

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL

+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki

Father Albert (Al) Allen, Pastor

Father Michael Berndt, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich

Reconciliation Time: Saturdays 4:15-5:00 pm

Or by appointment

Mass Times: Saturday 5:30 pm & Sunday 8:30 am

Wednesday 8:00 am



LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

Monday through Friday at 6:30am

Saturday at 4:30pm

You can find our livestream Masses on YouTube. The easiest way to find them is to go to stanthony.com and click the link that says “Click here to view the Daily Live Streamed Mass.”

St. Anthony’s Mass Times:

Mon. thru Friday 6:30am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:15 am & 11:00 am

Ph #- St. Mary’s 690-2640 (general inquiries)
St. Anthony 347-7129 (make appt w/priest)
Emergency 703-1042

www.stmarysshumway.org

Contact info for Bulletin Announcements

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RESERVING CHURCH BASEMENT-

Please contact Donna Davis to get on the calendar.

Diocese Website: www.dio.org

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!



Dan Woods
Angela Woods
Bev Storm
Jane Emmerich
Cheryl Gross
Christie Dust
Timber Miller
Helen Kollinger

Bill Nuxoll
Eugene Westendorf
Debbie Meyer
Keith Willenborg
Marilyn Zerrusen
Mrs. Scott (Stacey)
Vonderheide



December Committee: Beth Spannagel, Mardel Sheehan, Kathy Ferguson, Tammy Manhart, Judy Zacha, Alice Richards

Contact Donna Davis to add or remove someone. Thank You.

	LITURGICAL MINISTERS			
SATURDAY 5:30pm	Nov. 27	Dec. 4	Dec. 11	Dec. 18
Servers	Anna Brown Madalyne Brown Trey Brown	Isaac Wells Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel	Abby Brown Anna Brown Madalyne Brown	Trey Brown Grady Spannagel Isaac Wells
Ushers	Thomas Davis Mike Holland	Jason Wells Josh Spannagel	Jesse Davis Doug Brown	Don Brown Jason Wells
Lector	Jesse Davis	Thomas Davis	Donna Davis	Christy Brown
Euch. Ministers	Don Brown	Beth Spannagel	Kathy Brown	Donna Davis
Gift Bearers	Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family
Greeters	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family
**Volunteers for Thanksgiving Day Mass				
SUNDAY 8:30am	Nov. 28	Dec. 5	Dec. 12 (Families in Faith)	Dec. 19 (Families in Faith)
Servers	Jack Holland Claire Holland Joe Holland	Rory Miller Isaac Pruemmer Wiley Miller	Noah Pruemmer Jacob Vonderheide Shae Conder	Olivia Vonderheide Garrett Hoene Zoey Conder
Ushers	Jim Vonderheide Roy Waldhoff	George Conder Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Jason Pruemmer Josh Miller
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Reagan McCormick	Jason Pruemmer	Terry Hoene
Euch. Ministers	Leslie Kemme	Roy Waldhoff	Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman
Gift Bearers	Allen Geannine Kessler	Jim Mary Miller	John Karen Neu	Justin Conder Family
Greeters	Wally Thompson Family	Brock Vonderheide Family	Charles Rhonda Vonderheide	Josh Miller Family
Money Counters	Stemming Conder	Waldhoff Spannagel	Doedtman Shadwell	Kemme, Hoene, Adams
WEDNESDAY 8:00 am ***12/8 -- 6:30pm Immaculate Conception - Volunteers				
Lector	Dec. 1 Kay Conder	Dec. 8 Linda Doedtman	Dec. 15 Teresa Tegeler	Dec. 22 Irene Koester

Weekly Offering.....11-21-2021

Adults	1940.00
Loose	409.19
Children	2.00
Campaign J & H	10.00
Total	2456.00

Dive Deep: Catching up with Bishop Carl Kemme: Bishop Carl Kemme grew up in Effingham County. After becoming a priest, he spent many years in several parishes across our diocese. Then in 2014, he received a call that changed everything. Pope Francis had appointed him Bishop of Wichita. Dive Deep catches up with Bishop Kemme to see how he’s doing, what he misses about our diocese, how often he comes back, and what life is like as a bishop. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen and subscribe or search “Dive Deep” on all the major podcast platforms.

Family Connection Luke 21:25-28,34-36

In today's Gospel, Jesus warns his disciples against the fatigue that can emerge if one becomes consumed by the anxieties of daily life. Many families are too familiar with the kind of fatigue Jesus refers to here. We may be concerned about a family member's health, our job security, our children's education, or any number of other concerns. All these are important matters. Jesus does not promise an end to daily worries and fears, but he does teach his disciples that they will have the strength to withstand anxiety if they stay focused on him, remaining vigilant for his return and praying for strength to endure all tribulations. Through prayer, God helps us stay focused on that which is most important in our lives.

As you gather as a family, recall the tradition of making New Year's resolutions in preparation for the new calendar year. Observe that today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is the beginning of the new Church year. During the season of Advent, our Gospel readings ask us to consider what is most important to us as we prepare for Jesus' coming, at his birth and at the end of time. Read today's Gospel, Luke 21:25-28,34-36. Jesus describes signs that may disturb many people, but he says that these should not to disturb his disciples. Why? (because these signs indicate that redemption is near) What does Jesus say that his disciples should do? (Be vigilant and pray for strength.) At this start of the new Church year, consider as a family what "Advent resolutions" your family might make to help you stay focused so that you will be prepared to receive the salvation we celebrate at Jesus' birth and anticipate at Jesus' second coming. Pray together for God's help in following through on these resolutions. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 25.

