

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.

Diocese Website: www.dio.org



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

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!



Fr. Al Allen
Larry Nation
Jim Gordon
Don Kemme
Danny Zacha
Don Clark
Heather Harbour
Kendall Fulk
Dan Zacha Sr.
Dean Gengler
Steve Moore

Kevin Habing
Sally Wakefield
Pat Kuhns
Bill Hamilton
Christie Dust
Helen Kollinger
Bill Nuxoll
Mrs. Scott (Stacey)
Vonderheide
Jane Emmerich
Timber Miller
Marita Elson



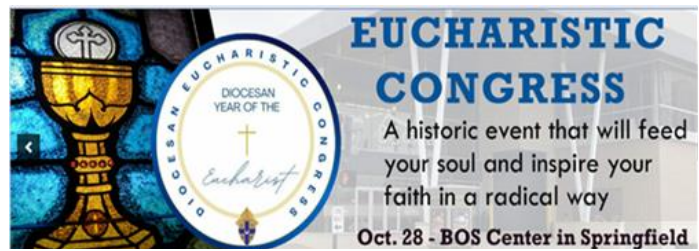
Call: 1-844-536-6514 to add
or remove someone. Thank
You.

August Committee: Christina Niebrugge,
Alyssa Pruemer, Teresa Tegeler, Barb Vonderheide,
Kay Conder

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
SAT 4pm	Aug 26	Sept.2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23
Servers	Madalyne Brown Anna Brown Aubrey Brown	Issac Wells Abby Brown Trey Brown	Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown Anna Brown	Aubrey Brown Abby Brown Issac Wells	Madalyne, Trey, and Tryston Brown
Lector	Donna Davis	Christy Brown	Mike Holland	Alaina Miller	Jesse Davis
Usher	Jesse Davis Jason Wells	Mike Holland Don Brown	Doug Brown Jason Wells	Mike Holland Jesse Davis	Don Brown Doug Brown
Ech Min	Katrina Davis Jesse Davis Kathy Brown	Rosemary Holland Mike Holland Donna Davis	Don Brown Kathy Brown Katrina Davis	Mike Holland Rosemary Holland Donna Davis	Katrina Davis Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown
Gift Bearers	Wanda Ohnesorge	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family	Jesse Davis Family
Greeters	Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family	none
SUN 8am	Aug. 27	Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24
Servers	Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide Wade Conder	Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide Garrett Hoene	Rory Miller Wiley Miller Daisy Miller	Jacob Vonderheide Isaac Pruemer Noah Pruemer	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Olivia Vonderheide
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Jason Pruemer	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene
Ushers	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Jason Pruemer Josh Miller	Justin Conder John Neu	Don Antrim Jason Vonderheide	Charley Vonderheide Larry Lieb
Ech Min	Timber Miller Jason Pruemer Linda Doedtman	Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide Lisa Waldhoff	Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Jason Pruemer Linda Doedtman Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Thompson Roy Waldhoff Lisa Waldhoff
Gift Bearers	Roy Lisa Waldhoff	Jason Pruemer Family	Don Marcella Antrim	George Conder Family	Jason Vonderheide Family
Greeters	Wanda Todd Ohnesorge	Wally Thompson Family	Brock Vonderheide Family	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide	Barb Vonderheide
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	Aug 23	Aug 30	Sept 6	Sept 13	Sept 20
	Irene Koester	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Irene Koester	Kay Conder

Weekly Offering.....8-13-23
Adults.....\$1297.00
Loose..... \$373.00
Assumption.....\$20.00
Basement Rent.....\$50.00
Total \$1740.00
Masses \$55.00

Quiz Answers
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Last day
to sign up
is Sunday,
Sept. 10

**Picnic clean-up
will be on
Sunday at
10am.**

If you are interested in attending, contact the parish office 1-844-536-6514
OR SIGN UP IN THE CRY ROOM as each parish in the diocese is given a
specific number of available seats. For more information on the event or
volunteering or financially supporting/sponsoring the event, visit dio.org.

See the bulletin board for the day's itinerary.

Catholic Bible Study? YES! Study the Book of Exodus beginning Thursday Sept 7th at
6:30pm at St. Anthony Parish Center. Then on Sept 14 a morning session is offered at
9:00am and the evening session is offered at 6:30pm. Register for materials by calling
St. Anthony Parish office at 217-347-7129. Questions call Kate Weber 217-821-3003
or kateweber51@gmail.com

Spaghetti Lunch sponsored by Joe's Pizza & Pasta in Effingham
September 10, 2023 at the Effingham Event Center
10:30 AM – 2:30 PM---Drive through only
Tickets are \$8 per meal. Purchase 20 or more tickets and the price is \$7.
Tickets can be purchased from Catholic Charities, an advisory board
member or at the door.

