

Blessed Trinity Parish

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St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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P.O. Box C, Hardin IL 62047

Office Hrs: Mon 8:30-3, Wed 8:30-2, Thurs 8:30-3

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Mass Schedule/Intentions

This Sunday, January 1

8:00 am Meppen— Viola Kronable

9:30 am Hardin— For the People

5:00 pm Hardin— For the People

Mon. 7:00 am Hardin— Violet Breden (Month's Mind)

Tues. 6:00 pm Meppen— Sandy Kiel

Wed. 8:30 am Hardin— Gary Roundcount (1 Yr Anniversary)

Thu. 7:00 am Hardin— For the People

9:30 am Nursing Home— No Mass

Fri. 8:30 am Brussels— Men & Women in Service / Youth of Community

Sat. 8:00 am Batchtown— Merlin Klaas

4:00 pm Kampsville— For the People

6:30 pm Brussels— John & Colette Caselton

Next Sunday, January 8

8:00 am Meppen— Norbert Godar, Jr.

9:30 am Hardin— Deceased Priests of the Diocese

5:00 pm Hardin— For the People

Confessions

Sunday	7:30-7:45 AM	Meppen
Monday	6:30-6:45 AM	Hardin
Tuesday	5:30-5:45 PM	Meppen
Wednesday	8:00-8:15 AM	Hardin
Thursday	6:30-6:45 AM	Hardin
Friday	8:00-8:15 AM	Brussels
Saturday	3:15-3:30 PM	Kampsville
	5:45-6:00 PM	Brussels

Parish Staff & Boards

Deacon - Mike Hagen, 618-971-2391, mikehagen73@yahoo.com

St. Vincent de Paul—3rd Thurs 6:30; Brad Vacca 314-608-9302

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Finance Council—2nd Tuesday @ 8 pm

Pastoral Council—2nd Tuesday @ 7 pm

St. Mary Advisory Board—4th Tuesday @ 7 pm

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Pastoral Council—3rd Tues @ 7 pm; Dick Lieber, 217-320-8792

St. Norbert Advisory Board—1st Tuesday @ 7 pm

The Sacraments and Our Parish Life

Parish Membership—Call or stop by either parish office. For St. Francis of Assisi, you may visit www.sfacalhoun.com and click on *Join Our Parish*.

Matrimony—Please contact the office at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date. One person in the couple must be a registered parishioner and a practicing Catholic.

Baptisms—Baptisms may be celebrated after Mass any Sunday of the year and should occur within a month of birth. Prior to your child's birth, both parents must register for our Baptism Program, and attend before the baptism. These are held at the Hardin office quarterly, with the next one on Friday, March 3 at 6:30pm.

Anointing of the Sick/Home Visits—If you or a loved one is in need of this sacrament or would like a visit and Holy Communion, please contact the church office or Fr. Roberts.

Eucharistic Adoration—Eucharistic Adoration is held in St. Barbara's Church in Batchtown on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please contact Lisa Vogel at 618-883-2200.

PSR—We meet on Wednesday evenings, 6-7:15pm. If you are new, we welcome you to call or stop by either office.

Please Pray for the Sick

Names will remain on the *Pray for the Sick* list for 12 weeks then are automatically deleted. To be included on this list, contact either parish office by phone or email.

Cecilia Mueller (11)

Jim Hughart (11)

Chuck Squier (11)

Angela Rodes (9)

Tim Snyders (9)

Ellen Klocke (8)

Elda Hayn (5)

Lorraine Hillen (5)

Pat Hoemmen (5)

Paulette Hartman (4)

Charles & Carol Foiles (2)

Kelly Holste (2)

Justin Vetter Middendorf (1)

Rosemary Bick (1)

Anna Mae Griffin (1)

Looking Ahead

January 10— St. Anselm Altar Society Meeting

February 18-19— SMS Dinner Auction

February 25— BT & SFA First Reconciliation

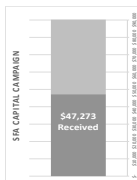
March 4— SFA Annual Dinner Auction



Announcements

There will be a second collection next weekend, Jan. 7-8, for the Catholic Times.

St. Francis of Assisi will have a second collection again this weekend, Dec. 31—Jan 1, for the parish Capital Campaign. We have collected \$47,273 (53%) of our \$90,000 goal. We urge your generosity as we strive to meet our goal.



St. Barbara's Altar Society will not meet in January.

St. Anselm's Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, January 10 at 6pm in the St. Anselm Hall. Hostess will be Christine Schumann.

St. Francis of Assisi is looking for someone to head up the Annual Dinner Auction, which will take place on March 4, 2023.

St. Norbert Church is in need of Sacristans. If you are interested, please call the parish office.

St. Barbara's & St. Mary's are each looking for someone to take responsibility for removing snow around the church this winter. Please call the office 883-2400 if you are willing to do the task.

Eucharistic Adoration Opportunities

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us." (St. Alphonsus Liguori)

There will be a special opportunity to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament **at both St. Norbert's and St. Mary's**.

