

Carlyle K of C Council 1382
Bingo: Wed. at 7:30pm.
Meetings—2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm
Breakfast— 3rd Sun of the month 8-noon.
Lenten Fish Fry—Fridays of Lent

Question:
I watch Mass at home because getting out is hard. Does that count, and does it count for my daughter too?
Answer:
If health or serious difficulty keeps you home, the Sunday obligation does not bind, and watching Mass is a good and holy way to stay connected. For someone who is able to go, the livestream does not replace being there in person. So you are doing exactly what the Church hopes you will do, and your daughter still belongs in the pew, not in the recliner with the remote.

Beckemeyer Legion
Ash Wednesday Fish Fry - 4:30 - 7:00, Cod-Blue Gill, Whole Catfish-Shrimp; Fries, Mac & Cheese or Slaw; Sponsored by the Sons of the Legion
Friday Fish Fry's during Lent 4:30 - 7:00; Cod-Blue Gill, Whole Catfish-Shrimp; Reg. Potato Salad; German Potato Salad, Fries, Mac & Cheese or Slaw; Sponsored by the American Legion Post 1227

If you have old palms, please bring them to the parish office or to PSR. We will burn the palms during PSR on Feb. 11.

Confirmation Retreat will be held on Monday, February 16, 2026 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Parish Center for all 8th graders in the parish.

Kings House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitors Center
From the Tower of Babel to Pentecost: Embracing our Differences, Praising in Unity. Presenter: Danielle Harrison, Monday, Feb. 16, 2026 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Shrine Visitors Center. Cost: \$60 (lunch included). For more information, please call 618-397-0584 or go to <https://kh.snows.org/events/harrison.dor-2026>

Lenten Day of Reflection: On the Lenten Journey. Presenter: Virginia Herbers. Thursday March 5, 2026, from 10:00 am-3:00 pm at the Shrine Visitors Center. Cost: \$60.00 (lunch included). For more information, please call 618-397-0584 or go to <https://kh.snows.org>

		<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>		<u>MASS SERVERS</u>	<u>GIFT BEARERS</u>
Feb 7	4:30 pm	Barb Crouse	Elaine Horstmann Suzanne Christ Nick Christ Michele Foster	Matt Diekemper Rosie Nehrt Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer Beckett Howard	Keri Mitchell Family
Feb 8	10:00 am	Brigid Nalewajka	Elyse Caplinger David Caplinger Theresa Wuebbels Kelly Dempsey	Emily Von Hatten Angie Von Hatten Jim Nalewajka	Charlotte Nolte Julie Von Hatten Volunteer	Travis Diekemper Family

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Feb 14	4:30 pm	Joann Banwarth	Tiffany Wesselmann Rosie Nehrt Paula Kampwerth	Barb Crouse Jane Beckmann Kerri Peters Nick Christ	Caleb Aeschbacher Tyler Wesselmann Eleanor Marks	David & Brenda Aeschbacher Family
Feb 15	10:00 am	Jeannie Kleber	Linda McNurlen Mary Hugo Bev Schlau Ed Kleber	Mary Hartung Chad Holthaus Stacy Holthaus	Klohe Diekemper Ava Albers Charlotte Nolte	Joel & Lindsey Tucker Family

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

NOW HIRING A BUSINESS MANAGER
St. Mary Parish in Carlyle is seeking a part time Business Manager to oversee parish finances. The ideal candidate works in the parish office three days each week, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Responsibilities include managing parish accounts, writing checks, serving as custodian of investments, preparing financial reports for the Diocese and the Finance Council, and attending Finance Council meetings. Compensation is negotiable and structured as either hourly or salaried, and training is provided. For more information or to apply, please contact Father Steve Pautler at 618 532 6291 ext. 307 or by email at: spautler@stmarycentralia.org

OUTREACH MINISTRY ANNUAL LENTEN CLOTHING DRIVE:
Clothes can be brought March 11-15 to St. Mary Parish Ctr.

