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Welcome to St. Dominic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 8, 2026

We are reminded this week that our faith is meant to be seen. God calls us to be a light to others through lives shaped by love and service.

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

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Wednesday at Noon

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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

Dear Parishioners,

This is the last full week of Ordinary Time. Lent will begin the following week.

Have you thought about what your Lenten practice will be this year?

When I attended St. Meinrad Seminary, the students followed the custom of the monks at St. Meinrad for Lent. It is called "Bona Opera" or "Good Work." By calling it "Good Work," the Lenten practice was not viewed as a "have to do something" practice.

The "Good Work" emphasizes that Lent is a time to focus on a person's goodness. What is it in my life keeping me from recognizing my goodness? What will help me realize the goodness that God has given me in my life?

Just some thoughts as we wrap up this part of Ordinary Time and prepare for the 40 days of Lent that will lead into the 50 days of Easter.

Peace,

Fr. Jim



Schedule for February 8th - 14th

Sunday - 8	Monday - 9	Tuesday - 10	Wednesday - 11	Thursday - 12	Friday - 13	Saturday - 14
11am - Mass	NO MASS	8am - Mass 1-7pm - Adoration 7pm - Parish Council in Annex	8am - Mass	8am - Mass Quilting in the Annex from 9am-4pm	8am - Mass	4:30pm - Confessions Heard 5:30pm - Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 7

5:30pm: Jane & Wilbert Jansen
Bob & Toots Timmermann
Tina Donnewald

Sunday, February 8

11:00am: Bryan Hunt
Steven Helmink

Monday, February 9

No Mass

Tuesday, February 10

8:00am: Linda Rivera

Wednesday, February 11

8:00am: For Pope Leo

Thursday, February 12

8:00am: For More Vocations

Friday, February 13

8:00am: Audrey Johnson

Saturday, February 14

5:30pm: Mitzi & Dennis Fischer
Jim & Nancy Gray

Sunday, February 15

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

Following Mass are the Baptisms of:

Nora Schneider
Josie Norrenberns
Ella Norrenberns

23rd Weekly Raffle Winner of \$100!:

Gregg Cox, Congratulations

This Week's Stewardship

Weekend Envelopes	\$4,728.00
Loose	\$451.86
Online	\$5,231.00
Sunday Contributions	\$10,410.86
Adopted Parish	\$100.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$5.00
Needy	\$30.00
Tuition Assist.	\$53.00
Easter Flowers	\$60.00
Building	\$480.00
Cemetery	\$40.00
Ash Wednesday	\$15.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

Weekend Mass Attendance

162 Disciples at Saturday Mass

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268 Disciples at Sunday Mass

430 Disciples at weekend Masses

In our thoughts and prayers, we pray for the repose of the soul of Linda Rivera. May God welcome Linda home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Special thanks to Allison Cowgill for leading our parish pro-life activities for the last several years. Connie Robben will assume temporary responsibility for pro-life activities in the near-term, but we are in need of a long-term replacement. Please reach out to the rectory office if you are interested in serving our parish in this vital ministry. Please extend your thanks to Allison for all she has done for us!

Valentine's Day Mass for Couples

Next Saturday, February 14th, our 5:30pm Mass will be said for married couples in the Parish. Please attend especially if you have reached a milestone anniversary this year; or if you are just wanting to attend with your spouse. Fr. Jim will be blessing all couples in attendance.

Can You Give 1% of Your Day to GOD?

We are entering the Prayer Phase of Stewardship for our Parish. What does that mean for you? God has asked us to live as stewards, giving back to him and thanking him for all that HE has given to us. Challenge yourself... Can you give 1% of your day to God? That's approximately 15 minutes of your day. Really challenge yourself to talk to God and make that personal connection with him. God wants to get to know YOU!

Good news: We closed on the purchasing the house at 889 N. Plum Street on January 30th and Father Jim will be moving in the near future. We continue to proceed with planning 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. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Fair-Trade Market: The next sale will take place February 21st & 22nd, 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.

Lenten Adoration

Lenten Adoration will be in Church on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday each week from 1:00 - 7:00pm throughout the Lenten season. We have 6 one hour time slots to fill each day so we need a minimum of 24 prayer Volunteers weekly to make this possible. What can you give up for one hour to make this happen? Sign up sheets are filled and pulled from the back of Church. Please attend even if you didn't sign up for a time slot, we could always spend more time with Jesus in our lives

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: Cliff Wheelan Jim Darr Linda Rivera	End to the wars in Ukraine & Gaza. Josie Timmermann Margie McQuade Richard Bathon
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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.

Join Us at Knotty Pine to Support St. Vincent De Paul

Knotty Pine is doing a great thing. Every Tuesday is Giving Tuesday, where 10% of their food sales for the night go towards a charity or school. This Tuesday, February 10th, Giving Tuesday will support the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. Come out and support a great program and a local business. Eat-in, carry-out and delivery, all day.

