

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

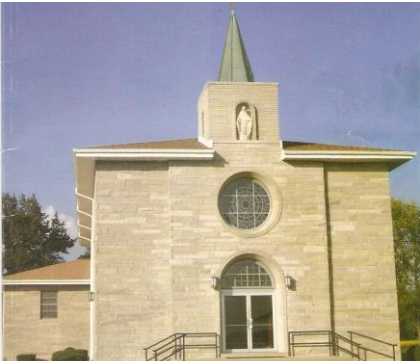
Or by appointment
Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am

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.

September Committee: Linda Doedtman, Helen Doedtman, Emily Doedtman, Joyce Shadwell, Dorothy Hankins

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	Davis Family
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

El Shaddai Homes Grand Opening Open House
Sept. 9-10 (Sat - Sun) at El Shaddai Homes, 505 W Temple Ave. 10 am - 4 pm on both Sat and Sun. Ribbon cutting ceremony at 2 pm on Sept. 10. For more information on the open house and to see more photos of the home, visit:
<https://www.facebook.com/elshaddaihomeseffingham>

Diocesan Respect Life Mass and prayer procession
Oct. 7 (Sat) at Holy Family Parish, Granite City. Bishop Paprocki will celebrate Mass at 9 am, followed by a prayer procession around the abortion facility in Granite City. Lunch and speaker will follow the procession.

Weekly Offering.....8-27-23
Adults..... \$2040.00
Loose..... \$371.00
Assumption..... \$10.00
Total..... \$2421.00

Mass - \$10.00



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.

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. Tickets can be purchased from Catholic Charities, an advisory board member or at the door.

Wise Men Still Seek Him-- No, it's not Christmas quite yet!
Coming this October: DeColores Weekends Stay Tuned - More information to come!

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



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.

Saturday, Sept. 2 –Matthew Tegeler by Keven Carol Perkins
Sunday, Sept. 3 –Catholic Daughters
Wednesday, Sept. 6 -Diana Fuesting by Teresa Tegeler
Saturday, Sept. 9 – Living Deceased Members of Ed Louise Kemme Family
Sunday, Sept. 10 – Matthew Tegeler by Joe Christie Dust
Wednesday, Sept. 13 - Leonard Waldhoff by Larry Barbara Waldhoff

PARISH T-SHIRTS

We are thinking of ordering more shirts like we did last year for a parish hall fundraiser. We do have a minimum to meet before we can order. If you are interested in ordering a shirt, please let Leslie Kemme know. llkejkemme@yahoo.com or 217-821-3399

Great Opportunity available to become more involved with the parish....join the parish council. We have several spots available. The next meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 6 @ 6:30pm in the church basement.

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

CCW Meeting-
Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023 @ 6:30pm
in church basement.

Happy Birthday



Jacob Vonderheide 9-4
Aubrynn Niebrugge 9-4
Wade Conder 9-5
Mila Wakefield 9-5
Dan Zacha 9-6
Gracie Jo Miller 9-8
Ron Wakefield 9-8
Michelle Spannagel 9-9

Happy Anniversary

Lance & Ellie Clark 9-4-2021
2 years

Josh & Beth Spannagel 9-5-2009
14 years

Dan & Angela Woods 9-7-1985
38 years



PORK CHOP DINNER---PARISH HALL FUNDRAISER

ST. MARY'S SHUMWAY

PRE-SALE TICKETS ONLY

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 3:00PM-7:00PM

COST: \$12 PER TICKET

DRIVE-THRU CARRY OUT ONLY

PORK CHOPS, GREEN BEANS, BAKED POTATO, DINNER ROLL

PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399, Terry Hoene 217-343-4545, Donna Davis 217-690-2640
Kathy Adams 217-994-3144, Justin Conder 217-821-4509



"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

Family Connection

Peter was expecting a Messiah that would carry out a different plan than the one Jesus had explained. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We too have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more than we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Matthew 16:21-27. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that your family will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our human imaginings. Conclude by praying together today's Psalm, Psalm 63.



