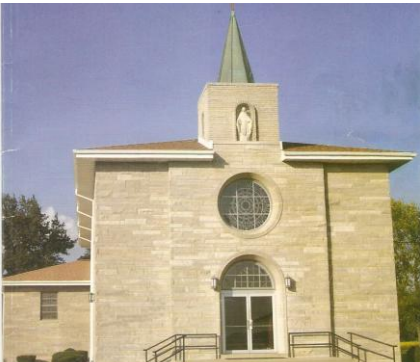


St. Mary’s Catholic Church

Annunciation Church of B.V.M., Shumway, IL  
+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki  
Fr. Adam Prichard, Pastor  
[aprichard@dio.org](mailto:aprichard@dio.org)  
“Office” Phone: 1-844-536-6514 (leave a message)  
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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

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 – 10:00 am

No Adoration/Mass when it falls on a Holy Day

**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](http://www.dio.org)

PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!



- Kathy Miller

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.

**March Committee:** Judy Zacha, Beth Spannagel, Michelle Spannagel, Kathy Ferguson, Tammy Manhart Mardell Sheehan

SAT 4pm	Feb. 22	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22
Servers	Isaac Wells Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown	Aubrey Brown Abby Brown Anna Brown	Isaac Wells Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown	Aubrey Brown Abby Brown Anna Brown	Isaac Wells Tryston Brown Madalyne Brown
Lector	Mike Holland	Alaina Miller	Doug Brown	Katrina Davis	Christy Brown
Usher	Mike Holland Jason Wells	Don Brown Doug Brown	Mike Holland Jason Wells	Don Brown Doug Brown	Mike Holland Jason Wells
Ech Min	Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown Don Brown	Mike Holland Donna Davis Katrina Davis	Rosemary Holland Donna Davis Don Brown	Mike Holland Kathy Brown Katrina Davis	Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown Don Brown
Gift Bearers	Doug Brown Family	Jesse Davis Family	Jason Wells Family	Kathy Brown	Don Brown Family
SUN 8am	Feb. 23 Parish Families in Faith	March 2	March 9 Parish Families in Faith	March 16	March 23 Parish Families in Faith
Servers	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide	Rory Miller Wylie Miller Daisy Miller	Wade Conder Zoey Conder Jacob Vonderheide	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Olivia Vonderheide
Lector	Kathy Adams	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Kathy Adams	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	John Neu Don Antrim	Jason Vonderheide Charley Vonderheide	Larry Lieb Jim Vonderheide	Roy Waldhoff Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman
Ech Min	Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderhiede Lisa Waldhoff	Roy Waldhoff Timber Miller Leslie Kemme	Linda Doedtman Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide	Lisa Waldhoff Roy Waldhoff Leslie Kemme	Timber Miller Barb Vonderheide Lisa Waldhoff
Gift Bearers	Allen Geanine Kessler	Jim Mary Miller	John Karen Neu	Justin Conder Family	Greg Michelle Spannagel
Greeters	Rodney Hoene Family	Don Marcella Antrim	George Diana Conder	Jason Vonderheide Fam	Ed Leslie Kemme
Money Counters	Bales Richards Sheehan,Hackman	Stremming Conder	Doedtman Shadwell	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams
WED. 8am Lectors	Feb. 26	March 5	March 12	March 19	March 26
	Linda Doedtman	Wylie Miller	Teresa Tegeler	Irene Koester	Linda Doedtman

Interested in attending World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea in 2027? The diocese is organizing a group. Father Zach Samples is the lead organizer for the pilgrimage for those who are thinking about attending World Youth Day, which is intended for those between the ages of 16 and 35.

Go to [dio.org/wyd](http://dio.org/wyd) and fill out the interest form.

**Weekly Offering.....2-23-25**  
Envelopes.....\$1824.50  
Loose.....\$462.00  
Catholic Times.....\$35.00  
**Total.....\$2105.50**  
**Masses \$20.00**

### Lenten Regulations

**1. ABSTINENCE** – Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

**2. FAST** – Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

**3.** To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to Pray for the Protection of All Life at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Sigel on Friday March 14. Stations of the Cross for the Right to Life will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr Hyland Smith will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm Mass. The business meeting will follow in the small gym. Refreshments will be served while current pro-life issues and events are discussed.