Great Opportunity available to become
more involved with the parish....join the
parish council. We have several spots
available.

Drive-Thru Pork Chop Dinner
Sept. 24 at St. Mary's,
Shumway.
Tickets will go on sale Aug. 19.



Saturday, Aug. 19 –Ross & Violet Pautler by Duane & Joyce Shadwell
Sunday, Aug 20 – NO MASS
Wednesday, Aug. 23 -Bob Roepke by family
Saturday, Aug. 26 - Dorothy Ruholl by family
Sunday, Aug. 27 –Louis Esker by Teresa Tegeler
Wednesday, Aug. 30 - Leonard Waldhoff by Gene Ruth Brummer

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.

There is a PSR sign up sheet
in the cry room for
students go into Pre-K,
Kindergarten and 1st
grade. If you have children
going into one or more of
these grades please sign
them up.
Thank you

Happy Birthday



Kay Conder 8-20
Lance Clark 8-20
Emma Thompson 8-23
Sierra Kemme 8-26

Happy Anniversary
Ron & Sherrill Harris 8-23-2004
19 years

David & Kara Brown 8-25-2012
11 years

Congratulations to Royce Raymond Nuxoll
son of Roger and Brittany Nuxoll
who was baptized on August 6, 2023.

Congratulations to Evelyn Ruth Kessler
daughter of Chad & Vanessa Kessler
who was baptized on August 13, 2023.

Welcome to the Parish Family!!



The parish family extends its sympathies
to the Karen Neu and Sandra Laue Families
on the passing of their brother,
Gregory Bierman.
May he rest in peace.



"Young people aren't here for the church; they are the church - the most beautiful and dynamic part of the church." - Pope Francis

Calling all 7th-12th grade students! Are you interested in joining Youth Group at St. Mary's? Youth groups
provide excellent opportunities to grow closer in our personal relationships with Christ, serve our communities,
learn more about our Catholic faith, and foster a sense of community among the young people in our parish
through fun and fellowship. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please fill out the
Google Form survey at this link: <https://forms.gle/8MYf4o6a8zbEbrS69>

Our first meeting will be late Sept/early Oct. Feel free to reach out with any questions or comments!
Katrina Davis, 217-240-4291

How Much Do You Know About the Eucharist?

11. In the story of the Road to Emmaus, Jesus was first recognized when...

- He first approached them.
- He offered insight into the Scriptures.
- After He had left their home.
- He broke the bread at dinner.

12. Who said this: "When you have received Him, stir up your heart to do Him homage; speak to Him about your spiritual life,
gazing upon Him in your soul where He is present for your happiness; welcome Him as warmly as possible, and behave
outwardly in such a way that your actions may give proof to all of His Presence." ?

- John the Baptist
- St. Therese
- Jesus
- St. Francis de Sales

Answers can be found on the last page.

Family Connection Even when spurned by Jesus, the faith of the Canaanite woman makes her bold enough to argue and ask again for what she needs. Her persistence and great confidence that Jesus could heal her daughter reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their own needs. In their faith and trust we can find modern examples of how we might approach God in prayer.

As a family recall some times when a request for something was presented by one family member to another with confidence and persistence. If the request was denied, talk about why that was so. If the request was eventually granted, talk about what led to the change of heart. Then read together today’s Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28. Was anyone surprised by Jesus’ response to the Canaanite woman? Why or why not? What makes Jesus change his mind and heal the woman’s daughter? When we pray, God wants us to be as confident in his mercy. Invite family members to identify the things that they most need from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers.



Our parish now has a subscription. It is easy to sign up.

<https://signup.formed.org/>

- Enter St. Mary’s Shumway and scroll down and click on our parish
- Enter name and email
- Explore and Encounter

In late September we will have “Parish Encounter Nights” going over one of the programs from FORMED. Keep a look out for the dates and times!!!

Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to pray for the protection of all Life at St Mary Annunciation in Shumway on Monday August 21. 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 lower level. Refreshments will be served while current pro-life issues are discussed.

