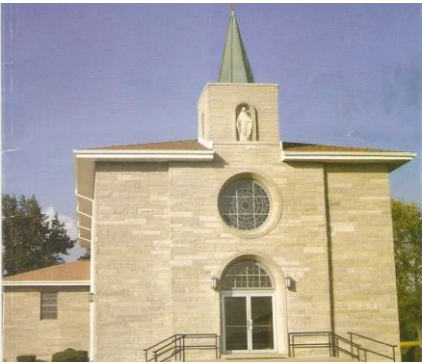


St. Mary’s Catholic Church

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



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

- Wayne Mingus

Heather Harbour

Kendall Fulk

Dan Zacha

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             | Nov. 19                                      | Nov. 26   | Dec. 3   | Dec. 10  |
| Servers              | Weston Spannagel<br>Abby Brown<br>Anna Brown | Madalyne Brown<br>Trey Brown<br>Isaac Wells     | Grady Spannagel<br>Weston Spannagel<br>Thomas Davis  | Abby Brown<br>Anna Brown<br>Madalyne Brown       |
| Lector               | Christy Brown                                | Jesse Davis                                     | Donna Davis  | Alaina Miller                                    |
| Ushers               | Doug Brown<br>Mike Holland                   | Thomas Davis<br>Jason Wells                     | Jesse Davis<br>Don Brown                             | Josh Spannagel<br>Doug Brown                     |
| Euch. Minister       | Beth Spannagel                               | Don Brown                                       | Kathy Brown  | Rosemary Holland                                 |
| Gift Bearers         | Kathy Brown                                  | Jesse Davis Family                              | Don Brown Family                                     | Josh Spannagel Family                            |
| Greeters             | Wells Family                                 | Davis Family                                    | Wells Family   | Davis Family                                     |
| SUN. 8AM             | Nov. 20<br>Families in Faith                 | Nov. 27<br>Families in Faith                    | Dec. 4<br>Christmas Party                            | Dec. 11<br>Families in Faith                     |
| Servers              | Braxton Hoene<br>Rory Miller<br>Wiley Miller | Jacob Vonderheide<br>Shae Conder<br>Zoey Conder | Olivia Vonderheide<br>Garrett Hoene<br>Braxton Hoene | Rory Miller<br>Wiley Miller<br>Jacob Vonderheide |
| Lector               | Lisa Thompson                                | Terry Hoene                                     | Lisa Thompson  | Terry Hoene                                      |
| Ushers               | Jim Vonderheide<br>Roy Waldhoff              | George Conder<br>Joe Conder                     | Gene Doedtman<br>Tom Doedtman                        | Josh Miller<br>Justin Conder                     |
| Euch. Minister       | Linda Doedtman                               | Lisa Thompson                                   | Barb Vonderheide                                     | Lisa Waldhoff                                    |
| Gift Bearers         | Justin Conder Family                         | Greg Michelle Spannagel                         | Deb Stremming  | Wanda Ohnesorge                                  |
| Greeters             | John Karen Neu                               | Rosemary Vonderheide                            | Todd Wanda Ohnesorge                                 | Wally Thompson Family                            |
| Money Counters       | Stremming Conder                             | Doedtman Shadwell                               | Waldhoff Spannagel                                   | Kemme, Hoene, Adams                              |
| WED. 8:00AM          | Nov. 23                                      | Nov. 30   | Dec. 7   | Dec. 14  |
| Lector               | Teresa Tegeler                               | Kay Conder                                      | Linda Doedtman                                       | Teresa Tegeler                                   |

Weekly Offering.....11-20-2022

Adults..... \$1880.00  
Loose..... \$341.00  
Children.....\$7.00  
Campaign for Justice & Hope..... \$60.00  
Cemetery..... \$160.00  
Catholic Children’s Home.....\$10.00  
CC Food Drive.....\$247.00  
Christmas Offering.....\$10.00  
Flowers..... \$50.00  
Total..... \$2765.00  
Masses \$10.00

Pray along to a Diocesan-wide Rosary Dec. 8 - To honor Mary on the feast of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8) and to pray for a Eucharistic revival during the diocesan-wide Year of the Eucharist which starts Dec. 8, join Catholics from our parishes and schools as the faithful from every corner of our diocese prays a part in the holy Rosary. Go to [www.youtube.com/diospringfield](http://www.youtube.com/diospringfield) and/or [www.facebook.com/diospringfield](http://www.facebook.com/diospringfield) on Dec. 8 at any time to watch and pray with Catholics from our 28 counties!



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

It is that time of the year!!!  
 We once again be participating a  
 GIVING "TREE"  
 to help children in the Beecher  
 City and Stew-Stras communities.  
 The tags are located on a special  
 board found in the cry room.  
 Wrapped gifts MUST be returned  
 to the church basement by  
 Sunday, Dec. 11.  
 Each gift must have the tag from  
 the board attached to it. If you  
 have multiple packages, make  
 sure each package is labeled with  
 the tag number.

