

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

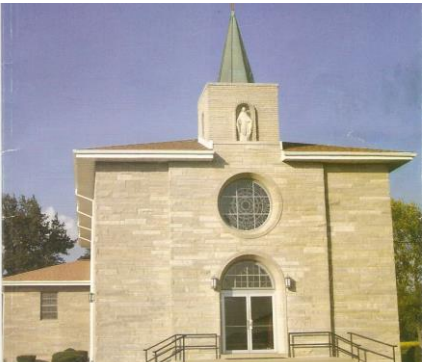
217.703.1042 to reach a priest.

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.

Danny Zacha
Don Clark
Wayne Mingus
Heather Harbour
Kendall Fulk
Dan Zacha Sr.
Oscar Bloemer
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



December Committee: Karen Kemme,
Vanessa Kessler, Tory Holste, Patty Kessler, Alice Richards

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SAT. 4PM	Dec. 17	Dec. 24	Dec. 31	Jan. 7
Servers	Trey Brown Isaac Wells Thomas Davis	PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE CRY ROOM FOR EACH OF THESE MINISTRIES. THANK YOU!!	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel Abby Brown	Anna Brown Madalyne Brown Trey Brown
Lector	Christy Brown		Thomas Davis	Jesse Davis
Ushers	Jason Wells Jesse Davis		Mike Holland Josh Spannagel	Thomas Davis Don Brown
Euch. Minister	Mike Holland		Jesse Davis	Donna Davis
Gift Bearers	Jesse Davis Family		Jason Wells Family	Wanda Ohnesorge
Greeters	Wells Family		Davis Family	Wells Family
SUN. 8AM	Dec. 18 Families in Faith	Dec. 25	Jan. 1	Jan. 8
Servers	Garrett Hoene Noah Pruemmer Isaac Pruemmer	PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE CRY ROOM FOR EACH OF THESE MINISTRIES. THANK YOU!!	Olivia Vonderheide Shae Conder Zoey Conder	Braxton Hoene Wiley Miller Roy Miller
Lector	Jason Pruemmer		Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	Don Antrim Jason Vonderheide		Charley Vonderheide Larry Lieb	Jim Vonderheide Roy Waldhoff
Euch. Minister	Roy Waldhoff		Leslie Kemme	Timber Miller
Gift Bearers	Wally Thompson Family		Charley Rhonda Vonderheide	Rodney Hoene Family
Greeters	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide		Barb Vonderheide	Roy Lisa Waldhoff
Money Counters	Bales, Richards, Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Spannagel
WED. 8:00AM	Dec. 14	Dec. 21	Dec. 28	Jan. 4
Lector	Teresa Tegeler	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Teresa Tegeler

Weekly Offering.....12-11-2022

Adults..... \$1530.00
Loose..... \$314.00
Children.....\$2.00
Retired Religious.....\$78.00
ImmaculateConception.....\$180.00
Building Fund.....\$7200.00
Flowers..... \$120.00
Total..... \$9424.00
Masses \$40.00

Effingham Area Right to Life has announced its

Annual Pro-Life Breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 15, from 7:00am-12 Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall in Teutopolis, IL. Free will donations for breakfast will be accepted, and there will be a 50/50 drawing and many raffle baskets for all ages. The breakfast menu includes whole hog sausage, eggs, and a variety of home-baked breads, along with juice, milk, and water.

Volunteers are needed. Please call or text Susan at 217.663.2084 if you can donate your time and talent.

This is the primary fundraiser for Effingham Area Right to Life. The group asks that if you're unable to attend the breakfast, please consider sending a donation to PO Box 861, Effingham IL 62401.




Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve-
 4pm-Shumway 6pm-Green Creek
 Christmas Day-
 8am-Shumway 10:30am -Green Creek



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.

Happy Birthday



Jonathan Wakefield 12-20
 Josh Miller 12-23
 Kyle McCormick 12-23

Families in Faith




Next classes—Dec. 18th.
 Jan. 15th, 22nd, and 29th

Decorating for Christmas—will take place after family time (10:20ish) on Sunday, Dec. 18. Instead of breakfast we will have pizza after decorating is completed. So come on out for a fun time of decorating!!!

