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Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a

Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

Love
One Another
AS I HAVE
Love You

Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday 11am

Weekday Masses:
8am: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 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:
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Office Manager
John Hilmes
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All Saints Academy
Kahiwalani Goetsch
Principal
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Mater Dei High School
Dennis Litteken
Principal
900 N. Mater Dei Dr.
526-7216

Parish Organizations, Committees and Ministries

Websites: **St. Dominic Church** www.saintdominicbreese.org
Diocese of Belleville www.diobelle.org
Knights of Columbus www.breeseknights.org
Mater Dei High School www.materdeiknights.org
All Saints Academy www.asasaints.com

Parish Council
Lynette Eilermann - Pres.
Dale Hempen - VP
Diane Kuhl - Sec.
Stacey Becker
Chris Holthaus
Connie Robben
Helen Essenpreis
Tony Antonacci
Barb Koopmann

Trustees
Suann Fields
Steve Usselman

Adult Servers
Nancy Huelsmann

Adoration
Rich Carlton

Altar Sodality
Maribeth Detmer-Pres.
Staci Becker (Matt) V-P

Men's Sodality
John Becker

Building & Maintenance
Dave Kruep
Adam Becker

Choirs, Cantors, Musicians
Leah Loddeke

Church Decorating
Kathy Heinzmann
Sue Darr
Lauren Melton

Extraordinary Ministers
Parish Office

First Friday/Homebound
Ministry
Parish Office

Finance Committee
Chris Holthaus

Golden Egg
Stacey Becker
Adam Becker
Katie Unverfehrt

Lectors
Rod Kloeckner

Liturgy & Stewardship
Committee
Mary Hoffman
Cindy Klein
Laurie Klostermann
Diane Kuhl
Carol Garner
Helen Essenpreis

Media Committee
Katie Unverfehrt

Community & Welcoming
Committee
Dot Bauman
Diane Grapperhaus
Katie Unverfehrt
Lynette Eilermann

Prayer Ministry
Parish Office

Rosary Leaders
Connie Robben

Sacristans
Helen Essenpreis
Dot Baumann
Amy Koch

Servers
Parish Office

Spiritual Formation
Diane Klostermann
Laurie Klostermann
Connie Robben
Helen Essenpreis

Ushers
Rich Eilermann

Youth Faith Formation
Dan Robben

Youth Ministry
Erin Ethridge
Rhonda Pulver
Paris Hempen

Picnic Executives
Jeff Niemeyer
Adam Becker
Katie Unverfehrt

Schedule for May 18th - May 24th

Sunday - 18	Monday - 19	Tuesday - 20	Wednesday - 21	Thursday - 22	Friday - 23	Saturday - 24
11am - Mass 12pm - Baptism Of Clay Foppe	No Mass	8am - Mass 1-7pm - Adoration 7pm - Finance Council in Annex	8am - Mass NO YFF UNTIL NEXT SCHOOL YEAR	No Mass	10:30am - Mass	4:30pm - Confessions 5:30pm - Mass

Mass Intentions

BANNS I: Jenna Ratermann & Cole Sellers

Sat., May 17th

5:30pm: Peace around the World

Sun., May 18th

11:00am:

For the Mission of the Knights of Columbus

12:00pm: Baptism of Clay Michael Foppe

Mon., May 19th

NO MASS

Tues. May 20th

8:00am:

For the Mission of the Pregnancy Care Clinic

Adoration from 1-7pm

Wed. May 21st

8:00am: Peace Around the World

Thurs., May 22nd

No Mass

Fri., May 23rd

8:00am: Georgette "Honey" Brueggemann

Sat., May 24th

5:30pm:

Our Brothers & Sisters in the Holy Land

Sun., May 25th

11:00am: More Vocations in the Church

37th Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Tim & Vicki Moylan, Congratulations!

