

Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.

**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat., Feb. 16 4:00pm Church - †Roy Szatkowski
†Bill Rogers
- Sun., Feb. 17 8:30am St. Lawrence, Sandoval
10:30am Church - †Theresa Castellari
- Tues., Feb. 19 12:30pm Hospital - NO MASS THIS WEEK
- Wed., Feb. 20 8:30am Church - NO MASS THIS WEEK
- Sat., Feb. 23 4:00pm - Church - †Cal Maxfield
†Theresa Castellari
†Crucephine Pierson
- Sun., Feb. 24 8:30am - St. Lawrence, Sandoval
10:30am Church - †Bud Miller
†Lawrence & Agnes Goebel
+Tony & Sally Rugowski

MEETINGS, ETC.

- ...RCIA Sundays after 10:30am Mass.
- ...PSR Sundays 9-10:15am.
- ...QUILTING Monday mornings at 9am in the quilting room at SMS.
- ...SCRIPTURE CLASS meets in the parish office meeting room each Monday evening from 6:00-7:00pm.
- ...CHICKEN FRIED STEAK DINNER
Sunday, February 17.....11:30am to 2pm at the Sandoval Parish Hall, sponsored by Sandoval Knights of Columbus
- ...K OF C DUES PAYER MEETING
Monday, February 18 at 6pm at the former KC Hall, Centralia.
- ...SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, February 21 at 5pm in the library.
- ...ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING
Thursday, February 21 at 1pm in the Quilting Room.

Stewardship Report February 10, 2019

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| Weekly | \$ 4,238.00 |
| Loose | 105.00 |
| Capital Improvements | 310.00 |
| Altar Society | 10.00 |
| The Messenger | 75.00 |
| School Scholarship | 15.00 |



Baptism empowers Christians to become stewards by grace: able to act explicitly on God's behalf in cultivating and serving the portion of the world entrusted to their care. Part of what is involved here for Catholics is a stewardship of time, which should include setting aside periods for family prayer for the reading of Scripture, for visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and for attendance at Mass during the week whenever possible.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 24

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| Reading 1 | 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 |
| Reading 2 | 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49 |
| Gospel | Luke 6: 27-38 |

LOOKING AHEAD

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
February 28.....6pm
Parish Meeting Room

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LENT

The season of Lent extends this year from
Ash Wednesday, March 6, to
the Mass of the Lord's Supper, April 18, inclusive.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Applications are currently being accepted for the position of Head Cook at St. Mary School. Applicants should have a current Food Sanitation certificate. Please call 532-3473 for more information.



**Messenger Subscription Renewal
Weekend was February 2-3, 2019**

There's still time...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



Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, Sunday, February 17th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the St. Lawrence Parish Hall, sponsored by the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus.

Meal includes: Chicken Fried Steak, gravy, fried potatoes, corn, green beans, desert and drink.
A free will offering will be taken with proceeds going toward the new roof fund for St. Lawrence Church and to Knights of Columbus Charities.

FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

February 24 from 11am to 6pm

Breese American Legion Post 252

Adults.....\$10 Child 6 to 12.....\$5

**Fried Chicken, Dressing, Slaw, Mashed Potatoes,
Gravy, Green Beans, Homemade Desserts,
Coffee, Tea, and Milk.**

**ENTRENAMIENTO DIOCESANO PARA
LECTORES Y PARA MINISTROS**

**EXTRAORDINARIOS DE LA SAGRADA
COMUNION**

23 de Marzo, 2019

**DIÓCESIS DE BELLEVILLE OFICINA DE MINISTERIO
HISPANO**

2620 Lebanon Avenue Bldg. 2, Belleville, IL 62221

Informacion (618)722-5049

St. Mary's Hospital is in need of volunteers! If you have ever had an interest in becoming a "Pink Lady" or a "Red Coat"--now is a good time to check it out. There are openings for volunteers in the Gift Shop, ICU, One-Day Surgery, Cancer Center, or the front lobby as an Escort. Please call one of our Brendas---Altadonna at 532-2908, or White at 339-8455 for more information. You won't find a more rewarding or fulfilling use of your spare time!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 17, 2019

Good-attitudes and bad-attitudes. Jesus speaks the same words to kinsfolk, town folk, and foreigners alike: four blessings and four woes. The blessed are those in need of works of mercy. So are we. The woeful are those who need to do works of mercy. Note well: they are not cursed; they are reminded.

