

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

Email: 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

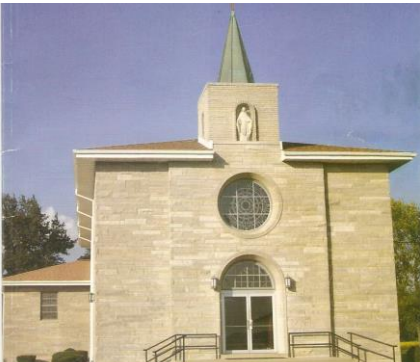
Matt Childerson 217-254-5896

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

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!



Mardell Sheehan
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



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

May Committee: Angie Vonderheide, Terry Hoene, Deb Stremming, Teresa Miller, Carolyn Hackman
Connie Bales

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
SAT 4pm	April 27	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
Servers	Abby Brown Anna Brown Trey Brown	Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown Isaac Wells	Abby Brown Anna Brown Aubrey Brown	Trey Brown Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown	Isaac Wells Abby Brown Anna Brown
Lector	Alaina Miller	Abby Brown	Christy Brown	Katrina Davis	Donna Davis
Usher	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland	Doug Brown Don Brown	Jason Wells Mike Holland
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	Donna Davis Kathy Brown Katrina Davis
Gift Bearers	Doug Brown Family	Jason Wells family	Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown	Jesse Davis Family
SUN 8am	April 28- Parish Families in Faith	May 5 Celebrate Moms/Dads and Crowning/Rosary	May 12	May 19	May 26
Servers	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide
Lector	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene
Ushers	Josh Miller Justin Conder	John Neu Don Antrim	Charly Vonderheide Larry Lieb	Jim Vonderheide Roy Waldhoff	George Conder Joe Conder
Ech Min	Roy Waldhoff Lisa Thompson Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman Leslie Kemme Barb Vonderheide	Roy Waldhoff Lisa Thompson Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman Leslie Kemme Barb Vonderheide	Roy Waldhoff Lisa Thompson Timber Miller
Gift Bearers	Allen Geannine Kessler	Jim Mary Miller	John Karen Neu	Justin Conder Family	Greg Michelle Spannagel
Greeters	Ed Leslie Kemme	John Karen Neu	Jim Mary Miller	Rosemary Vonderheide	Wanda Todd Ohnesorge
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	April 24	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22
	Irene Koester	Linda Doedtman	Wiley Miller	Irene Koester	Linda Doedtman

