

SAT 4pm	August 1	August 8	August 15- Youth Mass Parish Picnic	August 22	August 29
Servers	Isaac Wells Fred Dust Tryston Brown	Anna Brown Madalyne Brown Abby Brown	Volunteers	Anna Brown Aubrey Brown Adeline Brown	Isaac Wells Fred Dust Tryston Brown
Lector	Sara Roepke	Doug Brown	Volunteer	Katrina Davis	Christy Brown
Usher	Mike Holland Justin Miller	Don Brown Jason Wells	Volunteers	Doug Brown Mike Holland	Don Brown Justin Miller
Ministers of Holy Communion	Jesse Davis Don Brown Kathy Brown	Mike Holland Rosemary Holland Beth Spannagel	Sara Roepke Don Brown Kathy Brown	Jesse Davis Donna Davis Rosemary Holland	Mike Holland Katrina Davis Beth Spannagel
Gift Bearers	Doug Brown Family	Jason Wells Family	Volunteers	Joe & Fred Dust	Kathy Brown
SUN 8am	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Servers	Olivia Vonderheide Zoey Conder Wade Conder	Garrett Hoene Braxton Hoene Hunter Buehler	Jacob Vonderheide Olivia Vonderheide Zoey Conder	Wade Conder Hunter Buehler Garrett Hoene	Olivia Vonderheide Braxton Hoene Jacob Vonderheide
Lector	Lisa Thompson	Kathy Adams	Terry Hoene	Kathy Adams	Lisa Thompson
Ushers	John Neu Don Antrim	Jason Vonderheide Charly Vonderheide	Larry Lieb Jim Vonderheide	Dennis Koester Gene Doedtman	Shawn Buehler Tom Dodetman
Ministers of Holy Communion	Leslie Kemme Timber Miller Shawn Buehler	Jesse Davis Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide	Jesse Davis Leslie Kemme Timber Miller	Shawn Buehler Lisa Thompson Barb Vonderheide	Jesse Davis Leslie Kemme Timber Miller
Gift Bearers	Rodney Hoene Family	Charly Rhonda Vonderheide	Jim Marylou Vonderheide	Dan Angela Woods	Barb Vonderheide
Greeters	John Karen Neu	Wanda Ohnesorge	Lisa Thompson	Rodney Hoene Family	Charly Rhonda Vonderheide
Money Counters	Bales/Richards Hackman/Sheehan	Stremming Conder	Doedtman Shadwell	Hoene Floyd	Kemme Adams
WED. 8am Lectors	Aug. 5	Aug. 12	Aug. 19	Aug. 26	Sept. 2
	Mike Holland	Alice Richards	Irene Koester	Mike Holland	Alice Richards

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

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).



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21th Sunday Ordinary Time – August 23, 2026

MISSION

Be a growing community of disciples, centered on the Eucharist, that imitates Jesus by proclaiming the Gospel and serving our neighbors with love.

VISION

Building the Body of Christ through families of faith with vibrant spiritual formation, joyful community fellowship and service, and a welcoming presence to all.

Shumway Mass Times:

Tuesday – 5:15 pm
 Adoration/Reconciliation 4-5 pm
 Wednesday 8:00 am
 Reconciliation 7-7:45am
 Saturday 4:00 pm
 Reconciliation-3 -3:45 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am

Green Creek Mass Times:

Thursday – 5:15 pm
 Adoration/Reconciliation 4-5 pm
 Friday – 8 am
 Reconciliation 7-7:45am
 Saturday – 6 pm
 Sunday – 10:00 am

No Adoration/Mass when it falls on a Holy Day

August Committee: Diana Conder, Jodi McCormick, Natalie Tabbert, Hilary Conder, Kristen Buehler, Barb Davis

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

Built on a Rock of Faith

On the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, we hear about strength, trust, and responsibility. God chooses people for His work and gives them what they need to carry it out. Each reading shows how God works through others to guide His people.

Isaiah tells of Shebna losing his role and Eliakim being raised up instead. God chooses Eliakim and gives him real authority. He becomes like a peg, steady and trusted, holding up his family and his people.

