#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, 6th, Weekday NO MASS

Tuesday, 7th, Weekday

8 a.m.: Amos Otten, by Joe & Deb Donjon

Wednesday, 8th, Weekday

8 a.m.: Dale Pautler, by Albert & Faye Rahn

Thursday, 9th, Weekday

8 a.m.: Melva Jean Deterding, by Doris Kloepper

Friday, 10th, Weekday

8 a.m.: Gilbert P. Birk, by the family

11 a.m. (Nursing Home): Albertha Doiron, by Connie Niermann

Saturday, 11th, Saint Benedict, Abbot

4 p.m.: Henry I. Haas, by Bob & Cathy Becker Sunday, 12th, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10 a.m.: For the Parish

# **Liturgical Roles**

#### Saturday, July 11th, 4 p.m.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Gorman, Don DuFrenne, T. Jeffrson, J. Walker, R. Gielow

Gift Bearers: G. & J. Howe

Lectors: B. Niermann, J. Mergelkamp

**Servers:** R. & I. Bollinger **Ushers:** K. Niermann, M. Wallach

#### Sunday, July 12th, 10 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: K. Fahey, D. Letcher, M. Poirrier,

T. Seemann, J. Rahn

Gift Bearers: R. Chausse family

Lectors: P. Masterson, S. Chambers

Servers: M. Hahn, H. Chambers, E. Roscow

Ushers: E. & A. Stadter

#### Thought for the Week

Patience is the ability to let your light shine after your fuse is blown.

# On the Lighter Side

A minister was making his rounds on a bicycle when we came upon a little boy who was trying to sell a lawn mower. "How much do you want for the mower?" asked the minister. "I just want enough money to go out and buy me a bicycle." After a few moments the minister asked, "Will you take my bike in a trade for it?" The little boy asked if he could try it out first. After riding around a bit, he said, "Mister, you've got a deal." The minister took the mower and tried to start it. He pulled on the rope a few times with no response from the mower. The minister said, "I can't get it to start." The little boy said, "That's because you have to cuss at it to get it started." The minister said, "I can't cuss. It's been so long since I became a Christian that I don't even remember how to cuss." The little boy looked at him and smiled, "You just keep pulling on that rope, it will come back to va!"

#### Please Pray For ...

Roy Candler, Joyce Blakeslee, Nursing Home Residents, Homebound Parishioners (Names remain on for 4 weeks. Call the rectory.)

Check out our parish website! www.sjbredbud.parishesonline.com

#### Readings

# 1st Reading: Ezekiel 2:2 - 5

The Spirit sent Ezekiel to Israel and empowered him to speak with authority. God told Ezekiel that, regardless of Israel's response, they will know that a prophet was there.

#### 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7 - 10

Paul confessed his weakness but also thanked God for it "for power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, Paul humbly accepted persecution for Christ's sake.

#### Gospel: Mark 6:1 - 6

Jesus went to his own part of the country and began teaching. The people were incredulous. They all knew him as a child. He was one of them; How could he teach them?

#### From the Desk of Fr. Dennis

A major theme in Mark's Gospel is the faith of the people whom Jesus encounters. In contrast to last week's stories about Jarius and the woman with the incurable illness, the people from Jesus' hometown deride him and take offense at him. Because of their lack of faith, Jesus is unable to perform any mighty deeds there. God is always reaching out to us, but we must also be willing to respond to God's invitation. How is God reaching out to you in today's readings?

This weekend as we celebrate Independence Day, how might we reflect on the events that have happened in the past two weeks? Are we as a nation slowly dying from within because our moral compass is off center as we are forgetting the principles that our forefathers strove so hard to achieve? Let us pray this Independence Day for God's mercy, love and forgiveness as we strive to be a people who show what it means to live in the image and likeness of our Creator, for from him we have life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

# DON'T FORGET, WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP NEXT WEEKEND FOR OUR PICNIC! All of us can help in some way!! Don't be afraid to ask!