Adoration at **St. Norbert's** will take place monthly on **Wednesdays before First Friday**. * For this month, on Wednesday, January 4, this will be a Holy Hour beginning at 9am and conclude at 10am. Next month it will resume the regular scheduled times.

Adoration at **St. Mary's** will take place on Friday, January 6 and continue monthly on **First Fridays**.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place immediately following the 8:30 Mass and close with benediction at 1:00pm at St Norbert's. Exposition will take place immediately following the 8:30 Mass and close with benediction at 1:30pm at St. Mary's.

Everyone in the parish is invited. You may come at any time and stay for as long as you wish.

Mary is the first witness of the marvelous truth that
"God so loved the world that He sent his only Son."

St. John Paul II, cited by John E. Fagan, Excerpt from:
Redemptoris Mater, The Teachings of Pope John Paul II,
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My dear Friends in Christ, *Catholic Times* has always been a key communication tool for our diocese. Whether it is important announcements, teaching the faith, or inspirational stories, the magazine provides tremendous value to readers. That was most apparent in the Nov. 27 special edition of *Catholic Times* that focused on the Eucharist, our Year of the Eucharist, and previewing the diocesan celebration of the See transfer from Alton to Springfield. That edition proved that not only do a lot of people read the magazine, but it is positively impacting people. Here are just two stories that prove the point: One is from Jerseyville where a reader told us that one of his friends, who is going through the RCIA process now, read the magazine "cover to cover" and "loved it" and now "understands" the Eucharist. In Springfield, a reader told us that he knew a gentleman who comes to Mass often and approached him. "He had a copy of the eucharistic miracles article from the recent special issue of *Catholic Times*. He told me he had been one of the 70 percent who thought the Eucharist was a symbol, but that after reading the article, and I assume the other articles in the special issue, he was now among the 30 percent who believed in the Real Presence." What God moments! We heard other stories of positive impact as well and received many requests for more copies of the special edition so readers could hand them to family, friends, and people searching for the Truth.

In 2022, *Catholic Times* won eight national awards at the annual Catholic Media Association Awards; the most the magazine has ever won during a single year. Moreover, the team at *Catholic Times* continues to try new things to engage readers. For example, this entire next year will feature eucharistic miracle stories, saint stories, and monstrances from across the diocese.

The magazine will also continue its emphasis on catechesis of the Catholic faith such as their Hey, Father! series, navigating the difficult world of bioethics, and explaining the sacraments. Of course, feature reporting is a major part of the magazine, highlighting the stories of people, parishes, and schools that are building up the Kingdom of God in our diocese. The magazine's commitment to local coverage means when each edition is opened, readers will see stories that are important to their lives and read stories written by people and priests they know.

My column, "Lex Cordis Caritas," is on page 4 of each issue. It is one of the best ways that I can speak about the issues that we face as Catholics in Central Illinois and update readers on important decisions I make that impact the faithful. As bishop of this diocese, it is important for me to be an active participant in Catholic media. It is all these reasons why I believe that *Catholic Times* should be available to every household in our diocese, either online (ct.dio.org), by email, or by mail. I invite you to support this important communication tool in our diocese. During the weekend of Jan. 7-8, you will have the opportunity to respond gratefully and ensure the *Catholic Times* remains an inexpensive source of information on the vital issues I have noted.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki

Bishop of Springfield in Illinois; Publisher, *Catholic Times*

Stewardship of Treasure December 18, 2022

Blessed Trinity Collections (Envelopes: 72 of 355)

	Actual	Budget	Diff
Regular	\$ 4,307.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 607.00
YTD	\$ 84,964.00	\$ 92,500.00	\$ (7,536.00)
School	\$ 315.00		

St. Francis of Assisi Collections (Envelopes: 61 of 257)

	Actual	Budget	Diff
Regular	\$ 5,975.00	\$ 3,740.00	\$ 2,235.00
YTD	\$ 92,829.59	\$ 93,500.00	\$ (670.41)
STF	\$ 200.00		

Parents, teenagers, and young adults – this event is for you – National Catholic speaker, Jason Evert, will give two talks in Alton Feb. 6 that parents, teenagers, and young adults are invited to that answers many tough questions about love, dating, and relationships and that will empower people to live a life of virtue. Evert’s talks, “Purified” and “Gender and the Theology of your Body,” takes place starting at 6pm at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Alton (519 East 4th St.). The cost is \$30 and tickets can be purchased in advance by going to chastity.com/purified. After Evert’s talks, the night will end with adoration and confession and all attendees will leave with resources that are geared toward the gender of the teen/ young adult and one geared toward parents. For more information, call 618-581-7055. The event is for teenagers and older.

