

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.stmaryshumway.org](http://www.stmaryshumway.org)

Email: [stmarysshumway@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysshumway@gmail.com)

Address: PO Box 96, Shumway, IL 62461

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

Cemetery Committee

John Adams 618-322-2874

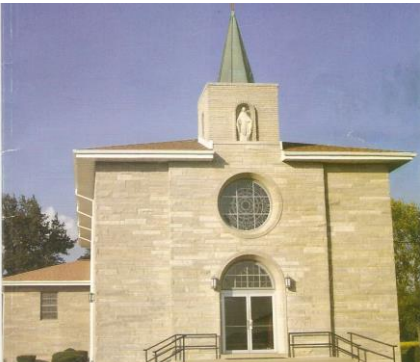
Matt Childerson 217-254-5896

Daphne Hoffman 217-821-7268

Funeral Meal Coordinators

Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399

Dot Thomas 217-259-8560



Green Creek Mass Times:

Friday – 8 am

Saturday – 6 pm

Sunday – 10:30 am

Diocese Website: [www.dio.org](http://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!



Cinda Held  
Beth Hewing  
Nelda McCoy  
Marita Kemme  
Larry Nation  
Jim Gordon  
Don Kemme  
Don Clark  
Dan Zacha Sr.

Steve Moore  
Sally Wakefield  
Pat Kuhns  
Bill Hamilton  
Christie Dust  
Helen Kollinger  
Bill Nuxoll  
Marita Elson



**April Committee:** Joyce Wells, Dot Thomas, Sara Roepke, Joyce Hoene, Shirley Zacha, Kay Dust

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
SAT 4pm	March 23	March 30 NO MASS	April 6	April 13	April 20
Servers	Tryston Brown Trey Brown Madalyne	<u>Holy Thursday</u> , March28 Shumway 6:30pm Volunteers  <u>Good Friday</u> March 29- Green Creek 3pm <u>Easter Vigil</u> , March 30 Green Creek 7:30pm	Isaac Wells Abby Brown Anna Brown	Aubrey Brown Tryston Brown Trey Brown	Madalyne Brown Isaac Wells Aubrey Brown
Lector	Abby Brown		Katrina Davis	Christy Brown	Mike Holland
Usher	Jason Wells Mike Holland		Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Doug Brown Don Brown
Ech Min	Donna Davis Don Brown Katrina Davis		Mike Holland Kathy Brown Rosemary Holland	Kathy Brown Don Brown Katrina Davis	Mike Holland Don Brown Rosemary Holland
Gift Bearers	Jesse Davis Family		Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family
Greeters	Wells Family		Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family
SUN 8am	March 24- Parish Families in Faith	March 31 -Easter	April 7	April 14-Parish Families in Faith	April 21
Servers	Jacob Vonderheide Wade Conder Zoey Conder	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	Don Antrim Jason Vonderheide	Charly Vonderheide Larry Lieb	Jim Vonderheide Roy Waldhoff	George Conder Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman
Ech Min	Lisa Waldhoff Roy Waldhoff Barb Vonderheide	Leslie Kemme Lisa Thompson Timber Miller	Lisa Waldhoff Barb Vonderheide Linda Doedtman	Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide
Gift Bearers	Don Marcella Antrim	George Diana Conder	Jason Vonderheide Fam	Tom Helen Doedtman	Ed Leslie Kemme
Greeters	George Diana Conder	Don Marcella Antrim	Joe Kay Conder	Ed Leslie Kemme	Tom Helen Doedtman
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	March 20	March 27	April 3	April 10	April 17
	Linda Doedtman	Wylie Miller	Irene Koester	Linda Doedtman	Wylie Miller

**Weekly Offering.....4-8-24**  
Adult.....\$2495.00  
Loose.....\$458.00  
Catholic Charities.....\$50.00  
Holy Land.....\$10.00  
Seminarians.....\$60.00  
Rice Bowl.....\$50.00  
**Total.....\$3123.00**  
Masses \$50.00

**Parish Hall Update:**  
Our current funds -- \$97,046.93  
**Upcoming events:**  
April 20-Poker Run (full details next week)  
Sept. 22- Pork Chop Dinner (in conjunction with the Shumway Sesquicentennial Celebration)

