



Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage in 2025!

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year!

1/31/2025 - 2/2/2025, St. Peters, MO
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Sunday January 5th, 2025, Respect Life Bulletin Corner

Living out Christmas in the New Year

How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments? Each year, the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.

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JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Pope Francis will open the Jubilee Year 2025 by opening the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome on Christmas Eve. Join Bishop Michael McGovern in opening the celebration of the Jubilee Year in our diocese at the 10:30am Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter (200 W. Harrison, Belleville) on Sunday December 29.

The Kids' Bulletin

Mary the Mother of God: January 1st, 2025 & Feast of the Epiphany: January 5 or 6, 2025



The feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord is a special part of the Christmas season! What are we celebrating on this feast?

Connect the dots to find out!

The Wise Men Puzzle

Do you know the story of the wise men who came to worship Baby Jesus? What order do these pictures go in? Write the numbers from 1 to 6 in the boxes.



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ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH Est. 1853

1171 Jefferson St., Carlyle, IL 62231 Fr. Jose Jacob SMM, Pastor

MASS TIMES:

Wednesday—5:30pm
Thursday—7:30am
Thursday—10:00am— Carlyle Health Care Center
Saturday—4:30pm
Sunday—7:30am
Reconciliation—Sat. 3:30—4:15pm

Staff:

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Tiffany Wesselmann

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Office/Parish Center: 618-594-2225
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Fax: 618-594-4638

Faith Formation:

Every Wednesday 630pm-730pm
Call 594-2284 for more information

To join the Choir or become a Cantor:

Contact the office at 594-2225

Church Calendar on Google:

stmarycarlyle@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call Fr. Jose Jacob 594-2225 to register.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please make an appointment with Fr. Jose at least six months in advance, preferably a year.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Meets Monday evenings from 7pm to 8:30pm (September thru Easter) at the St. Dominic Annex in Breese. Please contact Fr. Jose for any questions.

Questions about Vocations:

Call Fr. Nick Junker 618-722-5035 or email njunker08@hotmail.com

Parish Registration:

We welcome Catholics new to Carlyle and ask that you register with us by filling out the blue form located on the radiators or by stopping at the office in the Parish Center. Parish Registration forms are also online.

Library Hours: Wed. 6:30-7:30pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 Noon

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

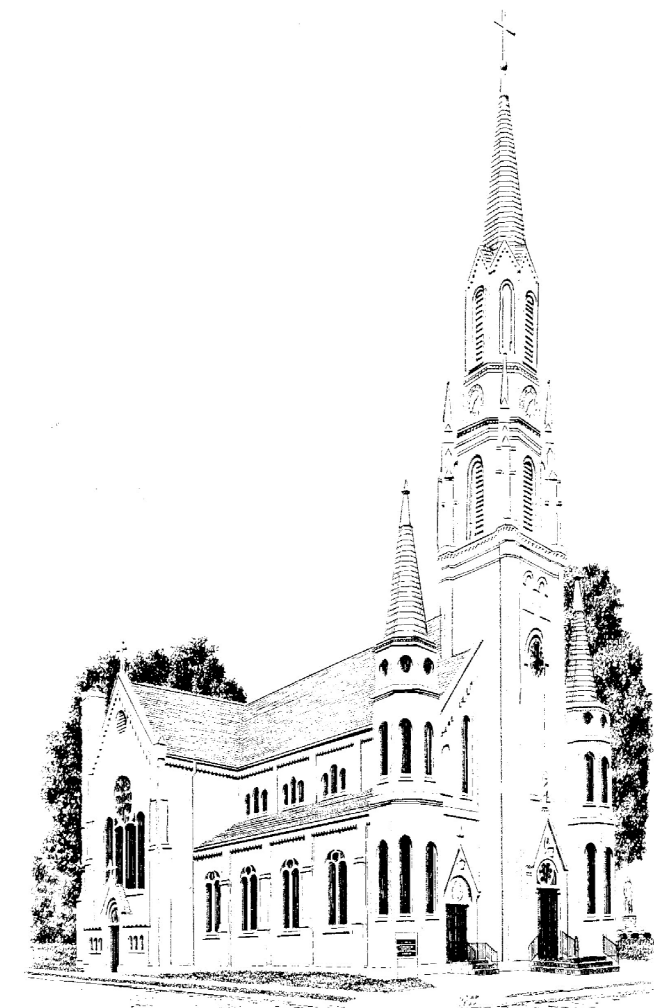
Mater Dei High School 618-526-7216 materdeiknights.org
All Saints Academy 618-526-4323 www.asasaints.com

PARTNERED PARISH

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church
18021 Marydale Rd., Carlyle, IL
618-594-3266 www.stteresamarydale.com
MASS TIMES: Saturday 7:30pm, Sunday 8:00am

DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

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January 5th, 2024
The Epiphany Of The Lord
First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6(20ABC)
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6
Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Mission statement:
Our mission is to involve ourselves in lay ministries, living and spreading the gospel message of justice and peace.

