



Pastor:
Fr. James Nall



Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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All Souls Day November 2, 2025

**"What God creates, God loves; and what God loves,
God loves eternally"**

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

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

A Letter From Fr. Jim

Dear Parishioners,

All Souls Day takes precedence over what would be the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel for the 31st Sunday of this year would have been from the Gospel of Luke with Jesus saying, "The Son of man came to seek and save the lost."

There is a story of a man who was going through some rough times. His marriage was ending, he had no job, his father had died a month earlier, and his car just got repossessed. Then one night out of desperation, with no place to go to or turn, he was alone. All he could do was lift his face to Heaven. At that moment an incredible thing happened. He says in his own words, "I felt I was one with...call it God...call it creation...I don't know. I do know I felt a peace I have never known before, or since. A power and a purpose were revealed to me that night I cannot put into words. But, I have never doubted again that life is precious and has a purpose."

When we get rid of the distractions of our life we can let God come in and do his work. Some times it is when we seem to lose everything, but it doesn't have to be that drastic. But it does take willingness on our part to let God into our lives,

Peace,
Fr. Jim

Parish Office Update

The St. Dominic Office staff is retiring the papadocs email address. Please use the new email addresses listed below to contact the Parish Office.

Helen - officemanager@saintdominicbreese.org

John - secretary@saintdominicbreese.org

Fr. Jim - jnall@saintdominicbreese.org

Parish News - news@saintdominicbreese.org

Schedule for November 2nd - November 8th

Sunday - 2	Monday - 3	Tuesday - 4	Wednesday - 5	Thursday - 6	Friday - 7	Saturday - 8
11am - Mass	No Mass	8am - Mass 1-7pm - Adoration 7pm - Liturgy Committee Meeting in the Annex	8am - Mass YFF Classes at 6:30pm.	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	4:30pm - Confessions Heard 5:30pm - Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 1

4:00pm: Eugene Albers
Joe Voss

Sunday, November 2

11:00am: The Deceased of the St. Dominic Parish Family

Monday, November 3

No Mass

Tuesday, November 4

8:00am: Patrick Hitpas

Wednesday, November 5

8:00am: Victims of Hurricane Melissa

Thursday, November 6

8:00am: For More Seminarians

Friday, November 7

8:00am: Geri Ratermann

Saturday, November 8

5:30pm: Leo & Lorine Schmidt
Barbara & Don Rohner
Jason Kruse

Sunday, November 9

11:00am:
Living & Deceased of the Rivera Family

Weekend Mass Attendance

150 Disciples at Saturday Night Mass
+
238 Disciples at Sunday Morning Mass
388 Total Disciples this Weekend!

9th Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Janice Gebke , Congratulations

This Week's Stewardship

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$4,557.00
Loose	\$325.00
Online Sunday Contributions	\$4,160.00 \$9,042.00
Adopted Parish	\$0.00
All Saints Day	\$30.00
World Mission Sunday	\$40.00
Children's Collection	\$7.00
Tuition Assistance	\$33.00
Misc Blue.	\$20.00
Christmas Flowers	\$70.00
Building	\$370.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

THANK YOU!

A heartfelt thank you to the gentlemen who volunteered their time to trim the hedges around the Church grounds and Prayer Garden. Your hard work and care helped make our parish look beautiful and welcoming for all who visited during the rummage sale. We truly appreciate your efforts and dedication!

A big thank you to the adult leader and the high schoolers who helped create a wonderful Pumpkin Trail for our younger parishioners to enjoy. Your creativity, teamwork, and enthusiasm brought so much joy to the event and helped make it a memorable experience for everyone who attended!

On behalf of the St. Dominic Parish Rummage Sale Leadership Committee, we would like to thank all the outstanding volunteers for their long hours of hard work, dedication and experience for another VERY successful rummage sale! Together we raised approximately \$28,500 in total, with \$6,800 from the handbag event, \$21,000 from the quilt raffle, food, and rummage sale, and additional \$700 sales from rags and online collectibles. As in previous years, remaining items were donated to local charities.

Thank you to Elsie Niemeyer for the beautiful quilts that she donated to the Parish. We can't wait to see the joy they spark when they are displayed at the Quilt Bingo or Quilt Raffle next year.

The winners of the raffle and attendance prizes were as follows:

Raffle Prizes:

Mary Kay Wiegmann – Queen Size Quilt
Grace Kahrhoff (Breese) – Hot Cocoa Fleece Blanket
Michelle Holtman (Aviston) - \$25 Turf Bar Gift Certificate

Attendance Prizes:

Genaro Ballinas (Breese) – Cooler
Tim Childress (Aviston) – Bowls with lids
Sunshine Dugan (Breese) – Lotion gift basket

We would also like to thank the leadership, faculty and staff at All Saints Academy for helping us keep our students safe while utilizing the gym and cafeteria during busy school days. We remain forever grateful for our volunteers and ASA for another blessed year!

Our young parishioners are invited to participate more fully in the Offertory.

