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Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 3rd, 2025

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



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	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,

Happy Feast Day! This week we celebrate our patronal feast day. May St. Dominic continue to be our guide helping us to make present the Kingdom of God here in Breese.

As you know, I am to have my left hip replaced. That was to have taken place this past Thursday, July 31st. However, because I have an unhealed wound from a skin cancer removal, the surgery is being postponed to a later date. Since I was to be absent this weekend of August 2nd & 3rd, as is Fr. Chuck, arrangements had been made for Fr. Francis Tambala to cover St. Dominic, St. Augustine & St. Anthony.

Fr. Francis is from the country of Malawi located in eastern Africa and surrounded by the countries of Tanzania, Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Zambia. He will be stationed at St. Joseph, Marion, later in August. In the meantime, Fr. Francis has requested to help in parishes so he can become better acquainted with the people of the Diocese of Belleville. Please welcome Fr. Francis.

This week, August 6th, I will Celebrate one year of sobriety. I cannot begin to describe adequately my feelings of gratitude for this past year. Had I known I would have felt this great, I would have done this a long time ago. However I wasn't ready. My being assigned to St. Dominic last year made me realize that you needed a better priest and I needed to face the issues of my life. I am forever thankful and grateful for your prayers and support not only during my time at Guest House, but even now in my recovery.

*Peace,
Fr. Jim*

Schedule for August 3rd - August 9th

Sunday - 3	Monday - 4	Tuesday - 5	Wednesday - 6	Thursday - 7	Friday - 8	Saturday - 9
11am - Mass 12pm - Baptism of Dawson VonBokel	No Mass	8am - Mass 7pm - Liturgy & Stewardship Committee	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	5:30pm - Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 2

5:30pm: Joe Voss

Sunday, August 3

11:00am: Henry "Bozo" Garcia

12:00pm: Baptism of Dawson VonBokel

Monday, August 4

No Mass

Tuesday, August 5

8:00am: Protection for those in the Heat

Wednesday, August 6

8:00am: Elizabeth "Betty" Brueggemann

Thursday, August 7

8:00am:

For Our Brothers & Sisters in the Holy Land

Friday, August 8

8:00am: Daniel Hitpas

Saturday, August 9

5:30pm: Leo & Lorine Schmidt

Sunday, August 10

11:00am:

Living & Deceased of the Rivera Family

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

149 Disciples at Saturday Night Mass

+

221 Disciples at Sunday Morning Mass

370 Total Disciples this Weekend!

48th Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Joyce Niemann, Congratulations!

This Week's Stewardship

Regular Sunday Envelopes \$5,790.00

Loose \$280.00

Online \$4,077.00

Sunday Contributions \$10,147.00

Adopted Parish \$85.00

Retired Priests \$50.00

Assumption \$40.00

Needy \$60.00

Tuition Assistance \$230.00

Building \$410.00

Cemetery \$20.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

Thank you for donations to the electronic sign in memory of George & Leona Richter.

Welcome to our newest member who was Baptized this past weekend. Leo Eversgerd. Son of Kyle & Kelsey Eversgerd. May God watch over him as he grows in faith.

Tuition Assistance Forms: There are ASA, Mater Dei & YFF tuition assistance forms for St. Dominic parishioners located in the back of Church & in the breezeway. They are due back to the Parish Office by Monday, August 11th.

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.

!VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ON MONDAY, AUGUST 11TH WE WILL BE POLISHING THE PEWS IN CHURCH AND WILL NEED ASSISTANCE SO IT DOES NOT TAKE ALL DAY.

IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE, POLISHING WILL BEGIN AT 10AM.

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.

PICNIC NEWS

The important number - Net Earnings of the 2025 Picnic: \$45,625

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The Picnic gross receipts for 2025 were \$103,149

The Picnic gross receipts for 2024 were \$88,631

A "BIG" Thank You to the crowd, the chairpersons, the volunteers, donators & the City of Breese for another successful Picnic.

RUMMAGE SALE

It's that time again! Our Annual Rummage Sale team meeting will be held on August 11th, from 7-8:30pm in the Church Annex Building. All volunteers are welcome to attend to prepare for our annual sale in late October.

