

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL  
+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki  
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Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 8:00 am  
Reconciliation-3pm on Saturdays

“Office” Phone: 1-844-536-6514 (leave a message)  
Website: [www.stmaryshumway.org](http://www.stmaryshumway.org)  
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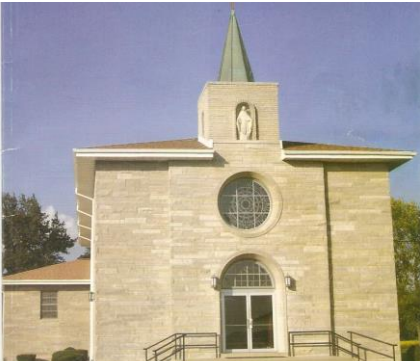
To reserve the church basement please call  
1-844-536-6514.

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](http://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!



Kathy Wakefield  
Norma Bloemer  
Mardell Sheehan  
Cinda Held  
Beth Hewing  
Nelda McCoy  
Marita Kemme  
Larry Nation  
Jim Gordon  
Don Kemme

Don Clark  
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.

**September Committee:** Alyssa Pruemer, Teresa Tegeler, Brittany Nuxoll, Barb Vonderheide, Kay Conder

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SAT 4pm	Sept. 14	Sept. 21	Sept. 28	Oct. 5	Oct. 12
Servers	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 Aubrey Brown Trey Brown
Lector	Abby Brown	Alaina Miller	Donna Davis	Christy Brown	Mike Holland
Usher	Don Brown Jason Wells	Mike Holland Doug Brown	Don Brown Jason Wells	Doug Brown Mike Holland	Don Brown Jason Wells
Ech Min	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Katrina Davis	Donna Davis Don Brown Rosemary Holland	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Katrina Davis	Donna Davis Don Brown Rosemary Holland	Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown Katrina Davis
Gift Bearers	Kathy Brown	Doug Brown Family	Don Brown Family	Jesse Davis Family	Jason Wells Family
SUN 8am	Sept. 15	Sept. 22 Parish Families in Faith	Sept. 29	Oct. 6 Parish Families in Faith	Oct. 13
Servers	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller
Lector	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene
Ushers	Jason Vonderheide Charley Vonderheide	Larry Lieb Jim Vonderheide	Roy Waldhoff Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Josh Miller Justin Conder
Ech Min	Lisa Thompson Lisa Waldhoff Roy Waldhoff	Leslie Kemme Timber Miller Linda Doedtman	Barb Vonderheide Lisa Thompson Lisa Waldhoff	Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman Barb Vonderheide Lisa Thompson
Gift Bearers	Tom Helen Doedtman	Allen Geannine Kessler	Ed Leslie Kemme	Jim Mary Miller	John Karen Neu
Greeters	Wanda Todd Ohnesorge	Brock Vonderheide Fam.	Wally Thompson Family	Charley Rhonda Vonderheide	Barb Vonderheide
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	Sept. 11 Irene Koester	Sept. 18 Teresa Tegeler	Sept. 25 Linda Doedtman	Oct. 2 Irene Koester	Oct. 9 Teresa Tegeler

**Weekly Offering.....9-15-24**  
Adult.....\$1695.00  
Loose.....\$303.00  
Church in Africa.....\$144.00  
**Total.....\$2142.00**

FORMED-Catholic Streaming Service

To sign up follow these directions.

1. Go to Formed.org
2. Click on Find your Parish Subscription
3. Enter 62461 in the find your parish box
4. Click on St. Mary’s
5. Click Next and create your account

### Prayer Campaign for LIFE

Sept. 25 – Nov. 3

We will be joining people of faith across our nation to pray, fast, and serve to end abortion and to fight assisted suicide during the “Prayer Campaign for Life”, 40 days focused on building a pro-life culture. This will take place from Sept. 25 to Nov. 3. Please consider participating in all 3 parts of this pro-life campaign:

THIS WEDNESDAY!!!

- Part 1: Come to the church for an **Sept. 25 and Oct. 9**
- Part 2: Commit to fast for an end to abortion (no sign-up required).
- Part 3: Choose an hour or more to volunteer at the Silk Purse Thrift Store in Effingham. Choose any hours between 9 am - 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Contact Silk Purse at 217-342-3319

Sign-up sheets are in the back of church.

Congratulations and Welcome  
to our newest parish family member,  
Vivian Lee Kessler.

Baptized on September 22, 2024.  
She is the daughter of Chad & Vanessa Kessler.



