

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL
+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki
Father Albert (Al) Allen, Pastor
Reconciliation Time: Saturdays 3-3:30 pm

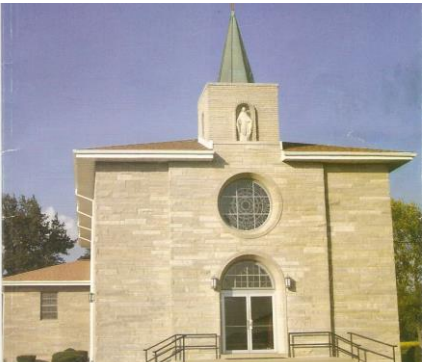
Or by appointment
Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am

Phone: 1-844-536-6514 (leave a message)
During a life emergency please contact
217.703.1042 to reach a priest.

Website: www.stmaryshumway.org
Email: stmarysshumway@gmail.com
Address: PO Box 96, Shumway, IL 62461

To reserve the church basement please call
1-844-536-6514.

Diocese Website: www.dio.org



Green Creek Mass Times:

Friday – 8 am
Saturday – 6 pm
Sunday – 10:30 am

Victim Assistance Contact Information-To Report Child Sexual Abuse by Church Personnel or to inquire about Safe Environment Programs in the Diocese of Springfield call 217-321-1155 or Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!

Dennis Koester
Nelda McCoy
Marita Kemme
Larry Nation
Jim Gordon
Don Kemme
Danny Zacha
Don Clark
Dan Zacha Sr.

Steve Moore
Sally Wakefield
Pat Kuhns
Bill Hamilton
Christie Dust
Helen Kollinger
Bill Nuxoll
Mrs. Scott (Stacey)
Vonderheide
Marita Elson



January Committee: Vanessa Kessler,
Wanda Ohnesorge, Irene Koester, Alice Richards

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
SAT 4pm	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27	Feb. 3	Feb. 10
Servers	Abby Brown Trey Brown Aubrey Brown	Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown Isaac Wells	Abby Brown Anna Brown Aubrey Brown	Madalyne Brown Tryston Brown Trey Brown	Anna Brown Abby Brown Isaac Wells
Lector	Christy Brown	Mike Holland	Donna Davis	Abby Brown	Alaina Miller
Usher	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland
Ech Min	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Rosemary Holland	Donna Davis Don Brown Katrina Davis	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Rosemary Holland	Donna Davis Don Brown Katrina Davis	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Rosemary Holland
Gift Bearers	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family	Jesse Davis Family	Jason Wells Family
Greeters	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family
SUN 8am	Jan. 14 Parish Families in Faith	Jan. 21	Jan. 28 Parish Families in Faith	Feb. 4	Feb. 11 Parish Families in Faith
Servers	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Garrett Hoene Rory Miller Wylie Miller	Jacob Vonderheide Wade Conder Zoey Conder	Garrett Hoene Rory Miller Olivia Vonderheide	Wylie Miller Daisy Miller Jacob Vonderheide
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	George Conder Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Josh Miller Justin Conder	John Neu Don Antrim	Jason Vonderheide Charley Vonderheide
Ech Min	Timber Miller Linda Doedtman Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Thompson Lisa Waldhoff Roy Waldhoff	Leslie Kemme Timber Miller Linda Doedtman	Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide Lisa Waldhoff	Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme Timber Miller
Gift Bearers	Rodney Hoene Family	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide	Jim Marylou Vonderheide	Dan Angela Woods	Barb Vonderheide
Greeters	Rosemary Vonderheide	Wanda Ohnesorge	Wally Thompson Family	Brock Vonderheide Family	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	Jan. 10	Jan. 17	Jan. 24	Jan. 31	Feb. 7
	Irene Koester	Wylie Miller	Linda Doedtman	Irene Koester	Wylie Miller

Weekly Offering.....1-14-24

Adult.....\$935.00
Loose.....\$320.00
Solm of Mary.....\$20.00
Catholic Times.....\$50.00
First Offering.....\$25.00
Total.....\$1350.00
Masses-\$20.00

Parish Hall Update:

Our current funds -- \$94802.00
Project Board coming soon

Upcoming events:

Feb. 8 @6:30- Next Meeting
April (date TBD)-Poker Run
June 1 -Flea Market (details to come)
Sept. 22- Pork Chop Dinner (in conjunction with the Shumway Sesquicentennial Celebration)



Call: 1-844-536-6514 to add or remove someone. Thank You.

SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE BREAKFAST

JANUARY 21
2024
7AM - 12:00PM

Hosted by
Effingham Area
Right to Life

Please Join Us!

