

# Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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**Pastor:**  
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**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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## Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 18, 2026

John the Baptist publicly identifies Jesus as the Lamb of God, revealing that Jesus has come to remove the sin of the world. He explains that God revealed His identity through the sign of the Holy Spirit descending and remaining upon Him at Jesus' baptism. John testifies that this sign confirmed Jesus as the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit and boldly declares Him to be the Son of God, sent to bring salvation.

### 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.breeseknight.org">www.breeseknight.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>

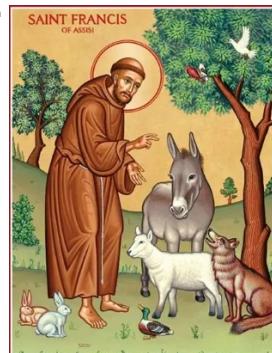
## Year of St. Francis: January 10, 2026 - January 10, 2027

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this year, January 10, 2026 through January 10, 2027, as a special Year of St. Francis of Assisi in celebration of the 800th anniversary of his *transitus* (death).

During this Franciscan Jubilee Year, the Holy Father invites all the faithful to deepen their faith by reflecting on the life and example of St. Francis, a model of humility, peace & joyful witness to the gospel.

All Catholics, whether part of the Franciscan family or not, are encouraged to take part in the Jubilee graces. The Apostolic Penitentiary has granted a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions. Sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, prayer for the Pope's intentions, and a spirit detached from sin for those who make a pilgrimage to a Franciscan church or place of worship dedicated to St. Francis, participate in Jubilee devotions, or unite themselves spiritually to these celebrations.

This special year invites us to grow in Christian charity, pursue peace, and follow St. Francis' evangelical witness more faithfully in our daily lives.



## Schedule for January 18th - 24th

Sunday - 18	Monday - 19	Tuesday - 20	Wednesday - 21	Thursday - 22	Friday - 23	Saturday - 24
11am - Mass	NO MASS	8am - Mass 1-7pm - Adoration Finance Council Has been postponed	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	8am - Mass	4:30pm - Confessions Heard 5:30pm - Mass

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, January 17

**5:30pm:** Patrick Hitpas

Leo & Lorine Schmidt

**Baptism of Imogene Dreyer After Mass**

#### Sunday, January 18

**11:00am:** Ralph & Francis Cerny

Jim & Francis Lager

Ray Schulte

#### Monday, January 19

No Mass

#### Tuesday, January 20

**8:00am:** Butch Merian

#### Wednesday, January 21

**8:00am:** For More Vocations

#### Thursday, January 22

**8:00am:** For Pope Francis

#### Friday, January 23

**8:00am:**

Prayers of the St. Dominic Parish Family

#### Saturday, January 24

**5:30pm:**

Living & Deceased of the Rivera Family

#### Sunday, January 25

**11:00am:** Francis Rehkemper

**12:00pm: Baptism of Jed Foppe**

**Baptism of Florence Toennies**

#### 20th Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Steven Lake, Congratulations

### This Week's Stewardship

Weekend Envelopes	\$4,595.00
Loose	\$400.00
Online	\$2,851.00
Sunday Contributions	\$7,846.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$90.00
Children's Collection	\$5.00
Tuition Assistance	\$298.00
Misc Blue Envelope	\$8.00
Building	\$160.00

Thank you for your generous donations!



### Weekend Mass Attendance

**157 Disciples at Saturday Mass**

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**224 Disciples at Sunday Mass**

**381 Disciples at Weekend Masses**

**Welcome to our newest member who was Baptized this past Sunday.  
Maysen Brichler daughter of Adam & Courtney Brichler.  
May God watch over her as she grows in Faith.**

### Request Your 2025 Contribution Statement

The office will not be automatically sending out contribution statements this year.

As we begin the new year, we ask all members who need a record of their yearly giving to contact the church office directly. Please call or email the Parish Office and request your contributions statement. If you do online giving exclusively you have access to your statement online

This change helps us be good stewards of our resources and ensures that each household receives its information in the most efficient way possible. Thank you for your understanding and for your continued generosity and support of our church's ministries.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office during regular hours.  
May God bless you in the coming year!