Weekly Offering.....4-28-24

Adult.....\$1690.00

Loose.....\$550.00

Catholic Home Mission.....\$165.00

Total.....\$2405.00

Next Parish Council Meeting—
Wednesday, June 5 @ 6:30pm

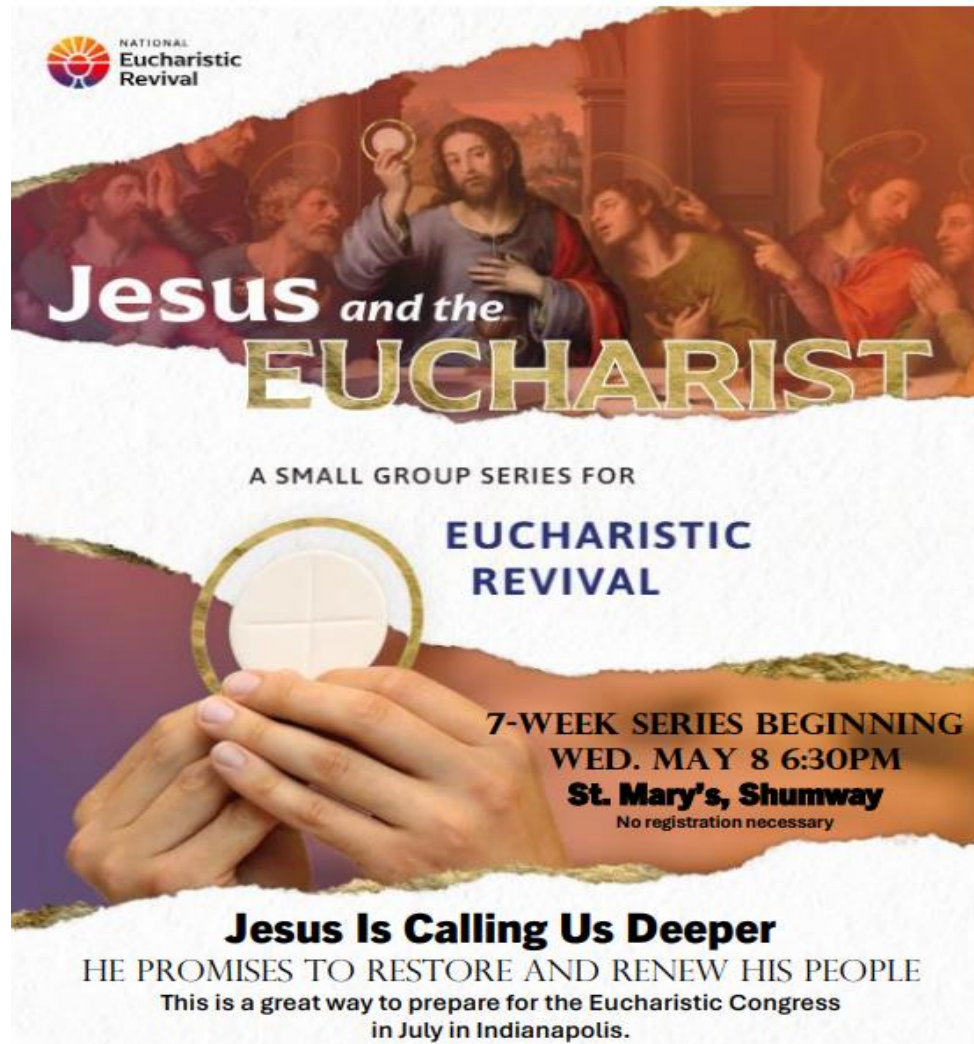
Parish Hall Update:

Our current funds -- \$97,046.93

Next Meeting—May 19 after mass

Upcoming events:

Sept. 22- Pork Chop Dinner (in conjunction with the Shumway Sesquicentennial Celebration)



Saturday, May 4 – †Sam Sheehan by Teresa Tegeler
 Sunday, May 5 – †Mildred & Albert Tegeler by family
 Wednesday, May 8 - †Angela Jansen by Alice Richards
 Saturday, May 11 –†Dorothy Ruholl by Tim Patty Kessler
 Sunday, May 12 –†Vicki Waldhoff by Jim Marylou Vonderheide
 Wednesday, May 15 - †Sam Sheehan 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 in the cry room.

Happy Birthday



Tom Zacha 5-9
 Isaac Wells 5-10

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

CCW – Tuesday, May 7 @ 6:30pm

Parish Hall- Sunday, May 19 after
 Mass

Parish Council-
 Wednesday, June 5 @ 6:30pm

The Baby Bottle Project, a fundraiser for the Family Life Center, begins THIS WEEKEND!!! Simply take a bottle provided to you at church and fill it with change or other donation and **return it to church on Father's Day**. Your donations will help the Family Life Center offer pro-life services at no cost to clients, including: pregnancy tests; limited ultrasound; STI testing, treatment & risk education; baby items; and educational classes and resources. Clients are able to participate in these programs: Prenatal Education, Post-Birth, Breastfeeding Classes, Dadz Class, Momz Class and Post Abortion Support. Sexual Risk Avoidance (abstinence) Education to area schools/churches is also offered. Please support our local pro-life efforts. **YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!**

