

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

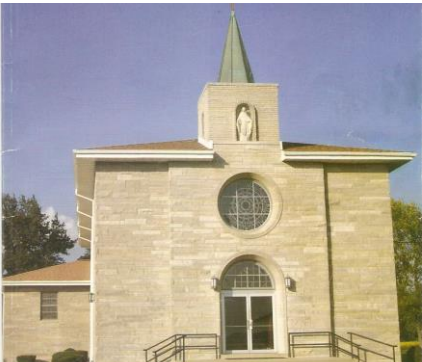
Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL
+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki
Father Albert (Al) Allen, Pastor
Reconciliation Time: Saturdays 3-3:30 pm

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

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



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

Diocese Website: www.dio.org

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!



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

Jim Gordon
Don Kemme
Danny Zacha
Don Clark
Heather Harbour
Kendall Fulk
Dan Zacha Sr.
Dean Gengler
Martha Fearday
Steve Moore
Kevin Habing

Sally Wakefield
Pat Kuhns
Bill Hamilton
Christie Dust
Helen Kollinger
Bill Nuxoll
Marilyn Zerrusen
Mrs. Scott (Stacey) Vonderheide
Jane Emmerich
Timber Miller
Marita Elson



February Committee: Christy Bales, Lisa Thompson, Jenni McKay, Sami Childerson, Wanda Ohnesorge

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SAT. 4PM	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28	Feb. 4
Servers	Grady Spannagel Isaac Wells Thomas Davis	Weston Spannagel Anna Brown Madalyne Brown	Abby Brown Isaac Wells Trey Brown	Anna Brown Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel
Lector	Alaina Miller	Donna Davis Abby Brown	Christy Brown	Thomas Davis
Ushers	Jason Wells Doug Brown	Don Brown Jesse Davis	Mike Holland Thomas Davis	Josh Spannagel Don Brown
Euch. Minister	Don Brown	Kathy Brown	Rosemary Holland	Beth Spannagel
Gift Bearers	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family	Josh Spannagel Family
Greeters	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family
SUN. 8AM	Jan. 15 Families in Faith	Jan. 22 Families in Faith	Jan. 29 Families in Faith	Feb. 5
Servers	Jacob Vonderheide Garrett Hoene Isaac Pruemer	Noah Pruemer Shae Conder Zoey Conder	Olivia Vonderheide Braxton Hoene Wylie Miller	Rory Miller Jacob Vonderheide Isaac Pruemer
Lector	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Jason Pruemer	Terry Hoene
Ushers	George Conder Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Josh Miller Justin Conder	Jason Pruemer John New
Euch. Minister	Jason Pruemer	Linda Doedtman	Lisa Thompson	Barb Vonderheide
Gift Bearers	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide	Jim Marylou Vonderheide	Barb Vonderheide	Josh Miller Family
Greeters	Jason Pruemer Family	Larry Lieb	Rodney Hoene Family	Don Marcella Antrim
Money Counters	Kemme, Hoene, Adams	Bales, Richards, Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder	Doedtman Shadwell
WED. 8:00AM	Jan. 11	Jan. 18	Jan. 25	Feb. 1
Lector	Teresa Tegeler	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Teresa Tegeler

Weekly Offering.....1-22-23
Adults..... \$1385.00
Loose..... \$390.00
Latin America.....\$170.00
1st Offering..... \$50.00
Solemnityof Mary.....\$20.00
Catholic Times.....\$75.00
Total \$2090.00
Masses \$120.00

It is not too late to join Fearless and Free Bible Study.

Join us on Sunday, January 29, 6:30 pm Church basement. You'll have new appreciation for the book of Ephesians, and be grateful for the support and grace it imparts from the One who loves you completely and without end. For more info contact Kathy Adams 217-994-3144 Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399 Go to www.walkingwithpurpose.com to order the book Fearless & Free.

January 25 is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. St. Paul's encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus converted him from a persecutor of Christians to a fully committed follower of Jesus.

