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5,595.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$17.65</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>\$3,163.00</b>
<b>Adopted</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Needy</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Misc.</b>	<b>\$.00</b>
<b>Building</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>All Saints Day</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Cath. Camp.</b>	<b>\$120.00</b>
<b>Immac. Conception</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>\$2,328.29</b>
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>

**The Office will be closed on Tuesday for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

#### **WELCOME TO CHURCH.**

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FOR CHRISTMAS MASS: YOU MUST SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS ON CHRISTMAS!!** Because we are still limited to a maximum of 100 people in Church at one time, **you must sign up to come to Mass and you will be assigned a pew.** The 5:30pm and 10:30pm Christmas Eve Masses are already full. Fr. Pat has added a 7:30pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Space is still available for 7:30pm Christmas Eve or 9:00am Christmas morning. The link to Sign-Up Genius is below. **For those of you who do not have access or use a computer, you need to call** Jane Jansen 920-8120, Donna Nettemeier 526-4997 or 560-9888, or Connie Robben at 401-3991, and they can help you schedule a time. You can also go to our website and click on Sign-Up Genius.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch&eid=00C6C9DAFE-CAFCAF667&cs=09C3BAD98FC48B147B7A64765BC09BC9&sortby=l.title>

#### **Events This Week**

**Mon., Dec. 7:** Adoration 1-6pm  
**Tues., Dec. 8:** Immaculate Conception. Masses 8am, 12:10pm & 7pm  
**Thurs., Dec. 10:** Fr. Pat's Day Off

#### **Lectors**

**December 08: 8:00am** Bobbi Deters **12:10pm** Mike Nettemeier  
**7:00pm** Rich Carlton  
**December 12: 5:30pm** Lisa Albers  
**December 13: 8:00am** Kathleen Heinzmann **11:00am** Shelly Toennies

**14th Weekly Raffle Winner:** Norb Tebbe

#### **BANNS III: Samantha Ciburowski & Justice Dryder**



**31<sup>st</sup> National Night of Prayer for Life** will be Monday, Dec. 7th, from 6pm until 10pm at St. Dominic. Beginning with Exposition at 6pm and ending with Benediction at 10pm, a prayer service with hymns, prayers and a scriptural rosary will begin on the hours of

- 6pm, led by St. Dominic
- 7pm, led by St. Augustine
- 8pm, led by St. Anthony
- 9pm, led by Knights of Columbus

with time for silent prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the remainder of each hour. Help us spread the word about this special night of prayer. Everyone is invited to bring a friend and encouraged to pray with us. Choose an hour to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for a renewed respect for all human life and for an end to abortion. If you have any questions please call Fr. Pat Peter 526-7746, Roger Foppe 339-7770 or Pauline Albers 381-0911.

**First Reconciliation** for 2nd grade students December 10th at 6:30pm at St. Augustine

**Advent Partnership Reconciliation Service** Dec. 17th. 7pm St. Dominic.

**Banner Carriers Needed for 7:30pm, 10:30pm and 9:00am Christmas Mass.** Please contact Carol at: [carolatstdominic@gmail.com](mailto:carolatstdominic@gmail.com) or 526-7746.



**Envelopes for Christmas Flower Memorials** are included in your packet. Be sure to fill in the "In Memory of" section before you turn in your envelope. **Please turned in by December 15th to be on the poster.**

**Giving Tree:** Please help the less fortunate families in our area by purchasing gift cards. Gift cards to Wal-Mart, Aldi, gas stations, Hellige's Market, Dollar General and local restaurants are preferred. Due to COVID, we will not have the trees in the back of church. However, gift cards can be returned in the collection basket at mass or in the secure dropbox in the breezeway. To make your shopping easier, ASA will be selling gift cards after all Masses the first weekend in December. **Please return all gift cards to the church by Saturday, December 12. Thank you!**

**Joseph Center Collection:** We are still collecting for the Veterans at the Joseph Center. If you would like to donate, please send your donation to St. Dominic Church 493 North 2nd Street Breese, IL, and mark it for The Joseph Center.

**Looking for a chairperson for decorating Church.** Please call Lynn Hollenkamp if you are interested. 920-6755.

**Scrip Cards will be available to buy after all Masses this weekend.** Please consider buying gift cards from the scrip program to assist in your shopping and gift giving needs and purchasing gift cards for the Giving Tree. A representative will be in back of Church with a list of your favorite stores.

**K of C 4th Degree Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, December 15th at St. George Parish Center in New Baden.

