

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Aviston, IL

February 16, 2020

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon. Feb. 17		NO MASS
Tue. Feb. 18	7:30am	Viola Ratermann
Wed. Feb. 19	7:30am 10:00am	All Aviston Lumber Employees Dorothy Ratermann
Thu. Feb. 20	7:30am	Schonhoff Family
Fri. Feb. 21	7:30am	Odelia Ratermann
Sat. Feb. 22	7:30pm	Margaret Ratermann
Sun. Feb. 23	7:30am 9:30am	Lucy Wellen Frank & Pauline Goestenkers Mildred Renschen

OFFERINGS FEBRUARY 8th & 9th :

Sunday Envelopes: (110)	\$3,414.00
Loose:	\$ 476.45
Black & Native Americans: (1)	\$ 10.00
Online Giving:	
General:	\$1,889.25
Improvement:	\$ 205.00
Improvement: (11)	\$ 280.00

SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Lorraine Boeser	Caroline Draper	Maggie Fix
Kim Hegger	Steve Kleiboeker	Dennis Kuper
Jim Markus	Jerry Middeke	Fr. Richard Moore
Alan Netemeyer	Maren Poettker	Rosie Rakers
Fr. Joe Rascher	Patricia Rollings	Dcn. Mike Rowland
Fr. Ken Schaefer	Dayceon Spihlmann	Mary Strieker
Dan Thole	Austin Timmermann	RaeAnne Toennies
Khara Vanderhyden	Scott Voyles	Tricia Weis

FEBRUARY 15th & 16th SERVERS

- Sat. 7:30pm -Carissa & Caiden Litteken, Keegan Kohlbrecher, +2
 Sun. 7:30am -John Koerkenmeier, Beckett Wade, (+3)
 9:30am -Mason & Ava Millard, Luke Pingsterhaus,
 Josie Hamilton, Karsyn Voss



FEBRUARY 22nd & 23rd SERVERS

- Sat. 7:30pm -Grace Huelsmann, Jake & Cecelia Richter, (+2)
 Sun. 7:30am -Alex Beckmann, Lydia Kuhn, Lily Lappe, (+2)
 9:30am -Cole Buschmann, Noah Koch, Chris Richter,
 Gabe Schlimme, Evan Schlueter

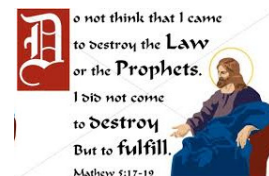
(If you cannot be there at the appointed time, please get a sub!)

CONFESSIONS:

Sat. Evening 6:45pm - 7:10pm or by appointment
 Sun. Morning 8:45am - 9:10am

WEEKLY ROSARY:

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Sun. Feb. 16 - 9:30am -St. Francis Sunday School Classes
 Mon. - Fri. - 6:15am - 2:00pm -Gym Walking @ Parish Center
 Mon. Feb. 17 - 7:00pm -RCIA at St. Dominic Annex Bldg.
 Sun. Feb. 23 - 9:30am Mass - Confirmation Rite of Election
 Sat. Feb. 29 - 7:30pm -NO MASS!!



INQUIRING MINDS: Why is there no evening Mass on Saturday, February 29th ? The "Luke 18" Confirmation Retreat is being held at St. Francis Parish from Friday thru Sunday with well over 100 youth participants. They will be using the church that evening for reconciliation. Lots of priests hearing confessions, etc. at that time. The retreat schedule is very tight and does not permit rearranging the schedule. Also, it is not possible to get a large number of priests for confessions at an earlier hour. (They all have Saturday evening Masses.) Therefore, we cancelled the 7:30pm mass for that weekend, as we do for the Parish Picnic. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Pray for the retreat's success.

RCIA on Monday, February 17th at 7:00pm at St. Dominic Annex Building "located at 307 North Cherry Street" (behind the Clintonian Plaza) in Breese.



PASTOR'S NOTE: Jesus speaks of "fulfilling" the Law in today's Gospel. He seeks to restore the spirit of mercy, justice and reconciliation that gives meaning and direction to every just legal code. The Gospel challenges us to look beyond legalisms and social and cultural yardsticks, as well as our own narrow interests, to recognize people in need and our responsibility as followers of Jesus to "seek" them out, to advocate for them, to welcome them. Jesus asks us to consider not just our failings and sins - the acts themselves - but the self-centeredness at the heart of our actions. On a much deeper and more serious level, Jesus challenges us to confront the anger, the bigotry, the self-righteousness that we use to justify our selfish behavior: the attitudes that tear families and communities apart, that destroy our own sense of self-respect as well as diminishing the basic human dignity of others. To follow Jesus is to see the possibilities we have for doing good things and to accept God's Grace to make such good a reality.



PICNIC KITCHEN COORDINATOR/S NEEDED: St. Francis



Parish is looking for an individual or group of individuals to assist and learn the role of the kitchen coordinator. Interested individual need to be available during the week leading up to the picnic, picnic day and the morning after the picnic. Contact Donna Mondt at 304-4955 or Kevin Litteken at 779-9938 with questions.

MARDI GRAS LUNCHEON- LADIES OF ST. FRANCIS



PARISH: The annual "Fat Tuesday" lunch will be held at **Trenton House** on Tuesday, February 25th. Registration begins at 11:00am. For reservations, call Rosanne Wellen (228-7702) or Carolyn Kampwerth @ Rectory (228-7219) **by Friday, February 21st.**

AMAZON SMILE: Do you shop on the Amazon website?



