



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

# Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**January 28, 2024**  
**First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20**  
**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35**  
**Gospel: Mark 1:21-28**

## Parish Organizations, Committees and Ministries

**Sunday Masses:**  
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
Sunday 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-5pm

**Office Staff:**  
Tom Kannall  
Office Manager  
John Hilmes  
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.  
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**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 [www.asasaints.com](http://www.asasaints.com)

**Parish Council**  
Adam Becker - Pres.  
Katie Unverfehrt  
Joan Meredith  
Diane Kuhl  
Stacey Becker  
Dale Hempten  
Lynette Eilermann  
Chris Holthaus  
Connie Robben

**Trustees**  
Suann Fields  
Steve Usselman

**Adult Servers**  
Mary Ellen Detmer

**Adoration**  
Rich Carlton  
**Altar Sodality**  
Maribeth Detmer-Pres.  
Staci Becker (Matt) V-P

**Building & Maintenance**  
Dave Kruep  
Adam Becker

**Choirs, Cantors,  
Musicians**  
Leah Loddeke

**Church Decorating**  
Aggie Dumstorff

**Community Committee**  
Diane Grapperhaus  
Katie Unverfehrt

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Fr. Pat Peter

**First Friday/Homebound  
Ministry**  
Fr. Pat Peter

**Finance Committee**

**Golden Egg**  
Stacey Becker  
Adam Becker  
Katie Unverfehrt

**Lectors**  
Rod Kloeckner

**Liturgy Committee**  
Amy Koch  
Joan Meredith  
Katie Unverfehrt

**Media Committee**  
Katie Unverfehrt  
Mike Klein

**Men's Sodality**  
John Becker

**Picnic Executives**  
Jeff Niemeyer

**Prayer Ministry  
Parish Office**

**Rosary Leaders**  
Connie Robben

**RCIA**  
Fr. Pat Peter

**Sacristans**  
Helen Essenpreis  
Dot Baumann  
Bonnie Ritzheimer

**Servers**  
Fr. Pat

**Spiritual Formation**  
Laurie Klostermann  
Joan Meredith

**Stewardship Committee**  
Mary Hoffmann  
Laurie Klostermann

**Ushers**  
Rich Eilermann

**Welcoming Committee**  
Dot Bauman  
Diane Grapperhaus  
Mary Kay Wiegmann

**Youth Faith Formation**  
Dan Robben

**Youth Ministry**  
Diane Klostermann



**The 2024 Altar Sodality Books are completed, and are in the back of Church. Please only take what you need so there is enough for everyone.**

**Catholic School Week!** Each year at the end of January Catholic parishes around the country celebrate Catholic Schools Week. We do this for several reasons: To thank all our parishioners for their prayerful and financial support of this important ministry in our parish. To promote the value of Catholic Schools to those who may not be familiar with this Parish Ministry that helps parents pass on the Faith to their children. To help the school children realize the uniqueness of the Catholic education they are privileged to be receiving in a country that allows religious freedom. Catholic Schools Week will take place from Sunday, January 28 - Saturday, February 3. We invite all ASA and MD families to join us at the 11:00am Mass this weekend to kick off Catholic Schools Week. Please join us and show your support for Catholic Schools by wearing your school colors

**Mass Intentions**

**Sat., January 27**

**5:30pm:**  
Norb & Nellie Wieter  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kocol  
Gertrude Kruep

**Sun., January 28 (Children's Mass)**

**11:00am:**  
Peace & Harmony Around the World  
**12:00pm:**  
Baptism of Wrenley Marie Timmermann

**Mon., January 29**

**8:00am:** For Catholic Schools

**Tues. January 30**

**8:00am:** For all Catholic Educators  
**10:00am(N.H.):**  
Care of Life at all Stages

**Wed. January 31**

**8:00am:** Ralph Von Bokel

**Thurs., February 1**

**No Mass**

**Fri., February 2**

**8:00am:** For More Vocations  
**7:00pm: First Friday Benediction**

**Sat., February 3**

**8:30am: Rosary**  
**9:00am: Padre Pio Mass**  
**5:30pm: Mary Schleper**

**Sun., February 4**

**11:00am:**  
For those who share the faith

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Wednesday, Jan. 31 - Youth Faith Formation Class at 6:30pm**

Welcome to a new Parishioner who was Baptized this past week. Harper AnnMarie Helfrich daughter of Clarissa Dorriety & Nicholas Helfrich. May God watch over her as she grows in faith.