**St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale**  
April 25th 8:00 am - 6:00 pm April 26th 8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
April 27th 8:00 am - 11:00 am  
Sale will be held at the St. Thomas Parish Center in Newton, IL



**Happy Anniversary**  
Don & Christy Brown 4-17-2004  
20 years

**Dale & Kathy Worman 4-17-1982**  
42 years

Volunteers Needed for Work Day at the Cross! The Cross at the Crossroads needs your helping hands on Saturday, April 27th, from 9am to Noon. We'll be applying mulch to the bermed areas around our statues and near the Welcome Center. This is a great opportunity for adults and jr. high and high school students (service hours will be given). Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own garden gloves, rakes, and/or shovels if available. Donuts will be provided. Please reach out to Wayne, our groundskeeper, at 217-821-1659 to sign up.

Happy Birthday



Elaine Sieben 4-14  
Joe Conder 4-15  
Claire Holland 4-19  
Marcella Antrim 4-19  
Duane Brandt 4-20

Save the date-  
May Crowning and Rosary  
after Mass on  
Sunday, May 5.

*Parish Families in Faith*

Next classes:  
April 14 and 28

Youth Group will meet at the church this Sunday April 14th from 6-7:30pm. Bring a snack to share. Drinks provided. Contact Katrina (217-240-4291) with any questions.

Jesus and the Eucharist: A Small Group Series for Eucharistic Revival

7-week series Beginning Wed. May 8 @ 6:30PM St. Mary's, Shumway No registration necessary

Jesus Is Calling Us Deeper--He promises to restore and renew his people. This is a great way to prepare for the Eucharistic Congress in July in Indianapolis. There is still time to sign up to attend the Congress.

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL will be hosting a retreat on April 19-20. The theme is "Healing Through Deep Prayer: Our Lady of the Church. The speaker will be Fr. Aidan Nichols. Dive into healing and explore Mary's role in the history of the Church with this holy priest. Please go to osmm.org to register, and the full agenda is listed on their website. The cost is \$45 to attend. You may also contact Karla Slifer at 217-690-5282 for more information.



Saturday, April 13 --†Ella Stump Bolton by Jane Montello  
Sunday, April 14 --†Ross Pautler by Duane Joyce Shadwell  
Wednesday, April 17 --†Sam Sheehan by Don Marcella Antrim  
Saturday, April 20 --†Judy Truax by Jane Montello  
Sunday, April 21--†Matthew Tegeler by family  
Wednesday, April 24 --†Sam Sheehan by Charly Rhonda Vonderheide

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 in the cry room.



"Members of St. Mary's Youth Group visited Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia on April 7th. Students were given a tour of the campus where they got to see beautiful statues, windows, and relics and learn about them while also learning about what the ministry does through various retreats and healing services. Additionally, our tour guides gave us an opportunity to see inside Mother Dolors Church and learn about its long history. After the tour, students enjoyed fellowship with a game of bowling. You can pick up a brochure at the entrance of the church or visit [www.osmm.org](http://www.osmm.org) if you are interested in learning more about Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry."

#### Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life

**April 22** (Mon). At St. Mary, Help of Christians Church in Green Creek. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. Albert Allen will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm mass. The business meeting will follow in the parish hall. Refreshments will be served while current pro-life issues are discussed.

#### Family Life Center 5k Run and Prayer Walk

**April 20** (Sat). Held in Effingham.

5K starts at 9am, Prayer Walk (new!) will be at around 10:30 am. All in attendance will receive a bookmark to keep with the verses tied to our prayer/reflection time. They can keep that in their bible so they can always pray for FLC! <https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Effingham/FLC5KRunWalkforLife>



Attend the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage coming to cities in our diocese – You are invited to a once-in-a-lifetime experience being called “our national Emmaus moment,” after the biblical passage in which Jesus walked with two of his disciples along the road to Emmaus. The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage is an unprecedented pilgrimage in which Catholics will pray and publicly follow Jesus in their cities through Eucharistic processions. The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is excited to be included in one of the national routes July 8-12. Cities include Collinsville, Alton, Quincy, Girard, Springfield, Effingham, and Teutopolis. Go to [dio.org/procession](http://dio.org/procession) to learn more and register!

