

**Thank you** to everyone who participated in our alumni "Welcome Home" celebration last weekend. Special thanks to Mrs. Dolores (Guyon) Kingery - Class of 1956, and Mr. Nick Patton - Class of 2001, for sharing with us their fond memories of Sacred Heart School. We'd also like to thank all those who helped with set up and with serving lunch. Your gifts of time and talent are much appreciated!

**Young Hearts Potluck** will be Tuesday, February 16, at noon in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Bring your favorite dish and invite a friend to join in the fellowship.

**Baptism Class** will be held on Tuesday, February 23, at 7:00pm at the St. Anthony Parish Center. Call Darlene at 347.7177 to register.

**Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life** will be at Christ the King Church, Greenup, on Monday, February 15. We will pray the rosary at 6:00pm and Mass will begin at 6:30pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

The **Moms-N-More** group is looking for anyone interested in paid babysitting jobs. Many of our moms don't have family around the area and are in need of sitters for various events (like the upcoming Casino Night Fundraiser). If you're interested, please contact the Church office at 217.347.7177 with your contact information. The next meeting for Moms-N-More morning group will be held on Monday, Feb. 22, at 8:30am. Our moms group gathers for donuts, milk/juice, and fellowship. All moms of Sacred Heart Parish are welcome!

**Sacred Heart Parish Pre-Cana** will be Saturday, April 17, from 9:00am to 5:00pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Contact the parish office at 217.347.7177 to register. There is a maximum of 20 couples.

**Mark your calendar** ~ Right to Life Rummage Sale will be March 11-12 at the Effingham Knights of Columbus. Items can be dropped off on March 10 from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

**Broadway for Life "Our Family"** will be performed on Sunday, February 21, at 3:00pm at St. Anthony High School. The opportunity will be given to make a donation to the Family Life Pregnancy Center. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 342.5433.

## **"Games for Giving" Casino Night**

Saturday, March 13, 2010

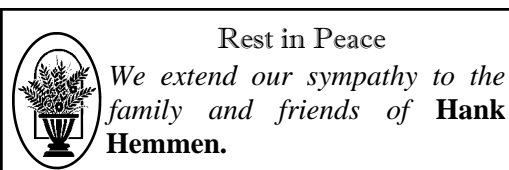
*This new and unique fellowship opportunity will serve as the Effingham Catholic Schools Fundraiser to benefit Sacred Heart and St. Anthony Schools.*

To ensure the success of this fundraiser, we are seeking event sponsors and volunteers. If you and/or your business would like to help with a \$100 sponsorship, please contact Joyce Stock at [JStock@siemermilling.com](mailto:JStock@siemermilling.com) or Amy Braunecker at [a.braunecker@mchsi.com](mailto:a.braunecker@mchsi.com). Donor's names/businesses will be recognized in promotional and advertising materials as well as throughout the event.

To assist the professional casino event company that's been hired for this fundraiser, we need volunteer dealers/bankers. Dealers should be at least 25 years old, and must attend one of two training sessions. Volunteers are needed for one 2-hour shift.

To volunteer, contact Traci Chojnicki at [tracichoynicki@hotmail.com](mailto:tracichoynicki@hotmail.com) or Kate Passalacqua at [katep@weisinsurance.com](mailto:katep@weisinsurance.com).

Please note that if you cannot attend the "Games for Giving" you may still purchase a ticket to be entered into the raffle at the end of the event. You need not be present to win. This is going to be a fun and exciting night of entertainment ~ please plan to join us on Saturday, March 13! Tickets can also be purchased through Tony & Christy Hakman, Greg & Deana Nuxoll, Steve & Cathy Swingler, Dan & Madonna Patton, Marty & Joyce Stock, Tim & Sharon Helmink, Mike & Emily Viverito, Chad & Traci Chojnicki, Ron & Heidi Goldstein, Baseball Card Connection, Jim & Jamie Miller at W. S. Broom or any school board members.



