

SAT 4pm	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8
Servers	Anna Brown Aubrey Brown Tryston Brown	Trey Brown Isaac Wells Fred Dust	Abby Brown Madalyne Brown Adeline Brown	Anna Brown Aubrey Brown Tryston Brown	Trey Brown Isaac Wells Fred Dust
Lector	Alaina Miller	Sarah Roepke	Donna Davis	Doug Brown	Christy Brown
Usher	Mike Holland Jason Wells	Don Brown Doug Brown	Jason Wells Justin Miller	Mike Holland Don Brown	Jason Wells Doug Brown
Ministers of Holy Communion	Don Brown Katrina Davis Beth Spannagel	Kathy Brown Donna Davis Katrina Davis	Sarah Roepke Don Brown Beth Spannagel	Mike Holland Rosemary Holland Kathy Brown	Donna Davis Sarah Roepke Don Brown
Gift Bearers	Kathy Brown		Joe & Fred Dust	Jason Wells Family	Doug Brown Family
SUN 8am	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 26 Families in Faith	Nov. 2	Nov. 9 Families in Faith
Servers	Terri Hoene Zachary Hoene Jacob Hoene	Terri Hoene Zachary Hoene Hunter Buehler	Olivia Vonderheide Rory Miller Wylie Miller	Daisy Miller Gracie Jo Miller Wade Conder	Zoe Conder Jacob Vonderheide Garrett Hoene
Lector	Terri Hoene	Kathy Adams	Lisa Thompson	Terry Hoene	Kathy Adams
Ushers	Roy Waldhoff Trevor Floyd	Dennis Koester Joe Conder	Gene Doedtman Tom Doedtman	Josh Miller Justin Conder	John Neu Don Antrim
Ministers of Holy Communion	Lisa Thompson Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Vanessa Floyd Linda Doedtman Barb Vonderheide	Trevor Floyd Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Roy Waldhoff Lisa Waldhoff Lisa Thompson	Vanessa Floyd Linda Doedtman Barb Vonderheide
Gift Bearers	Barb Vonderheide	Josh Miller Family	Jason Pruemmer Family	Don Marcella Antrim	Roy Lisa Waldhoff
Greeters	Joe & Kay Conder	Tom Helen Doedtman	Ed Leslie Kemmer	Jim Mary Miller	John Karen Neu
Money Counters	Waldhoff Hoene	Kemme Adams	Bales, Richards, Sheehan, Hackman	Stremming Conder	Doedtman Shadwell
WED. 8am Lectors	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5	Nov. 12
	Mike Holland	Linda Doedtman	Irene Koester	Alice Richards	Mike Holland

Please remember to sign in in the sacristy before mass so we know all ministries are covered.

An updated ministry list with phone numbers is posted on the bulletin boards and has been emailed to the emails I have on file. Phone numbers are listed for those who are willing to sub. If you are not willing to sub, please mark your phone number off. If anyone would like to be added to the ministry list or taken off, please mark off or add your name to the list or contact Donna Davis 1-844-536-6514 or stmarysshumway@gmail.com.

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



+Bishop Thomas John Paprocki
www.dio.org

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

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

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

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St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Shumway

MISSION
(who we are and what we do, our purpose)
Be a growing community of disciples, centered on the Eucharist, that imitates Jesus by proclaiming the Gospel and serving our neighbors with love.

VISION
(where we are going, our focus)
Building the Body of Christ through families of faith with vibrant spiritual formation, joyful community fellowship and service, and a welcoming presence to all.

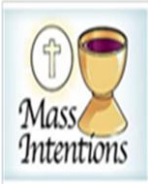
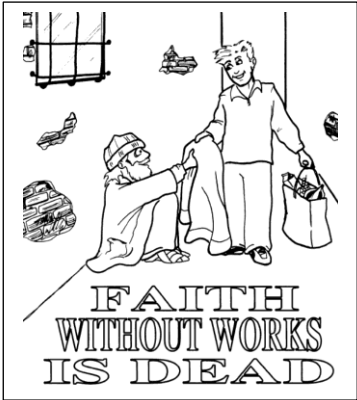
Good News! October 26, 2025 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Sirach 35:12–14, 16–18 / 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18 / Luke 18:9–14
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