A basket will be placed on the steps of the altar for children and youth to bring forward their donations. When the ushers come forward to collect from the congregation, the young people are invited to walk up and place their gifts in the basket.

In addition to monetary donations, children are welcome to offer a small card noting a good deed or act of kindness they have done during the week. These simple offerings are a beautiful way for our young parishioners to share how they are living out their faith and spreading God's love in their Daily Lives. Small cards and writing utensils will be available on the shelf at the back of the Church. Families may prepare their offerings at home or before Mass.

This practice helps our children experience the joy of giving and understand that their contributions, whether through gifts of money, kindness or service, are an important part of supporting and enriching our Parish Family. Parents are encourage to help their children prepare an offering each week so they can take part in this special moment of stewardship.

Children's envelopes are available on the cabinet shelf at the back of the church, on Mary's Altar side.

Mission Opportunity – Visit Our Sister Parish in Guatemala

Our parish shares a special friendship with Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish in Guatemala. In June 2026, a small group from our parish will travel with Missions International to visit our sisters and brothers in faith there.

This is more than a trip, it's a chance to see the face of Christ in those who live their faith with deep joy and simplicity. Participants will experience the warmth of the Guatemalan people, worship together, share meals, visit local ministries, and strengthen the bonds of friendship between our two parishes.

If you have ever felt a tug on your heart to learn, and grow in faith through mission, this may be your moment to say yes. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in learning more or would like to be considered for the group traveling in late June 2026.

Let us continue to pray for our sister parish and all those who work to bring Christ's love across borders and cultures.

PRAYER LIST

The sick of the St. Dominic Parish Family. Expectant Mothers of our Parish. Those battling all forms of cancer. Protection of those in the military. Protection of First Responders.	The repose of the souls of: Gavin Schlarmann Ron Ripperda Kevin Bauman Francis Rehkemper Matthew Zeisset Cletus Ratermann	More Vocations Our Seminarians Pope Leo End to the wars in Ukraine & Gaza. The Victims of Hurricane Melissa
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STEWARDSHIP & SACRAMENTS

Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Your Help!

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul Belleville Council is in great need of small & medium men's undergarments, along with large containers of spices.

St. Vincent De Paul is 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.

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, November 11th (Date Subject to Change) at 7pm located at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Beckemeyer. Please call the Parish Office and Register by Friday, November 7th to sign up for this class.

Thank you to Melissa Becker for volunteering to teach the Baptismal Preparation Courses for St. Dominic Parish. We truly appreciate your dedication and the time and energy you give to ensure that this important training is available to new parents in a timely and caring manner. Your service is a true blessing to our parish community!

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!

The Diocese of Belleville Young Adults presents Bibles and Brews on Wednesday, November 12 at Gruv Bar & Bistro located at 223 E Main St. Belleville, IL 62220.

The host this event is Daniel Jakubisin, Founder and CEO of Doorward. He will be speaking on the topic of, *Being an Apostle: Being a Friend*. This event for young adults ages 21-35 begins at 6:30pm with a social period, with the event commencing at 7pm and ending at 8:30pm.

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows is Showing Their Way of Lights display from November 21st through December 31st, from 5pm until 9pm every night. The indoor activities will be closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

The Way of Lights Display, using over 1.5 million beautiful lights, depicts the journey of Mary and Joseph as they travel to Bethlehem. With new and beautiful colored lights, we celebrate the birth of Jesus and continue to offer activities for all to enjoy. For more information, call 618-397-6700 or visit their website at <https://snows.org/wayoflights>.

Notre Dame Prayer Garden Commemorative Bricks Are Available Again!

Would you like to honor a loved one, commemorate a special occasion, or leave a lasting legacy at our Parish?

Personalized commemorative bricks are available for purchase and will be placed in the Notre Dame Serenity Garden, a peaceful space for reflection and prayer.

Brick order forms are available in the back of Church and in the breezeway.

Your purchase supports the continued care and beauty of our Prayer Garden. Thank you for being part of this meaningful ministry.

For more information, please contact the Parish office.

ST DOMINIC DRIVE-THRU FISH FRY



Join us for the St. Dominic Drive-Thru Fish Fry on Sunday, November 9th from 2-5pm at the Cherry Street Annex.

We will have boxes of fish for \$16, boxes of fries for \$5, and \$12 fish dinners (fish, fries, slaw & hush puppies)

For any further updates, follow the event on Facebook: St. Dominic Catholic Church—Brees, IL.

Mater Dei Catholic High School invites children grade 4 and younger to join Junior Knights!

For the informational letter, as well as both the printable registration form and the link to the online registration form, please visit our website: www.materdeiknights.org. For questions, contact Maria Zurliene at 618-526-7216 or mzurliene@materdeiknights.org.

Mater Dei Grandparents Mass: November 6, 9:40 a.m.

Mater Dei will host their annual Grandparents Mass on Thursday, November 6, at 9:40 a.m.! Following Mass, grandparents will have the opportunity to spend time with their grandchildren filling our halls with smiles and love!