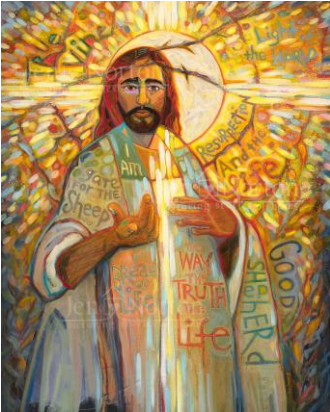
In the Gospel, Jesus gives Peter a new mission. Peter recognizes Jesus as the Son of God. Jesus responds by giving him the keys of the kingdom and calling him the rock on which the Church will stand. This reading helps us reflect on faith and leadership.

The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A calls us to think about who we trust and follow. God is always working, even when we don’t fully understand. He gives strength and purpose to those who say yes to Him.

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Action Step:

Pray for Church leaders. Ask God to help you trust His guidance.



The Goodness of God Surrounds us

One of the things that I think about when I think about faith, or religion, or myself as a priest is one my professor’s sayings in seminary. Dr. Kate Wiskus would frequently remind us seminarians, “You’re not a done muffin.” It was a reminder that we didn’t know everything. It was also a reminder that we were to take the time to learn and grow, that we could not rush the process of priestly formation. It’s still a saying that comes to mind from time to time because I still don’t know everything, there’s still room to grow in knowledge and in right relationship with God, and to grow in right relationship with my neighbor as well.

While that can sound discouraging, at times, there is room for great joy. The ability to grow and learn, to discover more about ourselves, our capabilities, the gifts that God has given us is remarkable. And while people have the capability of doing us injury, of harming us, of being our enemy, people also have the potential to help us heal, to help us grow, to help us achieve more. And while we can be frustrated with God not answering our prayers in the exact way we want Him to, if we look through the past, hopefully, we can see how He sits with us in our frustration and how He answers our prayers is better than what we could have understood, in the long run.

All that being said, as I was reflecting on what to write for this weekend, I thought it might be a good idea to start a series on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. The seven gifts being Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of God. These gifts, these traits, are infused as a permanent endowment at Baptism and sealed in Confirmation. But these gifts are not to be just put on the shelf; they are to be cultivated, to be reflected upon, to be understood to the best of our ability. When we do so, they help us to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

So, for the next few articles that’s what I’ll be covering.



PRAYER LIST: Please remember them in your prayers!

Allen Kessler	Kathy Miller	Bill Hamilton
Gracie Jo Miller	David Brown	Christie Dust
Elsie McKay	Jim Gordon	Helen Kollinger
Kelly Myers Kocher	Tony Bierman	Bill Nuxoll
Kenny Hille	Tori Schairbaum	Cinda Held
Trevor Roy	Tom Laue	Kathy Wakefield
Mardell Sheehan	Jerry Worman	
	Steve Moore	
	Pat Kuhns	

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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Main Message:

- God gives authority to those He chooses
- Peter sees that Jesus is the Son of God
- Jesus builds His Church on rock
- Faith gives us strength and purpose

Key Scripture:

“Upon this rock I will build my church.”
(Matthew 16:18)

The Readings:

First Reading:
Isaiah 22:19-23 — Eliakim receives authority

Psalm:
Psalm 138 — God hears and cares

Second Reading:
Romans 11:33-36 — God’s wisdom is beyond us

Gospel:
Matthew 16:13-20 — Peter receives the keys

Themes To Know:

- ✝ Faith in Jesus
- 🔑 Keys of the Kingdom
- 👑 God’s authority
- 🪨 Church on rock
- 💡 Trust in God’s wisdom

What This Means For Us:

- Trust Jesus when life feels unclear
- Use responsibility with humility
- Listen to the Church’s guidance
- Build your life on faith

Try This:

Pray for Church leaders and ask God to help you follow Jesus with trust.

Reflection Questions:

- ? Who do I say Jesus is?
- ? Where do I need stronger faith?
- ? How can I use my responsibilities well?

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Weekly Offering..... Aug. 16, 2026

Adult.....	\$2280.00
Loose.....	\$326.00
Assumption.....	\$197.00
Total.....	\$2803.00

Parish Hall update \$166,536.69

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

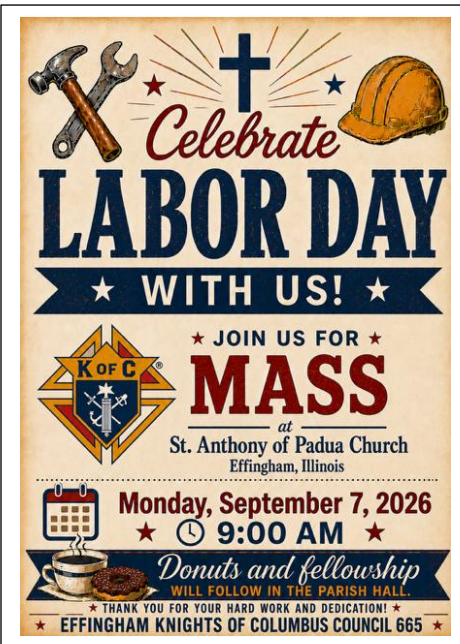
Funeral Meal Coordinators
Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399
Dot Thomas 217-259-8560