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend is Feb. 7-8. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or by credit card at www.bellevillemessenger.org and click SUBSCRIBE or call 618-722-5045 during business hours for phone payment. The cost for a 1-year subscription is \$40 for printed, home-delivery, \$35 for digital access and \$45 for both. Please make checks payable to The Messenger and make sure to include your email address if digital subscription is selected.

Anyone willing to volunteer their services to drive Fr. Deva to and from Centralia, please contact the parish office at 618-594-2225. Fr. Deva says Mass in Centralia every other weekend.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH Est. 1853

1171 Jefferson St., Carlyle, IL 62231

Fr. Steven Pautler, Pastor
Fr. Devarajulu Ubbarapu

MASS TIMES:
Monday - Friday - 7:30 am
Thursday— 10:00am— Carlyle Health Care Center
Saturday—4:30pm
Sunday—10:00am
Reconciliation—Sat. 3:45-4:15pm
Holy Days—as announced

Staff:
Rev. Steven Pautler, *Pastor*
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Randy Foster, *Grounds & Maintenance*

Youth Ministry:
Tiffany Wesselmann
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Office/Parish Center: 618-594-2225
Religious Education: 618-594-2284
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. Pautler 594-2225 to register.

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please make an appointment with Fr. Pautler 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. Pautler 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 during school year

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 9:00 am

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

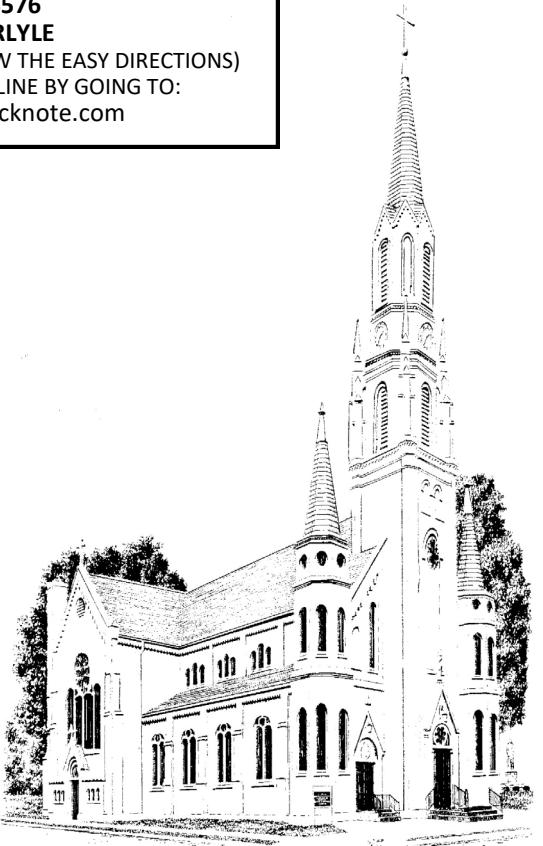
PARTNERED PARISH
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church
18021 Marydale Rd., Carlyle, IL
618-594-3266 www.stteresamarydale.com
MASS TIMES: Saturday 7:30pm, Sunday 8:00am

DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE
222 South Third St., Belleville, IL 62220
618-277-8181 www.diobelle.org
Subscribe to *The Messenger* at 618-233-8670, or online at www.bellevillemessenger.org

February 8, 2026
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

Need a Visit or the Sacraments?
If someone is hospitalized, homebound, or in urgent need of the sacraments, including Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Steve directly 618-532-6291 x307

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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, Feb 7	4:30 pm	Ben & Florence Fehlker Juan, Afra & Jerome Guiab Edna & Cyril Schwierjohn Bob Buchheit Charlene Erlinger
Sun, Feb 8	10:00 am	Curly Seiffert Tina Donnewald Janae & Kenny Becker Jr.
Mon, Feb 9	7:30 am	For our Holy Father, bishops, priests and deacons.
Tues, Feb 10	7:30 am	Joe Brueggemann
Wed, Feb 11	7:30 am	For students, teachers, and all who seek wisdom.
Thurs, Feb 12	7:30 am	Mary Rita & Henry Hilmes
	10:00 am	Word & Eucharist Carlyle Healthcare Center
Fri, Feb 13	7:30 am	For farmers and all who work to provide food.
Sat, Feb 14	4:30 pm	Bob & Marge Christ Johanna Diekemper Mary Lou Bowman Ray & Leonilda Diekemper Dale Miller Martha Diekemper Maurice Hustedde
Sun, Feb 15	10:00 am	Jim Etter & Family Robby Lemanski