**Mater Dei Parent Information Night** Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to Mater Dei's Parent Information Night on Wednesday, December 9, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Parents who are unable to attend may contact Mrs. Maria Zurliene (mzurliene@materdeiknights.org) to discuss questions or to request an informational folder.

**Mater Dei Placement Test** Saturday, December 12th from 9am to 12pm for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. (There is no fee to complete the test.) The results of the placement test (PSAT 8/9) are utilized to determine course recommendations. Parents must register their student via the Mater Dei website (see "Announcements" on the homepage) or contact Mrs. Maria Zurliene mzurliene@materdeiknights.org.

**Get your chance @ \$20,000** and start off the New Year right! St. Francis Parish in Aviston is selling **Lots of Loot Raffle Tickets**. \$30,000 in total prizes, maximum 2,000 tickets sold, tickets are \$50. The drawing will be held via Live Stream on Jan 1, 2021. Contact Steve Maue 618-314-3189, Mike Dall 618-973-5804, or Phil Pingsterhaus 618-407-7392 to get your ticket.

**Shrine of Our lady of the Snows Effective immediately,** the decision has been made to close the Shrine Church and not allow in-person Mass participation with pilgrims and visitors until further notice. Masses will still be available through live-streaming via [snowg.org](http://snowg.org) or [youtube.com/oblatesusa](http://youtube.com/oblatesusa). The live-stream Mass schedule is as follows: Saturday: 9:00 am - Morning Mass; No confessions at 3:00pm; 4:00 pm - Vigil Mass; Sunday: 2:00 pm - Spanish Mass; Monday-Friday: 7:30 am - Morning Mass

**Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights A Family Tradition** Friday, November 20th -Thursday, December 31st. Journey through Bethlehem and experience the beauty of over one million white lights, Camel rides & petting zoo. Carriage ride and Kettle corn. Lights are on nightly from 5pm-9pm. Donations accepted. For a donation of \$15 or more you will get a Build-A-Bear Plush Fox.

**Heartland Community Chorus invites you to view "Christmas at Home"**, their 2020 holiday concert. The program will premiere on [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) on Sunday, December 6 at 6:00 pm. It features your favorite Christmas songs by soloist and small ensembles from the Chorus. The program will run on YouTube for one month, so you can enjoy it at your leisure, and even watch it multiple times. Heartland Community Chorus is glad to offer this to the public, free of charge, as a thank you to the community. They are grateful for your continuing support of their efforts to share beautiful music with neighbors near and far!

## Youth Ministry

**Cheryl 526-7594, Rhonda 248-840-1857, Diane 526-4395**

**Updates will be posted on Groupme.**

**Groupme:** Any high school youth who wants to get updates on youth ministry events, please contact Cheryl, Rhonda, or Diane to be added to the groupme.

**Re-Opening Church:** Any high school youth (age 16 and older) who want help with re-opening the churches, contact Diane, Cheryl, Rhonda. Permission slips required.

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### **St. Vincent DePaul Needs Our Help!**

\*\*\*NOW ACCEPTING FALL OR WINTER CLOTHES \*\*\*

Coats, Gloves, Hats, Scarves, Boots, Blankets  
**(ABSOLUTELY, NO MORE SUMMER CLOTHING)**

**Items MUST be in small plastic bags. The person picking up items cannot carry heavy bags, or boxes.**

Items Needed: **Men's work gloves**, gently used **blue jeans, especially men's smaller sizes (30,32)** women's, teen & children's - all sizes. **Dishes and silverware.** **Water or Gatorade** is always needed. Food and clothing items can be placed in the breezeway at St. Dominic's Church. If you would like to drop off your items at the St. Vincent Office or would like to make a **cash donation, their new address is:**

Society of St Vincent de Paul  
8800 West Main Street  
Belleville, IL 62223

(across from Blessed Sacrament Church)

Email address: <https://svdpsouthil.org/monetary-donations>.

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**Virtual Way of Lights Run** November 20 - January 2, 2021 at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Belleville. Traditional 5K Run/Walk - \$30. New this year - Way of Lights Challenge - 100 miles/2.27 miles per day - \$50. Sign up at <https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Belleville/Manchester>. All participants will receive a long sleeve t-shirt and a 2021 ornament.

