

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL

+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki

Fr. Adam Prichard, Pastor

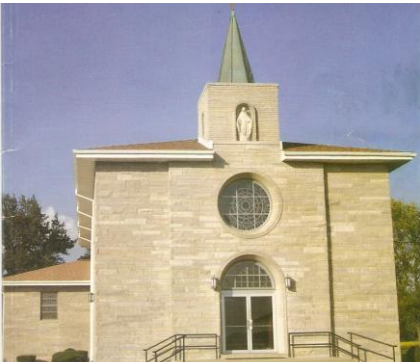
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Address: PO Box 96, Shumway, IL 62461



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

Shumway Mass Times:

Tuesday – 5:15 pm

Adoration 4-5 pm

Wednesday 8:00 am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Reconciliation-3pm

Sunday 8:00 am

Green Creek Mass Times:

Thursday – 5:15 pm

Adoration 4-5 pm

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

Diocese Website: www.dio.org

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!



David Brown
Kathy Wakefield
Larry Nation
Norma Bloemer
Mardell Sheehan
Cinda Held
Beth Hewing
Nelda McCoy
Marita Kemme
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.

December Committee: Tricia Holland, Marcella Antrim, Rosemary Holland, Mary Miller, Jennifer Bales

SAT 4pm	Nov. 23	Nov. 30	Dec. 7	Dec. 14	Dec. 21
Servers	Isaac Wells Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown	Aubrey Brown Abby Brown Anna Brown	Madalyne Brown Trey Brown Tryston Brown	Anna Brown Isaac Wells Abby Brown	Tryston Brown Aubrey Brown Trey Brown
Lector	Katrina Davis	Donna Davis	Christy Brown	Mike Holland	Alaina Miller
Usher	Don Brown Jason Wells	Mike Holland Doug Brown	Don Brown Jason Wells	Mike Holland Doug Brown	Don Brown Jason Wells
Ech Min	Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown Donna Davis	Mike Holland Don Brown Katrina Davis	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Donna Davis	Rosemary Holland Don Brown Katrina Davis	Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown Donna Davis
Gift Bearers	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family	Doug Brown Family	Jason Wells Family	Jesse Davis Family
SUN 8am	Nov. 24 Parish Families in Faith	Dec. 1 Parish Christmas Party	Dec. 8 Parish Families in Faith	Dec. 15 Parish Families in Faith	Dec. 22
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	Kathy Adams	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Kathy Adams
Ushers	Josh Miller Justin Conder	John Neu Don Antrim	Jason Vonderheide Charly Vonderheide	Larry Lieb Jim Vonderheide	Roy Waldhoff Joe Conder
Ech Min	Leslie Kemme Timber Miller Linda Doedtman	Lisa Waldhoff Barb Vonderheide Lisa Thompson	Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Linda Doedtman Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Waldhoff Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme
Gift Bearers	Charly Rhonda Vonderheide	Jim Marylou Vonderheide	Dan Angela Woods	Barb Vonderheide	Josh Miller Family
Greeters	George Diana Conder	Joe Kay Conder	Tom Helen Doedtman	Ed Leslie Kemme	Jim Mary Miller
Money Counters	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales Richards Sheehan,Hackman	Stremming Conder
WED. 8am Lectors	Nov. 20	Nov. 27	Dec. 4	Dec. 11	Dec 18
	Linda Doedtman	Wylie Miller	Teresa Tegeler	Irene Koester	Linda Doedtman

<u>Weekly Offering.....12-8-24</u>	
Adult.....	\$1364.00
Loose.....	\$341.00
Retired Religious.....	\$295.00
Basement rental.....	\$40.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$255.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$220.00
Total.....	\$2515.00
Masses \$100	



St. Mary's, Shumway Parish Hall Fundraiser



Effingham Event Center

April 26, 2025

5PM-9PM

\$100 per couple

(Individuals also welcome-\$50)

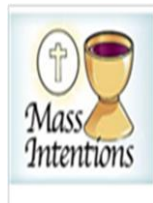
**Each couple receives: 2 rounds of golf,
4 drink tickets, food and entry into a drawing.**

Sponsor a Hole for \$25 OR be a Drink Sponsor for \$50

Questions-Contact Ed or Leslie Kemme
217-821-3445 or 217-821-3399



The Effingham K of C Adult Christmas Party (no children under 18 please) is Sunday, December 15, with doors opening at noon and lunch at 1:00pm. Guests are asked to bring a wrapped gift for our friends and loved ones in nursing homes. Gift ideas include socks, small blankets, coloring books, wordsearch books, puzzles and other clothing or activity items. Please wrap the gift with a note on the outside what it is. The Knights of Columbus is also asking for volunteers to visit the nursing homes and help deliver the gifts on Monday.



