

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL

+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki

Father Albert (Al) Allen, Pastor

Father Mark Tracy, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich

Reconciliation Time: Saturdays 4:15-5:00 pm

Wednesdays 7:45-8:15

Or by appointment

Mass Times: Saturday 5:30 pm & Sunday 8:30 am

Wednesday 8:30 am

Ph #- St. Mary’s 690-2640 (general inquiries)

St. Anthony 347-7129 (make appt w/priest)

Emergency 703-1042

www.stmarysshumway.org

[Contact info for Bulletin Announcements](#)

Donna Davis,

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RESERVING CHURCH BASEMENT-

Please contact Donna Davis to get on the calendar.

Diocese Website: www.dio.org



LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

8:30 AM DAILY

9:15 AM Sunday

Other Parishes’ Mass Times:

St. Anthony – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:15 am & 11:00 am

Sacred Heart – Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:30 am Spanish 7:00pm

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!

Christie Dust

Jim Ruholl

Timber Miller

Shelia Rosine

Sharon Moore

Bill Nuxoll

Rosemary Vonderheide

Eugene Westendorf

Debbie Meyer

Clete Westendorf

Keith Willenborg

Marilyn Zerrusen

Helen Kollinger

Elizabeth Weidner

Mrs. Scott (Stacey)

Vonderheide

Contact Donna Davis to add or remove someone.
Thank You.

April Committee: Tory Holste,
Michelle Spannagel, Sandra Laue,
Janice Monroe, Jamie Vonderheide,
Kathy Worman, Karen Neu



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday	March 27	**	April 10	April 17	April 24	May 1
	Palm Sunday					
Ushers	Thomas Davis Jesse Davis		Josh Spannagel Howard Dust	Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Thomas Davis Jesse Davis
Servers	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel		Trey Brown Isaac Wells	Anna Brown Abby Brown	Trey Brown Isaac Wells	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel
Lector	Donna/Katrina Davis		Jesse Davis	Thomas Davis	Christy Brown	Donna Davis
Euch Min	Mike Holland		Katrina Davis	Howard Dust	Beth Spannagel	Don Brown
Sunday	March. 28	**	April 11	April 18	April 25	May 2
	Palm Sunday					
Ushers	Jason Pruemmer Josh Miller		Justin Conder John Neu	Don Antrim Josh Spannagel	Jason Vonderheide Jim Vonderheide	Charley Vonderheide Larry Lieb
Servers	Wylie Miller Rory Miller		Isaac Pruemmer Jacob Vonderheide	Grady Spannagel Weston Spannagel	Noah Pruemmer Garrett Hoene	Braxton Hoene Jack Holland
Lector	Terry Hoene Reagan McCormick		Lisa Thompson	Jason Pruemmer	Reagan McCormick	Terry Hoene
Euch Min	Roy Waldhoff		Leslie Kemme	Timber Miller	Jason Pruemmer	Linda Doedtman
Money Counters	Waldhoff Spannagel		Doedtman Shadwell	Kemme, Hoene Adams	Bales, Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder



Be Not Afraid to PRAY BIG! We currently have 16 seminarians, which is great! But wouldn’t 40 be better?? YES!!! We invite you to pray a Hail Mary EVERY DAY at 4:40 for our diocese to have 40 seminarians. 4:40 for 40 Seminarians!

Weekly Offering.....4-11-21
Adult\$2147.00
Children\$5.00
Loose\$502.00
Catholic Times.....\$20.00
Seminarians \$70.00
Total \$2744.00
Rice Bowl.....\$132.68

Financial Giving: Thank you to those who continue to make contributions to St. Mary’s Parish. We appreciate your generosity. We thank you for fulfilling your stewardship commitments, even when you are unable to attend church. You can mail envelopes to PO Box 96, Shumway, IL 62461

Family Connection- Luke 24:35-48 Jesus appears again to his disciples and shares a meal with them. Family life is strengthened through storytelling and shared meal times. In a similar way, Christian life is sustained by God’s word in Scripture and by Christ’s presence in the Eucharist. We are especially sustained in our faith through our weekly celebration of Mass. Today’s Gospel reading reminds us that the Scripture and the Eucharist are given to us so that our acts of bearing witness to Christ might be strengthened.

As you gather as a family, ask each person to share their favorite story about your family. Talk about the importance of these memories about your family life and the importance of the meals you have shared together as a family. Recall that these stories and meals strengthen the love you share. In a similar way, our Christian life is strengthened by sharing God’s Word and the Eucharist at Mass. Read together today’s Gospel, Luke 24:35-48. Discuss the mission that Jesus gave to his disciples after their shared meal. The Eucharist also sends us to be Christ’s witnesses in the world today. Conclude by praying together that we will be strengthened by God’s word and by Jesus’ presence in the Eucharist to be witnesses to Christ. Pray together Tantum Ergo or today’s psalm, Psalm 4.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**John & Karen Neu 4-21-79
42 years**

Perpetual Adoration at the chapel at St. Anthony Hospital.

In an effort to fill all spots to return to perpetual adoration, we are asking for assistance for the following dates, please contact the listed person if you are interested:

Sunday – Karie Sudkamp – 217-821-3154 – midnight, 1am, 2am, 3am, 1pm (1st Sunday), noon (4th Sunday), 3pm (2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays).