For some, going to confession can bring a sense of relief—as if the slate has now been wiped clean; as if we have gotten a do-over with life or the past has been left behind as though it never happened. Our past, however, is always with us—the good and the bad, the joys and the sadness, the grace and the sin. There are no do-overs. We carry with us the marks of our lives simply because every experience, every kindness and cruelty, every moment of generosity and selfishness, all have made us into who are. We are much like a tree that adds a ring to its trunk each year. The ring always bears the marks of that year, whether it has been a year of rain or drought, whether insects have attacked, or whether Mother Nature has been kind. The tree always remembers and carries with it forever the rings of what life has been. Our lives are the same. The story of the Pharisee and the tax collector tells this tale. Like the Pharisee, we have much good in our lives. We too have prayed and have been generous. We have been kind and honest and cared for the poor. We have tried to be faithful. The Pharisee’s downfall was that he forgot about his sinfulness; he forgot he needed God’s mercy. The tax collector, on the other hand, remembered his failings. Both were in need of God’s love. Only the tax collector seemed to realize it. ●

One of the ways that Catholicism is misunderstood is through the misunderstanding of how “works” plays into a life of faith. There are some non-Catholic Christians, and perhaps even some Catholics, who believe that the Church teaches that we can earn our salvation; that, if we do enough, God will overlook our sins and our failings because we’ve accomplished enough. However, that is not true at all. We cannot earn our way to salvation. It is a freely given gift of God that, hopefully, we are open and willing to receive.

One of the ways this misconception comes about is trying to pit St. Paul and St. James against one another. In the 3rd chapter of St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans, he states, “They are justified freely by His Grace” and “for we consider that a person is justified by faith apart from works of the law.” St. Paul is reminding them that the works of the law, by which he means the Mosaic law, cannot save anyone. Now, St. Paul isn’t saying that a person can do whatever he or she wants, as he, in many different places in his epistles, calls people to correction and to live in accord with Jesus Christ. But the Christian way of life is a response to Jesus Christ, and the free gift of salvation. We read in the second chapter of the Letter from St. James, “What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him?” and “So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone may say, ‘You have faith and I have works.’ Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.” For St. James, we see that believing in God, believing in the gift of salvation given by Jesus is not enough. To simply say, “I believe” is just words. If we are not responding to the gift of Jesus Christ with our words and actions, with a faith lived out, then we are just echoing empty words.

Does this mean that every Christian, every Catholic will do the exact same works? No. Each of us lives out our vocations in a variety of ways. A cloistered nun will not live out her faith in the same way that a diocesan priest does who will not live out his faith in the same way that a husband and wife will live out their faiths. We all have different roles and different opportunities in order to respond to that gift of faith. But if we don’t, if I don’t, respond at all to that gift, by living it out, it is a dead faith and, in fact, becomes a scandal to those who hear that we say that we’re Christians, we’re Catholics, but see no visible difference in the way that we live our lives and the way that non-Christians live out theirs. We cannot buy our salvation, but it is imperative that we respond to the gift that has been given to us. Fr. Adam



- † This symbol denotes-deceased.
- Saturday, Oct. 25 – †Charlotte Ruholl by Tim & Patty Kessler
Sunday, Oct. 26- †Mike Brummer by George & Diana Conder
Tuesday, Oct. 28 – Catholic Daughters of the Americas by Court #720
Wednesday, Oct. 29 - †Howard Rentfrow by Alice Richards
Saturday, Nov. 1 –† Larry Ferguson by Reggie & Katie Flach
Sunday, Nov. 2- Parishioner of St. Mary's
Tuesday, Nov. 4 – Special intention by Mark & Karen Kemme
Wednesday, Nov. 5 - Special Intention by Barb Vonderheide

To schedule a mass intention please use a mass intention envelope. They are in the cry room in the “mailbox” outside the bathroom. There is also a calendar there with available dates. Drop your intention in the collection basket. If you have any questions, contact Donna Davis @1-844-536-6514.

Dear Padre

Is it wrong for children to dress up as zombies and devils and other evil creatures for Halloween?

No. It is perfectly acceptable to choose these kinds of costumes and to participate in the festivities of Halloween. Halloween is primarily a secular celebration. Although it is true that the original celebration is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition, that tradition is more properly celebrated during the great feast days of the Church that follow Halloween: All Saints’ Day and All Souls’ Day.

