

From Fr. Beatty-

A first request: can anyone please take the lead on providing a lunch for about 15 people at a meeting of the South Vicariate, at noon on Wednesday, October 3rd? The meetings are accustomed to meals of a main dish with one or two sides and dessert.

Next a reminder to be looking around and thinking over people for RCIA and for parish council. Parish council discernment will be in late October. Are you willing to volunteer to serve? Is there someone you might nominate as a great potential member? RCIA is even more urgent because we need to get that started soon.

It's been a good week of convocation among the priests of the Diocese. Seeing the brothers is a great treat. A special treat for me is having been invited to say Mass for the Poor Clare Sisters in Belleville two of these mornings. Mass in the cloister is really nifty! It just blows my mind with grateful joy that the Sisters are praying in the heart of the Church for all of us.

On the weekend of September 22/23, Marilyn Wassmer., from Mary Mother of God Mission Society, will visit our parish to speak about the Roman Catholic Mission Churches in Eastern Russia. A second offering will be taken for the missions. In the early 1900's, the Russian Far East boasted a thriving Roman Catholic population. Many Russians, Poles, Lithuanians, and other groups inhabited the area and had built schools, hospitals, and beautiful churches. After the revolution of 1917, Russia became an emblem of the Communist era, a land without churches and without God. Under Stalin, all Catholic churches were confiscated and Dioceses closed. Most churches were desecrated or destroyed. Catholics were murdered by the hundreds of thousands and their bodies dumped into mass graves. Our two American priests, Fr. Myron Effing, CJD, and Fr. Daniel Maurer, CJD, arrived in Vladivostok in 1992 to help re-establish the Church in this region and provide charitable assistance to the many poor. Now that the foundations have been laid, additional priests and sisters are joining the work, and parishes are growing and multiplying, very slowly, but surely. For the latest news on activities of the mission and the Catholic Church in Russia please visit the website at www.vladmission.org.

PSR Classes begin September 16th, 2018. Parent, teachers, & students meet in the gym at 10:00 and proceed to child's classroom for registration. Please return to the North Room for information about "Go Make a Difference." This is an effort in our parish for parents and children to help our needy.

St. Kateri Ugly Quilts are in need of fleece throws, light weight blankets and old men's ties. We thank you for your donations in the past--they have helped us make 137 Ugly Quilts (utility sleeping bags) for the homeless children and families in Gallatin, Saline, White and Hardin Counties.

Ridgway Knights of Columbus will have a chicken dinner on Sunday, October 7, from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Columbus Club in Ridgway. \$8.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for children. Carry outs are available by calling 272-7615. Members are asked to bring a dessert.

The big secret no more. In much of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus shushes the disciples. He does and says things, then warns them not to tell anyone – yet. But the yet has come. It came with the cross, with death, with resurrection. We now have the duty – because of Baptism – to bear the cross, to carry it proudly. We have the duty to blab about Jesus dead and risen (Catholics call this both old and new evangelization). What will I deny in myself for the sake of the Gospel, this Good News of Jesus dead and risen? What cross will I pick up to save my life on this journey to heaven? What mercy work will I do to feed and clothe someone in need?

Show Your Gratitude to Our Priests, Retired Diocesan Priests Collection This Weekend. On both ordinary and extraordinary days, our priests have been there for us...at baptisms, weddings, First Communion and Confirmation, at times of sickness and sorrow...dedicating their lives to bring us closer to Christ. **Now it is our turn to be there for them during their retirement years through a gift to the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection.** All funds will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications. Note: *Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which is held in December.* Please show your appreciation with a generous gift today. Thank you so much!

Save the Date: Blessing of the Jeeps, October 6, 2018. For more information contact Dave McGuire 618-841-6641

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal... using your gifts to serve one another. Do you remember your or your children's or, perhaps, your grandchildren's first time away from home, continuing your education at college? While greatly anticipated, it can also be a challenging, sometimes overwhelming experience for many. Today hundreds of young adults find a comfortable, secure, faith-based home during their college years as a "family" member of the **Newman Catholic Student Center at Southern Illinois University.** Your contribution to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps makes this experience possible. If you haven't already done so, please consider making your gift to The Appeal today!