This Week's Stewardship

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$4,712.00
Loose	\$521.00
Online	\$3,521.00
Sunday Contributions	\$8,763.00

Holy Thursday	\$5.00
Good Friday	\$5.00
Easter Sunday	\$5.00
Home Missions	\$5.00
Seminarian Fund	\$25.00

Needy	\$35.00
Tuition Assistance	\$175.00
Misc. Blue	\$5.00

Pregnancy Care Clinic	\$800.00
Building	\$130.00

Thank you for your generous donations

Weekend Mass Attendance

176 Disciples at Saturday Night Mass
+
245 Disciples at Sunday Morning Mass

421 Total Disciples this Weekend

St. Dominic Church Steeple Lightscape Project

With the approval of the Parish Council, a committee is forming to look into illuminating the Church tower & steeple with LED lighting. Funds will be raised for this project to accentuate the beauty & historic architecture of our Church for residents and visitors alike.

For more information, please call Dave Grapperhaus (618)304-6935.

St. Dominic would like to invite all those graduating from college, high school, middle school & kindergarten to a special Graduates Mass on Sunday, June 11th at 11am. Graduates from all schools are invited to attend this celebratory Mass.



This weekend is bear Witness weekend for the Stewardship Phase of Time & Talents. Please consider joining one or more of the many ministries available. They are listed on the front of the bulletin or the Parish website.

If you still have quilts to drop off for the Parish Picnic, please bring them by the Parish Office or drop them off in the breezeway with a label marking it as being for the Bingo.

The Parish Office is now accepting Donations for the Picnic's Basket Raffle and for the I-Dood-It Stands. Please leave your donation or basket in the breezeway, with a note labeling to which stand it belongs too.

St. Dominic's Annual Parish Picnic

The date and time for the next St. Dominic Picnic Meeting will be Thursday, May 29th at 6:30pm at the Breese Knights of Columbus Hall. This is a good time for us to get everything squared away and any problems answered before the Picnic next month.

This year, the St. Dominic Annual Parish Picnic will take place Saturday, June 21st from 4pm until midnight, with Mass that day beginning at 4pm instead of 5:30pm. **THE PICNIC IS NOT FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND THIS YEAR.**

COME ENJOY THE FUN AT THIS YEAR'S PICNIC!

Music will be provided by The Jorrells, and the Cheers Band.

We will have our amazing refreshments for all ages from our Excel Soda stand and our lemon shakeup stand; along with having a stand for adult refreshments as well. There will also be snacks, funnel cake and our sandwich stand for whenever you get hungry during the Picnic. **THERE WILL BE NO CHICKEN DINNER AT THE PICNIC THIS YEAR.** Instead, they will have a fried chicken stand set up for anyone that would still like some.

The fun activities this year include inflatables, I-Dood-It, Cake Walk, Quilt Bingo, along with some adult games of chance.

This year will bring with it a few new activities as well including a Dunking Booth, Basketball Shoot, Golf Drive, Baseball Pitch and Football throw.

Please go to SignUp Genius to volunteer at a stand to make the burden lighter for everyone that is involved.



Thank you to everyone who participated in or contributed to the Golden Egg Raffle this year. The Golden Egg was a great success this year with us selling 1,055 tickets for a profit of \$26,000.

The Raffle winners were:

\$20,000 Grand Prize - Sherlyn Lappe

\$1,000 Runner Ups - Jim & Sue Norrenberns, Keith Taylor, Jeff VonBokel, David & Cathie Schroeder & Becky Maschoff

\$500 Consolation Winners - Barbara Heyduck & Brooke Remmert



2025 Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA)

Hope in the Lord

Your contribution to the Catholic Service and ministry Appeal enables the Office of Education to impact the lives of over 10,283 students at 25 Catholic grade schools, three Catholic High Schools and in PSR (Parish School of Religion) classes taught throughout our Belleville Diocese. If you haven't already done so, we prayerfully ask you to consider making a gift to the 2025 Appeal today.... No amount is too large or small! Thank you.

Youth Faith Formation

May Children's Mass is on Sunday, May 18th at 11:00. If your child would like to be involved in greeting, reading, singing, gift bearing, or ushering at Mass, please contact Ann Klostermann at 618-420-3456.

