

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](http://www.stmaryshumway.org)  
Email: [stmarysshumway@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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!



Nelda McCoy  
Marita Kemme  
Sam Sheehan  
Fr. Al Allen  
Larry Nation  
Jim Gordon  
Don Kemme  
Danny Zacha  
Don Clark  
Heather Harbour  
Kendall Fulk  
Dan Zacha Sr.

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



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

**November Committee:** Jennifer Bales  
Tricia Holland, Marcella Antrim,  
Rosemary Holland, Mary Miller

| LITURGICAL MINISTERS |   |   |  |   |   |
|----------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| SAT 4pm              | Nov. 4  | Nov. 11   | Nov. 18  | Nov. 25   | Dec. 2  |
| Servers              | Tryston Brown<br>Madalyne Brown<br>Isaac Wells      | Aubrey Brown<br>Trey Brown<br>Anna Brown            | Madalyne Brown<br>Tryton Brown<br>Abby Brown     | Aubrey Brown<br>Anna Brown<br>Trey Brown          | Tryston Brown<br>Madalyne Brown<br>Isaac Wells      |
| Lector               | Alaina Miller                                       | Abby Brown  | Jesse Davis                                      | Donna Davis                                       | Christy Brown                                       |
| Usher                | Don Brown<br>Doug Brown                             | Mike Holland<br>Jason Wells                         | Don Brown<br>Doug Brown                          | Mike Holland<br>Jesse Davis                       | Don Brown<br>Doug Brown                             |
| Ech Min              | Katrina Davis<br>Kathy Brown<br>Don Brown           | Rosemary Holland<br>Mike Holland<br>Kathy Brown     | Donna Davis<br>Jesse Davis<br>Katrina Davis      | Mike Holland<br>Rosemary Holland<br>Don Brown     | Donna Davis<br>Jesse Davis<br>Katrina Davis         |
| Gift Bearers         | Doug Brown Family                                   | Jason Wells Family                                  | Wanda Ohnesorge                                  | Jesse Davis Family                                | Kathy Brown   |
| Greeters             | Wells Family  | Davis Family  | Wells Family                                     | Davis Family                                      | Wells Family  |
| SUN 8am              | Nov. 5  | Nov. 12<br>Parish Families in Faith                 | Nov. 19<br>Parish Families in Faith              | Nov. 26   | Dec. 3-Family<br>Christmas Party                    |
| Servers              | Wade Conder<br>Zoey Conder<br>Olivia Vonderheide    | Garrett Hoene<br>Braxton Hoene<br>Jacob Vonderheide | Wylie Miller<br>Rory Miller<br>Daisy Miller      | Wade Conder<br>Zoey Conder<br>Olivia Vonderheide  | Garrett Hoene<br>Braxton Hoene<br>Jacob Vonderheide |
| Lector               | Terry Hoene   | Lisa Thompson                                       | Terry Hoene                                      | Lisa Thompson                                     | Terry Hoene   |
| Ushers               | Jason Vonderheide<br>Charley Vonderheide            | Larry Lieb<br>Jim Vonderheide                       | Roy Waldhoff<br>George Conder                    | Joe Conder<br>Gene Doedtman                       | Tom Doedtman<br>Josh Miller                         |
| Ech Min              | Lisa Thompson<br>Barb Vonderheide<br>Linda Doedtman | Lisa Waldhoff<br>Roy Waldhoff<br>Leslie Kemme       | Timber Miller<br>Linda Doedtman<br>Lisa Thompson | Barb Vonderheide<br>Lisa Waldhoff<br>Roy Waldhoff | Leslie Miller<br>Timber Miller<br>Linda Doedtman    |
| Gift Bearers         | Ed Leslie Kemme                                     | Allen Geannine<br>Kessler                           | Jim Mary Miller                                  | John Karen Neu                                    | Justin Conder<br>Family                             |
| Greeters             | Larry Lieb  | Rodney Hoene<br>Family                              | Don Marcella<br>Antrim                           | George Diana<br>Conder                            | Joe Kay Conder                                      |
| Money Counters       | Doedtman<br>Shadwell                                | Waldhoff<br>Hoene                                   | Kemme<br>Adams                                   | Bales Richards<br>Sheehan, Hackman                | Stremming<br>Conder                                 |
| WED. 8am<br>Lectors  | Nov. 1  | Nov. 8  | Nov. 15  | Nov. 22   | Nov. 29   |
|                      | Kay Conder  | Linda Doedtman                                      | Irene Koester                                    | Kay Conder  | Linda Doedtman                                      |

**Weekly Offering.....10-22-23**  
Adults..... \$1220.00  
World Mission.....\$160.00  
Loose..... \$544.00  
Total..... \$1420  
Mass Intentions \$30

Heaven or Hell: How God judges – It’s one of the deepest theological questions – judgement. What is the particular judgement and the last judgement? Will we know everything in heaven? Will we know if our loved ones are in hell? Ultimately, what does the Church say about what will happen at your judgement? Father Peter Harman, who holds a Doctorate in Moral Theology from the Catholic University of America, joins Dive Deep. Go to [dio.org/podcast](http://dio.org/podcast) or [youtube.com/diospringfield](https://youtube.com/diospringfield) or search “Dive Deep” on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.