Mater Dei Fall Play: November 7, 8, and 9

Mater Dei thespians invite you to enjoy a performance of the Agatha Christie mystery *And Then There Were None* on November 7 or 8 at 7:00 p.m. or November 9 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets will be sold at the door - \$6 adults, \$4 students k-12. (Knight Club members receive two free tickets.)

A Knight in the Woods Shotgun Season Deer Contest : November 21, 22, 23

Calling all deer hunters! Register today for A Knight in the Woods, Mater Dei Marching Knights' shotgun season deer contest! Two-person teams (\$100 per team) will weigh their deer November 21, 22, or 23. The team with the highest combined weight will win 50% of the proceeds up to \$2,000. Visit www.materdeiknights.org for detailed information and the registration form (due 11-15).

Mater Dei Mothers & Friends Kentucky Derby Raffle Tickets for Sale Now

For a limited time, tickets for the Mater Dei Mothers & Friends dinner auction's grand-prize raffle – an all-inclusive Kentucky Derby experience for two – are on sale for a special price: one for \$40 or three for \$100. For details or to purchase tickets online, visit <http://MDderby.givesmart.com>. To purchase with cash or check, contact Melissa Becker at 618-401-3420.

Fair-Trade Market: The next Fair-trade sale will not take place after this weekend's Masses. The next sale will take place November 15th & 16th. 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.

HELP FEED LOCAL KIDS!

Support the Clinton County Snack Pack Program

Did you know that **970 children** in Clinton County are food insecure? **That's 12.2% of our kids** who don't always know where their next meal will come from. Together we can change that.

The Snack Pack Program of Clinton County has been bridging the weekend food gap since 2014. What started with serving 17 kids in one school district, has grown to serving **215 children across 11 districts** each weekend.

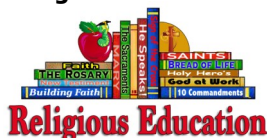
Here's How you can help: \$25 provides food for 1 child for a month, \$230 sponsors a child for the entire school year.

Ways to Donate: Please make checks payable to **Clinton County Snack Packs**; please mail your check to 904 Peach St. New Baden, IL 62265.

You can also Venmo @CCsnackpacks

Youth Faith Formation (YFF)

Join us for our next Faith Formation Church Day, a beautiful Rosary Service, on Wednesday, November 19th at 6:30 p.m. The Parish Community are especially encouraged to come and share this meaningful and faith-filled evening alongside the children.



Religious Education

Around the Diocese

St. Augustine in Breese is having their 3rd Sunday Bingo Sunday, November 16th with lunch being served in the gym starting at 11:30am, & Bingo commencing at 2pm.



There will be a "**Soup & Song**" benefit on Sunday, November 2nd from 11am-4pm, at Schoendienst's Park in Germantown for the St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry. Soup, bread, beverages, and good music all for a donation. Music by The Prairie Travelers, The Buzzards, and Friends. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the day. The St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry serves those in need in Albers, Aviston, Bartelso, Damiansville, and Germantown.



The Legion of Mary has a new Rosary Crusade.

We are looking for 100 million Rosaries starting now and continuing all over the world. We are asking people to pray the rosary for peace in the world, peace in The Church, and peace in the womb (an end to abortion). You are welcome to pray as many Rosaries as you like, or if you would like to be counted, you can email **rshen-num56@gmail.com**.

The Columbus Corner

Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869
meeting on Thursday, November 13th at 7:30pm.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18th in the Albers Jaycee's Building 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.

Pro-Life Corner:

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated baby items to the crib in the back of Church this past month. It is through your generosity that the Pregnancy Care Clinic will be able to help mothers in need.

The Next Hour of Prayer for Life is Thursday, November 13th at Life Church in Carlyle from 7-8pm. All are welcome.

Vocation Corner:

This Sunday marks the start of National Vocation Awareness Week. National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Please pray each day this week for an increase in vocations and for young people to hear their call to holiness.

"If you are looking for the way by which you should go, take Christ, because he himself is the way: This is the way; walk in it."

- St. Thomas Aquinas

MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR November 8th & 9th

	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
Sat. 5:30pm	Mark Hitpas Ric Koopmann Dan Duncan Charlie Kruse Bob Mensing Kent Robben	Brycen Wessel Holden Wessel Aliya Melton	Sarah Becker Marla Mensing Suann Fields Kay Schlarmann Kim Miller Lauren Melton Kate Unverfehrt Susie Hempen	Lector: Mike Nettemeier Organist/Cantor: Rich C. Gift Bearers: Marilyn Kruse
Sun. 11:00am	Alan Grapperhaus Cindy Grapperhaus Darlene Ciborowski Laurie Klostermann Dan Kampwerth (1 Usher Needed)	Hazel Unverfehrt Grant Unverfehrt Ameila Unverfehrt	Leslie Klay Carol Hustedde Helen Essenpreis Meghan Florczyk Diane Klostermann Diane Grapperhaus Mary Ellen Detmer Tricia Albers	Lector: Rod Kloeckner Organist/Cantor: Hannah/Rita N. Gift Bearers: Rivera Family