## **Liturgy Schedule**

### **Monday, February 15**

**7:15am:** Robert Stephens by *Annabelle Kelnstin*

### **Tuesday, February 16**

**7:15am:** William Hunt by *family*

### **Wednesday, February 17**

**7:00am:** Agnes Althoff by *Mary Ellen Eversman*

**8:30am:** Rosa Rieman by *Richard Rieman*

**12:10pm:** Louis Volk by *Tim & Sherry Schuette*

**7:00pm:** Jeanette Wenthe Lamkin by *Rita Lockard*

**8:00pm Spanish:** Ella Donnelly by *Mary Harris*

### **Friday, February 19**

**7:15am:** Jerome Wente by *children*

### **Saturday, February 20**

**4:00pm:** Carl Heuerman by *family*

### **Sunday, February 21**

**8:30am:** Joan Adams by *family*

**10:30am:** Ivan Hayes, Sr. by *Pat Hayes family*

**5:30pm:** James Tolch by *Paula Tolch*

**7:00pm Spanish Mass:** Rev. Lawrence Schieber by *Paula Moore*

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## Ash Wednesday Masses ~ February 17

7:00am, 8:30am, 12:10pm, 7:00pm, and 8:00pm (celebrated in Spanish)

### 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.

The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010, and ends just prior to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 1, 2010, when the Easter Triduum begins. Lent is the principal penitential season in the Church year. All the Christian faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations which follow), serious prayer, and the performing of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

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#### Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart Church

#### Reconciliation at Sacred Heart Church

Every Saturday at 3:00pm

PSR Reconciliation ~ Wednesday, March 3, at 6:30pm

Parish Reconciliation ~ Sunday, March 21, at 7:00pm

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#### Sacred Heart Fish Fries

Sacred Heart Parish Center

Fridays ~ Feb. 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26

Menu includes: fish, mac & cheese or baked potato, slaw or applesauce, chips, drink and dessert.

Carry-outs available ~ adults \$6.50 / children \$3.00

~ February 26 Fish Fry ~

*All ladies with last names A-L are asked to bring desserts*

**Note:** Sign up sheets are in the back of church for all the fish fries. Please volunteer for more than one, as much help is needed. This will also alleviate making phone calls. It is a great way to meet people and help out several of our organizations with their projects.

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#### "Operation Rice Bowl"

Operation Rice Bowl offers Catholics a way to connect with our brothers and sisters in the foreign missions. This Lenten season, we invite Catholics to *pray* with their families, *fast* in solidarity with those who hunger; *learn* about our global community and the challenges of poverty overseas; and *give* sacrificial contributions to those in need.

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#### Church in Central & Eastern Europe

The collection supports essential pastoral needs of Latin America, such as parish maintenance, seminary formation, and shelter homes for children whose families face challenges too difficult to manage.

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#### Youth Ministry:

**PSR for Ash Wednesday** ~ This week, all PSR students should arrive for class as usual at 6:30pm. Each class will then walk over to the church for 7:00pm Mass. If a parent is at church, students may sit with their parent and leave directly after Mass, otherwise students will sit with their class and can be picked up at the school when Mass is over.

**Sunday, Feb. 28th** from 9:30-10:15am in the lower level there will be an information meeting about the summer mission trip to Cincinnati, OH with "Franciscans for the Poor." Any interested high school students and their parents should attend to learn more about the trip and pick up a registration form.

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**Adult Enrichment/Catechist Formation** presented by Rev. Ted Bracco will be Tuesday, Feb. 16 through March 23 from 7:00-9:00pm at St. Anthony Parish Center. 10 hours certification credit. Course cost: \$15. For more information call 347.7129.

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**Eucharistic Day of Prayer** will be Sunday, February 21, at Bishop St. Aloysius after the 8:00am Mass and will close with Benediction at 6:30pm.

**St. Isidore Youth Ministry Soup Supper** will be the same day from 4:00-7:00pm in the Bishop Parish Hall.

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**DeColores Spring Weekends:** Men's Weekend ~ March 11-14 and Women's Weekend ~ March 18-21. Lay leaders are Bob & Rita Probst at 217.925.5334. For more information, please contact Tom & Patti Jansen 618.238.4339 or John & Kathy Adams 618.483.5381.

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## Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women

### February 2, 2010 meeting/luncheon

The meeting opened with a light lunch of a variety of soups and desserts followed by reports being reviewed and approved with 26 members present.

#### Committee Reports:

- Funeral Dinners – there was one funeral dinner in December and none in January.
- Second Hand Rose – Very busy, as usual.

#### Old Business:

- Motion was made for eight new rummage sale signs to be purchased for approx. \$100.