Very limited National Eucharistic Congress tickets available for nearly half price - The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois has pre-purchased weeklong passes to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis this July at a discounted rate, and we’d like to offer the opportunity to the people of our diocese. Passes are \$200 (a savings of \$160) and can be purchased at <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=XebMkt>. Confirmation of this purchase will come in an email in which you will receive a payment code. After you receive that payment code, you will then need to register for the Eucharistic Congress itself by going here: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register>. When checking out after clicking a “full event pass,” you will then put in your code during the payment option so the price becomes \$0. Lodging, meals, and travel will need to be booked and paid for separately.

REFLECTIONS—cont. from page 2  
Reflection Questions for the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B

- How does the message of repentance in the readings challenge or comfort me in my own spiritual journey?
- In what ways have I experienced God's forgiveness in my life, and how has it transformed my relationship with Him and with others?
- Reflect on a time when you felt like the disciples—confused or doubtful about your faith. How did you come to recognize Jesus in your midst, and what changed for you?
- Jesus' physical resurrection is a central truth of our faith. How does this reality impact the way I live my daily life and interact with others?
  - The disciples were called to be witnesses of Jesus' resurrection. In what ways am I called to witness to the resurrection in my own life? Are there specific actions or changes I feel called to make?
  - The second reading reminds us that Jesus is our advocate and atones for our sins, not just ours but those of the whole world. How does this universal scope of Jesus' sacrifice challenge me to think about those outside my immediate community or circle?
  - Obedience to God’s commands is a sign of true knowledge of Jesus according to 1 John. Reflect on the areas of my life where I struggle to obey God’s commands. What steps can I take to align my will with God’s will more closely?
    - Forgiveness of sins is a theme that runs through all the readings. Who do I need to forgive in my life, and from whom do I need to seek forgiveness?
    - The call to repentance is an invitation to a change of heart and a turning back to God. What concrete steps can I take to deepen my repentance and foster a closer relationship with God?
    - Reflecting on the message of hope and renewal in the resurrection, how can I be a beacon of hope to those around me, especially those who may be experiencing despair or hopelessness?

SonRise Men’s Breakfast will begin a new video series on Friday April 19. All men of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend. Mission of the Family, is a new dynamic video series that proclaims the truth and beauty of the Catholic vision of marriage and the family. This 5 (only five) week series is produced by the Knights of Columbus. SonRise Friday Men’s Breakfast meets at St. Anthony’s Parish Center Friday mornings for men from multiple parishes. Breakfast is served at 6:10 a.m., program at 6:30am, followed by discussion and concluding at 7:30am. The world needs you to be a better son, brother, husband, father, and friend beginning with your relationship with God. Contact the parish office or Dan Woods, [danwoodsface@gmail.com](mailto:danwoodsface@gmail.com)

REFLECTIONS— <https://young-catholics.com/>

*Embracing Repentance and Forgiveness*

As we journey through the Easter season, the readings for the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B invite us to reflect deeply on the themes of repentance, forgiveness, and the power of the Resurrection. The call to turn back to God and the assurance of His forgiveness are central messages that resonate throughout the readings, offering us a path to renewal and hope.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter addresses the people with a powerful message of repentance. He acknowledges that both the people and their leaders acted in ignorance when they rejected Jesus and chose a murderer instead. However, Peter's words are not of condemnation but of invitation. He invites his listeners to repent and turn back to God so that their sins may be wiped out. This passage highlights a fundamental truth of the Christian faith: God's mercy is greater than our sins, and His desire is always to bring us back into full communion with Him.

The theme of repentance and forgiveness is further developed in the Gospel. Here, the risen Jesus appears to His disciples, offering them peace and dispelling their fears. By showing His hands and feet and sharing a meal with them, Jesus demonstrates the reality of His physical resurrection. He then opens their minds to understand the Scriptures, showing how His suffering, death, and resurrection were all part of God's salvific plan. This moment is not just a revelation of the mystery of the Resurrection but also an invitation to the disciples to become witnesses to the forgiveness of sins through Jesus' name.

