

# St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

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| Mon. Feb. 25 |                  | NO MASS  |
| Tue. Feb. 26 | 7:30am           | NO MASS  |
| Wed. Feb. 27 | 7:30am           | NO MASS  |
| Thu. Feb. 28 | 7:30am           | NO MASS  |
| Fri. Mar. 01 | 7:30am           | Bill Friedman  |
| Sat. Mar. 02 | 1:00pm<br>7:30pm | <b>Wedding: D. Buss &amp; B. Hilmes</b><br>Charlie & Dorothy Schrage |
| Sun. Mar. 03 | 7:30am<br>9:30am | Gene & Dorothy Horstmann<br>Mary C. Harper<br>Abby Robke             |

### FEBRUARY 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> WEEKEND SERVERS


Sat. 7:30pm -Brendan Strieker, Ava Becker, Melaina Rakers,  
 (2) *Volunteers*

Sun. 7:30am -Nolan Klumke, Kaden & Kylie Rakers,  
 (2) *Volunteers*

9:30am -Gavin Nettekmeier, Chris Richter, Brooke Trame,  
 Gabe Schlimme, Luke Pingsterhaus



### MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> WEEKEND SERVERS

Sat. 7:30pm -Jake & Cecelia Richter, Nolan Pruet,   
 (2) *Volunteers*

Sun. 7:30am -Lydia Kuhn, Lily Lappe, (3) *Volunteers*  
 9:30am -Kylie Stockmann, Evan Schlueter, Jayden Gonet,  
 Elyse Strader, Reese Strubhart

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

**PASTORS NOTE:** In today's Gospel, Jesus' hard teaching on loving one's "enemies" challenges us to understand and acknowledge the hurt and pain in the lives of those we find difficult to tolerate, let alone "love." Jesus challenges us to break the cycle of fear, hatred and vengeance that ensnares us and society by realizing how our self-centered interests diminish the dreams and hopes of others. Only in seeing the griefs and disappointments of those we love – and those we find difficult to love – can we begin to move beyond feelings of bitterness and demands for retribution. The faithful disciple seeks to break the destructive rut of hatred and distrust by doing the hard work of seeing the "and" in everyone's life. We are all more than just our failings and sins – we are also our vulnerabilities and hurts.

**WELCOME and THANKS** to Fr. Mike Hussey for filling in for Fr. Dan this weekend. Fr. Dan will be back next weekend. In the event of an emergency, call Fr. Jim Buerster at St. Boniface, Germantown.

**SERVERS SCHEDULE** for the month of March is available online at [www.stfrancisav.org](http://www.stfrancisav.org).

## SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

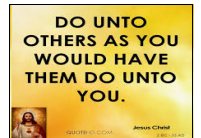
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| Fr. Donald Blaes  | Norbert Buehne     | Rich Feldmann        |
| Maggie Fix        | Donna Hegger       | Ken Kavanaugh        |
| Carla Knackstedt  | Dominic Kuhl       | Dennis Kuper         |
| Martha Litteken   | Jim Markus         | Shirley Moss         |
| Fr. Joe Rascher   | Patricia Rollings  | Dcn. Michael Rowland |
| Fr. Ken Schaefer  | Fallon Schlautmann | Alfred Spihlmann     |
| Dayceon Spihlmann |                    | Floyd Sudholt        |
| RaeAnne Toennies  | Kyle Uhring        | Khara Vanderhyden    |

## 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. Feb. 24 - 9:30am -St. Francis Sunday School Classes  
**Mon. - Fri. - Gym Walking at Parish Center Gym**  
 Mon. Feb. 25 - 7:00pm -RCIA @ St. Dominic Annex Bldg.  
 Wed. Feb. 27 - 1:00pm - 8:00pm -Sips, Snacks and Stitches  
 - 7:00pm -Bible Study, Pre-K Classroom #2  
 Thu. Feb 28 - 8:00pm -K of C Meeting @ the Legion  
 Sat. Mar. 02 - 9:00pm -Boy Scout Aluminum Can Drive



**CONGRATULATION** to *Annelise Michelle Fuhler* (daughter of Adam & Alison Fuhler) who was baptized last weekend. We welcome *Annelise* to our faith family.



**SYMPATHY:** Remember *John R. Henrichs* (father of Angie [Dave] Foy) who died. Keep *John* and his family in your prayers.

**IMPROVEMENT FUND COLLECTION:** *Next weekend*, there will be a second collection for the "*Parish Improvement Fund*" which is used for major repairs on the church, etc.

**ST. FRANCIS CYM MEETING** on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30am in the CYM room.

**DEADLINE IS MARCH 1, 2019!! (No exceptions!)**  
**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI RATERMANN SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 More information and application forms are on the parish website at <http://www.stfrancisav.org/>. Click on "**Teen Space**".

## CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL (CSMA)


**WEEKEND:** Next weekend, every parish in the diocese will be participating in the CSMA. This annual collection supports the ministries and agencies in our diocese whose scope of service could not be duplicated by an individual parish. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge or contribute at Mass next weekend. No gift is too great or too small. If you do not receive a pledge card in the mail, additional envelopes will be available at all church entrances. Please be as generous as you are able.