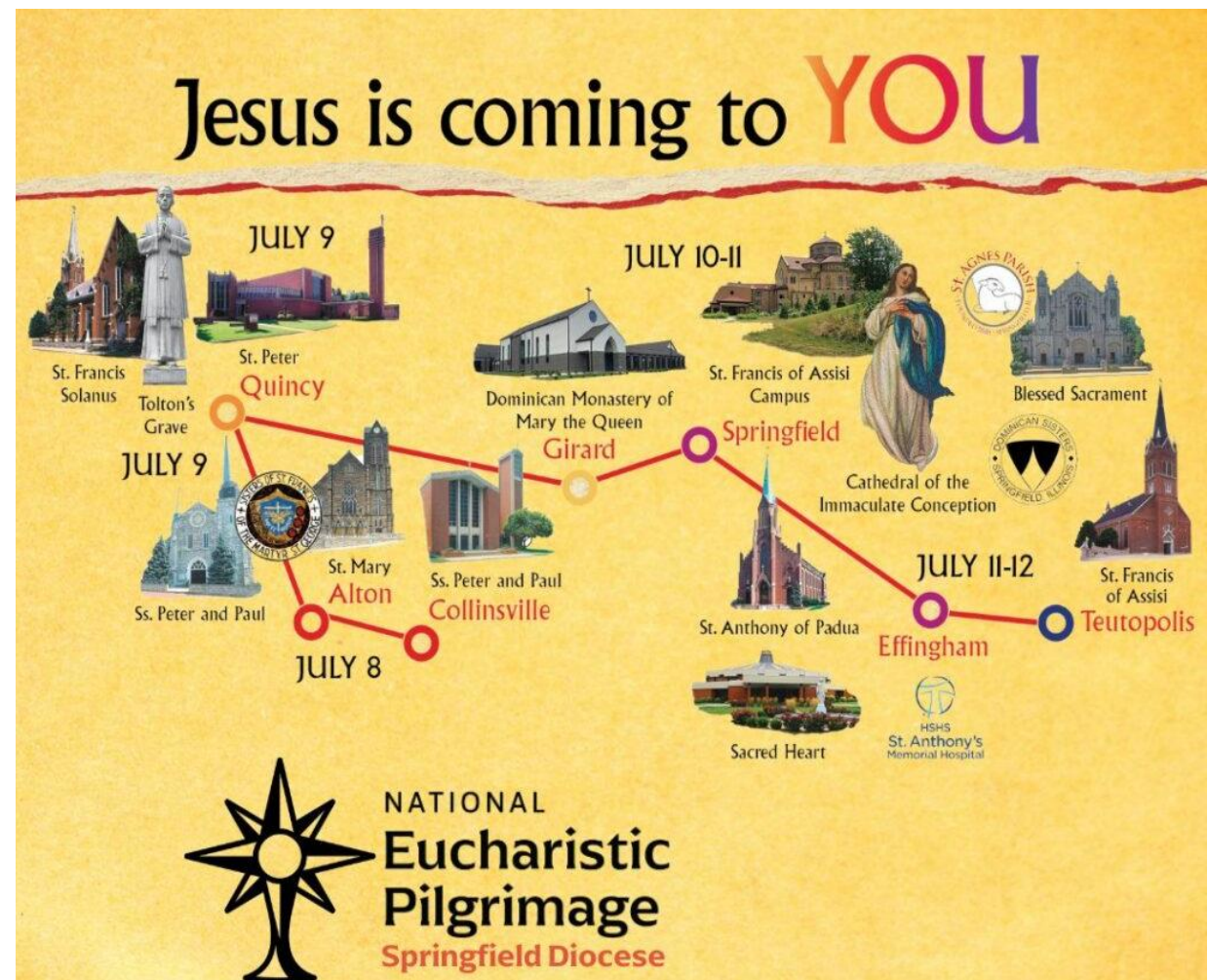
Do have a graduate you would like included in the bulletin? Please email names to stmarysshumway@gmail.com by May 15.

Attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21 – This summer, join tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will travel from every corner of the U.S. to experience the healing power of Jesus Christ, present in the holy Eucharist at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Soak in the Presence of Jesus alongside people of all walks of life – a vivid image of the universal Church. You will participate in beautiful liturgies, lifting your voice in prayer alongside world-class musicians, hear from the most influential Catholic speakers of our day, and make history as part of the first National Eucharistic Congress in nearly 100 years. This is the beginning of a new chapter of faith in America. Will you be there? Register at eucharisticcongress.org.