Have a blest week! Remember, don't worry so much, and know that you are loved! ~ Fr. Dennis

#### **Happenings This Week**

Sat. & Sun.: 4th of July weekend - be grateful for the freedoms we have as a nation! Pray for peace!

Mon.: Eye doctor appointment, 1 p.m.; Insurance inspection of parish buildings; Bread for the dressing is set out in the morning!

Wed.: Clergy Aid Board mtg., Fr. Dennis hosts, 1 p.m.; Clean & cut vegetables, 5 p.m.; help needed outside for set up of grounds.

Thurs.: Bread for dressing is broken; Mix dressing, 5 p.m.; outside set up continues, help needed.

Fri.: All hands on deck for the Picnic to begin!

Sat.: Picnic in full swing! Are you pitching in to help? We need you! Polka Mass, 4 p.m.

Sun.: Clean up after the Picnic! Your help is needed here too!

# Raffle Stand: Help Needed!

We could use some workers in our raffle stand! Please contact Lori at 618-541-8669.

# Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts

Marriage: The Image of God - This sacrament (Matrimony) leads us to the heart of God's design, which is a plan for a covenant with his people, with us all, a plan for communion. At the beginning of the Book of Genesis, the first book of the Bible, at the culmination of the creation account, it says: "God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them...Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh" (Genesis 1:27:2:24). The image of God is the married couple: the man and the woman; not only the man, not only the woman, but both of them together. This is the image of God: love, God's covenant with us, is represented in that covenant between man and woman. And this is very beautiful! We are created in order to love, as a reflection of God and his love. And in the marital union, man and woman fulfill this vocation through their mutual reciprocity and their full and definitive communion of life. (General Audience, April 2, 2014)

# Attention, Ladies!

It is again time to make our famous dressing! Any ladies who would like to help clean and cut vegetables and mix dressing are more than welcome to come either day or both days. Please bring a cutting board and knife for Wednesday.

Following are dates and times: Wed., July 8, 5 p.m.: clean & cut vegetables Thurs., July 9, 5 p.m.: mix dressing

Sandwiches served both evenings. Questions: Carol Schaefer at 282-3115 OR TEXT Carol at 618-504-9101.

#### Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held at St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Red Bud, July 12th through July 17th, 6:00-8:20 p.m. Ages 4 through 5th grade (completed) are welcome to attend. Volunteers are also needed. To volunteer, register, for more info: Susan at 314-574-4886.

#### Trash Volunteer for Picnic Needed

We need someone to help take out trash during our chicken dinner at our picnic (Sat., July 11th). Volunteer must be able to carry full trash bags outside and throw in dumpster. Please call the rectory.

#### **Eucharistic Minister Training**

A training session for new Eucharistic Ministers and those interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please plan to attend our training session on Wednesday, July 29th at 6:30 p.m. in Church.

#### Kitchen Chairperson: Picnic

Who knows their way around a kitchen? Looking for someone to work with our current chairperson this year (2015) and then to take over as chairperson in 2016. This can also be the job of two people - grab a friend and become co-chairs! Please notify the rectory as soon as possible.

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6/23/2015

Sunday	\$4,343.00
Loose	\$526.10
Total (Goal: \$4,272.00)	\$4,869.10
Adopt-a-Parish	
Capital Campaign	
6/29/2015	
Sunday	\$3,589.00
Loose	\$510.00
Total (Goal: \$4,272.00)	\$4,099.00
Adopt-a-Parish	\$40.00
School Endowment	
Capital Campaign	\$60.00
Peter's Pence	\$358.00

#### SJB School 4-Person Golf Scramble

Sign up now for SJB School's 4-Person Golf Scramble on Thurs., July 9th at North County Country Club. Shotgun start: 8 a.m.; \$200 per team (includes green fees, cart, lunch). Sponsor a hole: \$50. Checks payable to St. John's Catholic School. Mail to Steve Kueker, 411 W. Market St., Red Bud (by July 6th). Questions: Steve at 282-3939.