**PARISH CENTER RESERVATIONS:** St. Francis Parish, as well as the diocese, has encountered some serious issues in regards to the use of parish properties throughout the diocese. The Finance Council and I are currently evaluating and studying the issues. For the time being, we are no longer accepting any new reservations for the use of the Parish Center, Gym or Heritage Room. *We will honor those that have already been made; but, we are not accepting any new reservations until the Finance Council has addressed all the issues. We will also be implementing any new "diocesan policies" resulting from the various issues it is currently addressing. When decisions are finalized, I will advise the parish. Fr. Dan*




**SIPS, SNACKS AND STITCHES.....** Picnic quilt quilting on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm until 8:00pm. The Heritage Room at the Parish Center has plenty of space for anyone wanting to learn to quilt.

## VOCATION CORNER:

 "After I completed university and settled into a job as a computer programmer, I started asking my friends, "Do you ever feel like you should be doing something more?" To my surprise, most of them said no or maybe - but I wasn't satisfied. I moved on to teaching in a rather impoverished high school, where I realized that what my students needed more than a stable home, quality education, or even steady diet, was hope. When I looked at where I found lasting hope in my own life, I saw that it was in the Church, which made Jesus known to me. Around this time, I met the Basilian Fathers at the University of St. Thomas in Houston. I kept discerning the next step, and they helped me to be the who I was called to be." *Fr. Chris Valka, CSB; Congregation of St. Basil, Houston, TX. Columbia Dec. 2018*

**BIBLE STUDY** on Wed., Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the St. Francis Parish Center. (*No class on Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>*). We will cover the first twelve chapters of *Revelation*. Please bring your own Bibles. **All ages are welcome** at any time. Two hours diocesan catechist credit is given for each class. The cost is free for members of the partnership (St. Francis/St. Rose/St. Felicitas). We ask others to pay \$10 for the cost of the book for *Revelation* Parts I and II."

## MARDI GRAS LUNCHEON- LADIES OF ST. FRANCIS

 **PARISH:** The annual "*Fat Tuesday*" lunch will be held at **Trenton House** on Tue., March 5<sup>th</sup>. Registration begins at 11:00am. For reservations, call Rosanne Wellen (228-7702) or Carolyn Kampwerth @ Rectory (228-7219) **by Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**.

## PSR NEWS:

**Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday.** The PSR students will be going to mass on Tuesday and Wednesday that week and will have class on Thursday & Friday. **There is NO SCHOOL on Monday.** If you have children who walk or other adults who bring them, please make them aware of the change. **Thank You!**

**VBS DIRECTORS NEEDED:** We are in need of VBS Directors to take over the planning process, beginning in 2020. Do to commitment conflicts Shelly Zeisset and Coleen Klein are no longer able to fulfill these positions. They are looking for a few people to sit in on some of the VBS planning meetings for 2019, and learn the planning process. If you are interested or have questions about what's involved, please call Coleen 618-304-9337 or Shelly 618-520- 6791.

## AVISTON LEGION NEWS:

**Fri. Mar. 01 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm -FISH FRY**

## DINNERS:

Sat. Mar. 02 - 3:00pm - 8:00pm -**Sausage/Roast Beef Dinner** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Hall, Posen. Adults \$11.00; Children (7-12) \$5.00. Mass at 6:00pm.  
Sun. Mar. 03 -11:00am - 6:00pm -**Breese Lions Chicken Dinner** at Breese Legion. Adults \$10 (\$9.50 in advance); Kids (6-12) \$8. Tickets available from any Breese Lions Club member. *Proceeds benefit Sight & Hearing Impaired.*  
Sun. Mar. 03 -11:00am - 5:00pm -**Chicken Dinner** at Immaculate Conception Church, Pierron. Adults \$10; Children (6-12) \$4. Carry-outs available.

## BINGO'S:

Sun. Feb. 24 - 1:00pm -**Quilt/Cash Bingo** at St. John the Baptist Parish Center, Red Bud. Lunch at 11:00am. *Proceeds support the Newman Student Center at SIU-Carbondale.*  
Sun. Mar. 03 -1:00pm -**St. Liborius Parish Quilt Bingo** at American Legion Hall, St. Libory. Sandwiches/Desserts available at 11:00am & at conclusion of bingo.

**USED BOOK FAIR:** St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary Used Book Fair & Bake Sale, March 7<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion Hall, Breese. Doors open at 10:00am Thu. - Sat. and 9:00am on Sun. Bake Sale March 8<sup>th</sup>. Questions: call 618-526-5661 or at [yvonne.ratermann@hshs.org](mailto:yvonne.ratermann@hshs.org).

**ATTENTION FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES** coming up on March 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Quest experience held at St. Mary Parish, Belleville. For more information/application, contact your pastor, religion teacher or youth minister.

**GOT HEART HEALTH?** Come join us! Tue., Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Breese Activity Center (480 South 4<sup>th</sup> St., Breese). Program by **Dr. Paban Saha, MD**, of Prairie Cardiovascular. *Sponsored by The Clinton County Assoc. For Home & Community Education.*

**CRAM THE CARS WITH CANNED GOODS:** February is National Canned Food month. HSHS Home Care & Hospice Southern Illinois is teaming up with these local businesses (Breese Nursing Home, Carlyle Healthcare, Villa Catherine, Cedarhurst (Breese), Villas at St. James Place, Wiegman Ford, K&J Chevrolet, Aviston Countryside Manor and St. Joseph's Hospital Breese to Cram the Card with non-perishable food items for Mathew 25 Ecumenical food pantry. Drop off donated items by February 28<sup>th</sup>. Contact Katy (217-994-3919) or Cheryl (217-994-4072).