Mythological representations, and the costumes that remind us of these kind of characters, are to be understood with a sense of fun and mischief. There is no difference between a ghost, a goblin, a zombie, Captain America, Superman, or one of the Mario Brothers. They are all fictional characters in the very human stories we share with each other. The meaning we assign to them must be proportional to what they represent. On Halloween, they represent nothing more than a person in costume. It could be an entirely different story under different circumstances in which there might be the possibility of a misunderstanding about the meaning of such a costume. Halloween pretty much blurs that distinction and takes away the misunderstanding. It is meant to be entertaining and fun. That is all. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

My own story is that of a citizen, the descendant of immigrants, who in turn chose to emigrate. All of us, in the course of our lives, can find ourselves healthy or sick, employed or unemployed, living in our native land or in a foreign country, yet our dignity always remains unchanged: it is the dignity of a creature willed and loved by God.

AUDIENCE OF THE HOLY FATHER, ROME, MAY 16, 2025

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Weekly Offering.....	10-19-25
Adult.....	\$1562.00
Loose.....	440.00
Parish Hall.....	600.00
Total.....	\$2602.00
Masses \$40.00	

Parish Hall update \$130,944.97

- MONDAY**
October 27
Rom 8:12–17
Lk 13:10–17
- TUESDAY**
October 28
Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19–22
Lk 6:12–16
- WEDNESDAY**
October 29
Rom 8:26–30
Lk 13:22–30
- THURSDAY**
October 30
Rom 8:31b–39
Lk 13:31–35
- FRIDAY**
October 31
Rom 9:1–5
Lk 14:1–6
- SATURDAY**
November 1
All Saints
Rv 7:2–4, 9–14
1 Jn 3:1–3
Mt 5:1–12a
- SUNDAY**
November 2
(All Souls’ Day)
Wis 3:1–9
Rom 5:5–11 or
Rom 6:3–9
Jn 6:37–40

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

21st Annual Effingham County Thanksgiving Day Dinner
The Effingham County FISH Organization is sponsoring the 21st Annual Effingham County Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner. Thursday, November 27, 2025
We will offer a congregate meal at Cornerstone Christian Church, with serving beginning at 12:30pm. We will still offer delivered meals as well as curbside pickup. Curbside pickup will be available at Cornerstone Christian Church, 3600 South Banker, Effingham, between 11:00am & 12 noon. Meals will be delivered after 10:00am.
This event is free and open to all Effingham County Residents and their families, however donations are always greatly appreciated and may be sent to: FISH, PO Box 473, Effingham, IL 62401.
To reserve a Congregate Meal, Home Delivered Meal or Curbside Pickup, please call 217-821-4387 between November 1st through November 24, 2025.
Volunteers are needed to help package and deliver meals. We will start packaging meals at 9:00am on Thanksgiving day. To volunteer, please call 217-343-7342.



Advocate Training - The Office for Tribunal Services will be hosting Advocate Training on Saturday, November 15 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at St. Boniface Parish, 110 North Buchanan, in Edwardsville, IL. Current advocates are also welcomed to attend. The training will focus on the procedures concerning marriage nullity and how to assist members of the faithful who seek to have a previous marriage examined. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP Chelli by November 10 at cbranyan@dio.org or 217-321-1117.

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: 12/5/2025 – 12/7/2025, St. Peters, MO

The Flame of Love Rosary Prayer Group has begun meeting every Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-4:10 at Sacred Heart Church in Effingham. There is no commitment - come when it works for you. Introduction and prayer sheets are available. Please join us - everyone is welcome! www.flameoflove.us.

Millions of Monicas meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. This prayer group is a way we can come together as believers and lift up our children in prayer. For more information, visit www.millionsofmonicas.com. The next meeting is Monday, October 20.

TREASURES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE 12 Days: April 13-24, 2026 Hosted by Fr. R. Dean Probst Visiting Venice, Florence, Assisi, Monoppello, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotundo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Sorrento, Pompeii, Monte Cassino, Rome with Papal Audience..\$5299 from St. Louis. Contact Fr. Dean 217-494-6326 or rdprobst@gmail.com for more info or brochure.

Happy Birthday



Lisa Thompson 10-25
Roger Zacha 10-26
Richard Hankins 10-27
Olivia Vonderheide 10-28
Rodney Hoene 10-28

Happy Anniversary

TOM & SANDY ZACHA 10-25-2005
20 YEARS

RODNEY & TERRY HOENE 10-29-2005
20 YEARS



Starting next weekend, we will be collecting food for local food pantries. This will be an ongoing ministry.

