St. Mary's Catholic Church Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL +Bishop Thomas John Paprocki Father Albert (Al) Allen, Pastor Father Michael Berndt, Parochial Vicar Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich Reconciliation Time: Saturdays 4:15-5:00 pm Or by appointment Mass Times: Saturday 5:30 pm & Sunday 8:30 am Wednesday 7:15 am

Ph #- St. Mary's 690-2640 (general inquiries) St. Anthony 347-7129 (make appt w/priest) Emergency 703-1042

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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 Monday through Friday at 6:30am Saturday at 4:30pm You can find our livestream Masses on YouTube. The easiest way to find them is to go to stanthony.com and click the link that says "Click here to view the Daily Live Streamed Mass."

Other Parishes' Mass Times: St. Anthony –Mon. thru Friday 6:30am 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!



Debbie Meyer Clete Westendorf Keith Willenborg Marilyn Zerrusen Elizabeth Weidner Mrs. Scott (Stacey)

Vonderheide



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

September Committee: Rosemary Holland Mary Miller, Jennifer Bales, Tina Vonderheide, Tricia Holland, Marcella Antrim

A Memorial Service for Aborted Children will be held at the Teutopolis KC Memorial to the Unborn in front of the Seminary Tower on Saturday, Sept. 18, at 8:30am. Bring your own chair if desired. If raining, they will pray

under the north canopy of the Teutopolis Banquet Hall.

	LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
SATURDAY	Sept. 4	Sept. 11	Sept. 18	Sept. 25		
5:30pm						
Servers	Anna Brown	Isaac Wells	Abby Brown	Isaac Wells		
	Abby Brown	Grady Spannagel	Weston Spannagel	Madalyne Brown		
	Madalyne Brown	Trey Brown	Anna Brown	Trey Brown		
Ushers	Don Brown	Jason Wells	Thomas Davis	Josh Spannagel		
	Doug Brown	Jesse Davis	Mike Holland	Don Brown		
Lector	Jesse Davis	Thomas Davis	Christy Brown	Donna Davis		
Euch.	Kathy Brown	Donna Davis	Jesse Davis	Rosemary Holland		
Ministers						
Gift	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family	Josh Spannagel	Jesse Davis Family		
Bearers			Family			
Greeters	Wells Family	Davis Family	Wells Family	Davis Family		
SUNDAY	Sept. 5	Sept. 12	Sept. 19	Sept. 26		
8:30am		(PSR)		(PSR)		
Servers	Rory Miller	Noah Pruemer	Zoey Conder	Braxton Hoene		
	Wylie Miller	Jacob Vonderheide	Olivia Vonderheide	Jack Holland		
	Isaac Pruemer	Shae Conder	Garrett Hoene	Claire Holland		
Ushers	Gene Doedtman	Jason Pruemer	Justin Conder	Don Antrim		
	Tom Doedtman	Josh Miller	John Neu	Jason Vonderheide		
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Reagan McCormick	Jason Pruemer	Terry Hoene		
Euch.	Linda Doedtman	Lisa Thompson	Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Waldhoff		
Ministers						
Gift	Jim Marylou	Dan Angela Woods	Josh Miller Family	Rosemary Vonderheide		
Bearers	Vonderheide					
Greeters	Jason Pruemer	Larry Lieb	Rodney Hoene Family	Don Marcella Antrim		
Greeters	Family	,	, ,			
Money	Kemme, Hoene,	Bales, Richards	Stremming	Waldhoff		
Counters	Adams	Sheehan, Hackman	Conder	Spannagel		
	WEDNESDAY 8:00 am					
Lector	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 29	Oct. 6	
	Kay Conder	Linda Doedtman	Teresa Tegeler	Irene	Kay Conder	
				Koester		

Weekly Offering	<u>8-29-2021</u>
Adult	1828.00
Child	3.00
Loose	479.00
Assumption	5.00
Total	\$2315.00
Masses - \$10.00	

Dive Deep: Four-time Superbowl winning coach talks faith, family, football - A graduate of Christ the King and Sacred Heart Griffin H.S. in Springfield, Kansas City Chiefs coach Brendan Daly discusses the interesting job of coaching at the highest level in football and how he has leaned on our Catholic faith throughout the ups and downs, constant job stresses, and moving his family several times all over the country. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen and subscribe.