Whole Hog Sausage & Egg Breakfast

Sunday, January 21
from 7am-12:00pm

Teutopolis Banquet Hall
210 S. Pearl Street

- Free-Will Donation
- Dine In or Carry Out
- 50/50 Drawing
- Raffle Baskets for All Ages

To volunteer (or if you have questions),
please call or text Susan at 217.663.2084



Effingham Area Right to Life

Donations of cinnamon rolls, sweet breads,
and muffins are also needed.



Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children – St. Francis Church in Teutopolis will host a pro-life Mass at 6:30 PM on Monday, January 22. The U.S. Bishops ask that this be a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. Eucharistic Adoration, which begins at 1:00 PM in the chapel, will pause and the Holy Eucharist will be reposed at 6:00 PM. A pro-life Rosary will begin at 6:00 PM prior to Mass. Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration in the chapel will resume immediately following Mass. Also **after Mass, the Mattoon Deanery pro-life meeting will be held in St. Clare Hall** adjoining the church. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Rosary, Mass, Adoration and/or pro-life meeting.



Saturday, Jan. 20-Dean Gengler by Jesse Davis Family
Sunday, Jan. 21 - Diana Fuesting by George Diana Conder
Wednesday, Jan. 24 –Jane Emmerich by Joe Kay Conder
Saturday, Jan. 27-Dean Gengler by Kathy Brown
Sunday, Jan. 28- Donald Niebrugge by Joe Kay Conder

Please call or email (info on front page) to schedule an intention or put an envelope in the collection basket with the information. Envelopes can be found in the mailbox in the cry room. There is a calendar of available dates located in the cry room.



Happy Birthday



Connie Bales 1-21
Naomi Pruemer 1-23
Clara Spannagel 1-27

Happy Anniversary

Jake & Daphne Hoffman
1-24-2009
15 years

Keeping up to date with church happenings...
EMAIL-The bulletin is sent weekly. If you didn't receive and would like to please email stmarysshumway@gmail.com.

ALL CALL/TEXT SYSTEM- If you would like to receive, please email stmarysshumway@gmail.com.

FACEBOOK-We are currently looking for a co-administrator for our Facebook page. If interested, contact Leslie Kemme.

WEBSITE- We are currently looking for a website editor. This person would help with updating info on the page by gathering info and emailing it to the website manager. If you are interested email Donna at stmarysshumway@gmail.com

Newman Breakfast - February 4th

The annual Newman Breakfast will be held Sunday, February 4th from 7 am until Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Menu will include all you can eat scrambled eggs, whole hog sausage, biscuits & gravy, hash browns, french toast sticks, cinnamon rolls, coffee, juice & milk. Baked goods will be available for purchase, and chances will be available for raffle

Parish Families in Faith



Next class: Jan. 28, 2024
Feb. 11 & 25

Adult classes AND Parish Family Time are for ALL PARISHIONERS not just those who have children in PSR!!!

The parish family extends its sympathies to the family and friends of Sam Sheehan.
May he rest in peace.



Funeral Services will be held at 12:30 PM Thursday, January 25, 2024, in the St. Mary Of The Annunciation Church in Shumway. Visitation will be Thursday, January 25, 2024 from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM in the church. Burial will be in the St. Patrick Cemetery in Trowbridge, Illinois with Military Honors. Memorials are suggested to the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight in Springfield, Illinois or HSHS Home Care in Effingham.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

We will begin the *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* study on Feb. 21 at 6:30pm. Participants will meet every week (8 weeks) to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Donna Davis (info on front page of bulletin).

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Firstly, fishermen are accustomed to hard work. Their trade is physically demanding, requiring strength and endurance. This physical resilience parallels the spiritual resilience needed in the mission of evangelization. Just as fishermen labor tirelessly for their catch, so too must disciples labor in spreading the Gospel, often in the face of challenges and setbacks.

Moreover, fishermen possess a practical intelligence. They are adept at navigating the seas, reading weather patterns, and managing their business affairs. This combination of skills indicates a capacity for critical thinking and adaptability - qualities essential in understanding and responding to the varied contexts in which the Gospel message must be shared.

In choosing fishermen as His first disciples, Jesus was not just gathering helpers; He was selecting individuals who embodied the virtues necessary for the daunting task of spreading the Gospel. Their profession was a metaphor for the mission they were to undertake. As modern-day disciples, reflecting on these qualities can inspire us in our own journey of faith and evangelization. In our efforts to 'fish for people,' let us learn from the first disciples, embracing patience, adaptability, intelligence, and courage in our mission to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

The readings for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B collectively draw us into a deeper reflection on our spiritual journey. They challenge us to embrace a life of continual conversion, to maintain an eternal perspective amidst our daily lives, and to respond wholeheartedly to the personal call of discipleship that Jesus extends to each of us.