The Youth Faith Formation (YFF) registrations have been given to your children to have you fill out

Youth Faith Formation is looking for two amazing volunteers to step up and be Catechists for all of our wonderful students seeking religious instruction for the 2025-2026 school year. The grades we are seeking volunteers for are the 4th & 5th grade classes. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact Dan Robben at (618) 604-3792 or email the Parish Office.

Youth Ministry

**Erin Etheridge 618-604-7640
Paris Hempen 618-910-4551
Rhonda Pulver 248-840-1857**

Please check GroupMe for updates.

The Next Life Teen Meeting has changed to May 18th at 6pm in the Upper Room in St. Augustine. 8th graders who are preparing to graduate are encouraged to attend this meeting. Please RSVP if possible to one of the Youth Ministers by Saturday.

The Columbus Corner



Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869 will hold a Rosary at 7pm on June 12th. The monthly meeting to follow Rosary

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20th at the St. George Parish Center in New Baden at 7:30pm.

If you are interested in joining or would like more information on the Knights of Columbus, please contact Brian Kloeckner at grandknight@breeseknights.org.

NOW ACCEPTING SPRING CLOTHING

We are more than welcome to accept Spring and summer clothing, especially t-shirts, socks and undergarment, along with food.

There is a donation box in the breezeway between the Church & Rectory, and is accessible at all hours to drop off your items. **Please bring your donations in a bag that is no larger than a kitchen trash bag, or use one of the bags that is next to the donation drop boxes.** That way whenever the clothes and food are collected they are easier to load and unload.



Thank you for helping St. Vincent De Paul.

Pro-Life Corner:



"Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Radical Solidarity"

Pro-Life Roses: If you would like a Pro-Life rose put on Mary's Altar for an expectant mother & her child, please contact the Parish Office with the name of the parents and the expected due date of the child. The Pro-Life roses are provided by the Parish Office and are free of charge.

Vocations Corners

"Growing up in Nigeria, I was raised Catholic and served as an altar boy. Naturally, I felt drawn to the priesthood due to my closeness to the altar and my admiration for our parish priests. After attending minor seminary for high school, I entered college seminary but left after my first year to pursue another career. I came to the United States, intent on marrying and raising a family. But my soul was restless, and God had another plan. Providentially, I was contacted by the vocations director of the Josephites. And when I visited their seminary, I felt a peace and joy I had not known in many years. I returned to seminary, and one day on retreat, something happened that solidified my calling to the priesthood. As I prayed in the chapel, what appeared to be the image of Jesus in the monstrance was shown to me. I was terrified and in awe. It remains an indescribable experience, but it confirmed me in my vocation. I am so grateful for the privilege of being a priest."

Fr. Kingsley Ogbuji,
Society of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart; Washington, D.C.
Columbia Magazine Sept. 2024

Explore Graduate Theology at Saint Meinrad

Lay men and women are invited to an online Open House for the Graduate Theology Program of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology on Tuesday, June 3 at 6:30pm CT. Discover how our Master of Arts and certificate programs in theology can deepen your understanding of the faith and support your call to ministry or discipleship. Visit saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse.

Spiritual Formation

If you love saying the Rosary, or want to learn how to pray it, and about the meaning behind all the Mysteries, consider checking out the Rosary in a Year Podcast (It's Free!)... or it is also on the Ascension App. Fr. Mark Mary's soft voice will teach you about the biblical readings behind the Mysteries and help you to enjoy it even more.

May is Mary's month and we will again be saying the Rosary before every Mass ... Please sign up to lead the Rosary on the sheet in the back of church. Or, you can call Connie Robben at 618 401-3991.

Looking for a way to serve and make a difference? Join one of our church ministries and use your gifts to bless others and grow in faith. Whether it is distributing the Body & Blood of Christ to your fellow disciples, your children assisting Fr. Jim as Altar Servers or spreading the Word of God as a Lector, there's a place for everyone to contribute in a ministry!

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please contact the Parish Office to reserve a date. Mass intentions are \$10 per intention and are first come first serve.

Around the Area

Fair-Trade Market: The next Fair-trade market is scheduled for May 17th & 18th, after the 5:30pm & 11:00am Masses. 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.

St. Francis' Parish Picnic is Saturday, August 2nd.

