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# Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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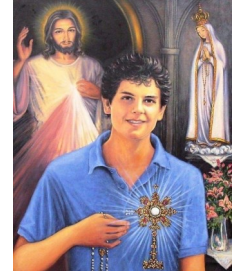
## Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 24th, 2025

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30



**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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## Parish Organizations, Committees and Ministries

**Websites:**

St. Dominic Church	<a href="http://www.saintdominicbreese.org">www.saintdominicbreese.org</a>
Diocese of Belleville	<a href="http://www.diobelle.org">www.diobelle.org</a>
Knights of Columbus	<a href="http://www.breeseKnights.org">www.breeseKnights.org</a>
Mater Dei High School	<a href="http://www.materdeiknights.org">www.materdeiknights.org</a>
All Saints Academy	<a href="http://www.asasaints.com">www.asasaints.com</a>

## A Letter From Fr. Jim



*Dear Parishioners,*

*Please welcome Fr. Dominic Garamone, OSB, of St. Bede Abbey, in Peru, Illinois. Many know Fr. Dominic by the name of the "Bread Monk." He has given a presentation at Mater Dei Catholic High School this Saturday morning and is staying at St. Dominic Rectory. Fr. Dominic has offered to celebrate the Eucharist with the Parish this Saturday evening. Welcome Fr. Dominic! Thank you for breaking open the Word for us & breaking Bread with us.*

*Sometimes we can let fear get the best of us. We sometimes think FEAR stands for Forget Everything And Run. This can only lead us to avoidance and inaction and keep us in a state of perpetual anxiety. But FEAR can stand for two other things.*

*1. False Evidence Appearing Real: In other words, we believe imagined scenarios or distorted perceptions rather than real threats.*

*2. Face Everything And Rise: In other words, we confront fear and overcome challenges to achieve growth and success. This of course can not be achieved on our own but by asking God through prayer and meditation.*

*When we come to accept those things we cannot change, and understand the only thing we can control is how we react, and we ask for the insight to realize to know the difference, we find that FEAR is really a chance to ...*

*Face Everything and Rise.*

*Peace,*

*Fr. Jim*



## Schedule for August 24th - 30th

Sunday - 24	Monday - 25	Tuesday - 26	Wednesday - 27	Thursday - 28	Friday - 29	Saturday - 30
<b>11am - Mass</b>  <b>12:00pm - Baptism of Henry Colonius</b>  <b>Carlo Acutis Display</b> <b>9am - 3pm</b>	No Mass	<b>8am - Mass</b>  <b>7pm - Spiritual Formation Meeting in the Annex.</b>	<b>8am - Mass</b>  <b>YFF Mass at 6:30pm.</b>  <b>7pm - Building &amp; Maintenance Meeting in the Annex</b>	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	5:30pm - Mass

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, August 23

5:30pm: Don Rohner  
Edward McQuade

#### Sunday, August 24

11:00am: Agnes Huelsmann  
Bryan Hunt

12:00pm: Baptism of Henry Colonius

#### Monday, August 18

No Mass

#### Tuesday, August 19

8:00am: Emma Holzinger

#### Wednesday, August 20

8:00am: Barney Bruce

#### Thursday, August 21

8:00am:  
The Mission of the Knights of Columbus

#### Friday, August 22

8:00am: Henry and Mary Rita Hilmes

#### Saturday, August 23

5:30pm: Edward McQuade  
Jane & Wilbert Jansen

#### Sunday, August 24

11:00am: Those Battling Cancer

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

255 Total Disciples at Assumption Mass

202 Disciples at Saturday Night Mass

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227 Disciples at Sunday Morning Mass

429 Total Disciples this Weekend!

### 51st Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Rochelle & Bobby Cox, Congratulations!

### This Week's Stewardship

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$4,270.00
Loose	\$231.00
Online	\$3,219.00
Sunday Contributions	\$7,720.00

Retired Priests	\$10.00
Assumption	\$1,264.00

Needy	\$5.00
Tuition Assistance	\$63.00

Building	\$140.00
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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.

We would like to also thank the men of the Parish who helped out with the waxing and polishing of our Parish's Pews. We are sorry for leaving you out of the first thank you that was sent out.

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.

