

WELCOME ~ On Tuesday, September 15, over 70 priests from the Springfield Diocese will be celebrating Mass at 4:45 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church. This is rare and special occasion for the annual Priest Convocation to be held in Effingham. We invite and encourage all parishioners and members of the community to join us at the Mass.

PSR classes for first through eighth grade began this past Wednesday at Sacred Heart School; however, it is not too late to join. Call 347.7177 to register. Classes will be held from Sept. through April on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 3 through 5 kicked off this Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the lower level. The children meet every week through April for Bible lessons and activities. Any child ages 3 through 5 is welcome. Contact Beth Schmidt at 342.6584 or Darlene at the parish office for more information.

F.A.C.E. AT SACRED HEART PARISH "FOSTER A CHILD EVERYDAY" Children are still available to "adopt." If you missed the initial sign-up, please contact Carol Toney at FACE@sheff.org or call the parish office at 217.347.7177. Those who have sponsored children should have received an e-mail from Sr. Ann in Bolivia this week. If you have not, please contact Carol Toney to clarify your e-mail address.

MOMS-N-MORE ~ Join the Moms-N-More group for a RECIPE SWAP on Monday, September 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the lower level of church. Drop the kids off at school and come spend some time meeting and socializing with other moms of infants through primary grade children. Please bring a copy of your two favorite recipes to share with the group. What a great way to enjoy some "mom time" and get new ideas for dinner!! Bring the little ones too - donuts, milk, and juice provided. Call Christy Hakman at 347.7177 for more info.

SHCCW FALL RUMMAGE SALE will be October 7, 8, and 9. The hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Items can be dropped off starting Sunday, September 27, at the parish maintenance building. No large items or computer monitors. We need workers on all three days. If you can volunteer, even for just a few hours, it would be appreciated. Please call Vicki at 217.821.6179.

YOUNG HEARTS POTLUCK will be Tuesday, September 15, at noon in the parish center. Meat is provided. Bring a dish to share. This is a great opportunity for fellowship!

MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE will be held on Monday, September 21, at St. Michael's, Sigel. Rosary at 6:00 p.m. with Mass beginning at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

ADULT ENRICHMENT presented by Rev. Ted Bracco, O.F.M. on Tuesdays beginning Sept. 22 through Oct. 27 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the St. Anthony Parish Center. The topic is "A Brief History of the Modern Papacy." For information or to register phone 347.7129.

ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN on Respect Life Sunday, October 4, at Sacred Heart Parish Center. Prayer service will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the chain to form at 2:00 p.m. Refreshments at 3:00 p.m. Donations of cookies would be appreciated.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SPAGHETTI FEST will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Effingham Knights of Columbus. Sponsored by Joe's Pizza & Pasta.

LIFE BANQUET hosted by the Family Life Center will be Thursday, September 24, at the Keller Convention Center. To host a table, please call 342.5433 Monday-Friday during business hours. Several tables are still available. Free will donations will be accepted.

GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY FILLED MARRIAGE WORKSHOP, presented by Ray & Kelly Ramirez, will be held in the Sacred Heart Parish Center on Saturday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You will discover the essential relationship between love, life and sexuality. RSVP to potoole@dio.org to register.

TOTAL MONEY MAKEOVER WORKSHOP, will be presented in the Sacred Heart Parish Center on Sunday, September 20, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. by Fr. Bill Kessler and Deacon Patrick O'Toole. It is designed to help you understand the forces behind financial stress, teach you how to create a budget, and set financial goals. You will receive a copy of Dave Ramsey's best selling book, "The Total Money Makeover." RSVP to potoole@dio.org 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 342.2718. Scholarships are available.

MONSIGNOR STEFFEN will lead a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 28 through November 14. Each day, there will be time to renew and affirm your faith; to pray and reflect. If interested, contact Rinda at 1-800-206-TOURS or Monsignor Steffen at 618.887.4535.

