

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

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



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	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	March 4
Servers	Anna Brown Grady/Weston Spannagel	Madalyne Brown Abby Brown Thomas Davis	Trey Brown Isaac Wells Abby Brown	Anna Brown Madalyne Brown Thomas Davis	Trey Brown Isaac Wells Abby Brown
Lector	Thomas Davis	Alaina Miller	Donna Davis	Abby Brown	Christy Brown
Usher	Josh Spannagel Donna Miller	Doug Brown Lisa Waldhoff	Jesse Davis Mike Holland	Don Brown Doug Brown	Thomas Davis Jesse Davis
Ech Min	Beth Spannagel		Kathy Brown	Rosemary Holland	Mike Holland
Gift Bearers	Josh Miller Family		Jesse Davis Family	Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown
Greeters	Davis Family		Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family
SUN 8am	Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19 Families in Faith	Feb. 26 Families in Faith	March 5
Servers	Rory Miller Jacob Miller Isaac Miller	Rory Miller Jacob Miller Isaac Miller	Olivia Vonderheide Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene	Wylie Miller Rory Miller Daisy Miller	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel Isaac Pruemer
Lector	Terry Hoene	Jason Pruemer	Jason Pruemer	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	Jason Pruemer John Miller	Don Antrim Josh Spannagel	Don Antrim Josh Spannagel	Jason Vonderheide Charly Vonderheide	Larry Lieb Jim Vonderheide
Ech Min	Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Waldhoff	Beth Spannagel	Roy Waldhoff	Leslie Kemme
Gift Bearers	Josh Miller Family	Rosemary Vonderheide	Sally Wakefield	Roy Lisa Waldhoff	Jason Pruemer Family
Greeters	Don Marcella Antrim	George Conder Family	Joe Kay Conder	Tom Helen Doedtman	Ed Leslie Kemme
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Spannagel	Kemme, Hoene Adams	Bales, Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am	Feb. 8	Feb. 15	Feb. 22	March 1	March 8
Lectors	Irene Koester	Teresa Tegeler	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Irene Koester

If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, PLEASE find a sub!!!!

Invitation to join an In-Person Book Study during Lent - No Fee Led by Pati Jansen and Sister Jane Boos, SSND

Book: 'Becoming an Ordinary Mystic' by Fr. Albert Haase, OFM ISBN: 978-0-8308-4657-3 (print) 978-0-8308-7057-8 (digital)
Thursdays March 16 - May 18, 2023 1:00 - 2:30 pm Every two weeks St. Anthony Parish Hall, Effingham; participants purchase their own book
To register: Email pati@jansenfam.com or jboossnd@gmail.com or call 217-622-4997 before March 10, 2023

Weekly Offering.....2-12-23

Adults..... \$1440.00
Loose..... \$305.00
1st Offering..... \$50.00
Latin America.....\$50.00
Catholic Times.....\$50.00
Total \$1900.00

Masses \$80.00

**** ACTION ALERT ****

Walgreens, CVS, and Rite Aid pharmacy chains will soon begin selling the abortion pill (mifepristone). This is a disastrous expansion of abortion! Abortion pills kill almost half a million children in the womb each year in the US, and are dangerous for the women who take them.

Help us stop the deadly abortion pill from coming to Effingham pharmacies. Let them know: We don't want an abortion provider in our community!

What can I do?

Contact the Effingham Walgreens pharmacy manager and store manager. Respectfully ask them to reject sale of the abortion pill.

- Stop in during pharmacy hours (8 am to 8 pm).
- Write a letter and send to: Walgreens 1200 W. Fayette Ave. Effingham, IL 62401
- Call them at 217-342-6075

For more information or to stay informed, send an email to tvkemme@frontiernet.net.

Your prayers are needed. Stories of abortion expansion in Illinois continue and seem to be more geared toward late term abortions. This expansion is happening throughout the state, including our region. Both of these facilities are within a 1.5 hour drive of Effingham:

The new Equity Clinic in Champaign will not only provide late term abortions of children (up to 24 weeks gestation), they will also be a training center for abortionists. They were scheduled to open their grisly business this week.

