

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon. Jan. 14		NO MASS
Tue. Jan. 15	7:30am	Wilhelmine Ratermann
Wed. Jan. 16 <i>Nursing Home</i>	7:30am 10:00am	All Aviston Lumber Employees Paul "Grumpy" Lager
Thu. Jan. 17	7:30am	Odelia Ratermann
Fri. Jan. 18	7:30am	Deacon Richard E. Bagby
Sat. Jan. 19	1:30pm 7:30pm	Wedding: J. Venhaus & A. Robben Charles Frohn Family Marge Richter
Sun. Jan. 20	7:30am 9:30am	L/D Aloys & Mary Strubhart Family In Memory of Sandy (Peek) Strobl Stanley & Marian Bossler

SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Fr. Donald Blaes	Maggie Fix	Jane Gebhart
Donna Hegger	George & Rosina Hollenkamp	
Ken Kavanaugh	Carla Knackstedt	Dominic Kuhl
Dennis Kuper	Martha Litteken	Jim Markus
Fr. Joe Rascher	Patricia Rollings	
Deacon Michael Rowland		Fr. Ken Schaefer
Fallon Schlautmann	Alfred Spihlmann	Dayceon Spihlmann
Floyd Sudholt	Nick Tebbe	RaeAnne Toennies
Kyle Uhring		

CONFESSIONS:

Sat. Evening 6:30 - 7:10pm or by appointment

WEEKLY ROSARY:

Sat. Evening at 7:10pm (before mass)
 Sun. Morning at 7:10am (before mass)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. Jan. 13 - 9:30am -St. Francis Sunday School Classes
 - 9:00am - 4:00pm -Quilt Tops & Quilting
Mon. - Thu.. - Jan. 14th - 17th - 9:00am - 4:00pm -Quilting
Mon. - Fri. - Gym Walking at Parish Center Gym
 Mon. Jan. 14 - 7:00pm -RCIA @ St. Dominic Annex Bldg.

JANUARY 12th & 13th WEEKEND SERVERS

Sat. 7:30pm -Nolan Pruet, Jake & Cecelia Richter,
 (2) *Volunteers*
 Sun. 7:30am -Kaden & Kylie Rakers, Jayden Gonet,
 (2) *Volunteers*
 9:30am -Ava & Mason Millard, Gabe Schlimme,
 Noah Koch, Luke Pingsterhaus



JANUARY 19th & 20th WEEKEND SERVERS

Sat. 7:30pm -Kylie Detmer, Elyse Strader, (3) *Volunteers*
 Sun. 7:30am -John Koerkenmeier, Ayden Rakers,
 (3) *Volunteers*
 9:30am -Josie Hamilton, Avery Pingsterhaus, Ava Becker,
 Chris Richter, Gavin Nettekmeier

(If you cannot be there at the appointed time, please get a sub!)

PASTORS NOTE: First off, I would like to thank everyone for all the wonderful Christmas cards and gifts. I am very grateful to you for your support and generosity!

Regarding today's Gospel, at his baptism by John, Jesus begins his public life as teacher and healer; he begins his work of revealing to humankind the hope of the kingdom of God. In baptism Jesus takes on what he knows will be a difficult life – but his willingness and courage to embrace this baptism reveals the Spirit of God in the midst of every human experience. Today we renew our own baptism and take on the difficult task of taking God's message, as Jesus did, to the dark corners of our world. We embrace the difficult task spreading his message of love, forgiveness and healing to a world fixated on "me first," greed, hatred, prejudice, and power. As the baptized, we are called to the difficult and dangerous task of confronting the society with God's message.

USHERS NEEDED: Additional men and women are needed as ushers to assist at weekend masses. If you are sixteen or older, willing and able to assist the parish in this matter, please contact Fr. Dan or the parish office!



Reminder, the first drawing for the 2019 Quilt of the Bi-Month is January 31st. Tickets can be turned in to the parish office or in the collection basket at any mass. If you have any unsold tickets please return to the back of the church. **Thanks!**

QUILT TOPS & QUILTING on Sun., Jan. 13th from 9:00am to 4:00pm in the Heritage Room. **QUILTING the week of January 14th - 17th from 9:00am to 4:00pm.**

MESSANGER SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL WEEKEND is **February 2nd & 3rd 2019.** Please stay "connected" through a subscription to **The Messenger.** Payments can be made in The Messenger envelope or on-line at www.bellevillemessenger.org. Subscription cost: Print - \$25; Electronic - \$25; Both - \$30.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI RATERMANN SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Francis Parish is happy to announce that scholarships are available for high school seniors enrolling as full-time students in an accredited institution of higher education (College, Vocational or Technical). The funds have been made available via the Dorothy and Wilhelmine Ratermann Trusts for higher education scholarships and are awarded in their memory. Scholarships are intended to benefit students in "financial limbo". By this we mean students whose families have mid-level incomes and thus earn too little to pay for college outright, but earn too much to qualify for need-based grants or scholarships. Amounts are variable, but a scholarship of \$2,000 is not an unreasonable expectation. Scholarships are based on need, satisfactory academic performance, community and Church involvement, letters of recommendation, a short essay and an interview. Are you up for the challenge? Find more information and application forms on the parish web site at <http://www.stfrancisav.org/> Click on "Teen Space". **Deadline is March 1, 2019.**