OPEN HOUSE & Lenten Series – SonRise Men’s Breakfast -Father John Burns is back with another heavy and deeply spiritual lenten journey session. This week’s SonRise TMIY session asks us to contemplate the “four last things”: death, judgment, heaven, and hell. By contemplating these things, we can live in a deeper understanding of the repercussions of sin. Do you desire a life of eternal happiness and peace with the Lord in heaven? Men, join us on the journey to orient our whole lives toward Christ by avoiding that which makes us unhappy, sin. This FRIDAY at the St. Anthony Parish Center for hot Breakfast; ready after 6:10 AM, VIDEO program at 6:30AM, and concluding at 7:30.

† This symbol denotes-deceased.



Saturday, March 1- †Gene Runde by Mark & Karen Kemme

Sunday, March 2 - Parishioner of St. Mary's

Tuesday, March 4- †Bob Roepke by Family

Ash Wednesday, March 5 – 8AM †Jonathan Wernsing by Alice Richards  
-6:30PM

Saturday, March 8 - †Bernard Ruholl by Tim & Patty Kessler

Sunday, March 9 - Living & deceased members of Mike & Virginia Conder family  
by Joe & Kay Conder

Tuesday, March 11-

Wednesday, March 12- †Della Wernsing by Alice Richards

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.

Ash Wednesday-March 5  
Mass at 8am and 6:30 pm-Shumway  
6:30 am – Green Creek

DIVE DEEP PODCAST: The Do’s and Don’ts of Receiving the Eucharist – There is more than just sticking out your hand or tongue when receiving our Lord in the holy Eucharist. Our Father Marty Smith spells out the do’s and don’ts when preparing for holy Communion, receiving holy Communion, the time after holy Communion, and even before you even leave for Mass. Are you doing any of these things?

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.

Happy Birthday



Beth Spannagel 3-3  
Jack Holland 3-6

We will be having “Coffee and Donuts” March 2 after 8 am mass to Welcome Fr. Boniface to the area. Please bring a sweet bread or breakfast item to share. Hope to see you all there.

**Lenten Study at Shumway-** No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion  
Filmed on location in the Holy Land, No Greater Love is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ’s amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ’s life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Study will be at 6:30 pm in basement on **March 19, 26, 31 and April 9 and 16.** Workbook can be purchase at <https://ascensionpress.com/products/no-greater-love-a-biblical-walk-through-christs-passion-workbook>  
Purchase not necessary to participate. If you have questions email/call the church. There is also a digital option. Email [stmarysshumway@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysshumway@gmail.com) to get the link.

## Parish Families in Faith

Upcoming Classes  
March 9 & 23

Attention families! FREE Video Series – Strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the Knights of Columbus called the “Mission of The Family.” The videos can be found on the Knights of Columbus website for free: “The Mission of The Family” videos: [kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html](http://kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html). The five videos are less than 14 minutes in length.



St. Mary's, Shumway  
Parish Hall Fundraiser



MINI  
GOLF

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



You are invited to a Family Lenten Retreat at St. Isidore Parish on **Saturday, March 8** beginning with Mass at 10:00am at St. Aloysius Church. Potluck meal will follow in the parish hall with meat and drinks provided. The speakers will be the Norbertine priests from Springfield, IL. Adoration and Reconciliation will begin at 2:00pm, then conclude at 3:00pm with Benediction. There is no cost to attend but a free will offering will be accepted to assist the visiting priests with their expenses. Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to the Catholic Charities food pantry. Babysitting will be provided, let us know if you have small children when you signup. You may signup by emailing [office@stisidore.dio.org](mailto:office@stisidore.dio.org). Please call Karla Slifer 217-690-5282 or Stephanie Niemerg 217-821-5970 if you have questions.

Looking for a good way to enhance your Lenten Season?

Please join the 2025 Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast Guest Speaker: Bishop Thomas John Paprocki **Saturday, March 22, 2025** at St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland 1411 Main Street | Highland, IL 62249 8:00 AM - noon (Adoration - 7am, Rosary - 7:30am, Mass - 8am)

Mass | Catered Breakfast | Speaker

**\* Pre-Registration is Required for breakfast meal \***

Download form or Register online at [www.stpaulhighland.org](http://www.stpaulhighland.org)

Space is limited! **Register before March 15, 2025**, to reserve your spot and meal ticket. For more information,

email: [womensbreakfast2025@gmail.com](mailto:womensbreakfast2025@gmail.com) or text Rose Wascher at 847-274-3916

Registration forms can also be found on the bulletin boards.