Monday – Connie Wegman – 217-821-6364 – midnight (3rd and 5th Mondays), 1am, 2am (every other week), noon, 1pm (5th week), 8pm (4th Monday)

Tuesday – Irene Koester – 217-821-4595 – midnight, 2am, 3am

Wednesday – Bernice Sandschafer – 217-536-6320– 2am, 11am (need someone to share)

Thursday – Mary Sandschafer – 217-821-8098 – 1am (5th Thursdays) 2am (5th Thursday), and 4am

Friday – Brad Koenig – 217-690-3333 – 1am, 9am (2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 4pm (2nd Friday), 6pm (3rd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 11pm (1st, 2nd, and 5th Fridays)

Saturday – Anne Wilson – 217-821-1313 – 1am, 2am, 4am, 5pm (2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 10pm

If you do not feel you can fill all weeks of a given time slot, encourage a friend or family member to join you in splitting up the weeks. This is a great opportunity to grow closer to God.



Saturday, April 17 – Roy Wakefield by Sally Wakefield and family
Sunday, April 18 – Ross Pautler by Duane Shadwell Family
Wed. April 21 –
Saturday, April 24 – Linda Westjohn by Rodney Terry Hoene Family
Sunday, April 25 – Leon Vonderheide by Duane Shadwell Family

Please call, text, or email Donna Davis (info on front page) to schedule an intention or put an envelope in the collection basket with the information. Calendar of available dates is on the bulletin board at church.

Families in Faith



Last class April 25. All are welcome to come to breakfast and join Fr. Mark’s class.

Happy Birthday



Claire Holland 4-19
Marcella Antrim 4-19
Duane Brandt 4-20
Sally Wakefield 4-21
Duane Shadwell 4-22
Waylon Brown 4-23
Jason Wells 4-24

Dive Deep - Running for a Higher Purpose: Eight steps to spiritual and physical fitness – that’s the theme of Bishop Thomas John Paprocki’s new book, Running for a Higher Purpose, now available for purchase at holygoalie.net. Perfect for runners, Bishop Paprocki joins Dive Deep to explain why the book may be exactly what you need to give your spiritual and physical well-being a boost. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen and to register to win a free, signed copy of the book!

Everyone is welcome to attend the Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life to celebrate our precious Gift of Life at St Mary Help of Christians in Green Creek on Monday April 19. Praying the scriptural rosary will begin at 6:00 pm, 6:30 pm mass and business meeting will follow in the parish center. Refreshments will be served while current legislation and local pro-life events are discussed.



St. Mary's Parish will host a cookout
in Fr. Mark's honor on
Saturday, May 1 at 6:30pm.

We want to show Fr. Mark our appreciation for all he has
done for our parish and wish him all the best as a new pastor.

The parish will provide food and tea/lemonade.
Please bring a lawn chair and other beverages if you wish.



Church picnic will be Saturday, August 21, 2021.
If you would like to help plan this parish event,
there will be a meeting on Sunday, May 2 at 2pm
at the Brew Bank in Stewardson.

CCW Meeting

The May meeting will honor mothers.
Tuesday, May 4 at 630PM



Fr. Al's Ramblings

This third Sunday of Easter, the messages are about hope and new life; joy and living in Jesus. Saint Peter proclaims the wonders of the Lord: The suffering Messiah has raised from the dead and been glorified. Jesus is our intercessor, and our offering for sin, our peace. But, how do we live a life of joy and hope when our own lives aren't all we want them to be? It is a fact that even the best family goes through challenging times and the happiest marriage has ups and downs. Illnesses strike those we love and watching them suffer is a terrible weight to bear. For many of us, life is full of burdens and disappointment.

Where is the Easter joy? **Stop. Take a deep breath. Pause from life.**

Each one of us has an invitation from Jesus to live in him, to resolve to live firmly in his presence and love. We are called to be in the care of this loving healer and friend and to carry that love with us as we live out our lives.

The first step for finding hope in this Easter season is to stop and reflect on the love that is being offered to us every second of our lives. We need to become aware of it again. When we feel overwhelmed and fearful, we can take just a few minute's break and remind ourselves that Jesus is with us, right now, in our pain.

The Easter hope is praying for the grace to be more loving and more patient. By biting my tongue and holding my judgment, I can keep the door open in my relationships; affirming that goodness is a building block in our relationships.

When Thomas saw Jesus after the resurrection, he was invited to put his fingers into the wounds of Jesus' hands and "bring your hand and put it into my side." It is a startling and graphic image, of placing our hands into a deep wound. But Jesus invites us to do that because we cannot love others until we can enter into their wounds.

That is the hope of Easter, that we can take our joy and belief and ask Jesus for healing for ourselves so that we are better able to cope with the worries we find in our everyday lives.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Al

Dive Deep - No more Communion blessings. What now? A January instruction by Bishop Paprocki instituted no more communion blessings across the diocese. Dive Deep tells you what happens now when someone approaches the priest with their arms crossed and why hearing these certain words, "Receive Christ in your heart," will make a big impact. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen.



Church Decorating/Environment Committee- This committee would be in charge of decorating the church for the liturgical seasons. Christy Brown has volunteered to be the chair of this committee. If you would like to help, please contact her at 217-273-5177.

Feed Your Soul Gospel Reflections

Here is a new program from Dynamic Catholic - a weekly preview of the upcoming Gospels! We are excited to share with you another game-changer from Dynamic Catholic! Feed Your Soul Gospel Reflections is a new email program in which participants will receive a weekly video from Matthew Kelly or Allen Hunt discussing the upcoming Sunday's Gospel reading. We've created this program to help parishioners become more prepared and engaged in the Mass each Sunday – or maybe even inspire you to return to Mass if you haven't yet. Sign up for the weekly video at <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/feed-your-soul.html>