### Church Open For Prayer

**Church is now open Monday through Friday 7AM to 3PM for quiet prayer and reflection. All are welcome to come sit with God. Adoration will be available on Tuesdays from 1 PM - 7PM.**

### Quilting Time

**All are welcome to join our Quilting Group, meeting every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Dominic Annex.** Whether you are an experienced quilter or just learning, please come share your time and talents as we create beautiful quilts together.

### Children's Mass & Catholic Schools' Week

**January 25th is the beginning of Catholic Schools Week and the Kickoff Mass is Sunday at 11:00am. Any ASA or MDHS students interested in greeting, reading, singing, gift bearing, or ushering at Mass can contact Ann Klostermann at 618-420-3456.**

**All Saints Academy will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 25th from 12:00-2:00pm. Stop by and learn more about ASA!**

**Progress is made:** We made an offer on a house in town to serve as residence for our pastor. Pending a successful home inspection, the purchase should be complete in the very near future. We are also in the planning stage for a capital campaign. We have many building repairs to accomplish and some improvements envisioned in our church. If you are interested in serving on the Capital Campaign committee, please contact Lynette Eilermann at 618-304-5940. More details to follow as these projects progress. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

## PRAYER LIST

<b>The sick of the St. Dominic Parish Family.</b> <b>Expectant Mothers of our Parish.</b> <b>Those battling all forms of cancer.</b> <b>Protection of those in the military.</b> <b>Protection of First Responders.</b>	<b>The repose of the souls of:</b> <b>Bert Voss</b> <b>Butch Merian</b>	<b>End to the wars in Ukraine &amp; Gaza.</b> <b>Josie Timmermann</b> <b>Margie McQuade</b> <b>Richard Bathon</b>
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### **Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Help this Winter!**

**The Society of St. Vincent De Paul Belleville Council is in great need of men's Jeans, along with adult sized backpacks, & seasoned salt.**

**St. Vincent De Paul is accepting coats and other winter clothing. Please make sure to have your clothing folded inside of the kitchen sized trash bag whenever you drop off your donations.**

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 Catholic Services & Ministries Appeal Update**

**Our CSMA goal: \$31,966.00  
Our Total Pledged so Far: \$28,451.00**

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truly serves the poorest of the poor through its Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen, SVDP Thrift Store, Help Center and Night Drop-In Center. Men, women and children are provided the basic necessities of life: food, clothing and shelter, and the hope and the tools they need for a better tomorrow. Help St. Vincent de Paul serve those who have no place else to turn. Please make your gift to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today**

**- Ministries and Programs Funded by  
The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**

### **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**

**The Children's Donations will go towards the Snack Pack Program.**

**Fair-Trade Market:** The next sale will take place January 24th & 25th, following both 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, Spices and more.

### **The Columbus Corner**

**Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869 Rosary on Thursday, February 12th starts at 7pm with meeting to follow.**

**The next Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20th at the St. Barbara Parish Center in Okawville at 7:30pm**

### **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.

### **Youth Faith Formation (YFF)**

**The next YFF Mass is January 21st at 6:30pm. Everyone is invited to attend and be there for the children as they are growing in their faith.**

### **Youth Ministry**

**The Next LifeTeen Meeting will be January 25th at 6pm in the Upper Room.**

**Check GroupMe for any updates or changes.**

### **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, February 11th at 7:00pm located at St. Dominic Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office and Register by Friday, March 6th to sign up for this class.**

### **Healing Mass**

**The next healing Mass is being hosted by St. Mary Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Mt. Vernon on January 20th at 6:30pm.**

### Local Events

**St. Augustine in Breese is having their 3rd Sunday Bingo Sunday, January 18th with lunch being served in the gym starting at 11:30am, & Bingo commencing at 2pm.**

**St. Augustine in Breese is having their 3rd Annual Trivia Night on Saturday, February 7th starting at 6:30pm at the Breese Knights of Columbus Hall, doors open at 6pm.**  
Teams are \$120 mulligans or \$15 for individuals which includes (maximum of 8 players to a team.) For more information or to register a team, contact Donny Petterson at (618)210-7099.