Escaping death – A miraculous event on I-55 – On June 9, 2021 on I-55 just outside Springfield, three sisters from the Sisters of Saint Francis of the Martyr Saint George based in Alton, were driving to Alton from Rock Island. Traffic came to a sudden stop in a construction zone and their van was struck at high speed from behind, sending them into the two cars in front of them. Their van was later described as a crushed soda can or an accordion. Looking at the situation, a common thought was... “no one survived that.” But, what was described as “miraculous” – they all did. We talk with Sister M. Clementia Toalson about her escaping death and what she learned about surrendering to God her suffering. Go to dio.org/podcast or search Dive Deep on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.


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.



SAVE THE DATE
 Tuesday, March 21, 2023
 Times for the Diocesan Mass, Adoration, and Prayer walk are forthcoming.

St. Anthony Bible Study will resume on January 12th. We will be studying “Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.” This will be a 8 week study. A morning and evening session will be offered, a morning session starting at 9:15 following the 8:30 mass. The evening session at 6:30 pm. All sessions will be held in the Parish Center. Please contact the Parish Office at 217-347-7129 to register. Any questions you may contact Kate Weber at 217-821-3003 or kateweber51@gmail.com

CCW Cookie/Candy Sales
 St. Anthony of Padua, Effingham, IL
 December 17th - 3:00pm to 6:00pm
 December 18th - 7:00am to 1:00pm



Saturday, Dec. 17 –
 Sunday, Dec. 18 –Louis Tegeler by family
 Wednesday, Dec. 21 –
 Saturday, Dec. 24 – Edward & Myrtle Savickas by Josh & Timber Miller Family
 Sunday, Dec. 25 – Mel & Marge Willenborg Family by Mel & Marge Willenborg
 Wednesday, Dec. 28 -

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.
 You may begin requesting dates for 2023.

Upcoming Meetings—Save the dates
 Parish Council Meeting – Wed. Jan. 4, 2023 6:30pm

CCW Soup Supper and Quarter Auction –Sat. Jan. 7, 2023 5pm

Do you have items that you would like to donate to the “auction” for CCW? If so you can bring your items and place them in the basement (a table will be marked for items). Please no clothes/shoes etc. Make sure items are in good condition.

CCW Meeting and Casserole Supper – Tues. Jan. 10, 2023 6:30pm

Addresses for religious in the area can be found on the bulletin boards or in the online bulletin.

Knights of Columbus Fundraising for Ultrasound Machine for the Family Life Center in Effingham. Protecting the sanctity of all human life is part of our Mission as Knights of Columbus, please consider making a donation to our campaign and help us with this worthy cause. If you have any questions or would like to make a donation, please contact me or one of the K of C members listed below.
Charlie Tegeler - Grand Knight - 217-663-4797 Don Niebrugge – 217-821-9469
Keith Willenborg – 217-821-0374 Bob Utz – 217-994-4140 Jesse Davis – 217-821-2309
K of C Council #665, 1501 W Fayette Ave, P.O. Box 303, Effingham, IL 62401

PROLIFE NEWS:

- Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat - Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat for people affected by abortion January 20-22, 2023, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center. The cost is \$150. Scholarships are available for those not able to pay the full registration fee. Please let others know about this healing opportunity. For more information call 217-698-4456, or email projectrachel@dio.org

SEEK Conference in St. Louis Jan. 2-6 - World-class speakers, fellowship, prayer, entertainment, and more will encourage participants to answer a new call to greatness, holiness, joy, and mission through the SEEK Conference. This five-day event, hosted by FOCUS takes place at the America's Center Convention Complex in St. Louis, Jan. 2-6 (although attendees can attend single days). SEEK23 attendees will step away from daily distractions and participate in prayer, adoration, Scripture, and the sacraments celebrated by hundreds of priests and bishops, including Bishop Thomas John Paprocki of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Registration is open at <https://seek.focus.org/>. Catholics in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois also receive a discount as a neighboring diocese of the Archdiocese of St. Louis (you will receive it when you type in your zip code).