**End of Year Giving:** As we approach the end of the calendar year there are a number of ways to give which benefit both St. Dominic and you. Here are some notable provisions to consider: For taxpayers who itemize only in tax year 2020, the CARES Act allows charitable contributions of cash to be deducted up to 100% of AGI (Adjusted Gross Income) with any excess contributions available to be carried over to the next five years. If you do not itemize, the new law provides a maximum deduction of up to \$300 per taxpayer (\$600 for a married couple) for charitable contributions of cash "above the line" in computing AGI and there by reducing taxable income. RMD (Required Minimum Distributions) will not be required in 2020 from IRAs, 401(k)s and 403(b)s and most other defined contribution plans for individuals. **However, whether you are an itemizer or not, if you are 70 1/2 or older, you still may direct up to \$100,000 tax-free as a Qualified Charitable Deduction in 2020.** Another way to give is the Gift of appreciated stock. Selling stock will incur capital gains on the appreciation, but if you gift stock, you will receive a charitable deduction for the current market value. Remember to consult with your personal tax advisor regarding your own situation. **Plan ahead to complete your 2020 gift:** A gift by check must be postmarked by December 31st, Gifts of stock must be transferred by December 31st and Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA are more complex and must clear your account by Dec 31st so plan these gifts early to make the necessary arrangements.

**Online Mass at St. Dominic** Join Fr. Pat Peter this weekend at [saintdominicbreese.org](http://saintdominicbreese.org). You can also **pray along with the rosary online** at [saintdominicbreese.org](http://saintdominicbreese.org).

**EWTN:** <https://www.ewtn.com> (common link to cable channels is: <https://www.ewtn.com/channel-finder>)

**St. Jude Novena** video is on our YouTube channel. To pray along, go to <https://youtu.be/n8TmyWQfXa4>

**Visit our Facebook Page**, St. Dominic Catholic Church, Breese for information within our parish.

**St. Dominic is in need of a Picnic Chairperson** for 2021. If you, (male or female) would like to chair the event, please contact the parish office at 526-7746.

**What does the second candle of Advent mean?** So it is appropriate that the second Advent candle symbolizes peace. Second Advent Candle Represents: Peace (purple or blue) Peace on earth, goodwill to men with the love of Jesus and the promise of a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. So appropriately the 2nd Advent candle is called the Candle of Preparation.

**Rags:** If you have any 100% cotton clothing (like t-shirts) that can be cut into rags, place in a small bag and drop off at Mary Ellen Detmer home at 13215 Koch Lane, or call her at 526-7986.

**Church Picnic: Our goal for St. Dominic Picnic was \$50,000.** We have collected \$40,747.00 and are \$9,253.00 short of our \$50,000 goal. Thank you to those who were able to donate.

**Healing after Abortion** Free confidential counseling from Project Rachel. 618-722-5068 [DIOBELLE.ORG/RESPECTLIFEPROJECTRACHEL@DIOBELLE.ORG](http://DIOBELLE.ORG/RESPECTLIFEPROJECTRACHEL@DIOBELLE.ORG)

**Contributions:** Your weekly contributions are greatly appreciated. Please continue to mail your envelope to St. Dominic Catholic Church 493 North 2nd Street, Breese, IL 62230 or drop off in the drop box in the breezeway. **Online Giving** is also a great way to contribute to your church without worrying about leaving home. [saintdominicbreese.org](http://saintdominicbreese.org) and click the Online Giving link.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Restore, Rekindle, Renew Enrichment (3RE) scheduled on Monday and Thursday evenings, beginning on January 18th - February 8th, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. This experience will be offered virtually in the couple's own home!

**Respect Life Corner-** In the second Sunday of Advent, the First Reading from Isaiah 40, 9-11 "Second Isaiah" illustrates comfort that God wants to bestow on Israel, and today... on us. God desires to tenderly shepherd His people and provide courage in unsettling times, whether returning to a homeland through a long, arduous journey, or navigating a global pandemic for many months. God shares the good news of His love that provides freedom from all forms of exile. While God is here to lead us back home when we have gone astray, we have the responsibility to prepare in our hearts for the Lord's way this Advent season. By choosing hope over despair, we open wide our hearts to allow justice to flow through us. **Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** Listen to the little ones in your life, call the elderly and the shut-in. Talk to someone you normally wouldn't go up to, even if it means walking across the room. God is hard at work today to accomplish great things in you! His strong arms help guide you, so pray for His will and guidance today.

**Act of Spiritual Communion** It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion means uniting ourselves in prayer with Christ's sacrifice and worshipping Him in the consecrated bread and wine which are His Body and Blood. Always remember that the consecrated bread is the Body and Blood of Christ and the consecrated wine is the Body and Blood of Christ, even if you receive the Eucharist only under one species. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. An act of Spiritual Communion increases our desire to receive sacramental Communion and helps us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

**A Prayer for Spiritual Communion** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my body, my soul, and my whole being. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.