BELLEVILLE DIOCESE CHILD PROTECTION
www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/child-protection
SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.



**Liturgy for the Week...**

Sat	Jan 4	4:30pm	George, Leona & Pete Dierkes
Sun	Jan 5	7:30am	Our Parish Family
Wed	Jan 8	5:30am	Communion Service
Thur	Jan 9	7:30am	NO MASS
		10:00am	Carlyle Health Care Center-No Mass
Fri	Jan 10	7:30am	Communion Service
Sat	Jan 11	4:30pm	Edmund & Esther Thole Ed & Marilyn Miller
Sun	Jan 12	7:30am	Bernie, Carol & Gary Hilmes L/D Members of the Clinton J. and Leona Deters Hoffman Family

**No Mass**  
**Thursday Mornings at 7:30a.m.**  
**The Month of January**

<b>Stewardship...this past weekend's collection</b>	
Envelopes:\$5015.00	Loose:\$539.00
Online Giving:\$65.00	Cemetery:\$85.00
Capital Campaign: \$75.00	OSV Online Giving:\$175.00
Christmas Offering:\$35.00	Christmas Flower:\$40.00
Christmas for the Needy:\$110.00	Hispanic Ministry:\$10.00
Religious Retirement:\$110.00	

Adult Serving Schedule 5:30pm & 7:30am	January 8th & 9th	No Mass
	January 15th	John Rubsam

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	MASS SERVERS	GIFT BEARERS
Jan 4/5	4:30 pm Kendra Vaughn	Volunteer Needed Suzanne Christ Chuck Rolfingsmeier	Barb Crouse Bev Schlau Chad Holthaus Susan Winkeler	Kelsie Horton Adelaide Hughes
	7:30 am Theresa Wuebbels	Pat Wesselmann Joan Wesselmann Geraldyn Hodapp	Mary Hugo Michele Foster Angie VonHatten Ron Zurliene	Cohen Edwards Ayla Edwards

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	MASS SERVERS	GIFT BEARERS
Jan 11/12	4:30 pm Elaine Horstmann	Chuck Rolfingsmeier Suzanne Christ Barb Crouse	Volunteer Needed Jane Beckmann Marlene Hoffmann Keri Mitchell	Trevor Aeschbacher Caleb Aeschbacher Matthew Peters
	7:30 am Brigid Nalewajka	Jim Nalewajka Kelly Dempsey Geraldyn Hodapp	Linda Peppenhorst Theresa Wuebbels Linda McNurlen Emily VonHatten	Owen Clark Ava Albers

<b>Ushers for the month of January</b>	<b>4:30PM</b> Mark Rainey Gene Huels	Fabio Compare Bonnie Huels	Brad Clark Darlene Diekemper	<b>7:30AM</b> Richard Diekemper Karen Miller	Joe Mioux Gail VonHatten	Ted Rensing Mary Hartung
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**Schedule of Events...**

Sun, Jan 12	Carlyle KC Hall Drive Thru Chicken Dinner 11:00-4:00
Sun, Jan 19	Carlyle KC Hall Breakfast benefiting St. Mary Youth Ministry 8:00-11:30a.m.

Carlyle K of C Council 1382 meetings—2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm; Bingo: Wed evenings at 7:30pm. Breakfast 3rd Sun of the month 8-11:30am.

**Chicken Dinner—Drive Thru Only**  
**Carlyle Columbian Club**  
**At the KC Hall 1471 Fairfax St.**  
**Sunday January 12th 2025**  
**11:00a.m.-4:00p.m.**

**Vocation Corner:** What a wonderful Gospel account of the Magi traveling to meet the Lord. They followed the star – their “call” – to come and offer their gifts to Jesus. But the question arises as to how the Magi noticed a star at night and no one else did. Perhaps we need to embrace our “night”, the stillness, in order to “see and hear” our call. How are we doing in discerning our call to Holiness – in living our vocation as man, woman or child; married or single; priest or religious ?

Please check the MSP program for scheduling. If you are scheduled for a time you are unable to do just ask for a swap or please reach out and let me know. Now with the updated program I did have to take out the ushers. Currently we are manually putting them into the bulletin. If you are an usher and aren't currently able to get on or aren't receiving the emails but know you are available certain times please let me know and call the office.