# PSR Registration: 2015-16 School Year

Forms were sent home with the students on April 8th. Extras are at the bulletin tables in Church.

**Tuition paid during May-Aug. 31st:** Family with one child - \$110; Family with two children - \$160; Family with more than two children - \$185.

**Tuition paid after Sept. 1st:** Family with one child - \$125; Family with two children - \$175; Family with more than two children - \$200.

Tuition will be based on when you register AND make the payment. <u>Each child</u> will need an updated registration form on file.

Please send forms to: St. John Catholic Church, Attn: Darlene Letcher, 515 Locust St., Red Bud, IL 62278. If you pay by check, please make it out to St. John the Baptist Church.

# **Attention First-Time Parents!**

All first-time parents wishing to have their baby baptized here at St. John's must attend our Baptismal Preparation Class. The next class will be on Thursday, August 13th at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Please call the rectory and let us know if you will be attending.

#### Red Bud is 150!

Red Bud is turning 150 years old in 2017! You are invited to submit a logo that represents Red Bud. The logo will be used on all promotional material, letter heads (possibly the City of Red Bud letter head and NCN print head), websites, etc. Please see redbud150.com for more info!

#### **Respect Life Corner**

Human Life & Dignity - For the Church, there is no distinction between defending human life and promoting the dignity of the human person. Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: As a gift from God, every human life is sacred from conception to natural death. What can you do in your family to provide a strong commitment to the life and dignity of the human person?

# 2015 Picnic Quilts

The Quilt & Cash Bingo is our biggest money-maker at our picnic, and it wouldn't be successful without your generosity! We need 150 quilts (75 per night). To donate:

- Donate a completed quilt (handmade; no storebought quilts, queen-size; not laundered)
- 2) Cash donation. Cash equivalent is \$180. Donate the full \$180, or donate \$60, \$90, or \$120; Rhonda will combine to make a "full" Quilt

#### 2015 Quilts:

59. C. Richard & Dorothy Steingrubey, Vera Birke, Donald & Elaine Zipfel

60. C. James Faust

# Parish Picnic: July 10 & 11

Raffle Tickets

Don't forget to buy or sell those tickets!!!

Country Store Items

Our Country Store accepts homegrown produce, homemade desserts, jams, crafts, and so much more! Please bring to the cafeteria the mornings of picnic.

Mark Your Calendar: Time-Line!

Mon., July 6th: Bread for dressing is set out Wed., July 8th, evening: Inside/Outside set-up Thurs., July 9th: Bread for dressing is broken;

Outside set-up continues in the evening

Fri., July 10th: PICNIC Sat., July 11th: PICNIC

Sun., July 12th: Clean up bright & early!

# **Prayer Group**

Have you ever wanted to thank the Lord for all His gifts, graces and love He has given you? Need to pray for a special request? Come pray the rosary and the prayers on the 7th of each month in the Church at 1 p.m. Bring a friend July 7th. Open your heart and mind to Jesus and Mary in prayer.

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Mount Carmel, Belleville:

- Grief Support Group Meetings, 1 p.m., second Wednesday of every month.
  - Monthly Memorial Mass, Tues., July 7th, 4 p.m.

**Listening for the Heartbeat of God: Discipleship** in John's Gospel, July 10-12, King's House, Belleville. Info: 800-779-7909.

Native American Spirituality & Roman Catholicism, July 18th, 9:30-noon, Mass following. Celebrate St. Katrina Tekakwitha's feast day. Cost: \$20; info: 618-397-6700 ext. 6270.

Anyone who has <u>ever</u> been involved in Youth Ministry/ CYO in the Diocese of Belleville, *in any capacity*, is invited to bring their families and for reminiscing and merriment at the Catholic Youth Ministry Reunion at Scheve Park, Mascoutah, 1 PM, Sunday, July 19th. For more information, to purchase meal tickets, T-Shirts or make a donation to the Colette Kennett Youth Ministry Scholarship Fund, please visit our website at http://catholicyouthministryreunion.com/ or Like us on Facebook.