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

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

- Enter St. Mary's Catholic Church- scroll down and click on our parish
- Enter name and email
- Explore and Encounter

"Parish Encounter Nights"

Sept. 20 and 27 and Oct. 11 and 25

We will be discussing the video series "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist" from FORMED.

Viewing will start at 6:30pm and discussion will be from 7:15-8pm (on Sept. 20th, 27th and Oct. 11th) in the church basement. On Oct. 25th viewing will be from 630-730pm and discussion from 730-8pm.

You may view on your own and just come for discussion if you like.

Questions: Contact Donna Davis

The **Man of the Shroud Exhibit** coming to Vandalia – You are invited to see a replica of the Shroud of Turin, which is believed by many to be the burial cloth of Jesus, and to learn about the history and science behind it by experiencing The Man of the Shroud Exhibit, coming to Mother of Dolors Parish in Vandalia for display Sept. 8-14.

In addition to the replica of the Shroud, the mobile exhibit contains a large, crucified corpus showing the wounds of Christ corresponding to the passion narrative in the Gospel accounts and the wounds shown on the Shroud. The exhibit contains over 31 popup display banners detailing the history and science of the Shroud.

To check it out, visit Mother of Dolors Parish Center at 705 N. St. Clair St., Vandalia, IL 62471. There is no charge, and it's open to the public.

The exhibit is open on the following days and times:
Sept. 8: 5-7p.m.

Sept. 9: Noon-2 p.m.; 5-7 p.m.

Sept 10: 1-4 p.m., with Shroud scholar Mark Antonacci giving a talk at 2 p.m.

Sept. 11: 10 a.m.-noon; 5-7 p.m.

Sept. 12: 10 a.m.-noon; 5-7 p.m.

Sept. 13: 10 a.m.-noon; 5-7 p.m.

Sept. 14: 10 a.m.-noon

On Friday, Sept. 15 through Sunday, Sept. 17, Father Lawrence Carney will give a retreat on the "Devotion to the Holy Face" at Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, which will also include the Man of the Shroud Exhibit. More information can be found by visiting: osmm.org.

Please join in the Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children outdoor memorial service on this coming Saturday, September 9th, at 8:00 AM at the Teutopolis KC Memorial to the Unborn in front of the Seminary Tower. In case of rain, the service will be held under the pavilion.

Join Catholics in our diocese for The Holiest Adventure – mother/daughter edition and father/son edition. The days will be packed with fun activities, Mass, adoration, and delicious food. The mother/daughter edition is Saturday, September 16 and is for moms and their daughters in grades 4-9. The father/son edition is Saturday, October 14, and is for dads and their sons in grades 4-9. Both events are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The mother/daughter edition will be at the St. Francis Convent, 1 Franciscan Way, Alton, IL 62002. The father/son edition will be at The Villa Catholic Life Center, 1903 E Lake Shore Dr, Springfield, IL 62712. To register, go to dio.org/events. Cost is \$40.00 per mother/daughter or father/son pair. Each additional child is \$5 extra. For questions, email Daniel Heffernan at dheffernan@dio.org

Know someone who would make a good deacon or thinking about it?

Called to serve? Come and see – All men of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois discerning a vocation to the Holy Order of Deacon are invited to a weekend experience at the Corpus Christi Priory, 4867 LaVerna Road, Springfield Illinois on Friday, September 8 (4 p.m.) through Sunday, September 10, (noon). During the weekend, you will meet the men and wives currently in formation, proctor classroom lecture, join in meals, and social time. In addition to attending Mass with the men, their wives and the Norbertine Fathers, 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 us this link <https://form.jotform.com/231135196152046>

REFLECTIONS—

Faith Amidst Doubts: Jeremiah's Raw Journey of Calling

In the first reading for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A (Jeremiah 20:7-9), the prophet lays bare his feelings. It's like he's saying, "I signed up for this, God, and now I'm questioning everything." He's caught in a whirlwind of emotions. Sometimes, even when we're walking the path we believe in, doubts creep in.