**KC Info:**  
**BINGO**  
 Wednesdays  
 at 7:30pm  
  
**Knights of Columbus**  
 Carlyle Council  
 1382,  
[kofc1382.org](http://kofc1382.org)

**Walking in the Parish Center**  
**M-F only**  
 8am-3pm  
 with the exception of holidays.

**Third Week of Christmas**

Sunday is the celebration of the **Epiphany of the Lord**. The light has come into the darkness of the world and our salvation was made known to the Gentiles. The Prophet **Isaiah** offers us a vibrant image of hope and fulfillment: “Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.” **Matthew's Gospel** brings us the story of the Magi and their encounter with Herod on the way to “do homage” to the newborn King of the Jews. “And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.”

In the week that follows the Epiphany we continue with more of the beautiful first readings from the **First Letter of John**. He wants us to believe the message: we are from God and are loved by God and “whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.”

The **Gospels** this week are from all four gospel writers, **Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**. We read of Jesus traveling through Galilee “teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.” He feeds loaves and fishes to the hungry and exhorts his disciples, “Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid!” when they are caught in a storm at sea. When he reads from the scriptures at the synagogue, he proclaims, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” On Saturday, John tells his followers he is not the Christ. “He must increase; I must decrease.”

Sunday is the **Baptism of the Lord**. We hear the Lord say in the first reading from **Isaiah**, “Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit.” Those words are echoed in the reading from **Luke's Gospel**, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” This feast marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time on the Church calendar.

<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/C1-C-03.html>

**Please remember in our prayers:** Jean Abernathy, Deb Storey, Marci Nettles Konecky, Kathleen Pate, curly Seiffert, Ava Spalding, Jeff Rennegarbe, Bill Weber, Keith Doelling, Carol Menkhaus, Mike Kohlbrecher, Russell Sainz, Janet Compare, Ruth Lange, Kristen Eagleson, Helen Vahlkamp, Joann Gray, Betty, Jim Loepker, Barb Henkle, Mel Thole, Parker Weathersby, Sandy Wehking, Sherry, Jim Etter, Vince Rolves, Pat Lawler, Rayma Harris, Amie Evans, Fr. Ed Schaefer, Jenny Schneider, Ken Graham, Ali Schubel, Edna Erlinger, Soraya Louis, Myles Harris, Diane Duckworth, Evan Kessler, Ron Lager, Debbie Birks, Christie Dust, Lisa Andrews, Jillian Raab, Janet Gammon, Levi Chisholm, Pauline Dierkes, Gloria Wheritt, Joe Bango, Mike Kueper, Diane Fewell, Maddi Reising, Murray Fauke, Jerome Huth, Karen Schulte, RaeAnne Toennies, Barb Hempen, Mark Hillyer & Ray Petermeyer.

**Daily Prayer This Week**

This week is a time with two special Sundays book-ending the week. Both celebrations offer an “epiphany,” an understanding and insight into the essence of who Jesus really is. When the Wise Men visit the poorest of families and find the baby Jesus, they have a clearer idea of what kind of king he will be.

At the Baptism of the Lord the following Sunday, Jesus is baptized and the skies open and the voice of God proclaims, “You are my beloved Son.” More than just a prophet, this special relationship with God is made manifest in that moment.

How can we make this week a special one as the Christmas season draws to a close? In some parts of the world daylight is plentiful right now, but for many of us the days are short and the dark of night surrounds us many hours each day. This could be the week to reflect on that darkness and the light that Jesus brings into our hearts.

Each morning as our feet touch the floor next to our beds, we can open our hands briefly in the darkness and ask God to show us the light in our lives. Gratitude is a wonderful way to pray and to recognize the light we sometimes don't notice in our lives. Maybe in this final week of Christmas, we can light a candle at dinner and remember a special blessing we have been given or something we are grateful for in our lives.

*Dear Lord,*  
*You came to your disciples when they felt alone on the stormy waters and comforted them with your presence. Be with me today and let my heart be touched by the love you so lavishly give to me. Let me remember to turn to you in my fears and darkness and know that you will heal me.*

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**The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**  
**Serve the Lord with gladness**  
**-Psalm 100**

“May God’s blessings pour upon you and grant you and your loved ones a healthy, prosperous and joyful new year. I send heartfelt thanks to all of you for your support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal and our Belleville Diocese in the past year. You are remembered always in my prayers.”

-Bishop Michael McGovern

**Please pray for all expectant mothers and the child they are carrying or have recently had their babies along with their families:**  
**Alyssa, Amanda, Krista, Alyssa, Jenna, Victoria, Elizabeth, Erica, Janelle, Michaela, Lauren, Jessica, Katie, Erika, Heather & Nicole.**

Are you an expectant mother or do you know of someone that we can pray for throughout the pregnancy & post-term? Please contact the office. We will place a wooden rose on the altar by Mary with the parents name and the baby's expectant month of arrival on a card attached to the rose.

**Once the baby is born, the family may take the rose to keep.**