Natural Family Planning Class
Sacred Heart, Effingham
Aug. 30, 2023, 6:30pm-8:30pm
6:30 – Social
6:45 – Intro by Dr. April Ritz
7:00 – Presentation by Emily Frase
See bulletin board for more info.

Know someone who would make a good deacon or thinking about it?
Called to serve? Come and see – All men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited to a weekend experience at the Villa Maria Catholic Retreat and Conference Center on Friday, September 8 (4 p.m.) through Saturday, September 9, (2 p.m.). During the weekend, you will meet the men and wives currently in formation, proctor classroom lecture, join in meals, and have social time. In addition to attending Mass with the deacon candidates and wives, you will participate in the Liturgy of the Hours and Morning and Evening Prayer. Wives of men discerning a vocation are invited and strongly encouraged to attend.
To register for this event please use this link form jotform.com/231135196152046.

REFLECTIONS—

Inclusive House of Prayer

In the First Reading for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, the Lord calls upon us to follow what is right and just, as He prepares to reveal His salvation and justice. The passage speaks of the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, embracing His ways and becoming His servants. Those who love the Lord’s name, keep the sabbath holy, and uphold His covenant will find acceptance in His house of prayer.

This reading emphasizes God’s all-encompassing love and inclusivity. He welcomes people from all nations and backgrounds into His presence. His house is not exclusive but open to all who seek Him with sincerity and devotion. Just as Jesus embraced the Canaanite woman’s faith in the gospel, this passage reminds us that God’s love transcends boundaries. As followers of the Lord, we are called to create a welcoming and inclusive community, embracing all as children of God in our house of prayer.

God’s Enduring Mercy

In the Second Reading for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, we hear St. Paul addressing the Gentile believers. He takes pride in his ministry to the Gentiles, hoping it will stir jealousy in his own people and lead them to salvation. Paul explains that the rejection of some from the chosen people opened the way for the reconciliation of the world, bringing life from spiritual death.

God’s gifts and calling are unwavering and permanent. Despite past disobedience, both Gentiles and Jews have received God’s mercy. As the Jews once disobeyed, their disobedience now paves the path for them to experience God’s mercy, just as the Gentiles have.

This reading reminds us of God’s boundless mercy and His plan for the salvation of all. God’s inclusive love extends to everyone, and through His mercy, He calls us to unity and redemption, embracing the hope that all may receive His salvation.

Faith Beyond Borders

In the gospel for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, we encounter Jesus engaging with a Canaanite woman. Although Jesus initially seemed distant, His encounter with her teaches us a vital lesson about faith. The woman was not part of the Jewish community and didn’t follow their religious laws, making her an outsider. Despite this, her unwavering faith caught Jesus’ attention. It is easy to see how Jesus’ disciples sought to dismiss her due to their cultural norms, but Jesus recognized the depth of her belief.

This story reminds us that faith knows no boundaries. Jesus looked beyond cultural barriers and saw the sincerity of her heart. As followers of Christ, we should emulate His inclusive love, welcoming all who seek Him with genuine faith, regardless of their background.

Reflection Questions

Sunday August 20, 2023

- Reflecting on the First Reading, how do you understand God’s all-encompassing love and inclusivity? What does this passage teach us about embracing diversity in our communities?
- In the Second Reading, St. Paul emphasizes God’s enduring mercy and the reconciliation of the world. How does this message of God’s mercy resonate with you, and how can we extend this mercy to others in our daily lives?
- The encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman illustrates the importance of faith beyond borders. In what ways can we recognize and appreciate genuine faith in people who might be considered outsiders in our church communities?
- The Gospel story challenges cultural norms and reminds us of the need for inclusivity. How can we actively break down barriers and make our communities more welcoming to those who may feel excluded?
- Reflecting on your own experiences and interactions, who might you have unintentionally excluded or overlooked in your community? How can you be more attentive to those who seek to encounter Jesus but may face barriers?
- How can we proactively reach out to those who might feel like outsiders in our church communities and offer them genuine support and acceptance?
- In what ways can we promote a sense of belonging and unity among diverse members of our church, ensuring that everyone feels valued and embraced?
- How can you personally demonstrate inclusive love and genuine faith in your interactions with others, both within and outside the church community?
- Reflect on the times when you may have witnessed or experienced exclusion in religious settings. How can we work towards creating more inclusive and compassionate environments in such situations?
- What steps can you take to cultivate a deeper understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures, backgrounds, and beliefs within your church community? How can this understanding strengthen your faith and connection to others?