

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

To reserve the church basement please call
1-844-536-6514.

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!

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



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

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 Don Brown	Doug Brown Jason Wells	Jesse Davis Mike Holland	Don Brown Doug Brown	Thomas Davis Jesse Davis
Ech Min	Beth Spannagel	Don Brown	Kathy Brown	Rosemary Holland	Mike Holland
Gift Bearers	Josh Spannagel Family	Jason Wells Family	Jesse Davis Family	Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown
Greeters	Davis Family	Wells 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 Vonderheide Isaac Pruemer	Noah Pruemer Shae Conder Zoey Conder	Olivia Vonderheide Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene	Wylie Miller Rory Miller Daisy Miller	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel Isaac Pruemer
Lector	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Jason Pruemer	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	Jason Pruemer John Neu	Justin Conder Josh Miller	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 Lectors	Feb. 8	Feb. 15	Feb. 22	March 1	March 8
	Irene Koester	Teresa Tegeler	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Irene Koester

Dive Deep Podcast: Contraception,
transgenderism, dating, relationships - how do we
navigate all this? Go to YouTube or follow this link
<https://youtu.be/ISmaeQzqeyA> or find it here
<https://podcast.dio.org/episodes/>

Copies of the parish’s yearly financial statement
can be found in the sacristy on the counter. If you
would like to have one, please pick one up.

Weekly Offering.....	1-29-23
Adults.....	\$2020.00
Loose.....	\$395.00
Latin America.....	\$20.00
1st Offering.....	\$25.00
Catholic Times.....	\$120.00
Total	\$2580.00

February 2-Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

We celebrate the final day of the 40-day-long Christmastide season with the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple of Jerusalem, a tradition that dates to at least the middle of the fourth century. Commonly known as “Candlemas,” earlier traditions mention this feast as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary in reference to Jewish laws for purification after giving birth. With this feast, we are reminded of Simeon’s prophecy about the Christ-child being a light to the Gentile nations and a sign for the Jews, and that a sword would pierce Mary’s soul.

Processions with candles started appearing in the eleventh century. These processions represented the entry of Christ, who is the light of the world, into the Temple of Jerusalem, thus the term Candlemas. Saints in our Catholic tradition have given special meaning to the candles used in Candlemas as a symbol of the Incarnate Christ: the beeswax is a symbol of His pure body, the wick His soul, and the flame His divinity.

The readings for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord speak of purification and offering. Some questions to consider for this day:

- What am I willing to present to God as an offering?
- What parts of my life do I need to purify? Where am I in need of more holiness?
- Can I offer some aspect of my own life as the gifts are brought up during the offertory?

Feast Day – Feb. 3 St. Blaise was a fourth century bishop and doctor. He is known for his miraculous works. Many people came to him to be cured of their ailments. It is said that sick and wounded animals would find their way to him and he would heal them.

He is perhaps best known for healing a choking child. The governor had arrested Blaise for being a Christian. While he was being taken to prison, a woman came to him with her son, who was choking to death on a fish bone caught in his throat. Blaise cured the child.

He was martyred in 316. This was during the persecution of Christians by the Emperor Licinius. Blessing of the Throats--Because St. Blaise miraculously cured the choking child, it is common to bless throats on his feast day. Two candles are crossed in front of the person’s throat, and then the priest offers this prayer.

Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil.

Patron Saint of...

St. Blaise is the patron saint of throats, animals, veterinarians, and builders.



Saturday, Feb. 4 –

Sunday, Feb. 5 - Stella Esker by Duane Joyce Shadwell

Wednesday, Feb. 8 - Alfred Wernsing by Alice Richards

Saturday, Feb. 11 – Louis Tegeler by family

Sunday, Feb. 12 –Violet Pautler by Duane & Joyce Shadwell

Wednesday, Feb. 15 - Jonathan Wernsing by Alice Richards

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



Evan Pape 2-5

Isaac Pruemer 2-6

Mason Manhart 2-7

Tom Laue 2-7

Donna Davis 2-10

Families in Faith

Next classes—
Feb. 19th and 26th

Happy Anniversary

Greg & Michelle Spannagel

2-5-1977

46 years

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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

Lent is fast approaching. Mark your calendars for Ash Wednesday Mass—Feb. 22 @ 6 pm.

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

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.