St. Paul of Tarsus might be one of the most studied writers in history. Paul taught us that we are dependent on God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit. Paul experienced the power of conversion himself. We are also called to conversion.

"Like Saul before his encounter with Christ, we need to change course, to invert the route of our habits and our ways, in order to find the path that the Lord points out to us: the path of humility, fraternity and adoration." Pope Francis

O Lord, grant us the courage to change course, to be converted, to follow your will and not our own; to go forward together, towards you, who by your Spirit wish to make us one.



PRO_LIFE NEWS

Illinois March for Life

March 21 (Tuesday). Save the date! Illinois March for Life will occur in Springfield. More details to come.



Saturday, Jan. 28 –People of the Annunciation Parish
Sunday, Jan. 29 - Pat Feusting by Duane & Joyce Shadwell
Wednesday, Feb. 1 – John Sheehan by Carol Sheehan
Saturday, Feb. 4 –
Sunday, Feb. 5 - Stella Esker by Duane Joyce Shadwell
Wednesday, Feb. 8 - Alfred Wernsing by Alice Richards

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 on the bulletin board and in the cry room.

Happy Birthday



Daisy Miller 1-31
Tryston Brown 1-31
Stephanie Moore 1-31
Jesse Niebrugge 2-1
Sandy Laure 2-3
Steve Moore 2-4

CatholicHÔM stands for Catholic Households on Mission.

What's the mission? To help each other love like Christ. CatholicHÔM is the first-ever digital platform dedicated to helping Catholic families encounter Christ more meaningfully at home and draw closer to each other by living the Liturgy of Domestic Church Life. Download the CatholicHÔM® app and become part of a dynamic online community of families, at every age and stage, supporting each other in becoming Households on Mission to love like Christ! Be part of the movement. Help us renew the Church one CatholicHÔM® at a time! Go to www.catholicom.com for more info.

Fantastic Opportunity---Parents, teenagers, and young adults – this event is for you – National Catholic speaker, Jason Evert, will give two talks in Alton Feb. 6 that parents, teenagers, and young adults are invited to that answers many tough questions about love, dating, and relationships and that will empower people to live a life of virtue. Evert's talks, "Purified" and "Gender and the Theology of your Body," takes place starting at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton (519 East 4th St.). The cost is \$30 and tickets can be purchased in advance by going to chastity.com/purified. After Evert's talks, the night will end with adoration and confession and all attendees will leave with resources that are geared toward the gender of the teen/young adult and one geared toward parents. For more information, call 618-581-7055. The event is for teenagers and older.

Contraception, transgenderism, dating, relationships – how do we navigate all this? – Jason Evert has traveled to six continents to bring the message of purity to millions of people for more than 20 years. He has a masters in Theology and degrees in Counseling and Theology. He is a best-selling author of more than 15 books, and he and his wife run Chastity Project and its website, chastity.com, the podcast "Lust is Boring," and lead an international alliance of young people who promote purity in more than 40 countries. He joins Dive Deep to discuss contraception, transgenderism, dating, relationships, and more. Go to www.dio.org/podcast or search Dive Deep on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.

Families in Faith

Next classes—
Jan. 29th
Feb. 19th and 26th

Did you KNOW?

Families in Faith in for
ALL parishioners!!!
You do not have to have a school
age child to attend the adult class,
family time and breakfast.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME---
ALL THE TIME.



Have you ever thought about being a youth group leader?
Do you like having fun and helping youth (grades 6-12) get closer to God?
St. Mary's is looking for YOU to become our youth group coordinator.
Jesse and Donna Davis are stepping away from the ministry and are looking for a replacement. If you are interested or have questions, contact either of them.

Say yes to a 3 day beautiful experience
at camp Walter Scott.

If you're:

- So busy, don't know which end is up?
- Distant from Jesus, but want His Peace?
- Tired of the rat race, need a break?
- Looking to refresh, rest, renew?

So many in our area have
found a treasure in DeColores.
It's your turn!