Ugly Quilt work day will be Wednesday, September 19th & Wednesday, September 26th, from 9:00-11:00. We cut, sew and tack. All are welcome to join this effort. Questions? Call Michele 841-7455.

Women's Retreat Oct. 20th St. Mary Harrisburg Parish Hall Babysitting available ♦ **Men's Retreat Oct. 27th** ♦ St. Mary Harrisburg Parish Hall

For Your Calendar:

September 16, Sunday: PSR Classes & Registration after Mass

September 17, Monday: Altar Society Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in St. Joseph North Room.

September 25, Tuesday: Parish Council Meeting, beginning with Mass at 6:30 p.m. at St. Kateri Church, in Ridgway

Care Bears with cards are available in the Narthex for those that are sick or shut-in. If you visit someone at home or in the hospital please take them a bear and note from the parish.

Compassionate Miscarriage Bundles are available for anyone in need. Please contact Cathy Scates 618-534-3212 or Fr. Steven Beatty.

Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Mary Lou Aton, Kevin Baker, Silas Scott Bohannon, Elizabeth Carpenter, Connor Charleton, Austin Cole, Betty Cox, Daniel Drone, Mary Drone, Susan Edwards, Sarah (Henson) Evans, Nancy Fals, Campbell Faulkner, Wade Finnie, Genny Lu Scates Freeman, Steve Galt, Linda Golden, Diane (Bard) Graves, Gary Holmes, Sharon Holmes, Dode Drone Howerton, Sarah Miles Keltner, Gary King, Neil Jackson, Indy Jones, Matt Kreiter, Richard Moore, Daniel Mulkey, Jerry Penrod, Ruth Raben, Bruce Rankin, Lawrence Rider, Delores Scherrer, Abby Schuhardt, Sandra Skaggs, Penny Sisk, Sandy Snoddy, Gabe Trimble, Julia Wargel and Bob Williams.

Also remember our sick and shut-ins: Mary Lee Buckman, Gregg Drone, Virginia L. Drone, Jan Haines, Dale Hobbs, Donna Holmes, Mary Jo Holmes, Roxanne Nicholas, Jim Raper, Alene Shea, Kelly Storto, Ronny Lynn Bond Watkins and Melissa Wilson.

(To add/delete a name from the list please call the office: 618-272-7059.)

OUR RETURN GIFTS TO GOD LAST WEEK: Thank you for your generosity.

Envelopes (74): \$3862.00	Loose Collection: \$770.80	Building Fund: \$265.00
Weekend Snack Pack	\$95.00	
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$250.00	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, September 22, 2018

St. Kateri Church

Lector: Jim Raper

Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Scates, Derwin Drone, Tony & Gayla Cox

Servers: Grant Holmes, Gunner Wilson

Greeters: Steve & Kelly Ramsey

Sunday, September 23, 2018

St. Kateri Church

Lector: Jim Neumann

Eucharistic Ministers: Carolyn Jones, Thomas McGuire, Bridget Payne, Eric Witges

Servers: Abbie & Kallie Keasler

Greeters: Andi York, Danielle Krikie

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Office Hours:

Tuesday through Thursday
8:30am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 4:30pm



“The Cross was the glory of my life and of my death, and I want you to make it yours.”

- Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Lily of the Mohawks

Most Rev. Edward K. Braxton
Bishop of Belleville

Fr. Steven L. Beatty
Pastor

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time *September 15th & September 16th 2018*

Mass Schedule for this week

Saturday	Sept	15,	5:00 PM	SHAW	For Our Parish
Sunday	Sept	16,	9:00 AM	RIDG	John Abell
Monday	Sept	17,	No Mass		
Tuesday	Sept	18,	8:00 AM	RIDG	Bob Will
Wednesday	Sept	19,	8:00 AM	EQUY	Savannah Etienne
Thursday	Sept	20,	8:00 AM	PONDS	Steve, Pauline, Kenny Duffy
Friday	Sept	21,	8:00 AM	SHAW	Pat Felker
Saturday	Sept	22,	5:00 PM	RIDG	Theresa Burke
Sunday	Sept	23,	9:00 AM	RIDG	For Our Parish

Please consider remembering your parish in your will