December 8th - Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

St. Mary's

Wednesday, December 8th: 8:00am and 6:30pm

St. Anthony Church

Tuesday, December 7th: 5:30pm

Wednesday, December 8th: 6:30am, 8:30am, 12:10pm

Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday, December 7th: 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 8th: 8:30am, 7:00pm

November is here!!
Christmas is coming!!
Choir rehearsals for Advent and
Christmas
will be on
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 1 @
6:30-7:30PM @ church
ALL ARE WELCOME!!



Saturday, Nov. 27- Charlotte Ruholl by family
Sunday, Nov. 28 – Marian Welshman by George & Diana Conder
Wednesday, Dec. 1 – Florence Doedtman by Elaine Sieben
Saturday, Dec. 4 – Balthazar Nohenheimer by Hans & Helene Kollinger
Sunday, Dec. 5 – Leon Vonderheide by Sally Wakefield
Immaculate Conception Wednesday, Dec. 8
8 am – Mike Koeberlein by Teresa Tegeler
6:30 pm – Florence Doedtman by Greg & Michelle Spannagel

Please call, text, or email Donna Davis (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. Calendar of available dates is on the bulletin board at church.

GIVING "TREE"-This year St. Mary's parishioners have the opportunity to make Christmas a little brighter for 25 area students. This year's tags can be found on a board in the cry room. Gifts need to be returned to the church basement by **Sunday, December 12.**

The tag you take from the board must be attached to the gift. This is the only way to keep track of where each gift gets delivered.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Parish Council Meeting—
Wednesday, Dec. 1 @6:30 pm
All are welcome to attend.

Faith Lutheran Church in Shumway will be hosting a **Christmas Open House** on December 12 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Church on Route 33 west of Shumway. A collection of over 50 nativity sets from around the world will be on display. Refreshments will be served.

Come enjoy the Christmas fellowship at Faith and then plan to attend the Christmas Cantata at 7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Stewardson.

Happy Birthday



Sam Sheehan 12-3
Tim Monroe 12-4

Families in Faith



Next classes Dec. 12 & 19th.

Next Youth group meeting will be
Sunday, Dec. 19
from 5:30-6:30pm in the church basement.
Questions? contact Jesse Davis 217-821-2309

Christmas Flower Donations- We will be accepting donations for the Christmas flowers. If you would like to make a donation, please place it in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" and place in the collection basket. Please include how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin.

Family Christmas Tree – You may bring your family ornament starting the first weekend of December. You can place them in the basket in the sacristy or cry room.



The Party will be Sunday, Dec. 5 after
8:30 am Mass.

Please sign up in the cry room.



ST MARY'S CHURCH COOKIE WALK/BAKE SALE
DEC. 18 & 19 AFTER MASSES

FREE WILL DONATION

Plus some priced items.

We will also have a several raffle items



EVERY DAY AT 4:40 WE INVITE
YOU TO PRAY WITH US
A HAIL MARY FOR OUR DIOCESE
TO HAVE 40 SEMINARIANS.

4:40
for40
SEMINARIANS

Be Not Afraid to PRAY BIG! We currently have 16 seminarians, which is great! But wouldn't 40 be better?? YES!!! We invite you to pray a Hail Mary EVERY DAY at 4:40 for our diocese to have 40 seminarians. 4:40 for 40 Seminarians!

Open Your Hearts – Women's Bible Study
Sundays @ 7 pm Church basement
For info contact Kathy Adams 217-994-3144
or Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399
Go to walkingwithpurpose.com to order a book IT 'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!!!.

The next Effingham Area Right to Life meeting will be Tuesday Nov 30 at Guardian Angel Adult Daycare at 7pm. All are welcome.



Living Joy with Chris Stefanick

An online video retreat that will change your life! Launching this Advent. Receive FREE inspirational content from Chris Stefanick and the Real Life Catholic Team.

Living Joy 9 Rules that Will Change Your Life

Based on Chris's best-selling book, Living Joy, this

program will walk you through 9 rules that will change your life.

Access is totally free and will begin on the First Sunday of Advent—November 28, 2021.

Sign up now to get ready to experience a new joy this Advent!

To sign up go to reallifecatholic.com

Fr. Al's Ramblings... Advent

The beginning of a new year.

Each year, we celebrate the season of Advent in the weeks leading up to Christmas. We read the words of the prophets, we tell the stories of Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, the angels, the Magi.

We put ourselves back in that time and place of watching and waiting for the Savior of the world, expectant and hopeful. And then, we find ourselves here, in the 21st century, watching and waiting for the return of our Savior, expectant and hopeful.

Advent symbolizes the present situation of the church in these "last days" (Acts 2:17, Hebrews 1:2), as God's people wait for the return of Christ in glory to consummate his eternal kingdom. The church is in a similar situation to Israel at the end of the Old Testament: in exile, waiting and hoping in prayerful expectation for the coming of the Messiah. Israel looked back to God's past gracious actions on their behalf in leading them out of Egypt in the Exodus, and on this basis, they called for God once again to act for them. In the same way, the church, during Advent, looks back upon Christ's coming in celebration while at the same time looking forward in eager anticipation to the coming of Christ's kingdom when he returns for his people. In this light, the Advent hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" perfectly represents the church's cry during the Advent season:

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appears.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

While Israel would have sung the song in expectation of Christ's first coming, the church now sings the song in commemoration of that first coming and in expectation of the second coming in the future.

*Blessings,
Fr. Al*