Free episode of The Chair highlights the rich story of our diocese from yesterday to today – The story of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is featured in an episode of The Chair, a television series celebrating the best of Catholicism in the United States. From the physical beauty of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield to the history of our diocese from our founding to the present, you’ll learn things about our region you never knew before and see Bishop Thomas John Paprocki in his role of bishop. This intimate portrait of our diocese is an opportunity to see our history and the journey of Bishop Paprocki from his youth to our shepherd of today

Retreat for married couples offered in St. Peters and Springfield –Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next two IN-PERSON weekend experiences are listed below. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.
3/17/2023 – 3/19/2023 – Villa Maria Conference Center, Springfield, IL

The Effingham K of C Adult Christmas Party (no children under 18 please) is THIS Sunday, Dec. 18, with doors open at noon and will eat at 1:00pm. Guests are asked to bring a wrapped gift for our friends and loved ones in nursing homes; socks, small blankets, coloring books, word search books, puzzles, and other activity items. Please wrap the gift with a note on the outside what it is. Please invite or bring a prospective Knight and guest to the Adult Christmas party.

Themes for the 3rd Sunday of Advent <https://young-catholics.com>

The readings for the 4th Sunday of Advent Year A challenge us to look beyond our own understanding and have faith. The first reading foretells that a virgin will give birth. The psalm praises the wonders of God. The second reading speaks of the promises of God through the ages and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the gospel we hear how an angel appeared to Joseph and he did as the angel told him.

Listening with ears of faith
Angels
Dreams
Faith and science



Reflection Questions:

- Do I rely on my own knowledge?
- Am I willing to accept that there are things beyond my comprehension?
- Do I trust in God when I feel hemmed in by my problems?

1st week review—HOPE

Be awake, Be ready
Be prepared to work
Things which are temporary vs permanent

2nd week review-PEACE

Willingness to repent
The peaceable kingdom
Jesus Christ brings change
The Holy Spirit

3rd week review-JOY

Faith
Salvation
Care for the marginalized
The Incarnation of Christ
Patience

Family Connection Matthew 1:18-24

Joseph and Mary are our models for family life and for service of God. Even when the circumstances seemed unclear, Joseph trusted God. Healthy family life is built upon trust, trust in God and trust of one another.

Spend some time talking as a family about the importance of trust in your family life, including the ways in which the children trust the adults in the family as well as the ways in which the adults trust the children. Then read today's Gospel. Talk about Joseph's trust of God and reflect together on how your family trusts in God.

Pray together that your family life will be built on trust, as was the family life of Joseph and Mary. Pray and sing together an Advent song, such as “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.”

Year of the Eucharist – Watch this very informative video on YouTube. <https://youtu.be/TSLvelWbmuo>



Addresses for the Religious

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Fr. David Beagles
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Fr. Zachary Edgar
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PO Box 47
Rochester, IL 62563

Msgr. Leo Enlow
St. Peter Parish
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Fr. Sunder Ery
St. Michael Parish
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Sigel, IL 62462

Fr. Jim Flach
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Fr. Michael Friedel
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
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Fr. Paul Habing
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Sacred Heart of Mary Parish
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New Berlin, IL 62670

Fr. Braden Maher
St. Charles Borromeo Parish
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Fr. John Titus
Immaculate Conception Parish
320 N 21st
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Fr. Mark Tracy
Holy Family Parish
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Fr. Christopher Trummer
St. Agnes Parish
245 N Amos Ave
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Fr. Michael Trummer
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Fundraiser for Kraig and Jodie Soltwedel and their family. Kraig and Jodie are serving as missionaries in New Zealand. Kraig is the son of Norbert and Linda Soltwedel, members of Faith Lutheran Church in Shumway.

The event is called Calendar Connections and has two (2) main goals. The first is to connect people with a calendar date(s) of their choice and give a one time gift in the amount that corresponds with the date on the calendar. The fundraising team thanks you and your church members in advance and we hope to see you on January 22 at Christ's Church, 2511 S. Veterans Dr., Effingham from 2 PM - 5 PM. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Cheri Marten at 217-821-6136.