I baptize you in the name  
of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit

EFFINGHAM AREA RIGHT TO LIFE  
INVITES ALL CHRISTIANS TO JOIN TOGETHER TO

**PRAY FOR AMERICA**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 26 AT 6:00PM**

**AT THE CROSS AT THE CROSSROADS**

Our goal is to bring together the Effingham and surrounding communities  
in praying and fasting for 40 days before the November 5th election.

This one-hour gathering will include scripture reading, praying, and singing  
as we unite to seek God's guidance.

**Union Church Service**  
**Sunday, Sept. 22 @ 10:30**  
**Shumway Kluthe Center**

### Happy Birthday



Nash Wakefield 9-22  
Joe Holland 9-23  
Charly Vonderheide 9-23  
Alyssa Pruemer 9-23  
Peyton Manhart 9-24  
Helen Kollinger 9-26  
Ed Kemme 9-28  
Justin Conder 9-28

### Happy Anniversary

JESSE & CHRISTINA NIEBRUGGE 9-24-2011  
13 years

CHARLY & RHONDA VONDERHEIDE 9-26-1970  
54 years

ED & LESLIE KEMME 9-28-1991  
33 years

Life Chain 2024 will be held on Sunday, October 6,  
which is Respect Life Sunday. A prayer service will  
be held at 1:30pm at the Sacred Heart Parish  
Center. Everyone is welcome! The Life Chain will  
take place from 2:00-3:00pm on Keller Drive.

Priesthood Sunday — celebrated this year on Sept. 29 (next Sunday)— is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church and in your life. There are lots of things you can do to show your love and support for your parish priest. What will you do? See the Catholic Times for suggestions.

Respect Life Mass & Rosary Walk – Be a witness to life! Come to Holy Family Parish in Granite City on Oct. 12 for Mass at 9 a.m., followed by a Rosary procession from Holy Family Parish to the Hope Abortion facility and back to Holy Family. Eucharistic Adoration is available for those unable to walk in the procession. A simple lunch is served, after benediction, with a speaker.

## Parish Families in Faith

September Classes  
Sept. 22

Save the Date for the Fall Breakfast – Nov. 10

**BIBLE STUDY-Gospel of John**  
**St. Mary's , Shumway**  
**6:30pm**

**Sept. 23, Oct 1, Oct. 7, Oct 15,**  
**Oct. 21, Oct. 29 and Nov. 4**

### Effingham Catholic Young Adults

**OCT.**  
**1ST**  
**@7PM**

**FOR**  
**YOUNG**  
**ADULTS**  
**AGES**  
**21-35**

**HOLY**  
**HOUR**  
**HAPPY**  
**HOUR**

**HOLY**  
**HOUR**

7-8pm @ St. Anthony Catholic Church  
101 E Virginia Ave, Effingham, IL 62401

**HAPPY**  
**HOUR**

8-9pm @ The Orchard Inn Tavern  
800 N 3rd St, Effingham, IL 62401



† This symbol denotes-deceased.

Saturday, Sept. 21 –†Dan Zacha by Judy Roger Zacha  
Sunday, Sept. 22 –†Fr. Allen by Duane Joyce Shadwell  
Wednesday, Sept. 25 -Special Intention  
Saturday, Sept. 28 –†Dan Zacha by Kathy Brown  
Sunday, Sept. 29 – †Fr. Al Allen by Joe & Kay Conder  
Wednesday, Oct. 2 - Eric Sandschafer by Mom

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.

**SonRise Friday Men’s Breakfast – All Men Invited** The next SonRise welcomes former Navy Seal, Sam Blair. Sam speaks to our calling to mature manhood and the call to serve. For one hour each week Men from multiple parishes gather for hot breakfast, pray, watch to a video presentation, and then engage in small group discussions at St. Anthony’s Parish Center Friday mornings. There is no charge. *Come check it out!* All men are invited to attend. Breakfast is ready at 6:10 AM, program at 6:30 AM, followed by discussion and concluding at 7:30. Become a better son, brother, husband, father, leader, and friend beginning with your relationship with God. More info: contact the parish office or Dan Woods 217-821-1495.

*True Wisdom*

The first reading from the Book of Wisdom speaks of the just person suffering because of their righteousness. The wicked plot against the just, trying to see if God will save them. This passage reminds us that living a righteous life may lead to suffering and opposition. We can learn from this reading that true wisdom is not always appreciated. Sometimes, doing the right thing brings challenges and hardships. However, we are called to remain faithful and trust that God sees and knows our struggles. This reflection helps us understand that wisdom from God leads us on a path that may not be easy, but it is the right path. We should seek wisdom that brings peace, righteousness, and a closer relationship with God. Staying true to this wisdom, even when it is hard, is our call as Christians.