Welcome to our newest member who was baptized this past weekend. Emma Johnston daughter of Charles & Stacia Johnston. May God watch over her as she grows in faith.

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.

The St. Dominic Altar Sodality is having their Annual Bring-A-Friend Potluck meeting on September 15th at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. All ladies of the Parish belong to the Sodality. We hope to see Parishioners of all ages. Let's make this the biggest and best one yet! Meet new ladies and make new friends. WE NEED YOU!

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 thanks everyone for the donations they gave during the summer, especially all of the water.

St. Vincent de Paul will only be accepting summer clothing until September 6th. After that, **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY MORE SUMMER CLOTHING.**

Starting on September 7th, St. Vincent De Paul will start accepting coats and other winter clothing.

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.

## **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

### **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.



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**

"I was born in a small town in Michoacan, Mexico. My mother, a woman of great faith, instilled in me and my five siblings trust in God and kindness towards others. When I turned 15, my family moved to California. It was difficult to leave home, but I soon got used to the new school, friends and culture. One afternoon, I accompanied a friend to Church, more out of duty than desire, and Jesus reminded me that he had been waiting for me. I realized how much I had been moving away from him, how much I needed him, and I went to confession. I later encountered the Servants of Mary, Ministers of the sick, who were visiting the Parish. I began to discern, and after high school, I entered my postulancy. I am now a professed junior sister."

Sister Maritza Madrigal; Servants of Mary, Ministers to the sick, New York City

*Columbia Magazine, June 2020*

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. Please register your children if you have not done so, that way the catechists can have the most up-to-date student rosters that they can on the first day of the YFF school year.

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 September 20th & 21st weekend Masses. 15% of ALL sales will be divided between our Sister Parish, Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Guatemala, & House of Manana. Some products available include: coffees, chocolates, Palestinian olive oil, cocoa, teas, Haitian banana paper greeting cards, and more.

**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*.

### **JustFaith Program Faith & Poverty: A Solidarity Response**

Join us for this small-group series from the JustFaith Program, which explores local poverty and provides participants with practical tools and insights to respond with compassion and action. **This 8-week course will meet on Thursday evenings from 7-9pm, beginning September 14th, in the Mater Dei High School Library. The sessions will be facilitated by Deacon Jay Fowler (618-973-3162) and Helen Essenpreis (618-980-1875) Please contact them if you are interested in participating.**

### **The Belleville Diocese Council of Catholic Women**

The Belleville Diocese Council of Catholic Women's Annual Convention will be held October 8th at St. Joseph Parish in Marion. Registration starts at 8:00am; Mass at 11:00am. Our theme is: Pilgrims of Hope: Sharing Our Stories. The registration fee is \$20 if you register by September 27th, the cost increases to \$25 if you register after the 27th (Lunch included). Forms/raffle tickets are available in the back of Church. The Lady's Sodality pays registration for all members of the Parish who attend. Please give your registration forms to Amy Koch, or drop them off at the Parish Office.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:grandknight@breeseeknights.org).**

### **MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR August 30th & 31st**

	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	
<b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>	Mike Garner Brian Albers Curt Weh Tim Richter Rich Eilermann Don Deiters	Ava Lampe  Bobby Niemann  Noah Varel	Norb Tebbe Robin Fix Mary Niemann Linda Deiters Becky Hitpas Connie Robben Tim Moylan Vernon Moheky	<b><u>Lector:</u></b> Kathleen Heinzmann  <b><u>Organist/Cantor:</u></b> Darlene/Ken S.  <b><u>Gift Bearers:</u></b> Barb Bathon
<b>Sun. 11:00am</b>	Alan Grapperhaus Cindy Grapperhaus Darlene Ciborowski Laurie Klostermann Dan Kampwerth Karen Lager	Abby Kuhl  Luke Pollmann  Amelia Unverfehrt	Leslie Klay Carol A. Hustedde Helen Essenpreis Meghan F. Diane Klostermann Diane Grapperhaus Mary Ellen Detmer Marla Mensing	<b><u>Lector:</u></b> Melissa Becker  <b><u>Organist/Cantor:</u></b> Hannah/Carson/Myles  <b><u>Gift Bearers:</u></b> Volunteer