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.

Youth Faith Formation (YFF)

Please join the children of YFF for their next Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 18th with Mass starting at 7pm. Join the children in being witnesses to the Faith.

Youth Ministry

The Next LifeTeen Meeting will be February 22nd at 6pm in the Upper Room. This is mandatory for Luke-18 participants, there is a lot to discuss.

This weekend Breese Youth Ministry will be collecting for their Souper Bowl of Caring after each Mass. Please show your support.

Check GroupMe for any updates or changes.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION & COMMUNITY

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, February 17th at the St. Mary Parish Center in Trenton at 7:30pm

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.

The Gaudeamus! - Let Us Rejoice! Seminarian Gala this year is Saturday, April 11th at Holy Trinity Church in Fairview Hts., IL.

To register please visit <https://www.diobelle.org> Or scan the QR Code to Register.



The 2026 Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be held on March 21st at the SI Commons at St. Louis University High School from 9am until 3pm.

Speaker announcement coming soon.

To Register, visit: archdioceseofstlouis-conferenceregfox.com/archdiocese-of-st-louis-catholic-women-for-christ-2026.

For any questions, please contact them at: stlconferences@archstl.org



SAVE THE DATE - APRIL 29TH !

The North Central Vicariate Council of Catholic Women will have their Spring Day of Spiritual Reflection April 29th at St Teresa in Salem.

More Info to follow.

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.

Local Events

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. Please call or text to sign by Tuesday, February 3rd at noon.

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



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A quick reminder: checks should be addressed to The Messenger, NOT the parish. If they are written out to the Parish, The Messenger will not accept them and you will not be subscribed for the next year.

The Messenger would also suggests dropping off your Messenger subscription envelopes at the Parish office, because of how much mail has become lost recently.

Pro-Life Corner:



"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned." Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 © 2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

Join the Diocese of Belleville on March 19, 2026, in Springfield, IL, as we pray for the vulnerable and stand up for the dignity of all human life. The day will begin with **Holy Mass at 10:00 am** at the **Exposition Hall, Illinois State Fairgrounds**, followed by a **Rally and March at 1:00 pm** at the **Illinois State Capitol Complex**. **Participants may drive on their own or travel by bus. Bus transportation includes travel to Mass at the State Fairgrounds and then to the Capitol for the Rally and March.**

SS Peter & Paul School, Waterloo: Bus departs at **7:00 am** (boarding begins at 6:45 am)

Holy Trinity Parish, Fairview Heights: Bus departs at **8:00 am** (boarding begins at 7:45 am) Buses will depart Springfield at **3:30 pm** for the return trip to Fairview Heights and Waterloo. Bus cost is **\$25 for adults** and **\$10 for students**.

T-shirts are available for **\$10 each** in Youth Large and Adult sizes (Small through 3X). Payment for bus transportation or T-shirts can be made by contacting **Molly King at mking@diobelle.org**.

Please note that a free ticket is required to attend Mass. Contact Molly King to reserve your ticket, which will be provided upon arrival. Parking information will be shared soon. As the Exposition Hall is **not heated**, please dress warmly and bring hats, gloves, hand warmers, and warm coats.

All are encouraged to take part in this important day of prayer and witness.

Hearts Aflame: The Diocese is having an evening to celebrate and deepen the love of couples who have been married for 10 years or less.

The evening takes place at **Corpus Christi Church (Located at 205 Rasp St. Shiloh, IL), beginning at 5:30 with a cocktail hour; followed by dinner at 6:15. The night will also have a talk, a blessing by Fr. Robert Flannery, dance lesson, & babysitting.**

Please email Molly King at mking@diobelle.org. Tickets are \$50 per couple. Please RSVP before February 27th.

MINISTERS OF THE MASS FOR February 14th & 15th

	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
Sat. 5:30pm	Rich Kruep Karen Lager Rich Eilermann Mark Hitpas Ric Koopmann Mike Garner	Mabree Richter Noah Varel Rylan Bernardini	Karen Lager Dot Bauman Mary Niemann Dennis Litteken Vernon Mohesky Barb Koopmann Jan Hustedde Tom Hustedde	Lector: Tim Moylan Organist/Cantor: Maribeth/Resurrection Choir Gift Bearers: Chris & Jeff Fischer
Sun. 11:00am	Alan Grapperhaus Cindy Grapperhaus Darlene Ciborowski Laurie Klostermann Dan Kampwerth	Bentley Hilmes Lainey Hilmes Harper Albers	Diane Klostermann Helen Essenpreis Meghan Florczyk Diane Grapperhaus Tony Antonacci Deb Antonacci Mary Ellen Detmer Brenda Hellige	Lector: Laurie Klostermann Organist/Cantor: Hannah/Steve K. Gift Bearers: Rivera Family