* The Men's Weekend, March 16-19;
Lay leader: Scott Kastl 217-343-8206
knightsrk2009@gmail.com

* The Women's Weekend, March 23-26;
Lay leader, Carol Toney 217-821-7607
caroltoney52@gmail.com



The Women of the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are offering four \$1500.00 college scholarships to four outstanding Catholic Senior Young Ladies. Deadline to enter is April 1st, 2023. Winners will be announced in May and honored at the Woman of Distinction Banquet in July. To obtain a scholarship email Donna Davis at stmarysshumway@gmail.com.

You are invited to a historical diocesan-wide celebration at the BOS Center in Springfield – To celebrate the Year of the Eucharist going on in our diocese right now and the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city of our diocese from Alton to Springfield, a Eucharistic Congress is taking place Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield. This major event will include talks from nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass where the arena will be packed with thousands of Catholics from across the diocese. You are invited! Doors open at 10:30 a.m. with the first speaker starting at 1 p.m., and Mass begins at 4 p.m. Stay tuned for how to get free tickets and mark your calendar! There will be no Masses at parishes on Saturday, Oct. 28. We want you in Springfield!

Newman Breakfast - February 5th

The annual Newman Breakfast will be held Sunday, February 5th from 7 am until Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Menu will include all you can eat scrambled eggs, whole hog sausage, biscuits & gravy, hashbrowns, French toast sticks, cinnamon rolls, coffee, juice & milk. Baked goods will be available for purchase, and chances will be available for raffle items.

Over 80 Newman Centers throughout the state of Illinois offer college students a chance to gather and practice their faith. Proceeds from the breakfast go to the Newman Fund.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help offset the cost of the breakfast, please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus - Newman Breakfast". Please mail your donation to one of the following: Tim & Linda Hemmen, 17811 N 1650th St., Teutopolis, IL 62467 Steve & Shanta Will, 14331 E 2100th Ave., Effingham, IL 62401

Donations of raffle items, crafts and baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Items can be brought to the Teutopolis Banquet Hall after 6 am the day of the breakfast, or call Kathy Hartke at (217) 821-7076 to make other arrangements.

If you would like to help work this event, please call or text Linda Hemmen at (217) 343-2486.

REFLECTIONS—

The readings for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time for Year A tell us we must seek the Lord. The first reading gives us a road-map for discipleship. The psalm sings of God's faithfulness and kindness. The second reading reminds us that the world might consider our path as a foolish one. In the gospel, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, which lay out what it means to follow Him.

Consider if you are actively seeking God or if you are just waiting for something to happen. Here some themes for this week: Seeking God, Recognizing blessings, The Beatitudes

In today's gospel, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes. These show us that the promise of a "universal blessing" which was made to Abraham will be fulfilled in Jesus. Unlike the world, God blesses those who are without power and influence.

So God's blessings are for all, but we must work for the virtues which Jesus lists here. We must be poor in spirit, meek, merciful, peacemakers, and more. This is also not the way of the world. But this is the Kingdom which we must strive for.

What blessings do I see in my life?

How to I thank God for the many blessings he
has bestowed on me?

Who can I be a blessing to today?

(young-catholics.com)



Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, having many possessions, and so on. When we think this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. The crowd that day also associated happiness with material possessions and status.

Talk as a family about what it means to be happy or to be blessed. Make a list of traits that you would associate with a happy person. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12a. Reflect on Jesus' description of happiness. Think about what each of the Beatitudes might have in common and write a family summary of the Beatitudes. Post the summary in a special place as a reminder of what your family will consider "true happiness."

Conclude by praying together prayers of petition based on the Beatitudes, e.g., "We pray that we will be peacemakers who seek to get along with other people even when this is difficult. We pray to the Lord." All respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Starting the week of February 6th, NCSC will also be hosting a 6-week study series - "**Relationship Ready: A Single Catholic's Roadmap to Marriage**" that will cover topics such as the meaning of love, communication, conflict resolution, male/female complementarity and much more. To sign up for these programs, visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com.