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Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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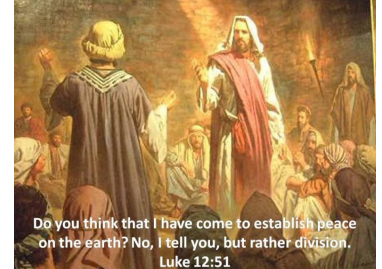
Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 17th, 2025

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53



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

Weekday Masses:
8am: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Holy Day Masses:
8am & 12:10pm

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

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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

A Letter From Fr. Jim



Dear Parishioners,

I will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy in November 2026. I did a similar one in 2016 which was well received. The places to be visited will be Florence, Assisi, Sorrento/Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Monte Cassino, and will include a Papal Audience. More information will follow. There are fliers displayed in the back of Church. There will be a lot to see and experience. If you have never been to Italy, this is a great chance to get a glimpse of "la dolce vita" not to mention great food. I am already thinking about a couple of my favorite restaurants in Rome.

This past week saw the beginning of a new school year. Please keep all faculty, staff, and students in your prayers, especially those beginning new experiences as freshmen in high school and college. Although we graduate from school, we never stop learning, or at least, we shouldn't. We must remain "teachable" throughout our lives. Are we open to learning new things? Theodore Heck, OSB, a monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey, lived well past 100 years. Fr. Theodore, in his retirement, would learn something new each year. He would take a year and learn a new language, or learn something about history, or religion, anything. Not only did Fr. Theodore learn something new, he remained "teachable". By remaining teachable we allow ourselves to be open to new possibilities and keep open minds. May we all stay "teachable".

How observant are you?

Have you noticed the new number boards for the songs?

The Votive candles at Mary's altar?

Peace,

Fr. Jim



Schedule for August 10th - 16th

Sunday - 17	Monday - 18	Tuesday - 19	Wednesday - 20	Thursday - 21	Friday - 22	Saturday - 23
11am - Mass	No Mass 7pm - Finance Council Meeting in the Annex	8am - Mass	8am - Mass YFF Registration	NO 8AM MASS 6:00pm - Mass	8am - Mass 12:10pm - Mass	5:30pm - Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 16

5:30pm: Mr. Everett Uhls

Donald Maue

Dennis & Mitzi Fischer

6:30pm: Baptism of Emma Johnston

Sunday, August 17

11:00am: Patrick Hitpas

Monday, August 18

No Mass

Tuesday, August 19

8:00am: Fun & Safe School Year

Wednesday, August 20

8:00am: Louise Brueggemann

Thursday, August 21

8:00am: Kathryn "Sis" Raymond

Friday, August 22

8:00am: Pope Leo XIV

Saturday, August 23

5:30pm: Don Rohner

Edward McQuade

Sunday, August 24

11:00am: Agnes Huelsmann

Brian Hunt

12:00pm: Baptism of Henry Colonius

If you or anyone you know have had a change of address, phone number or email address, please contact the Parish Office. We want to have the most up-to-date information we can for our parishioners.

Weekend Mass Attendance

156 Disciples at Saturday Night Mass

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221 Disciples at Sunday Morning Mass

377 Total Disciples this Weekend!

50th Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Karen Moss, Congratulations!

This Week's Stewardship

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$5,078.00
Loose	\$216.75
Online	\$3,149.00
Sunday Contributions	\$8,443.75

Adopted Parish	\$240.00
Retired Priests	\$30.00
Assumption	\$5.00

Needy	\$40.00
Tuition Assistance	\$305.00
Misc. Blue	\$50.00

Building	\$160.00
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Cemetery	\$20.00
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Thank you for your generous donations!

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We invite all youth in grades 4–12 to consider serving our parish as Altar Servers. Training sessions will be held on Sunday, September 7th and Sunday, September 14th, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the Mass and to participate more fully in our liturgy. We encourage all interested children to attend and take part in this rewarding ministry.

Monthly Children's Masses begin again for the school year! August Children's Mass is Sunday, August 24th at 11:00am. If your child would like to be involved in greeting, reading, singing, gift bearing, or ushering at Mass, please contact Ann at 618-420-3456.

Tuition Assistance Forms: There are ASA, Mater Dei & YFF tuition assistance forms for St. Dominic parishioners are being processed and anyone who turned in a form will hear from the Parish Office soon..

The next cycle of the Weekly Cash raffle begins Wednesday, September 3rd. There is still time to get your tickets in for the Raffle. The prize for the first week is a whopping \$500! You can pickup tickets in the back of Church, from the breezeway between the Church and the Church office & by request from the Church Office. Please Let your friends and family know as well.

!THANK YOU FOR HELPING!