Welcome to another new Parishioner who was Baptized this past week. Holland Paul Gerstner Son of Bradley & Alicia Gerstner. May God watch over him as he grows in faith.



**Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, February 20th at 7:30pm in the St. Francis Parish Center in Avis-ton. For more information, contact Jim Scatigna at 732-763-1767.

**USHERS NEEDED!** Due to having a few Ushers retire from the ministry, we are in great need of people to Usher at 11am Mass on Sundays. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 618-526-7746, or email johnatstodominic@gmail.com.

**Lenten Adoration** will be in Church on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday each week from 1:00 - 7:00pm throughout the Lenten season. We have 6 one hour time slots to fill each day so we need a minimum of 24 prayer Volunteers weekly to make this possible. What can you give up for one hour to make this happen? Sign up sheets are located in the back of church. To sign up or have questions call Rich Carlton at 618-322-1917.

All Saints Academy Blood Drive is February 1st at St. Augustine's Gym. They will be collecting donations from 2 to 6pm. Remember, every drop helps.

**Eucharistic Minister Training:** There will be training for new Eucharistic Ministers at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Avis-ton Saturday, February 3, at 9am. For those unable to attend the February 3rd training, there will also be a training session on Tuesday, February 6th, at 7pm.



**2024 St. Dominic's Parish Picnic Planning Needed!**

We are Looking for 2-3 parishioners to help plan our 2024 parish picnic. This will be Father Pat's last picnic, let's make it a good one! Contact Jeff 618 210-0365.

**Cemetery Pavilion Fundraiser:** The Pavilion project is complete at the Cemetery. On your next visit, stop by to see it. We are still accepting and need donations to pay for it. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 618-526-7746.



**Interested in the Catholic Church?**

For those who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or who just want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please call the parish office and speak with Fr. Patrick Peter. 1-618-526-7746.

**Last Week's Stewardship**

Sunday Envelopes	\$4,017.00
Loose	\$325.52
Online Giving	\$2,433.00
Adopted Parish	\$5.00
Retired Religious	\$30.00
Immaculate Conception	\$5.00
Christmas to the Needy	\$30.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$100.00
Christmas Offering	\$53.00
Needy	\$30.00
Tuition Assistance	\$30.00
Misc. Blue	\$10.00
Building	\$42.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

**Fair-Trade Market:** St. Dominic's Parish is selling Fair-Trade products every 3rd weekend after 5:30pm & 11:00am Masses. The booth will be set up inside of Fr. Pat's garage. **15% of ALL sales will be divided between our sister Parish, Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Guatemala, & House of Manna.** Some products available include: coffees, chocolates, Palestinian olive oil, cocoa, teas, Haitian banana paper greeting cards, and more.

### **Sts. Peter & Paul Women's ACTS Retreat**

All women over the age of 18 are invited to join the women's ACTS retreat to be held February 8th through the 11th, at the King's House at Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville. This parish-based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality, strengthen your faith & build lasting relationships with women at Sts. Peter & Paul, and the surrounding Parishes. You can register for the ACTS retreat a Parish website, [www.ssppcc.org/acts](http://www.ssppcc.org/acts). The cost of the retreat is \$295, which includes: lodging, transportation & meals. They are SO EXCITED to welcome you on this spiritual experience. PLEASE REGISTER SOON. If you have any questions, please contact Courtney Harper, 314-922-8459 or Tara Philips, 618-340-2138.

**Singers from across the Belleville Diocese** are invited to join in singing the Fauré Requiem on Sunday March 3, 2024, at 3pm at the Cathedral of St. Peter. Rehearsals will be held on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evenings from January 8 through March 3. rehearsal recordings of each individual part will be sent to each singer. If you are interested and would like more specific information, please contact Mr. Richard Thompson, Organist & Choirmaster at the Cathedral of St. Peter by emailing, [rthomjd@gmail.com](mailto:rthomjd@gmail.com). The Fauré Requiem is a magnificent program to be presented in our beautiful Cathedral with its wonderful acoustics, and rebuilt and enlarged pipe organ. I hope everyone interested can join.



**Mexican Fish Fry:** St. Damian Altar Sodality is hosting a Mexican Fish Fry on Friday, February 9th, from 4:30pm to 7:30pm in the school Gym. There will be fish tacos with rice & beans, cod fish with fries & slaw, fresh tamales, margaritas, along with nacho chips & cheese. Come out and enjoy great food and entertainment from a Mariachi band.