Stewardship... February 1st collections	
Envelopes: \$5091	Loose: \$1369
Online Giving: \$4353.50	Cemetery: \$400
Catholic School Assessment: \$95	Capital Campaign: \$270
Easter Flowers: \$20	Israel \$
Guatemala: \$603	Black & Indian Mission \$20

Schedule of Upcoming 2026 Healing Masses
 Information will be updated whenever the office is notified.
 St. Anthony (Lively Grove)/St. Barbara (Okawville) - 3/17/26
 St. Anthony (Beckemeyer)/St. Dominic/St. Augustine - 5/19/26 St. Cecilia/
 St. Boniface-7/21/26
 St. Elizabeth/St. Teresa (Salem) - 9/15/26

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
 ST. MARY, CARLYLE -7:30am, **MONDAY- *FRIDAY**
 *Friday 7:30 am Mass Begins February 6, 2026
SATURDAY (VIGIL)
 4:30 pm-ST. MARY, CARLYLE
 (Reconciliation 3:45 pm-4:15 pm)
SUNDAY
 8:00am-ST. TERESA, MARYDALE
 10:00am-ST. MARY, CARLYLE

Adult Servers	Mon, Wed, Fri, Feb 9, 11 & 13: Kevin Frank Tue & Thurs, Feb 10 & 11: Tom Frerker
Feb Ushers	SATURDAY Brad Clark, Marian Perez, Jerome Diekemper, Joan Wesselmann, Dave Beckmann, Linda Peppenhorst

Schedule of Events...

Wednesday 6:30-7:30 pm Faith Formation
Sun., Feb 8: St. Ann Sodality Basket Bingo
Sun., Feb 15: KC Breakfast for Ministerial Alliance
Mon. Feb 16: Confirmation Retreat
Sat., Feb 21: St. Mary, Carlyle Reverse Raffle
Wed-Sun Mar 11-15 2026: Outreach Ministry Lenten Clothing Drive

Youth Ministry Collection for Matthew 25 Food Pantry
 Youth Ministry will be collecting monetary donations for the Matthew 25 Food Pantry this weekend. Your generosity helps support those in need in our community. Donation containers will be available near the church exits. Thank you for your support!

18TH ANNUAL ST ANN SODALITY BASKET BINGO AND BAKE SALE: Sunday February 8, 2026. Carlyle Knights of Columbus Hall. Doors open at 11am. Lightning raffle begins at noon. Bingo begins at 1:00 pm. The event includes a bake sale. **We are asking parishioners to donate baked goods. They can be dropped off at the KC Hall on that Sunday morning, anytime after 8am. Thank you!**

REVERSE RAFFLE is only 2 weeks away, **February 21, 2026.** We are bringing back Sugar Rush and we need your help. We are asking members of our parish to drop off smaller size cakes, cupcakes, cookies, or other yummy snacks. The goodies can be dropped off at the KC Hall Saturday, February 21, 2026 after 9am. There is still plenty of time to donate for the silent and live auctions. Please turn in your tickets ASAP. Check Facebook for more details.

RUMMAGE SALE hosted by the Aviston Legion Auxiliary will be held at the Aviston American Legion on: **Thursday, February 19 - 9:00 am till 7:00 pm and Bake Sale; Friday, February 20 - 9:00 am till 7:00 pm** - everything is ½ price and Bake Sale; Saturday, February 21 - 9:00 am till Noon (\$4.00 brown bag sale) This rummage sale you don't want to miss! There's something for everyone.

Condolences to the families of Bill Clark who passed away Thursday, January 29, Gertrude Holthaus (mother of Helen Renschen) who passed away Saturday, January 31, Linda Rivera (sister-in-law of Ching Wiegmann) who passed away Saturday, January 31, and Margaret Lovell who passed on Sunday, Feb. 1. May they rest in God's peace.