#### Mass Schedule for upcoming holidays—

Thanksgiving 8 am-Shumway(volunteers for Ministries)  
 10:30 am-Green Creek  
 Immaculate Conception  
 Vigil Wed. Dec. 7- 6:30pm-Shumway (volunteers)  
 Thurs. Dec. 8- 6pm-Green Creek  
 Christmas Eve-4pm-Shumway  
 6pm-Green Creek  
 Christmas Day-8am-Shumway  
 10:30am -Green Creek

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.

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. 3 –Balthasar Noheimer by Helene & Hans Kollinger  
 Sunday, Dec. 4 –Patty Carruthers by George & Diana Conder  
 Wednesday, Dec. 7 – 8am  
**Holy Day Vigil – Wed. Dec. 7 6:30pm-**  
 Saturday, Dec. 10 –  
 Sunday, Dec. 11 - Ross Pautler by Duane Joyce Shadwell  
 Wednesday, Dec. 14 -

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.

Happy Birthday



Tim Monroe 12-4  
 Dorothy Hankins 12-6  
 Chad Kessler 12-6  
 Judy Zacha 12-6  
 Braxton Hoene 12-7  
 Hunter Brown 12-8

*Families in Faith*



Next classes—Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> and 18th.



The Youth Group (grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) and their  
 families are invited to go Caroling on Saturday,  
 Dec. 17 after Mass. Caroling will be from 5-7pm  
 at a couple of different locations and we will  
 return to church afterwards for refreshments.  
 Please bring something to share. Text Donna  
 (217-690-2640) or sign up at religion class so we  
 can get a count for snacks and drivers.

### Christmas Tree Blessing

Holy Creator of Trees, Bless with your  
 abundant grace this our Christmas tree  
 as a symbol of joy. May its evergreen  
 branches be a sign of your never-  
 fading promises. May its colorful lights  
 and ornaments call us to decorate with  
 love our home and our world. May the  
 gifts that surround this tree be symbols  
 of the gifts that we have received from  
 the Tree of Christ's Cross. Holy  
 Christmas tree within our home, may  
 Joy and Peace come and nest in your  
 branches and in our hearts. Amen.

Get into the Spirit of Christmas by coming to the 2022 St. Isidore CCW Christmas Walk Sunday, December 4, 2022--A Walk  
 Through Christmas Past & Present. Homes on the Walk: Eric & Emily Brummer; Joe & Hilarie Repking; Eric & Lexi Niemerg;  
 and Todd & Kelly Schmidt. In addition to the homes, at the Immaculate Conception Hall in Dieterich there will be all kinds  
 of nostalgic Christmas décor; refreshments, raffle items, and chances to win a handmade Christmas quilt. The proceeds  
 from the Walk will go to the Mattoon Deanery Seminarists; with proceeds from the Christmas quilt going to Operation  
 Santa (a Military organization). Come and enjoy the homes; the hall and get into the Spirit of Christmas! Time of the Walk:  
 Homes – 1:00pm to 4:30pm Immaculate Conception Hall – 12:30pm to 5:30pm Raffle drawings: 5:00pm  
 Ticket Price: Adults \$10.00; 8-12 yr. old's \$5.00

#### 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

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

**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](mailto: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](http://wwme.org) or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.  
3/17/2023 – 3/19/2023 – Villa Maria Conference Center, Springfield, IL

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.

**Themes for the 2nd Sunday of Advent**

The readings for the Second Sunday of Advent for Year A are a call to repentance. In the first reading we hear a savior will bring change to our world. In the second reading we are told to be more welcoming to one another. In the gospel, John the Baptist warns the people to change their ways.

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



1<sup>st</sup> week review—  
Be awake, Be ready  
Be prepared to work  
Things which are temporary vs permanent  
Walking in the light

**Family Connection** Matthew 3:1-12

We do many things to get ourselves ready for our celebration of Christmas: purchase gifts, prepare Christmas cards, decorate our homes. John's call of repentance in preparation for Jesus reminds us that our repentance is another way in which we can prepare for the Lord's coming and our celebration of Christmas. Parish communities often offer a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Advent season. Your family might choose to participate in the communal celebration of the sacrament, or you might seek out the sacrament on an individual basis.

Read together today's Gospel. Talk about how John reminds the people that they prepare for the reign of God by reforming their lives. As a family, prepare a simple reconciliation service in preparation for Christmas such as the following: Gather in a prayerful space, perhaps around your family Advent wreath. Read again today's Gospel: Matthew 3:1-3. Invite each family member to pray silently, asking God to forgive their sins. Pray together an Act of Contrition. Then celebrate God's forgiveness by sharing a Sign of Peace with each other.

Year of the Eucharist - The diocesan-wide Year of the Eucharist starts Dec. 8. <https://www.dio.org/revival/> is the main website.  
The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops also has a page for resources you can use. Go to The Eucharist | USCCB.org