**Catholic Men for Christ** will be 2/17/24 at St. Louis High School. Early bird registration is \$30. Grow deeper in your faith. Contact Diane 618-910-9266 for details.

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**Breakfast with the Knights:** The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus are hosting their dine-in carry-out sausage and pancake breakfast Saturday, February 18th from 8-11 am, at the St. Lawrence Parish Hall. There is a free will offering for entry, all proceeds raised will benefit Knights of Columbus Charities. There will be sausage, eggs, biscuits & gravy, pancakes and fruit cocktails.

**Youth Ministry**  
**Cheryl 526-7594, Rhonda 248-840-1857**  
**Diane 526-4395 Angie 618-604-3116**

**Next Meeting:** 2/4/24 at Noon in St. Augustine Cafeteria

**Mass:** The next Mass hop for the Confirmation class and Youth Ministry is February 4th at St. Boniface in Germantown at 10:00am.

**Any high school youth wanting to help with Luke-18, please contact Diane, Cheryl, Angie, or Rhonda.**

The next TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) weekend is February 16-18 at St. Mary Mt. Carmel. Apply online at [www.bellevilletec.org](http://www.bellevilletec.org). TEC is open to juniors and seniors and adults. Come discover more about your faith.

There is a Quest retreat for Freshmen and Sophomores scheduled for March 16-17 at St. Dominic in Breese. Grow in your relationships with yourself, others and God with a Quest retreat. Contact Diane, Cheryl, or Rhonda for details.

**Updates:** For Youth Ministry, events will be posted on Groupme. Download the Groupme app and please contact Cheryl, Rhonda, Angie or Diane to be added to the Groupme.

**Any adult wanting to assist** with youth ministry, please contact Diane, Cheryl, Angie or Rhonda. Share your faith with the youth as they share theirs with you.

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### **Youth Faith Formation**

**Youth Faith Formation Religion Classes are from 6:30 to 7:45pm.** If you have not registered your child/children for the classes, please call the parish office at 618-526-7746 or inform their Religion teacher that you are needing a registration form.

**Next Mass: February 14th (Ash Wednesday 7pm Mass)**

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### **Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Your Help!**

The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul Night-Time Drop-in Center continues to operate at full capacity every night, providing shelter and helping homeless men, women, and children survive the dangers of the city streets. In addition, Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen serves an ever-growing number of hungry people each day. We humbly ask for your prayers for St. Vincent De Paul staff and clients, and if you are able, to once again provide any of these much-needed items: **Individually packaged cookies, fruit cups, tuna & Chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt cups, cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta, water and other individual-serve drinks,** In addition, **laundry detergent pods, paper towels, toilet paper, and tissues** are always in short supply.

There is a donation box in the breezeway between the Church & Rectory to drop off your items.

or

Items can be dropped off Monday - Friday, 9am - 2:30pm at:  
**St. Vincent De Paul Office**  
**8800 W. Main St., Belleville, IL 62223**  
**(Across from Blessed Sacrament Church)**  
**Or**  
**SVDP Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen**  
**3718 State St., East St. Louis 62205**

If you have questions or need additional information, please call the SVDP council office at 618-394-0126. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity which enables our ministry to the very poorest among us.



**Vocations Corner:**

“ Though I was raised in a Catholic Family & blessed with good priests throughout my life, the priesthood did not attract me when I was young. In fact, during college, I didn’t even practice the faith. The Lord eventually led me back to The Church, and when he began to call me to the priesthood, I was both terrified and excited. He was asking me to sacrifice my will and to trust and follow him. This meant breaking up with my the girl I was dating, and placing my desires for fatherhood and family into his hands. Had I been called when I was younger, I wouldn’t have been mature enough in my faith to answer with the generosity & trust that led me to the priesthood.”

Father Jonathan Schnobrich, Diocese of Burlington, VT.  
*Columbia Magazine October 2020*

**Single Women ages 18-42 are invited to pray with the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods**, Indiana, via Zoom on the seventh day of every month. Join them for their next session from 7-7:45pm EDT, on Wednesday, February 7, 2024. Sister Evelyn Ovalles, SP, will lead prayer on the topic of Valentine’s Day. For more information, visit [events.SistersofProvidence.org](http://events.SistersofProvidence.org), call 361-500-9505, or email [jluna@spsmw.org](mailto:jluna@spsmw.org).