Aviston's Mass will be at 4pm that night with their Picnic Dinner beginning at 3:30pm and lasting until 6:30pm. Quilt Bingo begins at 6:30pm, with every game being for a quilt. There will be raffles, baskets, refreshments, & fantastic finds. Ethan Carl will be performing from 8pm until midnight. Come enjoy some family fun before summer ends.

A Spirituality of Transformation hosted Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI on Friday, June 13, 2025, at 4:00 pm through Sunday, June 15, 2025, until 1:00 pm located at King's House at Our Lady of the Snows.

How do new life and new spirit appear in our lives? How do we grow, change, suffer losses and still remain resilient? How do we name our deaths, claim our births, grieve what's lost, let our losses bless us, and then receive new spirit for our lives? How do we learn to live peacefully inside of our own skins? Our faith offers us two rich secrets: The paschal mystery and a spirituality of grieving. This retreat will examine these.

The cost of the retreat is \$240, the cost of which includes your stay at the guest house along with your meals during the retreat.

Grow closer to God! Pick up a copy of the devotional publication *The Word Among Us* and spend 5 to 10 minutes each day reflecting on the word of God in your life. Copies are located at the Church exits.

The Word Among Us features uplifting and thought-provoking meditation based on the daily Mass readings.

The Late April through May issue is on the gifts given to us through Christ's Resurrection, and the title is, "I Raise You Up."

Around the Diocese

Schedule of Upcoming 2025-2026 Healing Masses

The Next Healing Mass will take place at St. Bernard in Albers starting at 7pm, with a Rosary to precede Mass.
St. Charles/St. Michael/St. Barbara (Scheller) - 7/15/25
St. Felicitas/St. Rose/St. Francis - 9/16/25
St. Teresa (Marydale)/St. Mary (Carlyle) - 11/18/25
St. Mary (Mt. Vernon), St. Mary (Centralia), St. Lawrence - 1/20/26
St. Anthony (Lively Grove)/St. Barbara (Okawville) - 3/17/26
St. Anthony (Beckemeyer)/St. Dominic/St. Augustine - 5/19/26
St. Cecilia/St. Boniface - 7/21/26
St. Elizabeth/St. Teresa (Salem) - 9/15/26

Position Available: Funeral Service Advisor

The Catholic Cemetery Association of the Diocese of Belleville is seeking a Funeral Service Advisor, which is a full-time position with the office located at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8am - 4:30pm
Salary Range: \$45,760 - \$49,920

Responsibilities:

- o Arrange for and coordinate burials
- o Maintain accurate cemetery records
- o Maintain easement records
- o Managing grave & mausoleum sales, including prior arrangements
- o Greet funeral directors and families at chapel services and placing flowers.

Education:

- o Five years of related experience and or training in customer service and sales. Funeral home or cemetery experience a plus. Practicing Catholic preferred.

To Apply:

Please submit your cover letter and resume to Catholic Diocese of Belleville via email at humanresources@diobelle.org or by mail at 222 S. 3rd St. Belleville, IL 62220.

Application Deadline: May 31, 2025



MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR May 24th & 25th

	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
Sat. 5:30pm	Charlie Kruse, Bob Mensing, Ted Voss, Don Lappe, Doug Kuhl, Cindy Kuhl	Lincoln Niemeyer Emma McSparin Aliya Melton	Tom Hustedde Jan Hustedde Mary Niemann Dot Baumann Linda Deiters Becky Hitpas Connie Robben Tim Moylan	Lector: Celia Kannall Organist/Cantor: Rich C. Gift Bearers: Volunteer
Sun. 11:00am	Alan Grapperhaus Cindy Grapperhaus Darlene Ciborowski Jeff Foppe Yvonne Foppe, Laurie Klostermann	Brie Winkeler Levi Wagoner Lucah Lyons	Beth Bedard Jane Jansen Eric Detmer Diane Klostermann Diane Grapperhaus Mary Ellen Detmer Frank Richter Jan Deiters	Lector: Laurie Klostermann Organist/Cantor: Leah/Choir Gift Bearers: Volunteer