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/illinois-abortion-business-six-months/?fbclid=IwAR3otcnq7SiGDe2Jx8aV6vxwF7IbqNCGZfn3UfXWAgNVWqXXnorlvjArt-E>

Memorial Hospital in Shiloh is reportedly seriously considering and preparing to commit abortions on their OB floor, possibly beginning as soon as this summer. Average gestational age of children to be aborted would be 24-27 weeks. Please send an email to Memorial's president Mike McManus, Michael.McManus@bjc.org to respectfully let him know your opposition to this plan.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to pray for the protection of all Life at St Michael in Sigel on Monday February 20. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. Sunder Ery will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm mass. The business meeting will follow in the grade school council room. Refreshments will be served while current pro-life issues are discussed.



Saturday, Feb.18 – Special Intention by Jane Bolton Montello

Sunday, Feb. 19 – James Tate by Joe & Kay Conder

Wednesday, Feb. 22 –

Saturday, Feb. 25 – Marian Runde by family

Sunday, Feb. 26 –

Wednesday, March 1 - John Sheehan by Carol Sheehan

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



George Levi 2-19

Barb Vonderheide 2-22

Carolyn Clark 2-22

John Neu 2-23

Shae Conder 2-24

Dennis Vahling 2-24

Mark your calendars for Ash Wednesday Mass—
Feb. 22 @ 6 pm. Ministries will be filled by
volunteers!!

Also there will be Stations of the Cross every
Friday at 7 pm. There is a sign up sheet in the cry
room for anyone who would like to help with the
stations.

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22, and ends just prior to the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. All the faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations that follow), serious prayer, and performing deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

Lenten Regulations

1. ABSTINENCE – Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. FAST – Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.
3. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Families in Faith

Next classes—
Feb. 19th and 26th

Happy Anniversary

Ron & Karen Wakefield
2-22-2014
9 years

Family Connection

Family life teaches us many things. It is often at home that we learn practical skills such as cooking, riding a bike, and making repairs. Talk about some of the things that the members of your family have learned to do at home. We also learn about caring at home. Talk about times when you have learned a lesson about sharing, forgiving, or loving through an experience that happened at home.

Talk about how love is the most important thing a family can share with one another. Explain that it is the same in God's family. Read aloud this Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 5:38–48. Talk about how Jesus tried to teach his disciples how to love others beyond those who are closest to them. Jesus tells them to love even their enemies. As members of God's family, we are called to do the same thing. Talk about some concrete ways you can "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you"

Remind your children that Jesus does not expect us to be perfect. Jesus knows that we are human and will not always do everything correctly. Explain that what Jesus wants us to do is to love others as if they were Jesus himself. If we reach out in love to others, we are doing exactly what Jesus did. That is what perfection looks like. End this time together by praying the Act of Love.

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



St. Isidore Youth Ministry is hosting their
annual soup supper on Sunday, Feb. 26, from
4:00pm to 7:00pm, in the St. Aloysius Parish
Center in Bishop Creek. The menu includes
chili, chicken noodle soup, sauerkraut soup,
sandwiches, and dessert. There will also be a
basket raffle.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FUND RAISER

J&J Gaming is sponsoring Effingham Catholic
Charities Trivia Night on March 4, 2023 at the
Effingham Event Center in Effingham, Illinois.
Doors open at 6 PM and trivia will begin at
6:30. Tickets are \$360 for a team of 8 or
individual tickets are \$50 each. Persons
purchasing an individual ticket will be placed
with others to make a team of 8. Tickets will
be sold on Facebook at Effingham Catholic
Charities Events Page, on cc.dio.org, or at the
door. This is a beach themed event, so feel
free to wear your favorite tropical attire. Food
will be provided for a free will donation and
drinks are available to purchase.