Families in Faith
Next class Sunday, Oct. 26
If you have any questions, contact Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399
CLASSES FOR ALL AGES...
PRE-K THROUGH ADULT!!!!

Bible Study @ St. Mary's, Shumway
"A Journey Through Church History."
Next meeting is Oct. 29.

Blessing of the Cemetery--After Mass on Sunday, Nov. 2 Father Adam will go to the cemetery and do the annual blessing. There will be no walking procession. Those who would like to attend my drive over to the cemetery.

CCW NEWS--November 4 at 6:00 P.M. is the next CCW MEETING. We are installing Marcella Antrim as our new Vice President. We want to thank Joyce Shadwell for being our vice president for the last 7 years. Joyce has been an excellent member of the CCW. We would like the November & December committees to be present to plan the Christmas party (Dec. 7-first Sunday) and January committee present to come and make plans for the casserole dinner (first Tuesday January 6) where we invite St. Anthony and Sacred Heart and St Mary's Green Creek. All women of the parish is welcome to attend.



PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!

Walker Clark	Kathy Miller	Sally Wakefield
Steve Fritts	David Brown	Pat Kuhns
Kenny Hille	Kathy Wakefield	Bill Hamilton
Eloise P.	Larry Nation	Christie Dust
Trevor Roy	Norma Bloemer	Helen Kollinger
Tony Bierman	Beth Hewing	Bill Nuxoll
Tori Schairbaum	Jim Gordon	Cinda Held
Tom Laue	Don Kemme	Marita Elson
Jerry Worman	Don Clark	
Mardell Sheehan	Steve Moore	
Elsie McKay		

Call: 1-844-536-6514 to add or remove someone. Thank You.



St. Mary's Youth Group presents

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 26th

Food - Candy - Fun

307 S 4th St, Shumway, IL 62461

5:00pm - 7:00pm

**Don't want to dress up? Decorate
your trunk & come for great
fellowship!**

**Contact 217-240-4291 with
questions**

Our neighbors, Faith Lutheran will also be having a trunk or treat the same evening. So let's come out and make this a community event.

Richard Waldhoff's 85th birthday party will be held on Sunday, Nov. 2 from 1-3pm at the Effingham Park District, 1906 S. 4th St. The family invites you to stop by and wish him a happy birthday, share some memories, and enjoy light refreshments and good company.



Children's bulletins now available. There will be 2 different ones to cover more ages. Parents, please use one or both!! Let me know what you think. I appreciate the feedback.



Fall BREAKFAST

hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Youth Group - Shumway

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH

7:00am - 11:00am

Shumway Kluthe Community Building
199 Front St, Shumway, IL 62461

FREE WILL DONATION

PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, FRUIT, SWEET BREADS, MILK, & COFFEE
GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS AVAILABLE

PROCEEDS SUPPORT ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP, ALLOWING STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL SEEK CONFERENCE IN JANUARY, ALONG WITH VARIOUS ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!

Contact Katrina Davis with questions! 217-240-4291

SonRise Fridays – All Men Invited! This week, we will discuss the leadership trait which is needed in laying a foundation for the future. We will see how a Christian culture is formed and how a Christian culture has the ability to collapse before our eyes. Men you have a greater role than we know! Don't miss this eye-opening session! Come for food, fellowship and faith 6:15 AM – 7:30AM, Friday, at the St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham. Learn more at thatmanisyou.com or Dan Woods, 217-821-1495.

December Catholic Men's Overnight Retreat – Step away from the noise of daily life and renew your soul at the Catholic Men's Overnight Retreat, led by Norbertine Father Herman Joseph Johanneck, O. Praem. at the beautiful Villa Maria Retreat Center on Lake Springfield. Father Herman Joseph will present his series, "Sons of the Father, Men in Christ," guiding participants into deeper prayer, reflection, and brotherhood. The retreat will include talks, personal prayer, Rosary, Adoration & Benediction, Confessions, group discussion, Holy Mass, and time for rest and silence. Saturday, Dec. 13 – Sunday, Dec. 14; \$150 (includes single-occupancy room, meals, and materials); Register by Nov. 21 at events@dio.org.