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St. Michael, Paderborn Rev. Jim Voelker, Administrator E-mail jav6769@aol.com Fr. Jim & Parish Office 618-473-2798 E-mail StMichaels4@aol.com Website: stmichaelspaderborn.org Rev. Stan Konieczny, Pastor Mass: Saturday 4pm - Sunday 9am E-mail skonieczny@stjohnsschool.us Phone: 618-234-2068 January 5, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS: Sunday, Jan. 12th, 9:00 a.m. - Jerry Quirin

Saturday, Jan. 11th, 4:00 p.m. - For the Parish SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 20 minutes before Mass STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK: Envelopes \$1,050.50; Loose \$790; Candles \$48; Christmas \$320 - Thank You

Lector: Minister: Body of Christ Minister: Blood of Christ Servers: **Crossbearer:**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK: Saturday, Jan 4th, 4:00 p.m. Teresa Braunseis Barb Jany & Joan Killebrew Rosemary Yaekel & Karen Mueller

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord The prophet Isaiah proclaims the light shining in the darkness of the

world. Regardless of the dark challenges presented by life in this world, the radiance of God permeates all corners. The psalmist grounds this symbolic vision in the reality of the just and peaceful rule of God's Anointed One in history.

Matthew's Gospel tells of the Christ child, born in Bethlehem in the time of King Herod, who has a death wish for all potential claimants to his status and throne. After the Gentile wise men are profoundly affected by their encounter with the Christ child and his family, they make their own way in the world, defying the powers that be. The Magi exemplify how God might call us to live his plan in this world despite our best-laid plans. Further, we all have leading roles in our own stories, but we never know when we might be significant supporting actors in the lives of others.

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, September - Chuck Muelle, October - John Heilig, November Laura Jones, December - Clyde Grogan.

If you haven't turned in your 2025 Quilt Raffle Tickets, please do so before the January 26th drawing.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

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

From November 22 through December 31, 2024, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS COATS!

Cold winter weather has definitely arrived and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council desperately needs coats to distribute to those in need. Gently-used or new coats of all types in all sizes for all ages – toddlers, children, teens and adults (men and women) are being requested. Items can be left in the entrance of church. Warm your heart by keeping someone warm and donate a coat today? Thank you very much.

St. Michael's Annual "Trivia Night"

Have you reserved your table yet for Saturday, February 1st St. Michael's "Trivia Night" The doors open at 6 pm and play starts at 7:00 pm. \$120 per table includes "Survivor" round and two other special games; Mulligans available, 8 people maximum per table. Questions & answers presented in PowerPoint! Cash prizes. Silent Auction, wine pull & 50/50. Bring your own snacks & drinks. For reservations, please call Barb Jany at 618-920-5384. Please Note: Once again, the Trivia Committee are asking parishioners to donate items for the Silent Auction and also bottles of wine are needed for the "Wine Pull". Items may be left in the entrance of church.

2025 WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The 2025 Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast will be Saturday, March 22, 2025, at St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland. Pre-Registration is required for the breakfast meal. www.stpaulhighland.org. or text Rose 847-274-3916.

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Sandi Gerdes David Mueth & Vic Klein Mary Anne Hopper & Diane Mueller Mackenna Hauck & Aubrey Keck Anna Gerdes

<u>Sunday, Jan. 5th, 9:00 a.m.</u>

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

"May God's blessings pour upon you and grant you and your loved ones a healthy, prosperous and joyful new year. I send heartfelt thanks to you for your support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal and our Belleville Diocese in the past year. You are remembered always in my prayers." Bishop Michael McGovern



DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

The diocese of Belleville Young Adults Presents: Bibles and Brews on Thursday, January 9th with Fr. Thomas Lugge. This is for young adults ages 21 - 35 at Bartelso Bowling Alley, 912 Carlyle Rd., Bartelso, IL starting at 6:30.

There will also be a Bible and Brews on Wednesday, January 15th with Mark Loyet, Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry at Gruv Bistro and Wine Bar, 223 East Main Street, Belleville, IL 6:30 7:00 Social 7:00 - 8:30 Event

REUNION

The AHS-STA Class of 1975 is celebrating our 50th Reunion on September 6, 2025. We are inviting all classmates who started with or graduated from our class. Even if you were only with us for a year or two...We are looking for you! Join us as we reconnect, reminisce & celebrate our shared journey. E-mail your contact info to <u>ahs.sta.classof75@gmail.com</u> or check out our Facebook page: AHS Class of '75.



Who was reborn of water and the Holy Spirit Child of God at the Sacred font of Baptism Jude Arthur Stoecker



May God continue the good work that has begun in them! Jude is the son of Erin & Kenneth Stoecker and Grandson of Al and Joan Killebrew

WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY

Who was reborn of water and the Holy Spirit Child of God at the Sacred font of Baptism Benjamin Daniel Souza



May God continue the good work that has begun in them! Benjamin is the son of Daniel & Emma Souza and Grandson of Ed and Paula Farley

HEARTLAND HOSPICE

Heartland Hospice is seeking volunteers to assist patients in need of care. Volunteers can offer a range of services, either directly to patients or in supportive, behind-the-scenes roles. Volunteering with Hospice provides a deeply rewarding experience that can have a profound impact on both the volunteer and the families. For more information call Emily 269-579-4093.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael's January collection; Towels and Washcloths (for bath and kitchen) - Thank you! Annual Euchre Tournament - St. Peter & Paul on Friday, January 31st Doors open at 6:30 Play starts at 7 pm

Annual Card Social - St. John the Baptist, Smithton on Friday, February 7th Play starts at 7 pm

Annual Super Bowl Sunday Quilt/Cash Bingo - St. Augustine Church at the Hecker Community Center February 9, 2025. Fried Chicken & Pork Sausage Plates start at 10:00 am and Bingo begins at 1:30 pm. Lightning Round Prior to Bingo