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 September 8, 2024  
 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. – Barbara Litsey  
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 20 minutes before Mass

Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – For the Parish

**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**

Envelopes \$1,360.50; Loose \$106; Candles \$47; Retired Belleville Priest \$60; Mass Stipend \$10; Mtce. \$20 – Thank You

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Lector:** Pat Vogel  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Barb Jany & Pat Tinoco  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Susan Halt & Joan Killebrew  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

**Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**  
 Sandi Gerdes  
 Vic Klein & Mary Anne Hopper  
 Jennifer Neff & Diane Mueller  
 Riley Neff & Audrey Friederich  
 Lydia Huffman

**Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In the Gospel reading, people marvel when Jesus heals a man who can neither hear nor speak, opening his ears and loosing his tongue. Their astonishment is appropriate, since Jesus is fulfilling what the prophet Isaiah foretold: “Then will the ears of the deaf be cleared, . . . then the tongue of the mute will sing” (Isaiah 35:5,6). The key to understanding the amazement in the Gospel is in Isaiah’s word then. When will these things happen? When God comes with vindication and divine recompense to save his people Israel. When they see those signs—the blind see, the deaf hear, the mute speak—they will know, “Here is your God!”

Mark’s Gospel shows Jesus performing these signs and declares, “Here is your God!” Mark places Jesus in the role of Yhwh, the Savior of Israel. But there’s more. The healing occurs in the region known as the Decapolis – ten Roman cities originally settled by Greeks. It’s unclear whether the man that Jesus healed is a Jew or a Greek, but Jesus’ healing ministry in the Decapolis region hints at his mission to save not only Israel but the world.

**St. Michael’s Prayer Chain** – To request that someone be added to the Prayer Chain contact Karen Mueller at 473-3401. The person will be on the “prayer chain” for one (1) month, unless the person that requested the prayers asks for longer.

**MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIED BY SUICIDE**

The Diocese of Belleville is sponsoring a Mass of Remembrance for those who have died by suicide, on Sunday, September 15, at 2:00 pm, at St. Mary Church, 1706 W Main Street, Belleville. Bishop McGovern will preside and preach. Family members and friends who grieve the loss of a loved one are encouraged to attend this Mass and bring a photograph of the person you wish to pray for to be placed in the Sanctuary during Mass.

The week of September 8-14 is National Suicide Prevention Week. At this time, let us remember those who have died by suicide and commit ourselves to providing hope and healing for those who mourn their passing. For more information, call July Hoffmann at 618-722-5003.

**2024 QUILT RAFFLE**

Our winner of the January quilt was Jan Mueller, February – Angi Klohr, March – Esther Keefe, April – Kathy Gass, May – Barb Jany, June – Pat Walsh, July – Rhonda Niemeier, August – Emily Loehr. If you haven’t turned in your tickets for the 2024 Quilt Raffle, please turn them in so that you will be entered in the remaining 4 drawings.

**DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE**

Diocese of Belleville Young Adults Presents: Bibles and Brews on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> with Fr. Nick Junker. This is for young adults ages 21 – 35 at Eckert’s Cider Shed Outdoor Pavilion 6:30 – 7:00 Social & 7:00 – 8:30 Event.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP AGAIN!**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council again this year needs donations of bottled water, Gatorade (individual bottles), Capri Sun (individual pouches) or similar drinks, individually packaged snacks, such as crackers, meat sticks, cookies, fruit cups/pudding etc., new T-Shirts (white) to distribute to the poor and homeless during the next few months of hot summer weather. Items can be placed in the back church for drop off at St. Vincent DePaul.

**The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**  
**Serve the Lord with gladness**

The Messenger, our diocesan newspaper, brings local, national and international news of our Catholic faith right into your home through its print and online editions. Your gift to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps to support The Messenger. If you haven’t done so, subscribe to The Messenger today and also make your gift to The Appeal! Thank you for your generosity.

**LADIES CCW**

The ladies CCW is looking for Gallon Size Plastic Ice Cream Containers. If you any, they may be left in the entrance of church. **This Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** there will be a Light Noon Luncheon to discuss the Pumpkin Party. **Christmas Party** will be on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council’s Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Saturday, September 21, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. All proceeds will assist with the operation of SVDP’s Help Center, OverNite Shelter, Mission Thrift Store, Cosgrove’s Kitchen and the Crisis Hotline. This walk is for everyone – young and old. You can walk a little or walk a lot! You can gather pledges and have someone else do the walking! You can register or walk anytime between 8:00 am – Noon. To register call 618-394-0126. Waiver forms and Pledge Sheets are in the entrance of the church.

**PSR NEWS**

The first day of PSR will be Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Registration Forms were mailed out. If you didn’t receive your registration form, please contact Sue Walsh at 618-473-2798 or 314-974-2516.

**NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS**  
**Suicide Prevention Training and “WE Remember You”**

**Candlelight Vigil for Those Lost to Suicide** Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Suicide Prevention Training 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Visitors Center and Candlelight Vigil at 7:00 pm at the Shrine’s Lourdes Grotto

**A Desperate Seeking** - September 13, 2024, through May 2, 2025 – weekend retreats start on Friday at 4:00 pm through Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$235 per person (includes lodging and meals. For information call 618-397-0584.

**Ignatian Discernment: A Path to Mindful living** – October 16, 2024, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Visitors Center. Cost \$50 (Lunch included)

**The Psalms: Israel’s All-Purpose Prayers** – September 15<sup>th</sup> and October 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – Noon. Cost \$10 per session.

**THE MESSENGER**

The Messenger will be offering Tributes for your loved one for \$20 in the October 24<sup>th</sup> publication of the Messenger for All Souls Day. Forms are in the entrance of church, and you can return the form along with your check in the offering basket and they will all be sent to the Messenger.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s September collection; shaving cream and razors, tampons and maxi-pads, etc. – Thank you!

**St. James Millstadt** – Quilt & Cash Bingo **TODAY** September 8<sup>th</sup> Doors open at 10:30, Bingo starts at 1:00 pm

**St. Augustine of Canterbury, Belleville** – Parish Picnic Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm – 10:00 pm