- **Let me review the works of mercy.**
 - **Even if I think I have only a little, what can I give and do for another?**
 - **What will I let someone do for me?**
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RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Biblical Notion of Justice: Whether in the Old or New Testament, the sense of justice is present. The commands of God and the actions of Jesus work hand in hand to show that caring for the outcast and the poor are key actions to uphold justice for all. John puts it best that the Gospel of Justice is simply to love one another as Christ has loved us! (1 John 23:-24) Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: How does this challenge you? How can you join with others to take concrete steps-big or small-to help build a society of justice? Visit Catholic Relief Services (CRS) www.crs.org to learn how college students are living out the call. Loving God, Father of all people, help sensitize us to the suffering of others so that we can overcome indifference and build up a civilization of love and justice.

VOCATIONS CORNER

"Life is about saying "yes" to the things that help you to grow in holiness and no to the things that don't. Life is about searching for the best version of yourself. Today's culture doesn't have a vision for the human person. The goal of today's culture is consumption as we no longer are the consumers---we are being consumed. It is time for us to start thinking about where our lives are leading and to where God is calling us. The ways of the world lead to confusion. God's way leads to clarity, order and to a meaningful living with joy. Life is a choice we all have to make. So, fulfill God's vision for you and answer his call with a "yes"."

The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic. Pg. 79-81.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

February 16 / 17

4:00pm Hanson, Piotrowski

10:30am Francois, Thompson, Thompson

February 23 / 24

4:00pm McElhose, McElhose

10:30am Toedte, Toedte



ST. MARY SCHOOL NEWS

ALWAYS Check the Cardinal Express for details.

- Monday, February 18 - NO SCHOOL!!!! President's Day.
- Tuesday, February 19 - Monical's Pizza Night. 7th grade basketball tournament @ Central City, TBA. Volleyball @ Selmaville, 6:00pm.
- Wednesday, February 20 - NO All School Mass!! Central City 7th grade tourney, TBA. Volleyball @ Sandoval, 4:30pm.
- Thursday, February 21 - School Board Meeting, 5:00pm. Central City 7th grade tourney, TBA. Scholar Bowl practice, 3:00pm.
- Friday, February 22 - No Band practice!!

Anyone interested in pursuing a vocation within the Catholic Church should contact Mr. Jason Swann at the Saint Mary School Office at (618)532-3473 or email principal@stmarycentralia.org.

Calendar Winners 2/12 Joannetta Wood - Centralia
 2/14 Connie Parker - Centralia

I'M TIRED OF WINTER!
I WANT TO FAST-FORWARD
TO COMPLAINING ABOUT
HOW HOT IT IS!



Ralph and Bernice Sprehe

St. Mary Parish/Kaskaskia College Scholarship Applications

SPREHE SCHOLARSHIPS: Sprehe Scholarship applications are available at the US Bank Private Client Group for the 2019 – 2021 Kaskaskia College Scholarships and the 2019 – 2020 Baccalaureate Scholarships. Baccalaureate applicants must be Kaskaskia College graduates who are attending or will be attending a four-year university. You may contact Pam Prather at the US Bank for details. All applications are to be returned to the Centralia Branch of the US Bank Wealth Management no later than Tuesday, March 5, 2019.

COMMUNION MINISTERS



We are looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to take Communion to St. Mary Hospital on Saturdays. If you are able to help, please call the Parish Office at 532-6291.



IT'S STILL WINTER

Thank you to those who graciously deal with the weather in order for us to have Mass. You are truly appreciated...

Last weekend we cancelled Sunday Masses because of ICE.

We very seldom cancel for snow unless it is SO MUCH SNOW that it becomes VERY HAZARDOUS to drive in.

So I good rule of thumb is that if it's SNOW, we will have Mass; if it's ICE, check our local radio stations and Schoolspeak.

Also, if Mass is cancelled, we hope you will still put your weekly donation in the collection the following week. Our bills stay the same whether we have Mass or not; so your understanding with this is most appreciated.

**Fr. Dale Maxfield
Pastor**