St. Clare Catholic Church in Altamont, IL will be
having a Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, February
26th from 7:30 until 12:00pm. The menu
includes sausage patties, country ham,
scrambled eggs, biscuit and gravy, pancakes,
sweet rolls, sweet breads, milk, juice, and coffee.
St. Clare is located at 216 N 9th Street,
Altamont, IL 62411. Free will donations will be
accepted.

St. Michael's Swine and Dine Breakfast at
St. Michael School, Sigel will be held Sunday,
Feb. 26, from 7:00am to noon. The menu
includes whole hog sausage, pancakes,
scrambled/fried eggs, homemade rolls, breads,
orange juice, milk, and coffee. There will be a
craft store, raffle items, and mystery boxes.

Sacred Heart Parish Lenten Fish Fry
Country Rhodes
Friday, Feb. 24, 2023 4-7 pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center, Effingham
\$14 per adult plate
\$10 per child plate

Menu is AYCE: fried fish, mac-n-cheese,
hush puppies, slaw, baked beans, potato
salad, steak fries and applesauce.
Carry-outs are available.

REFLECTIONS— The readings for the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A focus on holiness and loving our neighbor. The first reading tells us not to bear grudges and gives us the Golden Rule. The second reading reminds us that all of us are God's temples. And in the gospel, Jesus tells us that we must love everyone, even our enemies.

The command to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us seems impossible at times. When we have truly been wounded by another person, forgiveness is much more difficult than flipping a switch. It takes time and patience.

A good first step is to ask the Divine Physician to heal the wound. For a raw, hurting wound makes it almost impossible to focus on anything else. When we become focused on the hurt, replaying the memory in our heads, ask the Lord for healing. Speak to Him about how you feel. He knows better than any of us what it feels like to be betrayed and wounded.

It might also be necessary to pray for the desire to forgive the other person. Our natural instinct is to want revenge. We need God's help to change our hearts to truly want to forgive. When the desire to forgive is growing in our hearts, then we can pray for the person who has hurt us.

It is also important to realize that none of this process requires interacting with the person who hurt us. That is completely optional. We might never get an apology or an understanding of what caused the incident. Waiting for that just keeps us held hostage. Letting go and forgiving sets us free.

Is there someone in my life whom I consider an "enemy"?

How can I be more Christlike in my interactions with people who oppose me?

How can praying for someone who has hurt me be beneficial for me also?

(young-catholics.com)

PRO_LIFE NEWS

Illinois March for Life

Illinois March for Life in Springfield - The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois invites you to join us for the Illinois March for Life, Tuesday, March 21. The day will start with Mass, 10:00 am, Sangamon Auditorium, on the UIS Campus, 1 University Plaza, Springfield. At noon, the Illinois March for Life will hold a rally in front of the State Capitol, 2nd Street, at the Lincoln Statue. A march around the State Capitol complex will begin after the rally. The Mass, rally and march are intended for 7th-12th graders, college students, and adults. Please register to attend the Mass and March. <https://illinoismarchforlife.org/>

Seats on a Bales bus are limited so text now. TEXT 217-663-2056 Diann Ruholl deadline March 6. Leaving Eff KC hall at 8AM, bring a sack lunch, return 5PM. Cost \$20 and a pkg of pampers to help Family Life Center. Deadline is Feb24 for ordering hoodies Cost \$30.

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women to attend our annual Lenten Retreat at Villa Maria in Springfield beginning at 9:00 am on Tuesday March 28th and ending at noon on Wed. March 29th. Kim Paden, retreat master, will take us on "our journey of faith". She is the Chair of the Spirituality Commission for the National Council of Catholic Women and writes periodically for The Catholic Post, the newspaper for the Catholic Diocese of Peoria. What a wonderful time for spiritual presentations, prayer, Holy Mass, Confession, fellowship and much more. Bring your sister, your mom, your friend. All are welcome! Registration forms with cost and further information is available on the bulletin board.