Beat the Heat--Triple Play card game in the church basement 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 1-4pm
Beginners welcome. P.S. Bring a jacket.

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. 10/9/2026 – 10/11/2026, Springfield, IL

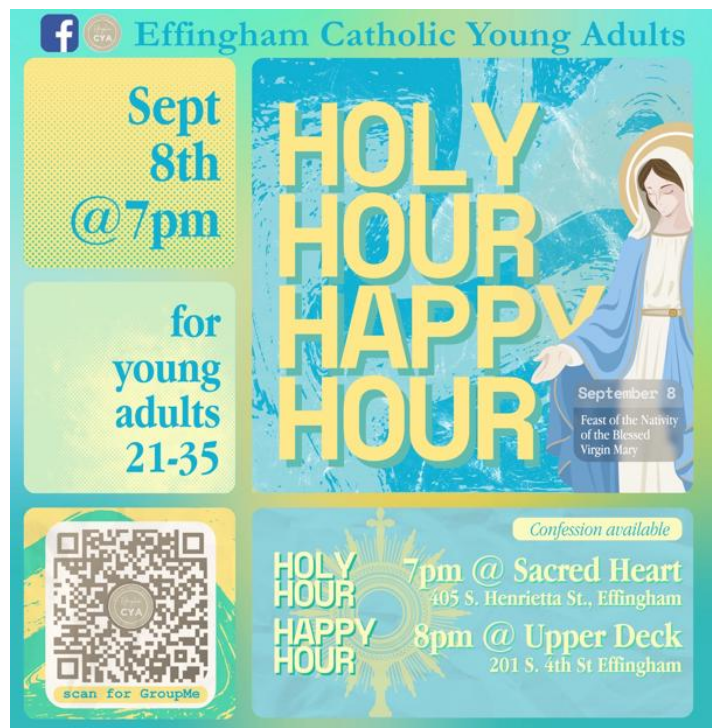
Have you been married 50+ years? Time to celebrate!

On October 4 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, all couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend a special Mass honoring their marriage vocation! The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. A reception will follow after Mass. Please register for the Mass by going to dio.org/events and clicking on the Oct 4 Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted in the last two years. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you have not done so in past years. Any questions? Call Ruth Staab at 217-698-8500.



A poster for a Labor Day Mass. At the top, there is a hammer and wrench crossed, a large cross with radiating lines, and a hard hat. The text reads "Celebrate LABOR DAY WITH US!". Below this is the K of C logo and "JOIN US FOR MASS at St. Anthony of Padua Church Effingham, Illinois". The date and time are "Monday, September 7, 2026 9:00 AM". At the bottom, it says "Donuts and fellowship WILL FOLLOW IN THE PARISH HALL." and "THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION! EFFINGHAM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 665".

Are you seriously dating? Next Step is an 8-session program for seriously dating couples who want to discern whether they are called to marriage. It can be completed online as a couple or live in a parish where a married couple will facilitate discussion at tables of four seriously dating couples. You will not be asked to share personal information with the group but only with each other. To learn more, visit discerningmarriage.com or contact Gracie at the Office of Marriage and Family Life at gortiz@dio.org or 217-321-1124.



A poster for Holy Hour Happy Hour. It features the Effingham Catholic Young Adults logo. The text says "Sept 8th @ 7pm for young adults 21-35". The main title is "HOLY HOUR HAPPY HOUR" in large yellow letters. Below this, it says "September 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary". At the bottom, it lists two locations: "7pm @ Sacred Heart 405 S. Henrietta St., Effingham" and "8pm @ Upper Deck 201 S. 4th St Effingham". There is also a QR code and a note "Confession available".



† This symbol denotes-deceased.