*Humility and Service*

In the Gospel for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, Jesus teaches his disciples about true greatness. He tells them that whoever wants to be first must be the servant of all. He then places a child in their midst, showing them that welcoming the least is welcoming Him. This lesson on humility and service is crucial for us. Jesus turns the idea of greatness upside down. Instead of seeking power and status, He calls us to serve others, especially those who are vulnerable and in need. By serving others with humility, we follow Jesus’ example. It is not about being noticed or praised, but about genuine care and love for others. This is how we live out our faith and show the world the love of Christ.

*Righteous Living*

The second reading for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B from the Letter of James speaks about the conflicts that arise from selfish desires. James urges us to seek peace and righteousness instead of giving in to jealousy and selfish ambition. He reminds us that true wisdom comes from God and leads to good deeds. Righteous living means putting God’s will above our own desires. It involves seeking peace, being gentle, and showing mercy. These actions reflect God’s wisdom and bring harmony into our lives and communities. James’ message encourages us to examine our motives and actions. Are we driven by selfishness, or are we seeking to live in a way that honors God and serves others? By choosing righteousness and peace, we align our lives with God’s will. The readings for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B call us to a deeper understanding of humility, wisdom, and service. They challenge us to live out our faith in practical ways, showing love and care for others. As we reflect on these messages, let us commit to following Christ’s example in our daily lives.

*Reflection Questions*

- How do you seek true wisdom in your life? What does humility mean to you?
- How can you serve others in your daily life? Why is it important to remain faithful even when facing hardships?
- How can you show love to those who are vulnerable and in need?
- What steps can you take to avoid jealousy and selfish ambition?
- How can you bring peace into your community? What does it mean to live righteously?
- How can you align your actions with God’s will?
- In what ways can you follow Jesus’ example of humility and service?

Thoughts from Father...

Sometimes, it seems like the most basic things are also the most difficult. If we want to be healthier, all we need to do is to eat healthy, to get an appropriate amount of exercise or movement throughout the day, and to make sure that we are getting our preventative care. If we want to learn more, we can watch documentaries, read non-fiction books about a particular topic, or even, in a safe space, experiment with trial and error. Many times, particularly around New Years, or even Lent, we set resolutions of some sort and say “I’m going to accomplish this goal this year, and it’s going to stick!” According to the Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University, “Researchers suggest that only 9% of Americans that make resolutions complete them. In fact, research goes on to show that 23% of people quit their resolution by the end of the first week, and 43% quit by the end of January.”<sup>1</sup> One of the reasons, it seems, that we tend to not carry out our resolutions, is that we expect to be good at something at the very moment we start it, or after one session. That is not a rational expectation for anyone. We also expect that we are able to accomplish our goal without any support. And we also believe at times that there will not be any obstacles or hurdles or hiccups in our path. God, however, has created us that we may live in community and to live in relationship, both with God and with other human beings. So, of course, we need support and encouragement when we set a goal for ourselves. Sometimes we need an accountability partner, sometimes we need lessons, and many times we need guidance.

The disciples knew that they needed assistance, and so they asked Jesus, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”<sup>1</sup> The disciples wanted to know how to pray in the right way, they knew they needed to learn from Jesus. They also knew they needed encouragement and guidance. We too need encouragement and guidance in our prayer lives. As Christians, as Catholics, we tend to think that prayer is so simple, so basic, that there should be no difficulties. But cultivating a prayer life takes perseverance and trust. We must continually develop prayer and trust that the Lord is with us. And sometimes, whether it’s as a parish family or a biological family, we pray together and for one another. We are not alone. So, let us rely on the Lord and rely on one another, that we may constantly grow in prayer. And, let us not despair when we encounter obstacles in our prayer life, “Praise the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.”<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://fisher.osu.edu/blogs/leadreadtoday/why-most-new-years-resolutions-fail>

<sup>1</sup> Luke 11:1

<sup>1</sup> Psalm 136:1

Sacrament of Baptism - A family must be registered & actively living their faith. Godparents must also be registered in a Catholic parish or other Christian church & actively living their faith. A Baptism Class is required for all parents. We ask that both parents attend this class together. Godparents are also encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, please call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage-Please contact our parish office at least 9 months before your anticipated wedding date to begin your spiritual preparation. One or both persons must be registered and actively living their faith. All couples planning to be married at our parish must attend a Pre-Cana program, Natural Family Planning program and FOCCUS evaluation.