A heartfelt thank you to the wonderful ladies who helped wax the church pews. Your time, hard work, and care are truly appreciated, and the pews have never looked better!

Thanks to all the ladies who baked cookies for the receptions after Masses this past weekend in celebration of St. Dominic's Feast Day. All the leftover cookies were donated to Evercare Nursing Home, House of Manna and to the teachers at All Saints and Mater Dei. What a wonderful event of fellowship!

There will be a Men's Sodality Meeting on Thursday, August 28th at the Breese Knights of Columbus Hall. Please arrive between 6 & 6:30pm. We will order wings from the KC Hall. Drinks and food will be provided. The meeting will begin at approximately 7pm.

Eucharistic Miracle Exhibit at St. Dominic-Breese Sat., August 23rd from 3pm until 7pm & Sun., August 24th from 9am until 3pm.

St. Dominic Catholic Church in Breese is hosting The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit that was initiated by soon to be St. Carlos Acutis, a 16-year-old millennial blessed. It consists of over 150 Eucharistic miracles approved by the Church that had been simply explained and shared with the world by Blessed Carlos Acutis. Using photographs and historical descriptions, the exhibition presents a magnificent display depicting the full approved exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles recorded throughout the ages. Affirming the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Enjoy a self-guided tour of these miracles and reflect upon how we reverently receive Jesus in the Eucharist today.

Located at the All Saints Academy School Gym located at North 3rd St. Breese, IL 62230. All faiths are welcome. There is no cost. Their are Kid activity pages are available at the entrance of the exhibit to aid in engagement, this is for families and all ages! Praying for you and hoping to see you there!

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR BOXES OF JOY!

A Box of Joy is a Christmas shoe box that is donated and packed with toys, clothing and other treasured items. The parishes in the Diocese of Belleville have been sponsoring for the past 5 years. Each child will also receive a rosary & a booklet in their own language. The boxes of Joy are available in the back of Church. Please take a box, list of gift ideas, shop, donate, and pray. The boxes need to be returned to the rectory breezeway by September 1st. St. Dominic's Altar Sodality is paying the postage for each box.

STEWARDSHIP & SACRAMENTS

Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Your Help!

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its OverNite Center to escape summer's cruel heat, and 300+ people per day are coming for meals at Cosgrove's Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for your help. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients. If you are able to, please donate the following items.

Bottled Water, Gatorade or similar drinks, & Individually packaged food items (cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers cheese sticks cereal, instant oatmeal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, and soup or pasta in a cup.

The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Hope in the Lord

You have the opportunity to support the four men who have answered "YES" to God's call to serve in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in our Belleville Diocese. The Annual cost for each of our seminarians is over \$50,000. Funding from the Catholic Services and Ministries Appeal helps support Catholic Schools and organizations around the Diocese.

**Our goal set by The Diocese is \$31,966.00.
Our current amount pledged is \$22,559.00.**

Thank you for your generosity.

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!

PRE-CANA

The next Pre-Cana Date for the Diocese of Belleville is Saturday, September 13th at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Mt. Vernon (located 1500 N. Main St. Mt. Vernon, IL 62864).

To register contact Deacon Mark Kabat at Mark.Kabat@FARMCREDITIL.COM



BAPTISMS & BAPTISMAL PREPARATIONS

If you would like to schedule a Baptism for your child, please contact the Parish Office around a month to a month and a half ahead of time to make sure there are no scheduling issues.

The next Baptismal preparation class is Wednesday, October 8th at 7pm located at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Breese. Please call the Parish Office and Register by Friday, October 3rd to sign up for this class.



Pro-Life Corner:



"God's love - individual, real, unchanging - is the true source of our worth, identity and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"How to Build a Culture of Life"



The Diocese of Belleville Young Adults group is having a night of Speed Dating on Thursday, August 21st with check-in starting at 6:30pm and speed dating at 7pm.

The night will take place at Holy Trinity Parish in Fairview Heights and is open to single young Catholics ages 21-33 years old. Please register by August 18th. To register, scan the QR Code or send an email to mskorch@diobelle.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Presents "Couples Who Pray Together, Stay Together" on Saturday, September 20th from 9:30am until 4pm at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville.

The cost for the day is \$100 per couple which includes your lunch. Pre-registration is necessary. To Register please scan the QR Code.



Vocations Corners

"When I was 7, my older sister joined the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity and took the name Sr. Celine. This sparked in me a deep curiosity about her religious vocation, which eventually led me to spend several weeks with her community in a remote island mission in the Bicol Region of the Philippines. The conditions were stark; the area lacked electricity and clean water. Yet, I discovered extraordinary richness in the lives of the people. And, undiminished by material poverty, the SOLT sisters radiated joy that stemmed from their faith and dedication to serving others. During my stay, I felt an unprecedented sense of peace, as if enveloped by God's love. I saw Jesus in the faces of those we served, each interaction revealing the transformative beauty and power of faith. Now, as a SOLT Sister, I find fulfillment in living the Gospel's message, witnessing to hope and the miracle of faith in action.