Please remember in our prayers: Jay Schulte, Alana Kampwerth White, Ryan Wittenauer, Duane Kampwerth, Geri Wellinghoff, Diane Langenhorst, Baillie Johnson, Sharon Aach, Dasalm Family, Scott Carson, JoAnn Gray, Mel Thole, Zoe Puetz, Jillian Musgrove, Ron Lager, Jennifer Riesmeyer, Vince Rolves, Sr. Carole Langhauser PHJC, Janet Compare and Ethel Petermeyer
 If you wish your loved ones to be added to prayer list, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Mon, Wed, Fri, Feb 16, 18 & 20: Ron Zurliene Tue & Thurs, Feb 17 & 19: Ed Schwierjohn
SUNDAY Bernard Hodapp, GERALYN Hodapp, Peggy Hilmes, Bob Langenhorst, Richard Diekemper, Kevin Wesselmann



Message from our pastor Father Steve

Father Steven Pautler
 Sunday, February 8, 2026
 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Scripture: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
 Theme: A Pinch of Grace and a Whole Lot of Light: Jesus speaks plain today and I need plain some days!

You are salt. You are light. No riddles. No fine print. He names a job and hands it to people like me who still manage to burn toast and overcook pasta. Salt has one task. Give food a reason to show up at the table. Skip it and even a good meal falls flat. Add too much and dinner turns into a rescue mission for the water pitcher. I have learned the pause in the kitchen. Taste. Adjust. Taste again. Life runs on the same rule. When every hour fills with noise, worry, screens, and running from one thing to the next, faith gets crowded out. The flavor fades. Not because God left. Because my attention wandered.

Jesus also calls us light. Light does one thing. It lets people see where they stand and where they head next. Nobody lights a lamp and shoves it in a drawer. Nobody flips a switch and says, let us keep this a secret. Light shows the room as it is. Mess and all. Blessings and all. It points to the door when people need a way out. I do not need a spotlight. I need steady habits that let Christ show through.

Here is the part I need to hear again and again. Jesus does not say, be impressive. He says, be seen doing good. Hold doors. Speak kind words. Show up on time. Pray for people who test patience. Bring soup. Write a note. Forgive first. These acts stay small and steady. No parade. No trophy. Still, people notice. They feel less alone. They start to trust God again.


A quick kitchen confession. Hot sauce fixes many problems. It also hides many mistakes. Dump it on every dish and every meal tastes the same. Faith works in a similar way. When faith turns into noise or a show, people stop tasting grace. They taste heat. Jesus asks me for steady goodness, not fireworks.

Balance keeps me honest. Work matters. Family matters. Rest matters. Prayer matters. Miss any one and life wobbles. Keep them in play and days hold together. Salt stays strong. Light stays bright. Not flashy. Faithful. Jesus ends with a clear aim. Let people see good works and give praise to the Father. Credit goes up the ladder. I stay on the rung where hands meet real needs. God handles the glory. I handle the kindness.

So today I season the day with prayer in the morning and patience in traffic. I turn on the light with honesty at work and mercy at home. I keep faith in the middle of the plate, not pushed to the edge. Jesus asked for salt and light. He already picked the person. Now I live the part.

Please pray for all expectant mothers and the child they are carrying or have recently had their babies along with their families:
Lauren, Jessica, Erika, Michaela, & Emily
 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 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.

During the month of February the Sanctuary candle in our parish church burns in loving memory of:



Menard, Pauline & Kathy Etter

March 2026	Dan Feldmann
April 2026	Leroy Wiegmann
May 2026	Barry Dixon
June 2026	Jerry & Abby Beer
July 2026	Mike Stanfa & Jackie Turner
August 2026	Nancy Zieren
September 2026	Arnie & Fern Wobbe
October 2026	Jeff & John Peppenhorst
November 2026	Darrell Evans, Joe & Agnes Kampwerth, Ruth Limpers
December 2026	Deceased Members of Diekemper & Wiegman Families

To help cover the expenses of the candle, we offer the opportunity each month for individuals to dedicate an intention. A \$60.00 donation is requested. Please reach out to the Parish Office to make your intention.