SHUMWAY COMMUNITUY UNION PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, Sept. 19 at 10:30 am – Shumway Kluthe Center

The Shumway Community Union Prayer service is BACK!! Come and enjoy fellowship with all the churches of Shumway: Trinity Lutheran Church, Faith Lutheran Church, Shumway United Methodist Church, St. Mary's Catholic Church.

The prayer service will begin at 10:30am at the Shumway Kluthe Center. A catered meal will follow immediately. Tickets are available for purchase from Marcella Antrim or Mardell Sheehan Adults \$8 Children (10 & under) \$4. Make checks payable to Joyce Slifer. Please purchase by Sept. 15

A COMMUNITY CHOIR WILL REHEARSE ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 AT 6:30 PM AT THE KLUTHE CENTER. ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE.

Sacred Heart, Effingham Parish Picnic October 2nd & 3rd Saturday: 5:00pm-Midnight Sunday: Noon - 10:00pm Live Music on Saturday, from 8:30-10:00pm provided

Live Music on Saturday, from 8:30-10:00pm provided by Abby Dietzen.

A chicken and ham dinner will be served on Sunday from 11:00am7:00pm in the air-conditioned parish center.

Visit www.sheff.org to purchase Big Raffle tickets online or for more information regarding the picnic.

Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic? A new session of <u>Rites of Christian</u> <u>Initiation for Adults (RCIA)</u> will begin in September. We invite you to call the parish office at 217-347-7129 for more information. If you know of someone who may need asking, call the parish office so we may extend an invitation.

-The Knights of Columbus will host a Mass at St. Anthony Church at 9:00am on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6. Fr. James Flach, chaplain, will be the celebrant. Everyone is invited to the Mass. Due to the current increase in Covid activity, there will not be a coffee and donut social after the Mass. -The Effingham Knights of Columbus Council will be leading a Rosary for World Peace at the Effingham K of C Pavilion, on Saturday, Sept. 11, at 9:00am. All are welcome . The Tootsie Roll (Intellectual-Disabilities) Fund Drive will be Friday, Sept. 17, and Saturday, Sept. 18. If you would like to help them, call Nathan Westendorf at 217.690.1231, Charlie Tegeler at 217.663.4797, or Eric Florey at 217.821.6618. -The Silver Rose Prayer Service will be held at the

Effingham Event Center on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join them in prayer.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to celebrate the Sanctity of Life at St Joseph in Island Grove on Monday Sept 20. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. James Flach will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm mass. The business meeting will follow in parish hall. Refreshments will be served while current legislation and local pro-life events are discussed.



Saturday, Sept. 4- Mass of Thanksgiving by Dot Thomas Sunday, Sept. 5 – Leon Vonderheide by Chris Wente Wednesday, Sept. 8 – Saturday, Sept. 11 – Dale Waldhoff by Larry Barb Waldhoff Sunday, Sept. 12 – Jim Rudolf by Jim Marylou Vonderheide

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.



Wade Conder 9-5 Mila Wakefield 9-5 Dan Zacha 9-6 Gracie Jo Miller 9-8 Michelle Spannagel 9-9 Allen Kessler 9-11



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Josh & Beth Spannagel 9-5-2009 12 years

Chad & Vanessa Kessler 9-10-2016 5 years

> **CCW Meeting** Tuesday, Sept. 7 @ 6:30 pm in the church basement. All ladies are welcome!



There is a sign-up sheet in the cry room for Pre-K and Kindergarten.

After Mass everyone will meet downstairs for breakfast. Then we will have classes. After class we will all gather back in the basement for Family time.

Special notes-

- At least one parent must accompany their child. Remember the focus of our program is on the entire family not just the children.
- This program is for ALL. You don't have to have a child in the program to enjoy breakfast and the adult class.
- 3. The family time at the first class will be used to fill out paperwork and go over what to expect this year.

The family that prays together, stays together.

WELCOME TO PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS George Conder and Lisa Waldhoff THANKS for saying "yes."

A BIG THANK YOU TO Ed Kemme and Charley Vonderheide for their time and dedication to our parish. Your service is greatly appreciated!!!