As we ponder these scriptures, let us ask for the grace to be like the Ninevites in their repentance, like Paul in his heavenly perspective, and like the first disciples in their immediate and wholehearted response to Jesus' call. In doing so, we align ourselves more closely with God's will and purpose for our lives, participating more fully in the unfolding of His kingdom on earth.

Reflection Questions for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

- In what areas of my life is God calling me to conversion and repentance, and how can I be more open to change?
- How have I experienced God's mercy and forgiveness in my life, and in what ways can I extend that same mercy and forgiveness to others?
- When have I sought and found guidance from God like the psalmist in Psalm 25, and what steps can I take to deepen my trust in God's path?
- Reflecting on the immediacy of the disciples' response to Jesus, how can I be more responsive to God's call in my daily life, and what might be holding me back from fully embracing the Gospel message?
- How can I balance my engagement with the world and my spiritual life, in light of the transience of earthly matters, and what worldly attachments might I need to reassess or let go of?
- In what ways am I responding to my own vocation and call to discipleship, and how can I make my daily work and interactions more reflective of my following of Jesus?
- How do I perceive the presence of God's kingdom in my life and around me, and what actions can I take to contribute to its realization on Earth?
- Which qualities of a fisherman (patience, perseverance, flexibility, intelligence, courage) do I find most challenging in my spiritual journey, and how can I apply these traits to my evangelizing efforts?

SonRise Friday Men's Breakfast - St. Anthony's Parish Center Friday mornings for men from multiple parishes. Breakfast-6:10 a.m., program -6:30-7:30am. Contact Dan Woods, 217-821-1495 , danwoodsface@gmail.com with any questions.

REFLECTIONS— <https://young-catholics.com/>

Embracing the Call to Conversion

The readings for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B open with a powerful narrative from the book of Jonah. Jonah, initially reluctant, finally obeys God's command to go to Nineveh. His message is stark and uncompromising: the city faces destruction unless its people repent. Remarkably, from the greatest to the least, the inhabitants of Nineveh heed Jonah's warning, demonstrating a profound collective conversion.

This passage challenges us to reflect on our own response to God's call for repentance. In our lives, moments of grace often come disguised as challenges or calls to change our ways. The Ninevites' response is a testament to the power of genuine repentance and a reminder that no person or community is beyond the reach of God's transforming love.

Jonah's experience also speaks to us about obedience and trust in God's plan. Often, we might feel reluctant or unqualified to undertake the tasks God sets before us. Jonah's journey reminds us that our willingness to listen and respond to God, even amidst fear and hesitation, can lead to incredible outcomes beyond our imagination.

The Transience of Earthly Life

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul urges the community to adopt a perspective that transcends the immediacy of their current situation. He emphasizes the transient nature of worldly experiences, urging believers to not be overly engrossed in the affairs of this life. This message is particularly poignant in our contemporary context, where material pursuits and temporal concerns often overshadow spiritual growth and eternal values. Paul's words invite us to re-evaluate our priorities, reminding us that our ultimate destiny lies beyond the scope of this world.

This perspective in the second reading for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B does not diminish the importance of our earthly lives but rather reframes them. It encourages us to live fully in the present moment while holding in tension the reality of our eternal destiny. This understanding allows us to engage with the world with a sense of purpose and detachment, investing in relationships and activities that foster growth, love, and service, which are lasting and bear eternal significance.

The Compelling Nature of Jesus' Call

The Gospel for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B introduces us to the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Following John's arrest, Jesus proclaims the good news of God's kingdom, calling people to repentance and belief in the Gospel. The immediacy with which Simon, Andrew, James, and John respond to Jesus' call is striking. They leave their nets, their father, and their livelihoods to follow Him. This scene captures the compelling nature of Jesus' invitation, an invitation extended to each of us today.

Jesus' call to become "fishers of men" is not just an invitation to discipleship but a radical reorientation of life's purpose. For the disciples, it meant abandoning their careers and family ties to embark on an uncertain journey. For us, it might mean different sacrifices or changes – perhaps a change in lifestyle, priorities, or attitudes. The call to follow Jesus is both personal and transformative, demanding a response that is as immediate and decisive as that of the first disciples.

This Gospel passage also speaks to us about the nature of Christian vocation. Each call is unique and tailored to the individual's life and circumstances. The immediacy of the disciples' response underscores the urgency and relevance of the Gospel in our lives. It invites us to discern how Jesus is calling us in our current situations and to respond with openness and trust.

Fishing with Jesus

In the Gospel for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, we see Jesus initiating His mission by calling fishermen to be His first disciples. Why fishermen? This choice is significant and symbolic. Fishermen, in their profession, embody qualities essential not only for their trade but also for the spiritual journey Jesus invites them to undertake.

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