AVISTON LEGION NEWS:

Tue. Jan. 15 - 7:00pm -Auxiliary Meeting
Wed Jan. 16 - 6:30pm -Vietnam Veterans Meeting
Thu. Jan 17 - 7:00pm -Exec. Board Meeting
Fri. Jan. 18 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm -FISH FRY

Mark your calendars for January 19, 2019, the 6th Annual



KNIGHT AT THE RACES to benefit Mater Dei Music. Knight at the Races is an "adult only" event featuring recorded horse races.

There are 10 races with 10 horses in each race. Reservations are \$35/person, which includes

heavy appetizers all night, open bar, funny money for wagering, and chances to win **Big Prizes**. Those who come early will be treated to the MD Jazz band's performance that begins at 6:00pm. Horse & Jockey Sponsorship \$20. Come out for a night of fun and support the MD Music Program. Reservations and Horse/Jockey Sponsorship forms available from any MD Band student. For more information email mdknightsmusic@gmail.com.

In search of **HOST FAMILIES**: Looking for families to host International students who will attend Mater Dei for the 2019-2020 school year. This is a rewarding experience for both the families and students. For more information contact Tracy



Mensing by phone, text or email. 618-830-4816 or tracymensing@gmail.com.

CHICKEN DINNER on Sun., Jan. 20th from 4:30pm - 7:00pm at the Albers Legion. All Bingo Players eat for \$5.

"Fr. Dominic Garramore, the Bread Monk," will be at



St. George Parish, New Baden on Saturday, January 19th at 1:00pm in the Community Life Center. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets are available at the St. George Parish office Tuesday - Thursday (588-4323) or after the weekend Masses at

St. George Church, New Baden. Come join us for a fun-filled afternoon of laughs, baking, and reflection!



QUILT/CASH BINGO on Sun., Jan 20th at 2:00pm at St. Augustine, Breese. **Fried Chicken Luncheon 11:00am - 1:00pm**. Adults \$8.00; Children \$4.00, under 6 years free. Carry-outs 526-4341.



BUNCO/DESSERT PARTY on Mon., Jan. 21st at 1:00pm at St. Anthony Parish Center, Beckemeyer. \$5.00 per person, includes drink & dessert.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE on Wed., Jan.



23rd from 1:00pm - 6:00pm at the K of C Hall in Breese. *Give the gift that saves lives.*

TRIVIA NIGHT on Sat., Jan. 26th at 7:00pm at First United



Methodist Church, Trenton. *Proceeds to benefit the Clinton County Snack Pack Program.* \$100 per table (10 person max.). Call Jenn at 618-204-1471 to reserve your table and a spot for childcare.

PRAYER VIGIL: Clinton County Citizens for Life is sponsoring



a **Pro-Life Prayer Vigil** on Fri., Jan. 18th from 12Noon - 1:00pm at the Clinton County Courthouse. Come and pray with us in solidarity with the rallies at Washington D.C. and around the country. We gather to pray and publicly witness for the end to abortion and a respect for all human life from conception until natural death. **Thank you.**

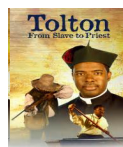
TEC WEEKEND: Calling all high school juniors & seniors!



TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) weekends are January 19th - 21st at Althoff Catholic High School, Belleville, IL and February 16th - 18th at Sacred Heart School, Du Quoin, IL. TEC is a 3-day retreat for young adults of Southern Illinois; a place to reflect (through

talks, skits, art, music, sacraments, fellowship and fun) on where they are in life and where they're going, where God fits in, where their faith is leading them, and how they can live their faith with love, joy and courage. TEC is also open to adult observers. To learn more and/or apply, visit www.bellevilletec.org.

The Cathedral invites you to a live theatrical performance --



Tolton: From Slave to Priest, an original one-man drama. This professional production is **FREE** and will be presented in the **Cathedral of St. Peter on Friday, February 1st at 7:00pm**. Audiences encounter the life and message of Fr. Augustus

Tolton, the first African American Catholic priest -- who has roots in our own area! Fr. Tolton faced prejudice in his life; however, he felt that the Catholic Church was the antidote to discrimination. "It was the priests of the Church who taught me to pray and to forgive my persecutors," he said. "We should welcome all people into the Church, not send them away." Fr. Tolton's canonization cause is at the Vatican.

POSITION AVAILABLE: The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a



part-time (24 hours per week) Administrative Assistant for the Office of Religious Education & Youth Ministry, which is part of the Department of Faith Formation. This position provides

administrative support to include general clerical duties as well as coordinating special project, meetings and events. To apply, send cover letter with resume and preferred salary range to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 22 S. 3rd St., Belleville, IL 62220. Email to humanresources@diobelle.org or FAX to 618-722-502. Application deadline: January 25, 2019.