**The Carlyle Knights of Columbus/Columbian Club is having a Drive-Thru Only Chicken Dinner on Sunday, January 25th from 11:am until 1:30pm.** The Dinners are \$15 a meal; which includes 4 pieces of mixed chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans & apple sauce.

### **LADIES, ARE YOU RESOLVING TO GROW IN FAITH IN 2026?**

**Start the new year with an inspiring 60-minute presentation by Sr. M. Karolyn Kunes, FSGM, on Thursday, January 22 at the Bartelso School Cafeteria. The evening starts at 7:00 p.m. in the Bartelso Elementary School, 306 S Washington Street** and will include a talk by Sr. M. Karolyn on Spiritual Motherhood, guided prayer, and a Q & A session.

Sr. M. Karolyn is a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George, based in Alton. This event is sponsored by the St. Cecilia Ladies Sodality, Bartelso IL. Join us and take the next step in your faith journey!

Please RSVP to judyglen@outlook.com or text/call 618-920-0239.

Reservations are not required but appreciated.

**Mater Dei Mothers and Friends Dinner Auction:** A Knight at the Derby Join us for a night of fun, fellowship, and fundraising at the Mater Dei Mothers and Friends Dinner Auction on March 21st, 2026 at Mater Dei High School! Doors open at 5:00 PM. The theme for the evening is A Knight at the Derby, so come dressed for a night of derby fun! Tickets for the dinner auction and raffles can be purchased by scanning the QR code. Raffle forms are also in the back of the church, available to mail in.

Don't miss out on this special event and opportunity to support Mater Dei. See you there!

Auction Tickets and Raffle Tickets, please visit: MDDERBY.givesmart.com



### Pro-Life Corner:



**Each year on January 22, all dioceses in the United States are called to observe a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. January 22 is the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decisions that legalized abortion throughout our nation.**

Since then, over 60 million lives have been lost. That's more than the size of Italy's population. On June 24, 2022, the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision overturned Roe v. Wade. While God, in His mercy, ended the nearly fifty-year nationwide regime of abortion on demand, state and federal laws, in many instances, are still hostile to preborn children. So, great prayer and advocacy is very needed. This coming Thursday, we set aside a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. It is also a day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. We are each called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting, and/or giving alms.

### **Please pray for a more Pro-Life Nation & World**

**Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 2869 will offer Pro-Life lapel roses for a donation after the weekend masses on January 24th and 25th. We use these donations to support Pro-Life activities and local pregnancy care clinics. Your generous support helps to defend Life!**

**Friday, January 23rd, 2026 from 12pm-1pm, The Clinton County Citizens for Life (CCCFL) will be having their Pro-Life March around the Clinton County Courthouse in solidarity with our brothers and sisters at the March for Life in our nation's capital. Please stop by and show your support during your lunch break if you are able.**

Please join us in praying our state and nation will get back on a moral and virtuous path and our culture will change to more fully appreciate and cherish our Lord's precious gift of life.

Please join us in prayer for:

- Women and families facing unplanned or difficult pregnancies
- Those affected by grief, fear, or confusion around life decisions
- The staff, volunteers, and clients of Relevant
- Wisdom and courage for our church to reflect Christ's love in practical ways

### **MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR January 24th & 25th**

	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	
<b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>	Rich Kruep Stewart Freeman Karen Lager Curt Weh Tim Richter Rich Eilermann	Austin Dobrynski Emeri Pollmann Emma McSparin	Robin Fix Linda Deiters Becky Hitpas Connie Robben Tim Moylan Vernon Mohesky Mark Renschen Susie Hempen	<b>Lector:</b> Joanie Becker <b>Organist/Cantor:</b> Maribeth/Resurrection Choir <b>Gift Bearers:</b> The Rivera Family
<b>Sun. 11:00am</b>	Jeff Foppe Yvonne Foppe Bill Koetting Deb Koetting Dawson Detmer Dave Toennis	Cora Loddeke Carson Loddeke Cody Jansen	Leslie Klay Tony Antonacci Deb Antonacci Brenda Hellige Frank Richter Jan Deiters Deb Koetting Nancy Huelsmann	<b>Lector:</b> Children's Mass <b>Organist/Cantor:</b> Leah/ Children's Choir <b>Gift Bearers:</b> Children of Parish