† This symbol denotes-deceased.

Saturday, Dec. 14 – †Matthew Tegeler by family

Sunday, Dec. 15 – †Tom Vonderheide by Barb Vonderheide

Tuesday, Dec. 17 -

Wednesday, Dec. 18 - †Brenda Bales by Family

Saturday, Dec. 21 - †Deceased Members of the Bolton,
Montello, Stump, Witken Families by Jane Montello

Sunday, Dec. 22 – †Louis Tegeler by family

Tuesday, Dec. 24(Midnight Mass) - †Bernard Dorothy Charlotte Ruholl
by Tim Patty Kessler

Wednesday, Dec.25-Special Intention by Rosemary Vonderheide

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. **2025 CALENDAR IS OPEN FOR SCHEDULING!!!**

Happy Birthday



Shelby McCormick 12-15

**PRACTICE SINGING FOR
CHRISTMAS MASSES-
Wed. Dec. 18
5:00-7:00pm
ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

Fr. Adam will be offering adoration 4-
5pm and Mass 5:15 pm every Tuesday at
Shumway.

2025 Wall Calendars courtesy of
Brummerstedt Funeral Home are available
in the cry room.

Parish Families in Faith

December Classes
Dec. 15

Happy Anniversary

DAVE & CHRISTY BALES 12-17-1983
41 years

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule-

There is a sign up sheet for ministries in the cry room.

Christmas Eve

- Green Creek 6pm Shumway Midnight

Christmas Day

-Shumway 8:30 am Green Creek 10:30 am

New Year's Eve-Green Creek 5 pm

New Years Day-Shumway 9 am

Year End Giving Resources & Reminders - Year-End Gifts Due by December 31st

Stocks: Consider donating stock as a way to continue supporting St. Mary's (Annunciation) Catholic Church. Stock giving allows you to save your cash, avoid capital gains, and maximize your impact. You may also receive a tax deduction for the full value of the gift. Visit our secure stock giving site at bit.ly/ParishStock which makes stock giving easy and secure by providing the correct transfer form, helping you fill out the necessary fields, and providing clear instructions for submitting the form to your brokerage. For specific questions about how stock giving may impact your personal situation, consult a financial or tax advisor.

QCDs: Give to St. Mary's from your IRA- Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs), also known as IRA Charitable Rollovers, are the savviest way for those age 70½ or older to use their IRAs to maximize their charitable impact. And, if you are subject to a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), an IRA gift can help you meet your RMD without increasing your taxable income. Visit bit.ly/ParishQCD to learn more about this giving option and to initiate a QCD gift to St. Mary's. For specific questions about how IRA giving may impact your personal situation, consult a financial or tax advisor.

Bequests: Have you documented your final wishes? Creating your estate plan is an act of care that can help you protect your loved ones, communicate healthcare and financial decisions about the future, and establish a legacy that honors your Catholic faith. Our new estate planning tool at www.freewill.com/diocesefspringfield can help you write your legal will for free and makes it easy to make a sustaining gift to your parish home, ensuring the ministry of St. Mary continues for generations to come. For specific questions about how estate planning may impact your personal situation, consult a tax advisor or lawyer.

If you have any questions, contact Karen Kemme.

The 49th annual Pro-Life Breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 19th from 7:00am-Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Free will donation accepted for breakfast, which includes whole hog sausage, eggs, and a variety of home baked breads, along with juice, milk, and water. There will be a 50/50 drawing and raffle.

Volunteers are needed. Please text Susan at 217.663.2084 to sign up for a shift. Donations of breads, rolls, donut holes, & muffins are needed, and can be dropped off on Saturday, January 18 from 12-4pm at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. This is the primary fundraiser for Effingham Area Right to Life. If you're unable to attend the breakfast, please consider sending a donation to PO Box 861, Effingham IL 62401. Learn more by visiting "EffinghamAreaRightToLife" on Facebook.