The call to repentance is not a mere acknowledgment of wrongdoing. It is an invitation to a change of heart, to turn away from sin and toward God's loving mercy. The assurance of forgiveness that follows repentance is a gift of God's infinite love, a promise that no matter how far we have strayed, there is always a way back to Him.

*Living in the Light of the Resurrection*

The readings for this Sunday also challenge us to live as witnesses to the Resurrection, embodying the hope and renewal it signifies. The resurrection of Jesus is not just a historical event; it is a reality that has the power to transform our lives today. By rising from the dead, Jesus has conquered sin and death, opening the way for us to live in newness of life.

In the first reading, John reminds us that Jesus is our advocate with the Father, the one who atones for our sins. This reassurance is not limited to us but extends to the whole world. It is a call to live our lives in a way that reflects the truth of the Resurrection, obeying God's commands and walking in the light of His love. True knowledge of Jesus comes through living in accordance with His teachings, embracing His call to love God and our neighbors.

As witnesses to the Resurrection, we are called to share the message of forgiveness and hope with the world. Jesus' instruction to His disciples to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins to all nations is also a mandate for us. In a world marked by division and despair, the message of the Resurrection is a beacon of hope. It is a reminder that love is stronger than death, and that God's mercy can transform even the darkest situations.

The readings invite us into a deeper encounter with the Risen Lord. They call us to embrace repentance and forgiveness, to live as witnesses to the Resurrection, and to spread the message of hope and renewal to the world. As we reflect on these themes, let us open our hearts to the power of the Resurrection, allowing it to renew us in spirit and in truth. Let us walk in the light of Christ, confident in His love and mercy, and eager to share the Good News of His Resurrection with all whom we meet.

Reflection questions later in the bulletin.



# FOLLOW ME

Pray — Experience — Witness



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Be there when **GOD** moves in your community!

- MONDAY, JULY 8 — COLLINSVILLE AND ALTON**  
1-3 p.m. — Bishop Michael McGovern of the Diocese of Belleville will hand off the national traveling monstrance to Bishop Thomas John Paprocki of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois at St. Peter and Paul Church in Collinsville (adoration and procession to follow)  
5:30-7 p.m. — Potluck dinner and witness talks at St. Mary Church in Alton  
7-8 p.m. — Eucharistic adoration at St. Mary Church
- TUESDAY, JULY 9 — ALTON AND QUINCY**  
8:15 a.m. — Mass at St. Peter and Paul Church in Alton  
9-11:30 a.m. — Eucharistic procession through Alton  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. — Eucharistic procession from St. Peter Church in Quincy to the grave of Venerable Father Augustine Tolton  
7:30-8:30 p.m. — Potluck dinner and witness talks at St. Francis Solanus Church  
8:30-9:30 p.m. — Eucharistic adoration at St. Francis Solanus Church
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 10 — GIRARD AND SPRINGFIELD**  
8 a.m. — Mass at St. Francis Solanus Church in Quincy  
1-1:30 p.m. — Eucharistic procession at the Monastery of Mary the Queen in Girard  
3:30-5 p.m. — Eucharistic procession at St. Francis of Assisi Campus in Springfield  
5:30-7:30 p.m. — Dinner and witness talks at St. Francis of Assisi Conference Center  
7:30 p.m. - 5:45 a.m. — All night Eucharistic adoration at St. Francis of Assisi Church
- THURSDAY, JULY 11 — SPRINGFIELD AND EFFINGHAM**  
7 a.m. — Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield (Bishop Paprocki is main celebrant)  
8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. — Eucharistic procession through Springfield  
5:30-7:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer, potluck dinner and witness talks at Sacred Heart Church in Effingham  
7:30-8:30 p.m. — Eucharistic adoration at Sacred Heart Church
- FRIDAY, JULY 12 — EFFINGHAM AND TEUTOPODIS**  
8:30 a.m. — Adoration and procession beginning at HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital  
9:30 a.m. — Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Effingham  
10:45-11:30 a.m. — Eucharistic procession/adoration at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Teutopolis

\* Schedule and locations subject to change



## Jesus and the EUCHARIST

A SMALL GROUP SERIES FOR

**EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

7-WEEK SERIES BEGINNING  
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