VOTIVE CANDLES

We are pleased to introduce votive-style candles as a new way for parishioners to offer prayers, intentions or expressions of devotion.

There are two types of candles now available.

o 7-Day Votive Candles: These longer-burning candles can be arranged through the Parish Office. Each candle burns for approximately 7 days and are available for a donation of \$5. You may request that the candle be lit for a particular intention.

o 15-Hour Votive Candles (Votive Stand): These candles are available on the votive stand inside the Church and can be lit at any time the Church is open.

To Light the 15-Hour Candles:

Use the lighter and tapers provided.

Light your candle.

Place the used taper in the sand box beside the stand.

There is a donation box at the front of the stand where you may leave a donation of any amount. Your offering supports this devotional practice and helps maintain the candle stand.

We invite you to make lighting a candle part of your prayer life, whether for a loved one, a special intention or as a quiet moment of reflection.

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 \$22,134.00.**

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 Tuesday, August 12th at 7pm located at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Breese. Please call the Parish Office and Register by Friday, August 8th to sign up for this class.



Pro-Life Corner:



"We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life." (EV 86)

Pope St. John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*



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

"My family taught me the value of sacrifice. As I grew up, watching mom give of herself to raise us boys, & dad lay down his life to provide for our needs. I observed that true love is sacrificial love. When I left home at 18 to work, I chose to continue to practice my Catholic faith. In addition to attending Sunday Mass, I decided to read Sacred Scripture and pray the Rosary regularly. Eventually, this led to the discipline of going to daily Mass. That is when I started to fall in love with Jesus in the Eucharist. Over the next several years, my heart began to revolve around Our Lord. Though I desired to be married and raise a family, I wanted more than anything to fulfill the Father's will. The stage was thus set for the call to the priesthood I received at the age of 28. Though the sacrifice of leaving human ambitions behind was tough, I responded out of love."

Fr. Brycen Lungren; Diocese of Cheyenne
Columbia Magazine March 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.

There will be a Youth Ministry overnight camping trip to Whispering Pines on Friday, August 8th.

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.

Next weekend, August 9th & 10th, there will be Youth Faith Formation Staff in the Back of Church to help anyone register their children for Youth Faith Formation Classes.

The First Faith Formation Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27th. More information to follow.

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.

The Roman Catholic Foundation at St. Agnes Home in Kirkwood Missouri are hosting "The Conversation: A Catholic Perspective on Cycle of Life Issues" on Saturday, August 9th from 10am until 2pm. Topics include Principles of Catholic Bioethics, ordinary & extraordinary means of preserving life, quality of life & the dignity of the human person, advanced directives & estate planning, charitable legacy planning, Funeral & cemetery planning, Pastoral care for the sick and dying, & anatomical donations and cremations.

To register call 314-918-2890, or visit bit.ly/StAgnes2025.

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.

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

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 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 August 14th. There will be a Rosary said before the meeting at 7pm.

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 9th & 10th

	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
Sat. 5:30pm	Curt Weh Tim Richter Rich Eilermann Don Deiters Mark Hitpas Ric Koopmann	Austin Dobrynski Ava Klostermann Adalyn Willman	Suann Fields Kay Schlarmann Kim Miller Lauren Melton Doug Kuhl Cindy Kuhl Kate Unverfehrt Susie Hemen	Lector: Melissa Becker Organist/Cantor: Maribeth/Kaitlyn/Kelly Gift Bearers: Nancy Schomaker
Sun. 11:00am	Jeff Foppe Yvonne Foppe Bill Koetting Deb Koetting Dawson Detmer Dave Toennies	Abby Kuhl Luke Pollmann Amelia Unverfehrt	Dan Robben Helen Essenpreis Meghan F. Diane Klostermann Diane Grapperhaus Mary Ellen Detmer Tony Antonacci Deb Antonacci	Lector: Rochelle Cox Organist/Cantor: Evelyn/Steve K. Gift Bearers: The Rivera Family