Day of Prayer for Life – Save the Date! Please mark your calendars for the upcoming 50th annual Day of Prayer for Life to be held Wednesday, June 19th, at St Francis Church in Teutopolis.

Webinar about Assisted Suicide – Learn more about why legalization of assisted suicide is not good for Illinois. Watch this video where Fr. Peter Harman and Fr. Christopher Trummer discuss this important topic: <https://youtu.be/-J7bXytwC6c> . Or join a weekly, 30-minute, informational webinar every Thursday, 12:30-1:00 pm. Email dmoore@dio.org to get a link to join the webinar.

WALK WITH JESUS ON OUR CITY STREETS IN UNPRECEDENTED EXPERIENCE – You are invited to join the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, coming to seven cities in our diocese July 8-12! This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience in which Catholics will pray and publicly follow Jesus through Eucharistic processions. Cities include Collinsville, Alton, Quincy, Girard, Springfield, Effingham, and Teutopolis. Adoration, potluck dinners, and powerful witness talks are also part of the experience. BE THERE WHEN GOD MOVES IN YOUR COMMUNITY! Go to dio.org to learn more and register!



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 TEUTOPO LIS
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

REFLECTIONS— [https://young-catholics.com/Embracing God's Universal Love](https://young-catholics.com/Embracing-Gods-Universal-Love)

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we see a remarkable event where Peter, a Jew, realizes that God does not favor one group of people over another. As Peter spoke to a gathering that included both Jews and Gentiles, the Holy Spirit came upon everyone present. This was a clear sign that God's love and salvation were available to all, not just a select few.

Moved by this understanding, Peter baptized the Gentiles, officially welcoming them into the Christian community. This passage teaches us that God's love knows no boundaries and that we, too, are called to transcend our prejudices and share God's love with all.

God is Love

The second reading, from the first letter of John, tells us straightforwardly: "God is love." This profound truth is at the heart of Christian life. It means that loving others is not just a command from God, but a reflection of God Himself. When we love one another, we are participating in God's own life.

John goes on to explain that God showed this love most clearly by sending His Son, Jesus, to save us from our sins. This act of sending His only Son as a sacrifice is the ultimate example of love. Every act of love we show to others is a reflection of God's love for us and an encounter with Him.

Living in Love

In the Gospel of John, Jesus explains what it means to remain in His love: we must keep His commandments, just as He has kept His Father's commandments. Jesus associates love with joy, saying that His desire is for His disciples' joy to be complete. By commanding us to love one another, He is inviting us to live a life of true joy.

Jesus also redefines the relationship between Him and His disciples. They are no longer just servants; they are His friends, for He has shared everything with them. By choosing us, just as He chose His first disciples, Jesus has given us a mission to bear fruit in the world—fruit that will last. This means living out love in our actions every day.

Jesus assures us that whatever we ask the Father in His name will be granted, emphasizing the power of living in accordance with His command to love. We experience God's presence through the love we give and receive in our everyday interactions. Through His words and example, Jesus has equipped us to bring this divine love into the world. He has also given us the Holy Spirit to empower us to fulfill this noble task.

As followers of Christ, we are called to live out the love of God in a real and tangible way, showing love to everyone we meet without partiality. This is what it means to be a disciple of Christ. When we love genuinely, we make the truth that "God is love" visible and active in the world. Let us strive to embody this love in all that we do, bringing the light of Christ to every corner of our lives and beyond.

Reflection Questions

- How can we show God's love to those who are different from us?
- What are some ways we might be showing partiality in our own lives? How can we overcome this?
- How does understanding that "God is love" change the way we interact with others?
- Can you think of a time when you experienced God's love through someone else? What was that like?
- What are some practical steps we can take to follow Jesus' command to love one another?
- How can we be more open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives?
- In what ways can we bring the joy of Jesus' love to those around us?
- How does being a friend of Jesus, rather than just a servant, impact our relationship with Him and with others?