

CONGRATULATIONS to *Barb Haselhorst, Ceil Markus, Dolores Peek and Joann Dall* for their 50 years of faithful service as St. Francis of Assisi Choir Members. *Thank you* for sharing your time and talent.



All are welcome to attend the St. Francis Parish Mission "**Journey of Blessings**" on Sunday, May 3rd through Thursday, May 7th, at 6:30pm each night. Come be moved by your faith as Fr. Pete Schavitz leads us on this journey. Child care and transportation are available and refreshments will be served following each session. **Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to see your faith in action!**



CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL (CSMA)

Next weekend, every parish in the diocese will be participating in the annual CSMA Appeal. This collection supports the ministries and agencies in our diocese whose scope of service could not be duplicated by an individual parish. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge or gift at Mass next weekend. No gift is too great or too small. If you do not receive a pledge card in the mail or forget to bring it, please use one of the in-pew envelopes at all church entrances.

ST. FRANCIS CYM MEETING on Sunday, March 8th at 10:30am in the CYM room.

BIBLE STUDY will resume on Wednesday, March 4th from approximately 7:30pm (after 7:00pm Lenten Mass) to 9:00pm in the St. Francis, Aviston, Parish Center. This foray into the Bible will last 6 sessions and cover the last 15 chapters of *Joshua*. You do not have to have attended previous sessions. Everyone (all ages) is welcome at any time. Two hours diocesan catechist credit is given for each of these classes. The cost is free for members of the partnership (St. Francis/St. Rose/St. Felicitas). We ask others to pay \$10 for the cost of the booklet.



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.



FOOD FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM: There are baskets at all church entrances for your donated goods. Your support is needed!

AVISTON LEGION NEWS:

Wed. March 04 - 8:00pm -Queen of Hearts Drawing
Fri. March 06 - 4:30pm - 7:00pm -FISH FRY
Sun. March 15 -10:30am - 6:00pm -PORK SAUSAGE & ROAST BEEF DINNER at the Aviston Legion.

Thank-you to everyone who supported the February Aviston Auxiliary Rummage Sale. A huge debt of gratitude to all who helped set up, tear down and who donated baked goods and saleable items. We could not make this happen without the support of the Auxiliary, Legion, SAL, CYM, Boy Scouts and **ESPECIALLY** the volunteers who aren't members but are there to lend a hand....you're ALL amazing. Because of your overwhelming support and generosity, the Auxiliary Rummage Sale was a success. Not only is this a major source of income for the Auxiliary but we are also able to help support many outside charities.....**THANK-YOU!!!!**

BREAKFAST:

Sun. March 08 - 8:00am - 12Noon -*Aviston and Albers Cub Scout All-You-Can Eat Breakfast* at the Aviston Legion. Biscuits & Gravy, Pork Sausage, Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Fruit Cocktail, OJ, Milk & Coffee. **First Responders and Military eat FREE with a paid Adult.** Adults \$9, Children (5-11) \$5 and 4 & under **FREE.**

DINNERS:

Sun. Mar. 01 -11:00am - 6:00pm -**BREESE LIONS CHICKEN DINNER (CARRY-OUT ONLY)** at the Breese Legion. *Proceeds benefit sight and hearing impaired.*
Sun. Mar. 01 -11:00am - 5:00pm -**CHICKEN DINNER** at Immaculate Conception Church, Pierron.
Sat. Mar. 07 - 3:00pm - 8:00pm -**WURST-MARKT** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Hall in Posen, IL. Pork Sausage, Roast Beef, Liver Sausage. *Sponsored by Holy Name Society.*
Sun. Mar. 08 -11:00am - 6:00pm -**CHICKEN & ROAST BEEF DINNER** at St. Dominic Parish Center, Breese. Carry-outs.

QUILT BINGO on Sun., March 1st at 1:00pm at the American Legion Hall in Saint Liborius. Doors open at 11:00am.

ST. AUGUSTINE CONSIGNMENT AUCTION on Saturday, March 14th at 9:00am in St. Augustine Gym, Breese. Visit St. Augustine's Consignment Auction on Facebook for pictures and updates of items.



EUCHRE TOURNAMENT on Sat., Mar. 14th at 7:00pm at the American Legion in Albers. Admission is \$20. Free Draft beer & \$2 can beer while playing cards. Free Chicken & Fries after tournament.

Heartland Community Chorus is sponsoring a Spring Fling, "**On the Banks of Silver Creek**" on Sat., March 7th at 5:30pm at Lindendale Park Ballroom in Highland. The evening will feature a buffet from Urban Farmhouse and entertainment by **Silver Creek Outlaws Bluegrass band and by the Heartland Chorus.** Tickets: \$25 per person; or \$200 for a table of 8. For information call (618) 409-0374. Tickets are available at www.heartlandcommunitychorus.org.



HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR LIFE on Thu., March 12th at St. Dominic Church, Breese from 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Holy hour to include: Prayers to End Abortion, quiet time with private prayers and meditation (this can include the Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament). Contact Pauline Albers for information. *Sponsored by the Clinton County Citizens for Life & area Catholic Parishes.*



Calling all Pro Life Advocates! **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** will hold our Spring Campaign that started on Ash Wednesday and will end on Palm Sunday, April 5th. Join us for 40 days of Peaceful Prayer, Hourly Vigil, Fasting and Fellowship at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility at 317 Salem Place in Fairview Heights. We staff at least 2 people every hour for 12 hours a day for 40 days. Our hours will be 7:00am - 7:00pm. Pray with us in peaceful public witness. Let mothers know you care about them. You may sign up online and enter a password at www.coalitionforlifestl.com to view and use the vigil calendar or contact theresa@coalitionforlifestl.com (618-520-1255) or christy@coalitionforlifestl.com (618-401-8607).