Jeremiah's honesty hits home. He's proclaiming God's message, but facing backlash. It's not all rainbows and sunshine – it's a tough gig. He's saying, "I'm done, but I can't quit." He's like a pot about to boil over.

But amid the turmoil, Jeremiah realizes he can't hold back God's message. It's like a fire in his bones. He's conflicted, but he can't ignore his calling. It's a tug of war between his feelings and his mission.

This story's a reminder that following God's path isn't a walk in the park. Doubts will pop up, and it's okay to wrestle with them. Jeremiah's raw struggle shows that faith isn't always smooth sailing. It's about pushing through when you're at your wit's end.

So, in a nutshell, Jeremiah's story is like a reality check. It's not all neatly tied up with a bow, but it's real. It's okay to grapple with doubts while staying true to your calling. Like Jeremiah, we can't bottle up the fire within us. It's a messy, beautiful journey of faith.

Renewed Living: Embracing Sacrifice and Renewed Thinking

In the second reading for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A (Romans 12:1-2), Saint Paul lays down a straightforward call to action. He's like, "Offer yourselves as living sacrifices." Sounds intense, right? But he's not asking for a fiery spectacle; it's about daily choices. He's saying, "Let your whole life be an act of worship."

Paul's no-nonsense approach gets clearer in verse 2. He's telling us to break free from the mold of the world. It's like ditching an outdated wardrobe. Instead of conforming to what everyone else is doing, let your mind get a renovation. Don't just nod along with the crowd; critically assess what's right and good.

Paul's got a point – renewing your mind is like upgrading your operating system. It's a process, and it doesn't happen overnight. But it's worth it. Think of it as a spiritual makeover that aligns your thoughts with God's purpose.

So, in a nutshell, Paul's urging us to take responsibility. Dedicate your life, sift through your thoughts, and choose what's aligned with God's will. It's a "show, don't just tell" situation. Your life becomes a living offering and your mind becomes a sanctuary of renewal. Simple yet profound, right?

Embracing Suffering: A Gritty Path to Transformed Hope

In the gospel for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A (Matthew 16:21-27), Jesus lays it out plainly to his disciples: suffering is on the horizon. It's a tough pill to swallow. Suffering can grip us, making everything else fade to gray. No one signs up for suffering willingly. Peter, one of Jesus' closest friends, recoiled at the idea of Jesus enduring the cross. Who would wish that on someone they care about?

But Jesus has a different angle on it. He's all about marching forward, unflinching, doing God's will. It's a game-changer. He believes suffering can be transformed, even death doesn't have the final say. That's quite the perspective shift. And it's not just about us going through it. When we're in the suffering trenches, we've got to cling to the promise Jesus offers.

Plus, there's something about being there for others who are hurting. Even if you can't fix it all, being a companion in their pain matters. Jesus showed us that suffering isn't the endgame, God's mercy can trump it all. So, in a nutshell, suffering isn't a detour off the path, but a gritty part of it. And it's not about avoiding it, but holding onto hope when it's tough.

Remember, Peter tried to dodge it, but Jesus didn't flinch. He faced the worst head-on, all for a bigger plan. So, next time suffering knocks at your door, don't shut it out. And if you see someone else in the trenches, be that shoulder to lean on. Because just like Jesus, we're not alone in this.

Reflection Questions

- Jeremiah faced doubts while fulfilling his calling. How do you handle doubts or challenges in your faith journey?
- Have you ever felt conflicted between your feelings and what you know to be your mission or calling?
- In what ways can you relate to Jeremiah's struggle of staying faithful to your purpose in the face of adversity?
- How do you define "offering yourself as a living sacrifice" in your everyday life?
- What are some practical ways you can renew your mind and not conform to the world's ways?
- Can you think of a time when renewing your mind led to a change in your actions or perspectives?
- How do you typically react to suffering? Is it something you try to avoid or confront?
- What can you learn from Jesus' perspective on suffering and how it can be transformed?
- In what ways can you provide support or accompany someone who is going through a period of suffering or doubt?