**The Diocese of Belleville is hosting an informational meeting for men (and their wives) who are interested in the Permanent Diaconate.** This meeting will take place on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 10:00am in the undercroft of the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 W. Harrison St., Belleville, IL. The Office of Permanent Deacon is considering another new class of aspirants starting in the fall of 2025. Eligibility is extended to men who have reached the ages thirty-three (33) to fifty-six (56) by September 2025. *Men older than fifty-six may still apply but require approval from the Deacon Formation Office and the Bishop.* The formation process is a five year commitment, including academic studies conducted at St. Meinrad School of Theology, spiritual direction, and learning about the deacon’s role. Participants are required to attend a three day meeting once per month over the course of the 5 year program. Interested individuals should first discuss their interest with their pastor. For those unable to attend the initial meeting, another session will be scheduled later. This meeting is an opportunity to learn about the process and requirements for becoming a Deacon.

**St. Andrew Dinner:** Bishop Michael McGovern will be host a St. Andrew Dinner for young men interested in learning more about the Catholic priesthood on Sunday, March 10. The St. Andrew Dinner will be held at Gibault Catholic High School in Waterloo. All young men ages 14-32 are invited to attend; parents or guardians are also welcome to join us. The event begins at 4:30pm with gathering, introductions, and evening prayer, and will be followed by dinner and conversation. This is a terrific opportunity to gather information for discerning a call to the priesthood; there will also be time for questions and conversation with Fr. Joel Seipp, Vocation Director of Belleville Diocese.

World Day for Consecrated Life is celebrated Feb. 2nd (observed Feb. 3 & 4). Please offer a prayer for all of them who have impacted your life.



**Pro-Life Corner:**

“Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing.?”

Learn how in “How to Talk to a Friend Who’s Had an Abortion” located online at <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life

In honor of Pro-Life, Pro-Women, and the overturning of Roe V. Wade, we have been informed that the Cradle of Hope Pregnancy Center in Carbondale is desperately in need of new or gently used baby items, (especially Winter items). We will be collecting n the back of Church for the next 3 weekends. Thank you so much for helping mothers & their babies.

**Blood Drive:** ImpactLife is hosting a blood drive on Monday, February 12 from 3 to 7 pm at the Breese American Legion Hall. **YOU MUST HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO DONATE.** To schedule an appointment, call 800-747-5401 or [bloodcenter.org](http://bloodcenter.org) using the sponsor code: 10269.

**The King’s House Retreat Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows-Visitors Center is hosting: “Grace & Gratitude In the Grief of Our Everyday Lives”**

Presenter: Madeleine Lane, SSND, MA, LMFT

Monday, March 18th, from 9:00am to 3:00pm (Lunch included)

Join Sr. Madeleine Lane for a day of reflection to discuss how we live knowing that we, and all that we love will one day die and in the presence of grief, how one lives in the gratitude for all that has been given. When we open ourselves to the pain, we receive a invitation to deeper loving through grief. Our day will include input, sharing, & quiet time for reflection.

The cost of this retreat is \$50 (Lunch included)

For more information, call 618-397-0584 or visit [snows.org/Grief](http://snows.org/Grief).



**MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR FEBRUARY 3rd & 4th**

	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	
<b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>	Tim Richter Rich Eilermann Don Deiters Mark Hitpas Jim Kuhl Dennis Richter	Rylan Bernardini Jacob Faust Cal Haag	Pat Voss Lynette Eilermann Mary Niemann Linda Deiters Dot Baumann Robin Fix Connie Robben Tim Moylan	<b>Lector:</b> Mike Nettekmeier <b>Organist/Cantor:</b> Maribeth/Mark C. <b>Gift Bearer:</b> Volunteer
<b>Sun. 11:00am</b>	Dan Kampwerth Bill Koetting Deb Koetting Karen Lager Dawson Detmer	Nick Muscarello Bobby Niemann Luke Pollmann	Joan Meredith Karen Lager Sam Muscarello Maggie Timmermann Jane Jansen Beth Bedard Eric Detmer Deb Koetting	<b>Lector:</b> Rod Kloeckner <b>Organist/Cantor:</b> Evelyn/Kelly/Kaitlyn <b>Gift Bearer:</b> Volunteer