# ST MARY'S FALL BREAKFAST



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023**  
**7:00 AM - 11:00 AM**  
**SHOMWAY KLOTHE CENTER, SHOMWAY, IL**  
 Pancake & Sausage,  
 Coffee, Milk, and Sweet Breads  
**FREE WILL DONATION**

Happy Birthday



Hilary Conder 11-3  
 Judy Carroll 11-4

## Happy Anniversary

Rodney & Terry Hoene 10-29-2005  
 18 years

The parish family extends its sympathies  
 to the family and friends of  
 Brenda Vahling.  
 May she rest in peace.

A Memorial Mass will be  
 celebrated by Fr. Dominic Vahling  
 on Saturday, Nov. 11  
 at 11 am at St. Mary's.  
 All are invited to celebrated Brenda's life.

The Parish Hall Committee would like to announce our next fundraiser. We will be having a money raffle with **\$10,000.00** in prizes. Grand prize \$5000 2nd-3rd \$1000 and 4th-9th \$500. We are asking each parish family to sell/buy 20 tickets at \$20 per ticket. When you have sold/buy your tickets, simply put money and tickets in an envelope marked hall fundraiser and put it in the collection basket. Thanks again for your continued support.

### Family Connection

Children learn about love from real, concrete examples witnessed in family life. We can help children to love God and love their neighbors by showing everyday acts of love, generosity, and kindness—our own expressions of our love for God. These acts, small and large, are the expression of what Jesus identified as the two greatest commandments: love God and love neighbor.

Make a poster together as a family. Write the words Love God in the center of the poster and write the words Love Neighbor near each of the four sides of the poster. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 22:34-40. Talk about how Jesus taught us that our love for God is revealed in the love that we show to other people. On the poster, use pictures and words to show some of the ways that your family shows their love for other people. Pray together that your family will continue to express your love for God by loving others. Pray the Act of Love.

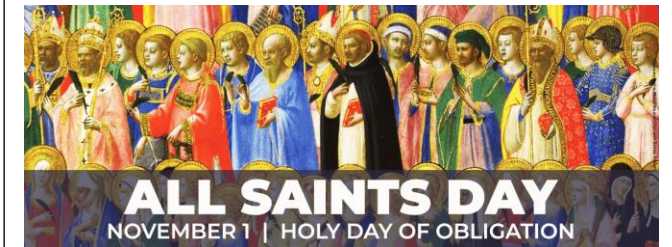
## Parish Families in Faith



Next class: This Sunday  
 Oct. 29 @ 9am  
 Future-Nov. 12 & 19  
 As a reminder parents are to attend  
 class with their children.

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

**Youth group** will be Sunday, Oct. 29 from 6-7pm. Please bring a snack to share. Drinks will be provided. Please let Katrina know if you are coming. 217-240-4291



Vigil Oct. 31 -Shumway-7pm Nov. 1 Green Creek - 7 pm  
 All ministries will be a on volunteer basis.

**PARISH T-SHIRTS** If you are interested in ordering a shirt, please let Leslie Kemme know. [llkejkemme@yahoo.com](mailto:llkejkemme@yahoo.com) or 217-821-3399



Sunday, Oct.29 –Diana Fuesting by George Diana Conder  
 Tuesday, Oc. 31 – Vigil All Saints Day – 7pm  
 Wednesday, Nov. 1 All Saints-Jamie Sandschafer by Mary Sandschafer  
 Saturday, Nov. 4 – Diana Fuesting by Kathy Ferguson  
 Sunday, Nov. 5 – Joyce Habing by Teresa Tegeler  
 Wednesday, Nov. 8 - Peggy Kinsel by Teresa Tegeler

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.

Mattoon Deanery Council of Catholic Women The Mattoon Deanery Council of Catholic Women meeting is Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at St. Charles Borromeo Parish Center, located at 921 Madison Ave. in Charleston. Registration at 9:00 a.m., Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m. The Dean of our Deanery, Father John Titus will preside over the installation of new officers. Our guest speaker is Janelle Vogt, she will speak on her missionary work with Christ in the City of Philadelphia. Please join us for a fun and faith-filled day. We warmly welcome all ladies and their friends to come together for a day of fellowship, inspiration and community. Lunch and white elephant auction (wrapped gift) will conclude the day; proceeds go to the Seminary Fund (check or cash accepted). Whether you're a long-time member or someone looking to connect with fellow Catholic women, this gathering is an excellent opportunity to grow in your faith, strengthen your community bonds, and have a great time! Contact: MDCCW President: Jody Secondino Crandell (812) 208-4293 or jscrandell@yahoo.com



Answering your questions on dying and death – Catholic Times has put together an easy to navigate and comprehensive look at end-of-life issues. Go to [dio.org/funeral](http://dio.org/funeral) for questions like: Why should you pre-plan your funeral? If your loved one is dying, what should you do? Why must you insist on Catholic funeral rites? Why should you pray for the dead? Why insist upon being buried in a Catholic cemetery? Also covered are the issues of cremation/spreading ashes, among other topics. As the month of November is dedicated to praying for the dead, now is a good time to learn more about dying and death from a Catholic perspective.