The Effingham Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers! The Food Pantry needs volunteers to pick up food, sort and put away food, and help to give out food through the pantry. Second Hand Rose is in need of volunteers to run the cash registers. These volunteer opportunities are available Monday -Friday. Please call the Eff. CC office at 217-857-1458 and ask for Crystal (Pantry) or Brigid (Second Hand Rose).

25 Not Impossible Christmas Trivia Questions – Dive Deep presents 25 not impossible Catholic Trivia questions about Christmas! Go to youtube.com/diospringfield or search "Dive Deep" on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe. Dive Deep is the podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

Catholic Bible Study? of the Book of Revelation! Sessions will begin on Thursday, January 9th at 9:30 am and 6:30 pm for 10 weeks. You may choose to attend at either time. Please call the St. Anthony Parish Office at 217-347-7129 to register for materials by January 2nd. If you have any questions, you may contact Kate Weber at 217-821-3003 or kateweber51@gmail.com

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.

Thoughts from Fr. Adam...

Sometimes, when we pray, we have difficulty coming up with the words to say. And, so, we go back to the memorized prayers to say what we need or ask. And the traditional prayers are very good and very beautiful. But, in that struggle, it's a good time to reflect how much alike we are to Jesus' disciples, in Luke 11:1-4, one of the disciples asks, "Lord, teach us to pray." The disciples had possibly heard some of the ritual prayers prayed by the priests in the Temple; some had probably heard Gentiles praying in their rituals; and the disciples wanted to fit in, impress others, and really wanted to know what to say in prayer in general. And, so, Jesus did teach His disciples how to pray, by teaching them the Our Father.

That sounds very familiar to me. Growing up, we went to church every Sunday, Holy Day of Obligation, and occasionally to a daily Mass, so I heard the prayers of the liturgy. Although, I think a greater portion I didn't know what they meant and certainly couldn't pray them by myself. And in junior high and high school, I saw and heard my non-Catholic friends praying, and I was impressed, and a bit envious.

But the Lord did and does teach us how to pray. He gave us the Our Father, and that really is the model for our prayer: Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication. We recognize the goodness of God, we know we fall short, we give thanks for the mercy and love He pours out upon us, and we ask what we need: ACTS.

The Lord also teaches us how to pray when He takes Peter, James, and John with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane. He asks them to stay alert, to keep watch, to be vigilant. Sometimes, our prayer is simply being present and silent with the Lord. And, certainly, that can be difficult. The apostles fell asleep, we too, can fall asleep. We also, at times, feel like the silence needs to be filled. Sometimes, we can be distracted. Those are definitely temptations that we can and do experience. If we don't attempt, if we don't stretch those "muscles", then we will continue to stay at the stage of being envious and desiring that the Lord teach us an easy way to pray.

We are not alone, we can assist one another in prayer. We can encourage one another to pray before a meeting or an event, especially as a family., The more we do so, the more we will be confident in God's grace and love to do what we need and to communicate His grace and love to all whom we encounter.

To Jesus through Mary,
Fr. Adam

PASTORAL VISITS—If anyone would like Fr. Adam to visit with them whether at home or in the hospital, please call the church (1-844-536-6514) so he can be made aware of your wishes. Fr. Adam doesn't always know when a parishioner is in the hospital or possibly homebound, so we ask family to please reach out with ANY needs you may have!!!

The Effingham County FISH organization is sponsoring the Annual Free Effingham County Christmas Dinner on Wednesday, December 25. This year they will be having a congregate meal at the Effingham Event Center at 1:30pm. They will offer delivered meals as well as curbside pick-up. The event is free and open to all Effingham County residents and their families. You may reserve a meal by calling 217-343-7342. The deadline to reserve is December 20.

Volunteers are needed to package and deliver meals. We will start cutting cakes and packaging meals at 10:00am at the Effingham Event Center (1501 W. Fayette Avenue in Effingham). To volunteer, please call Susan Elke at 217-868-5913.



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Fr. R. Dean Probst
Tel: (217) 494-6326 (cell)



Retreat for married couples offered – Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317. Next ones:
1/31/2025 – 2/2/2025, St. Peters, MO
4/4/2025 – 4/6/2025, St. Peters, MO