Saturday, Aug. 22 →+Marita Kemme by Family

Sunday, Aug.23 – +Bob Roepke by family

+Don Kemme by Dot Terry Thomas

+Travis Vonderheide by family

Tuesday, Aug. 25 – +Don Kemme by Tom Helen Doedtmann

Wednesday, Aug. 26 – +Hans Kollinger by Helene Kollinger

Saturday, Aug. 29 – +Dorothy Ruholl

Sunday, Aug. 30 – +Ed Kirchhoffer by Jim & Mary Miller

Tuesday, Sept. 1 – +Don Kemme by Tom Helen Doedtmann

Wednesday, Sept. 2 - +Hans Kollinger

+Marita Kemme by Family

Happy Birthday



Emma Thompson 8-23
Alice Richards 8-28

*The parish families extends
its sympathies to
Teresa Miller and family
on the passing of her mother,
Dolores Will.
May she rest in peace.*



ST. MARY'S SHUMWAY-- PORK CHOP DINNER
PARISH HALL FUNDRAISER AUGUST 23, 2026

4:00PM-7:00PM

COST: \$15 PER TICKET

DINE-IN & CARRY OUT

@ ST. MARY'S SHUMWAY

2 PORK CHOPS

GREEN BEANS

BAKED POTATO

DINNER ROLL



PURCHASE TICKETS after mass or at the door.



Cross Catholic Outreach
Boxes should be returned to
the church basement by
September 6th.

Marcella Antrim 217-690-2473

Dot Thomas at 217-259-8560

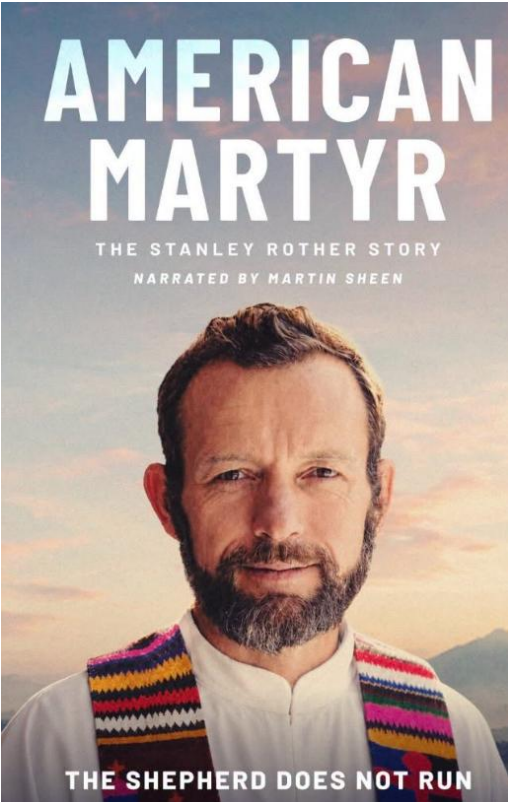
Parish Council Meeting minutes are
located on the bulletin boards and at
the end of the online bulletin.

Trinity Lutheran in Shumway will be hosting our
annual Ice Cream Social on Sept 20, 2026 from 4-
7pm. Please come join us for a lovely meal
followed by delicious dessert consisting of
homemade ice cream and pie!
All proceeds will be applied to preserving our
beautiful stained-glass windows!

PLAYING IN MATTOON FOR ONLY 2 DAYS
AUGUST 25 AND AUGUST 26

“American Martyr: The Stanley Rother Story,” a feature-length documentary narrated by acclaimed actor Martin Sheen, tells the true story of an American priest who was murdered for refusing to abandon his people. Born on an Oklahoma farm, Father Stanley Rother left to serve the Indigenous Tz’utujil people of Santiago Atitlán, Guatemala, during the country’s brutal civil war. Immersing himself in the life of the community, he learned their language, shared their suffering, helped translate the New Testament into Tz’utujil and became a beloved spiritual father to the people he served. As violence and persecution closed in, Father Stan became convinced that “the shepherd cannot run,” and he returned to Guatemala from the U.S. knowing it could cost him his life. Only months later, masked gunmen broke into his rectory and murdered him. “American Martyr” reveals the witness of Blessed Stanley, whose courage, sacrificial love and unwavering faith continue to inspire audiences around the world.

<https://www.fathomentertainment.com/>



Our **Family in Faith Religion** program (open to ALL ages) will resume on Sept. 13. If anyone feels called to help with program or has ideas about what you would like to see out of our program, please contact Donna Davis. 217-690-2640 or email the church.

The basic schedule will be...