## FORMED.org

Our parish now has a subscription. It is easy to sign up.  
<https://signup.formed.org/>  
- Enter St. Mary's Catholic Church- scroll down and click on our parish  
- Enter name and email

### Pre-Cana Dates

Marriage prep programs may be a one-day Pre-Cana program, a Weekend for the engaged experience or another approved marriage preparation program. Upcoming dates for programs in the diocese are listed below.  
Sunday, February 4, 2024 - St. Francis, Teutopolis  
Call 217-961-6404 to register.  
The fee is \$50 per couple to cover lunch and expenses

### *Pursuing Your Spouses Heart*

Marriage Event Sponsored by Sacred Heart Church  
Saturday, November 18, 2023--5:00pm Doors Open - 6:00pm Dinner - 7:00pm Speaker  
Join us for a special evening with your spouse!  
Featuring Dana Nygaard, a passionate Catholic speaker dedicated to growing your and your spouse's relationship with Christ. \$50/couple—including event, dinner by Ochs Street Meats, and Dana's book "365 Dates to Renew Your Christian Marriage"

### Natural Family Planning Class

2023 Sessions: To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or [kpruemer@gmail.com](mailto:kpruemer@gmail.com).  
Saturday, December 9th - 9:00-10:30am  
at St. Anthony Church, Effingham, IL

### REFLECTIONS—

#### *Old Rules for Fair Treatment*

The first reading for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A outlines some of the social justice laws in ancient Israel. It specifically talks about the mistreatment of foreigners, widows, and orphans, as well as lending practices. The underlying theme is one of empathy and ethical treatment of vulnerable populations.

The instruction to not mistreat or oppress a foreigner has modern relevance in discussions around immigration or minority rights. Similarly, the call to look after widows and orphans can extend to any marginalized or vulnerable group today. We must take care of people who are easily taken advantage of.

These ancient laws can guide our modern sense of social justice. Ensuring fair treatment of all, regardless of social standing, and applying ethical standards to financial and social systems, aren't just ancient religious tenets; they're practical guidelines for creating a more equitable society today.

#### *Actions Matter*

In the second reading for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, Paul writes a letter to the Thessalonians. He praises them for their strong faith and says they are good examples for others. The message of the gospel is spreading not just by talking, but also through real belief and changed actions.

Paul says it's not just about words but also about actions that make a difference. In today's digital world, words are easy to find but they often don't do much. This tells us that actions and true belief are important if we want to really communicate.

The main point is that actions matter, not just words. How we act should show our love for God and for other people.

#### *Love and Compassion*

The readings for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A emphasize the imperative to love and show compassion to others, especially those who are vulnerable or marginalized. In Exodus, God instructs the Israelites not to mistreat foreigners, widows, or orphans and to lend to those in need without interest. In Matthew, Jesus sums up the law with the two greatest commandments: love God and love your neighbor.

The laws which God gave to Israel were meant to protect the vulnerable: widows, orphans, foreigners. They were meant to alleviate suffering, and to remind the Israelites that they had also suffered and that God had rescued them. Jesus points out that the many laws were all contained in "Love God" and "Love your neighbor." This is the point of these precepts. The word used for love is "agape" which is more than just a feeling of friendship or affection. It is a love committed to action.

Both passages remind us that our ethical and spiritual responsibilities are interconnected. Loving God is closely tied to how we treat others. So we are also called to love the marginalized in our world. And we must not just love them by thinking well of them. We are called to action.

#### Reflection Questions

- How do the social justice laws outlined in Exodus relate to your understanding of current social issues, such as immigration or minority rights?
- In what ways do you think the call to look after widows and orphans can extend to today's marginalized groups? Who needs my help in the world today?
- Do you agree that ancient religious tenets can serve as practical guidelines for modern society? Why or why not?
- Paul emphasizes actions over words in his letter to the Thessalonians. How does this message resonate with you in the context of today's digital world?
- What specific actions can you take to demonstrate your love for God and neighbor, as outlined in Matthew's Gospel?
- How do you interpret the use of the word "agape" for love in the Biblical context? How does this understanding influence your day-to-day actions?
- Can you think of a time when you were challenged to put your love for God into action by helping someone vulnerable or marginalized? What did you learn from that experience?
- How can you balance the call to action in your faith life with the practicalities and limitations of your everyday life?
- What action have I taken lately to love my neighbors? Do I consider all people my neighbors, even those I have strong disagreements with?
- In your opinion, how are your ethical and spiritual responsibilities interconnected?
- What steps can you take to better align your actions with the teachings from these readings?