Contraception, transgenderism, dating, relationships – how do we navigate all this? – Jason Evert has traveled to six continents to bring the message of purity to millions of people for more than 20 years. He has a masters in Theology and degrees in Counseling and Theology. He is a best-selling author of more than 15 books, and he and his wife run Chastity Project and its website, chastity.com, the podcast “Lust is Boring,” and lead an international alliance of young people who promote purity in more than 40 countries. He joins Dive Deep to discuss contraception, transgenderism, dating, relationships, and more. Go to www.dio.org/podcast or search Dive Deep on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.

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



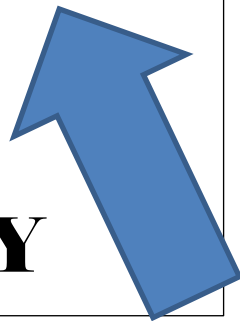
Newman Breakfast - February 5th

The annual Newman Breakfast will be held Sunday, February 5th from 7 am until Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Menu will include all you can eat scrambled eggs, whole hog sausage, biscuits & gravy, hashbrowns, French toast sticks, cinnamon rolls, coffee, juice & milk. Baked goods will be available for purchase, and chances will be available for raffle items.

Over 80 Newman Centers throughout the state of Illinois offer college students a chance to gather and practice their faith. Proceeds from the breakfast go to the Newman Fund.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help offset the cost of the breakfast, please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus - Newman Breakfast". Please mail your donation to one of the following: Tim & Linda Hemmen, 17811 N 1650th St., Teutopolis, IL 62467 Steve & Shanta Will, 14331 E 2100th Ave., Effingham, IL 62401

THIS SUNDAY



The Women of the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are offering four \$1500.00 college scholarships to four outstanding Catholic Senior Young Ladies. Deadline to enter is April 1st, 2023. Winners will be announced in May and honored at the Woman of Distinction Banquet in July. To obtain a scholarship email Donna Davis at stmarysshumway@gmail.com.

You are invited to a historical diocesan-wide celebration at the BOS Center in Springfield – To celebrate the Year of the Eucharist going on in our diocese right now and the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city of our diocese from Alton to Springfield, a Eucharistic Congress is taking place Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield. This major event will include talks from nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass where the arena will be packed with thousands of Catholics from across the diocese. You are invited! Doors open at 10:30 a.m. with the first speaker starting at 1 p.m., and Mass begins at 4 p.m. Stay tuned for how to get free tickets and mark your calendar! There will be no Masses at parishes on Saturday, Oct. 28. We want you in Springfield!

REFLECTIONS—

The readings for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time focus on evangelization and service. The first reading tells us that when we care for those in need, the darkness in our lives will turn to light. The second reading helps us remember that we do not rely on our own wisdom when we speak and act, but on God. And the gospel tells us that we should boldly spread the Light of Christ throughout the world.

The reading from Isaiah tells us that being devoted to God means taking care of those who need our help the most. God wants us to care from those on the margins. The list of actions which we should take are closely related to the Corporal Works of Mercy. Worshiping God also means using the gifts we have been giving to work for a just society.

We must do more than just pray for people. We are called to act. When we do this, then the darkness of society will be overcome with light. Malicious speech, hate, and condemnation will be less visible when our acts of love shine.

The gospel also uses the image of light. The good things we do glorify God, for the Light of Christ is shining through us. This is how the Kingdom of God grows.

Jesus also tells us that salt loses its flavor, then it is no longer really salt. Similarly, if we are all talk, but we don't understand the message of Christ crucified then we are missing a crucial characteristic of Christians. When people see our good works, then people can encounter Christ through us.
(young-catholics.com)

Family Connection Matthew 5:13-16

The widespread use of electricity in our society may make us less aware of the value and importance of light. To re-engage with the power of the metaphor that Jesus offers, gather your family in a darkened room. Bring only one flashlight.

Sit together for a minute and consider what you are able to do and see in so little light. You might try opening the Bible to see whether you can read today's Gospel. Turn on the flashlight and experiment to see how one might use it to achieve the greatest amount of light. Then read today's Gospel by the light of the flashlight. Ask everyone to consider what it means to say that Christians are to be the light of the world. How might your family act in a way that is a light for others, a light that is worthy to put on a lamp stand? Choose one thing that your family will do this week to show that you are the light of the world. You might choose to participate in an activity that your parish sponsors, such as help with a food pantry. Pray together by singing "This Little Light of Mine."

Starting the week of February 6th, NCSC will also be hosting a 6-week study series - "**Relationship Ready: A Single Catholic's Roadmap to Marriage**" that will cover topics such as the meaning of love, communication, conflict resolution, male/female complementarity and much more. To sign up for these programs, visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com.