Free episode of *The Chair* highlights the rich story of our diocese from yesterday to today - The story of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is featured in an episode of *The Chair*, a television series celebrating the best of Catholicism in the United States. From the physical beauty of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield to the history of our diocese from our founding to the present, you’ll learn things about our region you never knew before and see Bishop Thomas John Paprocki in his role of bishop. This intimate portrait of our diocese is an opportunity to see our history and the journey of Bishop Paprocki from his youth to our shepherd of today. To watch the FREE episode and others, go to thechair.com/watchnow. Note, you’ll have to create a FREE account to watch.

School News
St. Mary School
www.stmarysbrussels.org

- Dec 23–Jan 4— Christmas Break
- Jan 5— School Resumes

St. Norbert School

- Dec 21—Jan 4— Christmas Break
- Jan 5— School Resumes

Mary’s life shows us what our true destiny is if we too allow ourselves to be led by Jesus along the path of that obedience that does not flow from desire for things of this world but is rooted in the love of God.

Fr. Nnamdi Moneme, OMV, *Our Journey Back to God*, 05-29-2014, Reprint permission by www.catholicexchange.com

Memorial Association

We are now accepting names for the 2023 Memorial Association. A monthly Mass will be offered for its members. On the first Wednesday of the even months of the year the Mass intention will be at 8:30am, St. Norbert. And on the third Friday of the odd months of the year the intention will be at the 8:30am Mass, St. Mary. The cost of the Memorial Association is \$65 per year. Please fill out the form listed below to enroll your family member. You may list your intentions as one individual name or you may list a family name. We cannot accept a list of several different family members or multiple family names without having a membership for each. Please return the form to the parish office as soon as possible with your payment. You can mail it to either parish office or drop in the collection.

Your Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Intention _____

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE










	4:00pm Jan. 7 Kampsville	6:30pm Jan. 7 Brussels	8:00am Jan. 8 Meppen	9:30am Jan. 8 Hardin	5:00pm Jan. 8 Hardin
Servers:	Volunteers	Abby Johnes, Conley Klocke, John Paul Vogel	Cheyenne & Dayton Brundies, Jasmine Ennis	Volunteers	Volunteers
Lectors:	Jeanie Clendenny	Rachel Hartman	Lisa Fuhler	Alan Shofner	Kathy Brackett
Ushers:	Bill Klunk, Ralph Becker	Joe & Avery Caselton	Mike Long, Clint Pluester	Joe Friedel, Caleb Goode	Volunteers
Offertory:				Shirley Gansz, JoAnn Holland	Volunteers
Extra-Ordinary Ministers:	John Baltisberger	Wayne Vogel	Duane Sievers	Jason Wieneke	

2023 Memorial Association

Gale, Marilyn & Dick Aulabaugh
 Albert, Vernie & Ronald Baalman
 Lowell & Mary Bailey
 John & Elsie Baltisberger & Roy Jacobs
 Ralph & Opal Becker Family
 Arch & Anita Beers
 Raphael Behrens Family
 Kenny Bick
 Joe, Bev & Mark Bowers
 Leslie & Mary Breden
 Frank & Rosalie Brice
 Ray & Gertie Cappel
 Charles, Sr & Berniece Carnes Family
 Edna & Harold Eberlin
 Ray, Dorothy, & David Eberlin
 Ed & Emma Flaningan & Norbert Tepen
 Henry & Emma Fortschneider
 Joe, Norma & Barney Fortschneider
 Joseph P. Friedel
 Cletus & Esther German Family
 Bill & Irene Godar Family
 Norbert & Todd Gotway
 Arthur (Bud) Gress
 LeRoy, Bret and Tim Hagen
 Oscar F. Haug
 Melvin & Geneva Heffington
 Elmer & Miriam Held
 Pete, Dolores & Randy Hillen
 Tobias, Jr. and Kenny Kamp
 Sandy Kiel
 Merlin Klaas

Peter & Lillian Klunk Family
 Tom Lorschach
 William F. Lorschach Family
 Jim Macauley
 Francis, Valeria & Gary Moses
 Paul & Marie Mossman
 Charles Nolte
 Amy & Roger Pohlman
 Albert & Dora Ringhausen Family
 James A. Ringhausen
 Eleanor & Curtis Robeen Sr.
 Doug, Mike & Michael Robeen
 Mary Carol Robeen
 Vince & Virginia Robeen
 Dale Roberts
 Deborah Roberts
 Maurice Roberts
 Richard & Margaret Roberts
 Charles & David Rose & Eileen Reeves
 Robert H. "Bob" Rose
 Alfred & Izella Schleeper
 Hubert & Dorothy Schleeper
 Leo, Estelle, Leo B., Toby & Carol Schleeper
 Edward & Laura Schmidt
 George & Mary Alice Schmidt
 Henry, Bertha & John Schulte
 Vince, Agnes & Otto Snyders
 Albert & Leona Stumpf
 Art & David Tepen
 Elmer and Rosalie Tepen
 Harry & Doris Tepen

Elizabeth "Liz" Toppmeyer & Lydia Carnes
 Rodney & Gus Wallendorf
 Fritz Weishaar

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