#### New Business

- Thank you cards were received from Anne Marie Brummer of FOCUS, Mary Willenborg family & staff members for Christmas gifts.
- Thank you to Ruth Deibel for her additional contribution for the purificators, new server albs and cords.
- The big Bunn coffee pot was repaired.
- Five fish fries have been scheduled and sign up sheets for workers can be found at the back of the church. CCW (Feb. 26); PTA (March 5 & 19); Space Camp (March 12) and Sacred Heart Youth Ministry “Franciscan for the Poor” trip (March 26).
- The Right to Life monthly meeting will be Monday, Feb. 15, at Christ the King, Greenup. Rosary is at 6:00pm, Mass is at 6:30pm followed by the meeting at 7:30pm. Their rummage sale will be held on March 11 & 12 at the Effingham K of C. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help at the rummage sale should call Loretta Koester or just show up. Drop items off on March 10.
- The Family Life Pregnancy Care Center will hold the annual Broadway for Life Fundraiser, “Our Family,” at St. Anthony High School on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 3:00pm For free tickets, contact Carol Mills, or pick them up at the Silk Purse or at the Family Life Pregnancy Center.
- A motion was made to purchase a new altar cloth.

Doors prizes were awarded and a 50/50 drawing was held.

Thank you to the February committee – Mary Beth Hoene, Jane Kistner, Kim Mills, and Jamie Miller.

Our next meeting will be a salad supper at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 6, with the ladies of St. Anthony’s CCW as our guests. Mark your calendar now and make plans to be there.

**Rural King Church Week Promotion** will be the week of February 14-21. Drop original receipts in the collection or at the parish office. The church will receive a percentage on the amount of the items purchased.

**Kindergarten “Sneak Peek”** has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Feb, 16, with two sessions: 1:30-2:30pm and 6:30-7:30pm. Please choose the session that best fits your schedule. Bring your future Kindergarten student to this “Sneak Peek,” where you’ll explore the classrooms, meet the teachers, and experience hands-on activities.

**Open House/Registration for Pre-K students** has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 5:30-7:30pm. Son-Shine Kids Preschool students must be 3 years old on or before September 1, 2010, and must be potty trained. Sessions will be offered on Mon/Wed and Tues/Thurs from 8:30am-11:30am. Class sizes limited to 14 each session. King’s Kids students must be 4 years old on or before December 31, 2010. Sessions will be offered on Mon/Wed and Tues/Thurs from 8:30am-1:30pm (lunch served).

**Sacred Heart School Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration** is now open to non-parishioners. Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2010.

For more information, please contact Sacred Heart School at 217.342.4060 or visit [www.sheff.org](http://www.sheff.org).

## Community Events

**Annual Breakfast at St. Rose Church**, Montrose will be Sunday, Feb. 14, from 7:00am to noon. Whole hog sausage, ham pancakes, eggs, rolls, and drinks. There will be a country store and quilt raffle.

**St. Thomas Annual Soup Supper** will be Sunday, Feb. 14, from 10:00am to 6:00pm in the St. Thomas Parish Center. Chili & vegetable soup, sandwiches, desserts, and drinks. There will be crafts, games, raffles. Bingo will be from 11:00am to 5:00pm.

**Soup Supper** will be Sunday, Feb. 14, from 3:00pm to 6:30pm at the Teutopolis K of C. Carry outs available. Hosted by the Teutopolis American Legion 924.

**SAMBA Fish Fry** will be on Friday, Feb. 19, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the St. Anthony Parish Center. Carry outs available.

**St. Clare Annual Whole Hog Sausage Breakfast** will be Sunday, Feb. 21, from 7:30am til noon in the St. Clare Church basement, Altamont. Menu includes whole hog sausage patties, ham, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, eggs, breads and rolls.

**Sigel St. Michael Card Party** will be Sunday, Feb. 21, at the parish gym. Admission is \$5.00 and games begin at 6:00pm. Cash prizes will be awarded and a light snack served during intermission.

**Swine and Dine Breakfast** will be Sunday, Feb. 28, from 7:00am to noon at the Sigel St. Michael School gym. Menu includes whole hog sausage, eggs, pancakes, rolls, drinks. All proceeds benefit the school.

