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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon. Apr. 21		NO MASS
Tue. Apr. 22	7:30am	Oliver Luber
Wed. Apr. 23	7:30am	All Aviston Lumber Employee's
Thu. Apr. 24	7:30am	Fred, Leona, Fred Lohman Jr. and Mary Haynes
Fri. Apr. 25	7:30am	Leona Kalmer
Sat. Apr. 26	7:30pm	L/D John & Alma Reilman Family Edna Foppe
Sun. Apr. 27	7:30am	Tony Rakers Family Alvera & John Kapp
	9:30am	Gertrude Peters Rosalia Orlet

SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

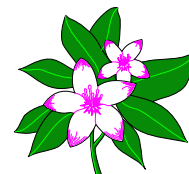
Jim Frohn	Jeff Gebhart	Rita Haukap
Donna Hegger	Ann Litteken	Pat Mueller
Connor Nicklin	"Peepers" Rakers	Marvin Ratermann
Tina Revermann	Butch Richter	Cyril Voss
Fr. Tom Flach	Msgr. Bernard Voss	Sr. Diane Turner
Fr. Gary Gummersheimer		

CONFESSIONS:

Sat. Evening 6:45 - 7:15pm

WEEKLY ROSARY:

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



APRIL 19th & 20th – SERVERS

Sat. 7:30 p.m. -Rich Schuck, Michael Stroot, Justin Sudholt
 Sun. 7:30 a.m. -Madeline Lager, Lexi Zanger, Katie Faust
 9:30 a.m. -Beth & Ben Feldmann, Kelly Osterbrink,
 Mercedes Kent, Megan Rensing

APRIL 26th & 27th – SERVERS

Sat. 7:30 p.m. -Sarah Jansen, Alex Richter, Mallory Richter
 Sun. 7:30 a.m. -Breanne Burton, Lydia Kuhl, Shannon Schuetz
 9:30 a.m. -Dillon Huegen, Josee & Mallory Kruse,
 Rachel Harper, Nicholas Dall

(Please get a sub if you cannot be there at the appointed time.)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sun. April 20 - 7:00pm -Adult Choir Practice
 Mon. April 21 - 8:00pm -Legion Meeting
 Tue. April 22 - 1:00 - 4:00pm -Yesterday Kids
 Wed. April 23 - 8:00pm -KC Meeting @ Legion



F.Y.I.: Gym Walking at the Parish Center will be suspended for the summer on Thursday, May 1ST!!



PASTORS NOTE: The "work" of God is not measured in effectiveness or efficiency. The hallmark of God's work is the compassion and love, the justice and healing that inspire and compel the work. The smallest or most hidden act of kindness can reveal His presence in our midst. He calls each us to follow his example – the work of humble servant hood that places the hurt and pain of others before our own work, needs and wants.

On another front, I am sure you have noticed that the roof on the parish school is being replaced. The February storms damaged it extensively, to the extent that the Insurance Company is covering half of the cost. Replacement was already slated for this summer. Having caught up on roof repairs, improvements and exterior weather proofing of all our property, it is now time to turn our attention to the future of the Parish School. I will be establishing a Feasibility Committee to begin a long range study of the school's future. Do we renovate and upgrade; or do we demolish and rebuild? To enable you, the parishioners, to make an informed decision we will be developing plans, costs, etc for both options. This will take a lot of work and time, thus, the reason for replacing the roof. It will be a few years of development and fund raising. You will be hearing more as time goes on.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next Weekend, April 26th & 27th, our parish will be taking up a collection for the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. This Appeal is a practical way for our parish to share its faith and resources with the mission Church here at home. Over 95 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to parishes to keep church doors open, support pastors in their ministry, and provide basic pastoral service like religious education for children. *Please give generously!* It's one practical way our parish community can be good stewards of God's gifts and make a difference.

HIRING: St. Francis Parish is looking for a new Director of Religious Education. The position is to oversee the PSR Program, as well as, Adult Faith Formation programs in the parish. If interested in the position, call Fr. Dan, **IMMEDIATELY** for an application and information regarding what the position involves and its requirements.

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE on Sun., April 20th at 7:00pm.



MESSANGER MEMORIAL DAY ISSUE: The Messenger would like the names of your loved ones who were in the military and have died and the names of loved ones now serving or have recently returned from war torn countries of Afghanistan or Iraq. If any of the members of the military or their families would be open to an interview about their experiences and thoughts please contact the Messenger at 235-9601. **Deadline to submit names is May 2nd!**

DAY TRIP FOR LADIES SODALITY: It's in the plans to take a **Day Trip** on **Tue., June 17th**. Ladies, mark your calendars if you want to go! Come to the Sodality Meeting on Mon., May 5th to sign-up. We will travel by bus to Effingham, IL to attend a 2:00pm show called "**The Golden Dragon Acrobats**" at the Rosebud Theatre, along with other stops of interest in the morning! We will leave at 7:00am and return around 6:30pm. We will discuss cost and other stops at the meeting. If more than 30 ladies sign-up, we will need drivers also! Questions, call Marge Thole at 228-7842.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Register your child now for a thrilling adventure with Jesus. This years theme is "**Son World Adventure Park.**" It will be held July 7-11 from 9-12noon @ St. Francis Parish Center. Open to children entering K-5th grades as of August 2008. Registration forms are at all Church entrances or on the Parish website: www.stfrancisav.org. For info call Janice Lampe (228-7709) or Sue Szoke (228-7811).



MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL NEWS:

- Mon. April 21 - 7:30pm -Band Parents Meeting
- Tue. April 22 - 7:30pm -**Fathers & Friends Bingo** at the Breese KC Hall. **Aviston's parents turn to work. Please be there at 6:45 p.m.**
- Wed. April 23 - 7:00pm -Members of the Mater Dei Class of 2012 (incoming freshmen) and their parents are invited to attend the **Annual Freshmen Welcome** in the new gym.
- Thu. April 24 - 7:30pm -Mothers & Friends **Spring Quilt Bingo** at Breese KC Hall.
- Sat. April 26 - 8:00pm -Prom

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWS:

- Mon. April 21 - 7:30pm -Board Meeting

DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT: St. Francis is looking for four (4) parishioners who would like to have "Dinner with the Prastors and Parish-Life Coordinators." It is a Fund Raiser for Mater Dei High School in conjunction with their Dinner Auction. Cost: \$100 a plate. The Dinner will be May 4th at Beyond the Garden Gate in Breese and will include "**Special Entertainment with the Godspell Cast.**" Each parish can have 4 people attend. For info, call Fr. Jim Buerster @ St. Boniface, 523-4271. Call immediately!



DINNERS:

Sun., April 20th, **KC Breakfast** at the Carlyle KC Hall. Serving from 8:00am - 12Noon.

QUILT BINGO'S:

Sun., April 20th, **Quilt Bingo**, at 2:00pm at St. Augustine, Breese. Fried Chicken Lunch served from 11:00am - 1:00pm.

BUNKO & DESSERT PARTY: Mon., April 21st at 1pm at St. Anthony Parish Center, Beckemeyer. \$5 per person.

YUMMM...KRISPY CREME FUNDRAISER! Support the **Aviston 4-H Aces** with their donut sales. You can pre-order your donuts by contacting Vivian Luebbers (228-7725), Ruthie Markus (228-7520), or Colleen Harper (228-7552). Order as many as you want, they freeze well! **Cost \$6 per dozen and will be distributed after Masses on Sun., May 4th.** Your support is greatly appreciated.

CARD PARTY on Wed., April 30th at 1:00pm at St. Mary Trenton Parish Center.

RUMMAGE SALE: St. Anthony's Church, Beckemeyer on Thu., May 1st from 9:00am - 8:00pm (Full Price), Fri., May 2nd from 9:00am - 8:00pm (½ Price) and Sat., May 3rd from 9:am - 3:00pm (\$2 bag & larger items ½ price).

CC SERRA CLUB will meet at St. Augustine's cafeteria on Mon., April 21st, with rosary at 7:15pm followed by a meeting. **Everyone is welcome to attend!**

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: Experience the fullness of the Life Jesus came to give us. **Thursdays, April 24th**, May 1st & 8th at 7:00pm at the King's House in Belleville.

BLESSING OF THE FARM: The Annual Spring "**Blessing of the Farm**" will be held on Sat., April 26th at 1:00pm at the farm property of Cletus & Catherine Biver of Belleville, IL. Everyone is encouraged to bring samples of seed, which will be blessed during the prayer service. Please mark your containers.



EZN TRAVEL is hosting an escorted 1-day "**Steeple Chaser**" trip on Thu., June 5th to St. Louis Old Cathedral, Trinity Lutheran Church, New Cathedral, Lunch, and Missouri Botanical Garden. Price \$79 per person. Call 526-2201 for reservations.

THOMAS R. LITTEKEN SCHOLARSHIP:

The A.C.I.C. will sponsor a \$500 scholarship. This offers a young achieving student financial assistance to further his/her education. For Guidelines & Applications contact Joanna Rakers at 228-7821. **All qualifying applications must be submitted by May 9, 2008** to: Joanna Rakers, 11610 Chad Drive, Aviston, IL.

CATHOLIC POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY: Being Formed & Informed. A Seminar with presenter **Dr. Stephen Colecchi**, Director, USCCB Office of International Justice & Peace. Sat., May 3rd from 9:00am - 3:30pm at Corpus Christi, Shiloh, IL. Registration Fee: \$15 (includes lunch & materials). Call 235-9601, Ext. 110 or call the rectory.

BISHOP'S APPRECIATION LUNCHEON on Wed., May 14th at the Shrine of Our Lady in Belleville, IL. Registration at 11:00am, Lunch at 11:30am and Presidents Honored, Program & Discussion from 12:45 - 2:00pm. **Call the Rectory to register, the Deadline is April 28th.**

Please remember **ST. FRANCIS PARISH** has a Stock Account for gifts of appreciable property. Avoid paying capital gains tax. For additional information call the rectory or Fr. Dan.