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**BAPTISM CLASS** will be held on Monday, August 17, at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center. To register, please contact the parish office at 347.7177.

**AS A CATHOLIC** are you interested in promoting Vocations to the priesthood or religious life? Are you looking for more opportunities to volunteer to help those less fortunate? The Knights of Columbus offers this and much more. The Effingham Knights of Columbus will hold a First Degree Initiation at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19. Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men, age 18 years or older, who are practicing Catholics. A candidate must have a sponsor who is a member; and both the candidate and member should arrive no later than 6:15 p.m. A Social Meeting at 7:00 p.m. will follow, and refreshments will be served. Candidates are asked to contact Grand Knight Greg Koester at 217.821.7731.

**YOUNG HEARTS POTLUCK** will be Tuesday, August 18, at noon in the parish center. Meat is provided. Bring a dish to share. This is a great opportunity for fellowship!

**SENIOR FAIR 2009** takes place on Wednesday, August 19 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. at the Effingham Knights of Columbus building. Free health screenings and information regarding prescriptions, insurance, veterans benefits, and more. Local senators and representatives will be attending, and refreshments will be served. No reservations required.

**FOX THEATER** ~ The Deanery Council of Catholic Women are selling raffle tickets for the Fox Theater in St. Louis for the event of your choice. Contact Carol Mills, CCW president, at 342.6538 for tickets. The raffle will be held in November and tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS** ~ All teachers, coaches, subs, and any volunteers working with children who have not attended a workshop must do so. Classes are offered Thursday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish Center (contact 217.347.7129 to register) and Monday, September 28, at 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center (contact 217.347.7177 to register).

**FAMILY CAMP** for family and friends of persons with special needs will be held at Lake Carlinville, Carlinville, IL on September 26-27. To register, e-mail Elaine Vonderheide at mewv23@consolidated.net or call 217.342.2718. Scholarships are available.

**DRE'S, CRE'S AND ALL CATECHISTS** (old & new) in the Effingham Deanery are invited to a light lunch and presentation on the "Just(ice) Faith" program on Wednesday, August 19, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Teutopolis Museum. Please call St. Francis Church 857.6477 to register by Tuesday, August 18. Bring your favorite snack or dessert.

**THE EFFINGHAM K OF C** is hosting a 4th degree installation of officers for area 4th degree assemblies. It will be held at Sacred Heart Church in Effingham after a 2:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, August 23. Assemblies from Effingham, Teutopolis, Newton, Mattoon, and others will be attending. A light lunch with refreshments will be served at the Effingham K of C right after the ceremony. Dress should be suit and tie. Everyone is welcome to the Mass, installation, and lunch. For more information, contact Bob Walker at 217.821.6176.

**DIVORCE RECOVERY WORKSHOP** begins Tuesday, September 15 at Mother of Dolores Catholic Church in Vandalia, Illinois. The group will meet every Tuesday for 9 weeks from 6:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Open to all faiths. Contact Patrick at 217.698.8500 (ext. 121) to register.

**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** for Couples Married 50 years or longer: Come to a special celebration at St. Agnes Parish in Springfield on September 27, 2009 starting at 1:00 p.m. with a musical program. The Mass with renewal of wedding vows will start at 2:00 p.m. with a reception following. If you or your loved ones have been married 50 years or longer and would like to receive an invitation and/or a special certificate, please call the Office for Marriage and Family Life at 217-698-8500, ext. 121, or email [potoole@dio.org](mailto:potoole@dio.org). Check the Catholic Times for a registration form.

**MOMS-N-MORE** will meet for breakfast on Monday, August 24, at 8:30 a.m. in the parish center. All moms of infant to primary grade children are invited to fellowship with other moms (and some dads too). Drop the kids off at school and then come on over! Call the parish office at 347.7177 for more info.

## Liturgy Schedule

### **Monday, August 17**

**7:15 a.m.:** Joe & Rose Nuxoll family *by Pauline Goldstein*

### **Tuesday, August 18**

**7:15 a.m.:** Andrew "Bud" Hagen *by family*

### **Thursday, August 20**

**7:15 a.m.:** Fred Colburn *by Judy Colburn*

### **Friday, August 21**

**7:15 a.m.:** John Walker *by family*

### **Saturday, August 22**

**4:00 p.m.:** Joe Rieman *by Richard Rieman*

### **Sunday, August 23**

**8:30 a.m.:** Jim & Carolyn Bowlin  
50th Anniversary *by family*

**10:30 a.m.:** Brandon Stock *by family*

**5:30 p.m.:** Chris Westjohn *by MaryJo & Carol Seiler*

**7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass:** Carol Sue Lance  
*by James Wilfinger*

## WEEKLY OFFERING ~ August 8-9

	<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Envelopes ~ 295	\$ 12,361.00	\$ 71,272.75
Loose	\$ 1,345.17	\$ 8,631.04
Children ~ 12	\$ 16.50	\$ 111.82
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 100.00	\$ 827.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,822.68</b>	<b>\$ 80,842.61</b>
<b>Budget Goal</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 90,000.00</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>- \$ 1,177.32</b>	<b>- \$ 9,157.39</b>

### Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)


<i>Total YTD 2008-09 07-01-09 to 08-09-09</i>	<i>Total YTD 2007-08 07-01-08 to 08-10-08</i>	<i>Difference for YTD 07-08 to YTD 08-09</i>
<b>\$ 80,842.61</b>	<b>\$ 74,453.97</b>	<b>+\$ 6,388.64</b>

### WHEN GOD WHISPERS, DO YOU LISTEN?

The Effingham area DeColores Board has announced its upcoming DeColores weekends: The Men's Weekend is November 12-15. Lay leader is John Trummer and Spiritual Director is Father Ralph Zetzl. The Women's Weekend is November 19-22. Lay leader is JoAnn Niemerg and Spiritual Directors are Father Larry Brunnette & Sr. Jane Marie Hotze. Contact Brian Schuette at 217.347.8776 for more information.

### NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

Sacred Heart School of the Diocese of Springfield admits students of any race, color, sex, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national, or ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, or in athletic and other school-administered programs.

 **Life Teen Olympics will kickoff this Sunday, August 16.** The games will be held behind the school, and will start after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. All area teens are invited to attend. Wear clothes that can get wet and dirty. Call Rob Grupe at 217.821.9583 for more information.

### Sponsor of the Week

 **SEE A BUG . . . CALL** 1-800-677-2818  
**342-9791**  
 .....  
 800 E. Fayette  
 Effingham, IL 62401

*Termites, Roaches, Mice*

## SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS

**Kindergarten Back-to-School Night** is Monday, August 17. Parents and students are invited to visit the classroom and drop off supplies anytime between 4:00-6:30 p.m. Kindergarten teachers will give classroom tours and answer any questions.

**The first 1/2 day of class** is Wednesday, August 19. Dismissal on Aug. 19 and 20 will be at 11:50 a.m. Full day attendance begins Friday, Aug. 21. Regular school hours are 8:20 a.m. to 2:50 p.m.

**Kindergarten students** are required to have completed school physicals by the first day of school and submit completed dental and vision forms. Immunizations should be up to date. **Students in second grade** are required to have completed dental exams. **Students in sixth grade** need to submit completed physical and dental forms.

**School Masses will now be held on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. Our first school Mass is Wednesday, August 26.** Please make a note of this Mass time change, and plan to regularly attend — what a great addition to your week!

**Sacred Heart/Sigel Co-op Baseball** gets underway this week. Join us for these upcoming home games: Thursday, August 20 at 4:15 p.m. (vs. St. Peter) and Friday, August 21 at 4:00 p.m. (vs. Stew-Stras). Come support the Shamrocks!

**Booster Club** will meet this Wednesday, August 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

**MONSIGNOR STEFFEN** will lead a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Jordan, Egypt, and Israel) from October 28 - November 14. This is a great chance to renew and affirm your faith, pray and reflect. The Scriptures will come alive during a visit to our Lord's homeland. Pilgrims have been traveling to the Holy Land for hundreds of years, and as part of your pilgrimage, we include many of the rich traditions that have evolved over time. This trip has changed the lives of many. If interested, contact Rinda at 1-800-206-TOURS or Monsignor Steffen at 618.887.4535.

## Prayer List

*Please pray for the sick and convalescing:* Corky Bock, Lisa Crosson, Ava Gass, Leo & Helen Haarmann, Deanne Huey, Jeanie Meyers, Ada Mae Moran, Bob Moser, Brian A. Niebrugge, Eileen Overbeck, Lynn Petty, Barb Sims, Larry Weber, Lori Mathews, Rebekah Volk, Judy Reardon, Robert Yocum, Bernice Walk, Jesse Ketteman, Melissa Fiscus, Tena Behrman, Larry Rhodes, Janet Knabe, Amanda Swan, Quade Aldrich, Susanne Kronewitter, Mark Rogers, Doug Myers, Michelle Kuhl, Michael Platz, Cheryl Nuxoll, Bonnie Bushur, Jodi Waymoth, Mirta Donnelly, Evelyn Krone, Jeanie Knabe, Sylvan Bauer, Phyllis Stock, Charlie Meyers, Jackie Luchtefeld, Shannan Miner, Pat Kagay, Dolores Hinkle, Carolyn Koerner, Joyce Westjohn, John Bourgeois, Kenny Nuxoll