### Lenten Retreat "Walking with Jesus through Holy Week"

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women to this annual Lenten Retreat at Villa Maria in Springfield, **March 25th – 26th** with Deacon Jeff Beals of our diocese, as retreat master. Retreat begins with lunch at noon on Tuesday March 25th and concludes at 3:30 pm on Wed. March 26th, We encourage you to begin the retreat with the March for Life Mass at Sangamon Auditorium at UIS at 10:00 am on Tuesday the 25th with required registration for this Mass found at [dio.org](http://dio.org). All are welcome! Registration form with cost is available in the parish office. Registration deadline: March 15th. Contact: Mary Ann Sullivan: [gma.sullivan80@gmail.com](mailto:gma.sullivan80@gmail.com) Forms are on the bulletin boards.

Singles Upper 50s and Above: Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing RENEW weekend retreat at the Pallottine Retreat Center (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on March 28-30, 2025. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Visit [www.RenewRetreats.org](http://www.RenewRetreats.org), e-mail [renewretreat.stl@gmail.com](mailto:renewretreat.stl@gmail.com), or call (314) 703-1002 for details.

### SAVE THE DATES

- Newton Family Life Center Fundraising Breakfast March 15 (Sat), from 7:30 - 10:30 am. St. Thomas Parish Center at 306 W Jourdan St. in Newton.
- March 25 Feast of Annunciation Celebration/Dinner Mass 6pm Joe's for supper BYOB
- April 1st 6pm Sacred Heart CCW Salad Supper

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL will be hosting a retreat on March 7-8. Join us for an intimate retreat weekend titled "Do you Want to Be Healed?". Our retreat leader is Fr. Jerry Byrd. Please go to [osmm.org](http://osmm.org) to register, and the full agenda is listed on their website. The cost is \$45 to attend. You may also contact Karla Slifer at 217-690 -5282 for more information.

Thoughts from Fr. Adam...

As we continue through the walkthrough of the Mass, we come to the Prayer over the Offerings. This is similar to what we see at the beginning of the Mass, for the Collect. The Prayer over the Offerings gives us a summary of what we are offering and points our minds and hearts to the Eucharistic Prayer that is to come. We are asking God to accept the gifts we bring. And, so, we are reminded that, while we come together as a community, we bring our own gifts as individuals. In Sacrosanctum Concilium, one of the documents from the Second Vatican Council, we hear the importance of the "full and active participation by all the people" (Paragraph 14). Part of that participation is acknowledging that we have come before the Lord, offering our gifts and praying that they may be made worthy. Not only do we pray that our gifts are made worthy, we also pray that we may be united to Jesus Christ in His sacrifice. So, the Prayer over the Offerings leads us to a greater desire to be united to Christ, and a deeper desire that God's will be done in our own lives. The Mass is not a matter of us seeking entertainment, it's a matter of us worshipping God, and the Prayer Over the Offerings reminds us of that.

We then arrive at the Preface, of which there is a variety. However, all the Prefaces give particular reasons for praising God at the Mass, depending on which Liturgical Season we are in or depending on the particular feast or solemnity that is being celebrated that day. There are four parts of the Preface, the first being the initial dialogue, "The Lord be with you", etc. This bonds or pairs the prayer of the people with the prayer of the priest and lifts our hearts to Christ. The second part, "It is right to give Him thanks and praise...", elevates our prayer to the Father, fulfilling the command of Christ to pray to the Father (Luke 11:2). Then we have the third part, which is the most variable, depending on the days or liturgical seasons, which proclaims with joy the fundamental reasons for the act of thanksgiving, which always revolves around creation and salvation. The fourth part is the end of the Preface and a prologue to the Holy, Holy, Holy, which associates the prayer of the Church on earth with the worship of the heavenly liturgy.

God bless!

The Mattoon Deanery Council of Catholic Women next meeting is Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at St. Anthony of Padua, 101 E. Virginia Ave., Effingham, IL 62401. Registration at 8:00 am and following Mass. Mass at 8:30 am. Please sit towards the back of the church or on the sides since the students will also be attending Mass. Lunch and white elephant auction (wrapped gift) will conclude the day; proceeds go to the Seminary Fund (check or cash accepted). Whether you're a long-time member or someone looking to connect with fellow Catholic women, this gathering is an excellent opportunity to grow in your faith, strengthen your community bonds, and have a great time! Contact: MDCCW President: Margaret Thompson (217) 232-4350 or [drmathompson76@gmail.com](mailto:drmathompson76@gmail.com)

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School in Newton, Illinois is seeking qualified candidates for the following position for the 2025-2026 school year: Full-Time Teacher – 1st grade. Flier on bulletin board.

Sacrament of Marriage-Please contact our parish office (1-844-536-6514) 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.

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 o attend. For more information, please call the parish office (1-844-536-6514).