- 9-10am individual classes (divided by ages- this includes an adult group!!!)
- 10-1030am large group time
- 1030-11am Breakfast

We will meet the 2nd & 4th Sundays. There are a few exceptions. A schedule will be handed out on the 13th.

Mark your calendars!!! Our fall study will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 9 @ 6:30pm. We will do a short study over the Constitutions of Vatican II.

“These documents have guided the Church during the past sixty years and will continue to shape the life of the Church in the future.”

This five-part study of the Constitutions is offered to take up Our Holy Father’s invitation to become a synodal Church, a church of communion, participation and mission.



EVERY weekend, we will be collecting food for local food pantries. You can find the donation tote in the cry room.

Reflections Questions for this week —

- How do I use any authority or influence I have?
- Do I trust in God’s wisdom, even when life is uncertain?
- What does Jesus mean to me personally?
- How can I grow in my understanding of who Jesus is?
- What can I learn from Peter’s faith and leadership?
- Do I try to control my life instead of trusting in God?
- How do I recognize God’s guidance in my daily decisions?
- In what ways can I serve others with humility?
- How does my faith shape the way I see the Church?
- What steps can I take to strengthen my relationship with Jesus?



21st Annual
Spaghetti Lunch

Sponsored by Joe’s Pizza & Pasta

Drive-Thru Only

Sunday, September 13, 2026

10:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Effingham Event Center

Tickets available at:

- Catholic Charities
- Any Catholic Charities Advisory Board Member
- At the door

Employer Lunch Special

Treat your employees to lunch!

20+ tickets \$9 each

**\$10
per meal**



All proceeds support the mission and ministries of Catholic Charities.
For more information, contact Catholic Charities at **217-857-1458**.

Parish Council Meeting –Aug. 12, 2026

Upcoming Dates:

Right to Life Mass and Meeting on Tuesday August 18 - 5-6 holy hour, rosary 6pm, mass 6:30pm
Father will be gone for Priest Convocation September 21st- 24th.
Mattoon CCW Meeting October 21st here at Shumway. Mass will be at 8:30am instead of our normal 8am.
Thanksgiving Mass Schedule-7:30 am Shumway 9am Green Creek
Immaculate Conception Schedule-December 7 6:30pm Shumway December 8 6:30am Green Creek
Christmas Schedule—Christmas Eve- 9pm Shumway 5pm Green Creek
-Christmas Day- 8am Shumway 10 am Green Creek

Continuing Business

- "Progress" on Cross Catholic Outreach boxes—all boxes are out
- Communication Goal/Committee Update-Katrina reported that she is working on revamping the website.
- Hospitality Update-Kathy reported there will be a meeting on Aug. 19. The gift bags were given to our new members.
- Update on picnic/pork chop dinner-currently 63 signed up for picnic. We have about 150 tickets sold for the pork chop dinner.
- We need to sell more. Adult helpers should be here at 2pm and younger helpers should be around 3pm.
- Sound System Quote Discussion—Father sent out an email with the quote from Mid-State Acoustics & Sound, \$14,446.00. This includes a two year warranty. The system is showing its age. The gentleman has worked with many other churches on installing systems. He said he would be available late August and early September. Parish council members were in agreement with getting a new system. Father said he would also talk to finance committee about it also.
- Basement Floor Quotes-Hazlett-fix and epoxy-\$15142.00 Thompson-deep scrub and waxing-\$2,500.00. Council thought it would be better to go with a deep clean. Thoughts were brought up about us filling in holes ourselves and them have him wax. Need to call Sam and see his availability and work with our schedule also.

New Business

- Discussion on Confessional (Doors, Orientation, Lighting, etc.) Father would like to upgrade the doors to be more sound proof. He also said some attention needs to be given to the lighting. He also is concerned with the ability of some to be able to access the confessionals. Father is also willing to use the cry room instead of the confessional. Father was just wanted thoughts and suggestions. John Adams will look into a new solid door for the current confessional.
- Founded on Faith Effingham Daily News feature-It was decided to do a 5x5 ad for our parish in the EDN on Aug. 29.
- Order for Christian Initiation for Adults 2026-2027-Father will be holding meetings after mass at Green Creek on Sundays. This year the Easter Vigil will be at Green Creek. Father wants to encourage us all to ask people to join the Church.
- Advent Penance Service-Dec. 13 2pm
- Father will be leading Pilgrimage to Japan September 13-22, 2027

Next Meeting –Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026