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, September 14

7:15 a.m.: Jean Kuhns *by Norma Cutright*

Tuesday, September 15

7:15 a.m.: Don Grunloh *by family*

4:45 p.m.: Priest Convocation Mass

Wednesday, September 16

8:30 a.m.: Rich Rieman *by Richard Rieman*

Friday, September 18

7:15 a.m.: Floyd Cheatum *by June Cheatum*

Saturday, September 19

4:00 p.m.: William Brummer *by Chuck & Toni Stigers*

Sunday, September 20

8:30 a.m.: Carl Heuerman *by family*

10:30 a.m.: Tудie Kreke *by family*

5:30 p.m.: George & Jeanette Wenthe *by family*

7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass: John Walker *by family*

WEEKLY OFFERING ~ September 5-6

	<i>Weekly Total</i>	<i>Total to Date</i>
Envelopes ~ 294	\$ 15,435.25	\$ 122,036.50
Loose	\$ 1,430.37	\$ 14,591.81
Children ~ 53	\$ 51.38	\$ 263.36
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 632.00	\$ 4,331.00
Total	\$ 17,549.00	\$ 141,222.67
Budget Goal	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Difference	\$ 2,549.00	- \$ 8,777.33

Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)

<i>Total YTD 2008-09 07-01-09 to 09-06-09</i>	<i>Total YTD 2007-08 07-01-08 to 09-07-08</i>	<i>Difference for YTD 07-08 to YTD 08-09</i>
\$ 141,222.67	\$ 124,846.85	+\$ 16,375.82

ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (ACSA) will begin next weekend. Sacred Heart's assessment is \$47,305. If we do not reach the full amount of this tax, the monies must be taken from the ordinary operating revenues. Please be generous.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS FAMILY FESTIVAL will be Saturday, Sept. 19, at Lake Land College, Mattoon. They are needing volunteers 16 years or older. Please call 1-800-434-SOFF or Randy Porter 217-258-9695.



Teens, ever wonder why we as Catholics have a pope, bishops, and priests? Come join us downstairs after the 5:30 p.m. Mass to learn why.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Tailgate Party ~ All teens and their families are welcome to join us for a football tailgate party Friday, Sept. 18, 5:30-6:45 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Come grab a hotdog and a soda before the football game and meet the new youth minister.

Youth Day Celebration ~ We will be taking a group of high school teens to the Youth Day Celebration at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL on Sunday, Sept. 27. The all day event is only \$15 and is a great chance to grow in your faith, have fun, and meet other Catholic teens from the Springfield and Belleville Dioceses. Contact Kate Pruemmer at k.pruemmer@sheff.org if you are interested in going or call 347.7177. For more information see the flyer in the back of church.

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BOOSTER CLUB TO SERVE UP STEAK DINNER

The annual "Dinner, Dance, and Games of Chance" steak stag will be held on Saturday, September 26, at Heartland Gardens in Effingham. The event gets under way at 6:00pm, and tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased at the school office or from any Booster Club member. A silent auction is planned; any parishioner wishing to donate an item to the auction is asked to please contact Kayla Cordes at 217.342.6860 ~ items could include theatre or sporting event tickets, gift certificates, hand-crafted items, etc. Thank you for your continued support.

FREE GAMES AT THE PTA COUNTRY CARNIVAL ~

A brand new event this year – the PTA Country Carnival – promises to be a great time for the whole family! On Saturday, Oct. 3, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., you'll enjoy dinner, free games, cake walk, cookie walk, country store, silent auction, raffle, and more! Free-will donations will be accepted. If you'd like to volunteer your time or talent, or donate to the raffle/auction, please contact Nila Pike at 618.238.4564.

~ COMMUNITY EVENTS ~

SIGEL ST. MICHAEL HOBBY FAIR will be on Sunday, September 13, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the school gym. Admission is \$1.00.

MATTOON K OF C PICNIC FALL FESTIVAL & CARNIVAL will be Saturday, Sept. 19, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on Sunday, Sept. 20, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Chicken dinner being served on Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center, Mattoon.

BIKE-A-THON for Operation Christmas Child on Saturday, Sept. 19. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with the bike ride to start at 9:00 a.m. Register at Cornerstone Christian Church or call 342-6770 for more info.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FALL FUN RUN will be held on Saturday, Sept. 26, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Click on www.cc.dio.org to print the registration form.

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, 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, Carolyn Koerner, Joyce Westjohn, John Bourgeois, Kenny Nuxoll, Tony Osthoff