Amazon has established a nonprofit organization called **Amazon Smile** through which Amazon donates to various charities. You get to select the charities! Here's how it works. Just Google "smile.amazon.com" and choose your favorite charity. After that, anytime you shop on Amazon Smile, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase price to your selected charity. The selections and prices are exactly the same as the normal Amazon website. It would be wonderful if you chose St. Francis as your favorite charity. If you enter Amazon through this URL, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-0798902>, you will go directly to the point where you can choose St. Francis as your charity. Try it – bookmark it! Use it every time you order anything on Amazon.

PSR NEWS:

Wednesday, February 26th, is Ash Wednesday. The PSR students will be going to Mass on Wednesday & Thursday this week and will have class on Monday, Tuesday & Friday. If you have children who walk or other adults who bring them, please make them aware of the change. **Thank You!**

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI RATERMANN SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Francis Parish is happy to announce that scholarships are available for high school seniors enrolling as full-time students in an accredited institution of higher education (College, Vocational or Technical). The funds have been made available via the Dorothy and Wilhelmine Ratermann Trusts for higher education scholarships and are awarded in their memory. Scholarships are intended to benefit students in "financial limbo". By this we mean students whose families have mid-level incomes and thus earn too little to pay for college outright, but earn too much to qualify for need-based grants or scholarships. Amounts are variable, but a scholarship of \$2,000 is not an unreasonable expectation. Scholarships are based on need, satisfactory academic performance, community and Church involvement, letters of recommendation, a short essay and an interview. Are you up for the challenge? Find more information and application forms on the parish web site at <http://www.stfrancisav.org/> Click on "Teen Space".

Deadline is March 1, 2020.

AVISTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS:

Mon. Feb. 17 -**No School** - President's Day



LEAP into TECHNOLOGY AUCTION on Sat., Feb. 29th at the Aviston Legion. Doors open at 6:00pm. Silent Auction from 6:00pm - 8:30pm. Oral Auction 9:00pm - ?? Music and Dancing to follow. \$25 per ticket includes dinner and entertainment. For donations, tickets or info email: avistonelementarypta@gmail.com. *All proceeds benefit Aviston Elementary Technology Fund.*

AVISTON LEGION NEWS:

Sun. Feb. 16 -12Noon - 4:00pm -Bring Rummage Sale Donations
Mon. Feb. 17 -12Noon - 7:00pm -Bring Rummage Sale Donations
7:00pm - Legion Meeting
Tue. Feb. 18 - 7:30pm - Auxiliary Meeting
Wed. Feb. 19 - 8:00pm -Queen of Hearts Drawing
Fri. Feb. 21 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm -FISH FRY

THE AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION RUMMAGE SALE will be February 20 thru February 22nd.



Dates for Aviston residents to bring donations: Sun., Feb. 16th from 12Noon – 4:00pm and Mon., Feb. 17th from 12Noon – 7:00pm. **NO TV's or mattresses!!** **Sale Hours: Thu. & Fri., Feb. 20th & 21st 9:00am - 8:00pm and Sat., Feb. 21st 9:00am - 12Noon. Bake Sale on Thu., Feb. 20th & Fri., Feb. 21st.** Volunteers to lend a hand and baked goods will be **GREATLY** appreciated!

The *Citizens for Aviston* committee would like to express a sincere **thanks** to all who contributed and participated in our 2020 fundraising event. All proceeds from the yearly event go towards Aviston Park improvements. **Congratulations** to all of our drawing winners! **The Winners were as follows: GRAND PRIZE: Leann Lohman, 2nd place: Kurt & Emily Masching, 3rd place: Garrick & Cathy Krebs, 4th place: Brian Richter, 5th place: Craig & Stacey Lampe, 6th place: Kristi Hilmes, 7th place: Mike & Lori Dall, 8th place: Jim & Ruth Markus, 9th place: Corey & Lynn Huegen, 10th place: Phil & Michelle Pingsterhaus.**

BREAKFAST:

Sun. Feb. 16 - 8:00am - 11:00am -**BREAKFAST** at the Albers American Legion. Carry-outs available. Proceeds for the legion youth program.

DINNERS:

Sun. Feb. 16 - 4:00pm - 7:00pm -**SUNDAY SUPPER** at St. Barbara's, Okawville. Serving Gumbo & Crab & Corn Bisque, Homemade Artisans Breads, Decadent Desserts & Drinks.
Sun. Feb. 23 -11:00am - 6:00pm -**FRIED CHICKEN DINNER** at American Legion Post 252, Breese. Adults \$10.00; Children \$5.00 (under 6 Free). Carryouts available.

BINGO:

Sun. Feb. 16 -**QUILT/CASH BINGO** at St. Augustine, Breese. Bingo at 2:00pm. Fried Chicken Lunch 11:00am - 1:00pm.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

on Sat., Feb. 29th at 7:00pm at St. Michael's Parish Hall in Waterloo. Sponsored by St. Michael's Men's Club. For information call Rich Kreher (618) 830-6086.

FREE CLINIC: Women and couples are invited to a FREE

Fertility Clinic featuring the Introductory Session for Creighton Model Fertility Care System, held at the St. Mary Parish Office, Trenton, on Monday, February 17th at 6:00pm. Learn about the science behind the system and how it can be used for family planning in all stages, monitoring health, and pinpointing women's health issues. For information or to RSVP, call (618) 581-6462 or email ninarinderer324@gmail.com.