Onward, Without Fear! A Christian Event

Join us Saturday, September 25, 2021 St. Anthony Parish Center

9:00a-4:00p Doors open at 8:00 a.m. (coffee and donuts provided)

Social Hour to follow Guest Speaker – Patty Schneier will share with us:- her journey of discovery, repentance, and renewal- ways to incorporate prayer into your everyday life- tips for spreading the "Good News" every day- practical tools to dispel the darkness and live in the light

\$15/person (includes lunch) Event Capacity: 200 RSVP Required by September 15, 2021—forms on the bulletin board Or send money, name and address to : Effingham Area DeColores, PO Box 1721 Effingham, IL 62401 Call or text Tom Purcell with questions 217-821-7077

SDCCW convention - The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) are inviting all women of the diocese to their 92nd annual convention called "Living God's Plan for Life, Love and the Family" on Wed. Sept. 29 at Hamilton's South Ballroom (110 N. East Street, Jacksonville) from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bishop Paprocki, along with priests of the diocese, will celebrate 11 a.m. Mass for the convention attendees at Our Savior Catholic Church in Jacksonville and join in the banquet luncheon directly afterward at Hamilton's.

Coleen Kelly Mast, a Quincy native who is a motivational speaker and popular radio host on more than 250 Catholic Radio Stations via the EWTN network and Sirius Satellite Radio, will have morning and afternoon talks, entitled "The 4 heart Healthy Habits for Holiness" and "LoveEd: Witnessing the Truth in Today's Confused World."

Registration forms and raffle tickets are posted on the bulletin board.

CALLING ALL MEN - That Man Is You – Begins Friday, Sept. 10

It's an exciting time with the start of the Friday morning SonRise for Men, which meets each Friday in the St. Anthony Parish Center. This year we're happy to be able to use a new free series from TMIY, "That Man Is You", called All Things New. It features many inspiring and impressive Catholic speakers. We would like to invite all men wanting to grow in their spiritual life, to become better husbands, fathers, brothers and sons.

If you've attended in the past or not at all, we'd love to have you with us. It's a fantastic way to start a day. Coffee is on at 6:00 AM, 6:10 breakfast, 6:30 starting with prayer and video presentation. Then at 7:00 we break up into small discussion groups to discuss the message from the video. We conclude promptly at 7:30. You can register online at TMIY.org or call St. Anthony Parish Office at 217-347-7129.



Fr. Al's Ramblings

Our nation is now entering a new phase of the crisis in Afghanistan. The country has been given over to the Taliban in the hopes that a new quasi democratic nation will emerge (as they have promised). We pray that the leadership will keep their assurances of such a governance. We cannot, however, expect to see a model of our democracy but we pray for a kinder government with a move toward human dignity and equality for all its citizens particularly women and children. Holy Scripture encourages us to follow Jesus in his personal journey of suffering for our sake that we might have ever lasting peace, joy and happiness in his Kingdom. Recall, I frequently preach that following Jesus isn't easy; there has been much suffering and there is much need for forgiveness.

So, if God is all-loving and compassionate, then why is there so much suffering and evil in this world? Many agnostics refuse to believe in God because of this seemingly imponderable problem. If God is love, then evil and suffering must be eliminated in all its forms. What is God's answer to this human dilemma? How do I know that I am fulfilling his command to love my neighbor as myself?

The true believer sees the law of love as plain and simple: "treat your neighbor as you would treat yourself." The real issue lies in the correct definition of who is "my neighbor". He understood "neighbor" to mean one's fellow Christian. Up to a certain point, this is a true definition but, at the same time, we are challenged to see that God's view of neighbor goes far beyond this narrow definition. Jesus not only taught God's way of love, but he showed how far God was willing to go to share in our suffering and to restore us to wholeness of life and happiness. Jesus overcame sin, suffering, and death through his victory on the cross.

What we must know in order to truly love our neighbor? First, we must be willing to help even if others brought trouble on themselves through their own fault or negligence. Second, our love and concern to help others in need must be practical. Good intentions and showing pity, or empathizing with others, are not enough. And lastly, our love for others must be as wide and as inclusive as God's love. God excludes no one from his care and concern. God's love is unconditional. So we must be ready to do good to others for their sake, just as God is good to us.

Jesus truly identified with our quandary. He showed us the depths of God's love and compassion, by sharing in our suffering and by offering his life as an atoning sacrifice for our sins upon the cross. His suffering is redemptive because it brings us healing and restoration and the fullness of eternal life. God offers us true freedom from every form of oppression, sin, and suffering. And that way is through the cross of Jesus Christ.

Are you ready to embrace the cross of Christ, to suffer for his sake, and to lay down your life out of love for your neighbor? Yes, the neighbor we are commanded to love. Matthew 18:21-23 21Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "LORD, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" 22Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. 23"Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

Ephesians 4:32 32Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

May our love be as God's, unconditional and let peace begin with me.

Yours in Christ, *Fr. Al*