Sr. Mary Louis Granadilos; Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity
Columbia Magazine April 2025

Discernment is the process of prayerfully discovering what God's will for our lives. It is an essential part of coming to know our vocation.

Do you have questions about vocational discernment? Check out our resources or contact our vocations director Fr. Joel Seipp at (618)687-2012 or pastor@sasmboro.org

Youth Ministry

Erin Etheridge 618-604-7640
Paris Stulir 618-910-4551
Rhonda Pulver 248-840-1857
Amy Camillo

Please check GroupMe for updates and the schedule of upcoming Youth Ministry Meetings & Events.

Youth Faith Formation (YFF)

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR YFF AGAIN!

Youth Faith Formation (YFF) registration forms are available at the Parish Office, and also in the back of Church.

The registration night for YFF is this Wednesday, August 20th, starting at 6:30pm in front of the ASA Gym Entrance.

The First Faith Formation Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27th at 6:30pm.

Fair-Trade Market: The next Fair-trade sale will take place after the August 16th & 17th weekend 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.

Mid-life Singles: Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Pallottine Renewal Center, Florissant, MO on August 15th-17th. Take a chance and get involved, you won't regret it. The cost is \$290 which includes your meals. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, email reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for more details on the retreat.

St. Anthony's Altar Sodality will be holding a Bunco and Dessert Party on Monday, August 18 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Cost is \$5per person. Be sure to join in the fun! This event is open to everyone from all area parishes.

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 the back of Church.

The Word Among Us features uplifting and thought-provoking meditation based on the daily Mass readings. The July & August's issue is *Jesus, the First and the Last*.

The following ministries need to be filled for the Assumption Masses:

Thurs., August 14, 6pm:

7 Extraordinary Ministers Needed & 4-6 Ushers Needed

Fri., August 15, 8am:

6 Extraordinary Ministers Needed & 4-6 Ushers Needed

Fri., August 15, 12:10pm:

6 Extraordinary Ministers Needed & 3-5 Ushers Needed

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows is hosting a When Mental Illness Hits Home Conference at their visitor center on Friday, August 22nd from 9am until 3pm.

This annual and unique conference is for family members and friends who journey with people who suffer from mental illness and for professionals in the mental health field.

For more information, call (618) 394-6281

Register online at <https://snows.org/illness>

The Catholic Cemetery Association of the Diocese of Belleville is seeking to fill the position of Administrative Assistant. This is a part-time position (up to 10-15 hours a week) which will be shared by two or three employees. The location is located at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville.

The office hours for this position fluctuate and take place Monday through Saturday.

Salary ranges from \$17-\$20/hour

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

Application Deadline: August 31, 2025

St. Mary in Carlyle is now accepting applications for a part-time Administrative Assistant. Please send a letter of interest to Fr. Steve at spautler@stmarycentralia.org. He is also reachable via phone at (618) 532-6291 ext. 307.

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please contact the Parish Office to reserve a date. The preferred stipend for intentions, is \$10 an intention.

Schedule of Upcoming 2025-2026 Healing Masses

The next Cancer Healing Mass will be hosted by St. Rose on September 16th, beginning at 6:30pm.

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



The Columbus Corner

Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869 meeting starts at 7:30pm on September 11th.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 19th at St. Francis' Parish Center in Trenton at 7:30pm.

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

MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR August 23rd & 24th

	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
Sat. 5:30pm	Doug Kuhl Cindy Kuhl Leonard Bathon Dave Moss Rich Kruep Stewart Freeman	Aliya Melton Emeri Pollmann Carson Lodekke	Janice Albers Tom Hustedde Jan Hustedde Tim Richter Barb Koopmann Jeff Lager Laura Voss Aggie Kampwerth	Lector: Rich Carlton Organist/Cantor: Maribeth/Mark C. Gift Bearers: Barb Bathon
Sun. 11:00am	Jeff Foppe Yvonne Foppe Bill Koetting Deb Koetting Dawson Detmer Dave Toennies	Brie Winkeler Levi Wagoner Lydia Helmkamp	Erica Tebbe Beth Bedard Lisa Rivera Ava McSparin Karen Lager Jane Jansen Eric Detmer Dan Robben	Lector: Rod Kloeckner Organist/Cantor: Leah/Children's Choir Gift Bearers: Chris Hunt