## WEEKLY OFFERING ~ February 6-7

	<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Envelopes ~ 286	\$ 12,696.25	\$ 415,878.54
Loose	\$ 1,216.88	\$ 51,008.30
Children ~ 38	\$ 53.53	\$ 1,323.68
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 194.00	\$ 11,865.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,160.66</b>	<b>\$ 480,075.52</b>
<b>Budget Goal</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 480,000.00</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>- \$ 839.34</b>	<b>\$ 75.52</b>

### Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)

<u>Total YTD 2009-10</u> <i>07-01-09 to 02-07-10</i>	<u>Total YTD 2008-09</u> <i>07-01-08 to 02-08-09</i>	<u>Difference for YTD</u> <i>08-09 to YTD 09-10</i>
<b>\$ 480,075.52</b>	<b>\$ 451,385.47</b>	<b>+ \$ 28,690.05</b>

**Annual Catholic Services Appeal (ACSA)** assessment is \$47,305. As of Feb. 10, \$15,900 has been received which leaves a balance of approx. \$31,405. If we do not reach the full amount of this tax, the monies must be taken from the ordinary operating revenues. Please be generous.

**Thank you** to the family of Agnes Althoff for the memorial donation. Your generosity is appreciated.

**FOCUS students at EIU** would like to thank our parish for the generous support they received for the 2010 Made for More Conference in Florida. Of the 16 students who attend the conference, two are now discerning the religious life. It was a great experience.

### **Sacred Heart School Sports Schedule:**

#### Monday, February 15

- 4:15pm: Volleyball @ Sacred Heart Gym
- 6:15pm: 5/6 Basketball @ Sacred Heart Gym

#### Tuesday, February 16

- 4:15pm: Volleyball @ Cowden-Herrick
- 6:00pm: 5/6 Basketball @ Cowden-Herrick

#### Thursday, February 18

- 4:15pm: Volleyball @ Altamont Lutheran
- 6:00pm: 5/6 Basketball @ St. Elmo

#### Saturday, February 20

- 6th grade basketball tournament @ Sacred Heart Gym
- 8th grade NTJHC tournament @ Neoga

## Sponsor of the Week

1310 W. Fayette Ave.  
P.O. Box 1168  
Effingham, IL 62401  
**PH. (217) 342-3151**



- INDOOR POOL
- MEETING ROOM
- CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

## School News . . .

There are many great things happening at Sacred Heart School, and our students are hard at work. Here's a sampling:

**Kindergarten** classes received a visit from Lauren Albers, a former SHS student, who taught the kids about dental health. They are also learning about Australia.

**Grades 1 and 2** are studying President Abe Lincoln and President George Washington, and are also preparing for Lent.

**Grade 3** is reading *Because of Winn-Dixie* and will celebrate with a "Gloria Dump Party." Students will dress like their favorite character, and will also have a spelling bee based on words in the book.

**Grade 4** is working with multiplication and division. They are also beginning to practice a play that they'll perform during the Feb. 24 children's Mass.

**Grade 5** is identifying owl pellets in Science class and working on expository essays. This biography project will include creating a timeline, outline, and an essay.

**Grade 6** is studying the Beatitudes in Religion. They also recently made maps of South America, and then used the maps to answer questions on a Senteo "clicker" quiz.

**Grade 7** is examining the New Testament and working hard on their Constitution project (The Bill of Rights) by utilizing the computer lab and various software programs.

**Grade 8** finished taking the Diocesan ACRE test, and is also learning about atomic models, chemical bonding, and elements. They are busy preparing for their "teaching project" wherein they will teach a lesson to the Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students.

In **computer classes** students are learning about Internet safety, creating a mathematical quilt, writing personal letters, and much more!

### Parish Office Closed on Monday, February 15.

## 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, Lynn Petty, Barb Sims, Larry Weber, Rebekah Volk, Judy Reardon, Jesse Ketteman, Melissa Fiscus, Tena Behrman, Larry Rhodes, Janet Knabe, Amanda Swan, Quade Aldrich, Mark Rogers, Doug Myers, Michael Platz, Cheryl Nuxoll, Jodi Waymoth, Mirta Donnelly, Evelyn Krone, Jeanie Knabe, Sylvan Bauer, Phyllis Stock, Charlie Meyers, Jackie Luchtefeld, Shannan Miner, Carolyn Koerner, Joyce Westjohn, Joyce Vahling, Kathy Smith, Nicholas Rhodes, Dorothy Levitt, Mardell Weis, Adeline Bailey, Kenneth Buening, Mary Bergbower, Joyce Quandt