

Reflections of our Lenten Journey . . . "Coming Home to the Lord" Daily Lenten Devotions for Family pamphlets are available at the entrances of the church. Each family is invited to take one home to reflect and celebrate what God has done for us in Christ. Take this opportunity to pray together.

Operation Rice Bowl offers Catholics a way to connect with our brothers and sisters in the foreign missions. Please take a box home and place it in a prominent place as a reminder of those who live with so little. Place your spare change in the box and return it to the church during Holy Week.

Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays during Lent at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart Church.

Reconciliation at Sacred Heart Church will be every Saturday at 3:00pm. PSR Reconciliation will be Wednesday, March 3, at 6:30pm and Parish Reconciliation will be Sunday, March 21, at 7:00pm.

Sacred Heart Fish Fries will be at Sacred Heart Parish Center on the following Fridays ~ Feb. 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm. The 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.* Sign up sheets are in the back of church. Please volunteer for more than one, as much help is needed.

Sacristans needed for all Masses ~ Please call the parish office 347.7177 for more information.

Liturgy Workshop presented by Fr. Steven Janoski will be Saturday, March 6, from 9:00am to noon in the church. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the seasons in the church and how it blends with the liturgy and art environment. Contact the parish office 347.7177 to register or for more information.

Baptism Class will be held on Monday, February 22, at 7:00pm at the St. Anthony Parish Center. Call Darlene at 347.7177 to register.

The **Moms-N-More** morning group will meet 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.

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 Sunday, February 21, from 4:00-7:00pm in the Bishop Parish Hall.

"Games for Giving" Casino Night

Effingham Knights of Columbus

Saturday, March 13, 2010

Happy Hour 6:00pm-7:00pm; Casino open 7:00pm-11:00pm

To help with a \$100 sponsorship . . .

Contact Joyce Stock at JStock@siemermilling.com or Amy Braunecker at a.braunecker@mchsi.com. Donor's names/businesses will be recognized in promotional and advertising materials as well as throughout the event.

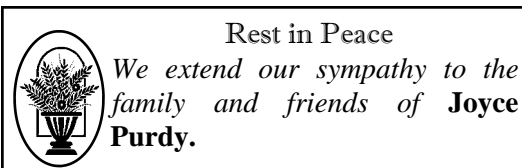
To be a dealer/banker . . .

Contact Traci Chojnicki at tracichojnicki@hotmail.com or Kate Passalacqua at katep@weisinsurance.com. 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 purchase a \$50 ticket . . .

Stop by the parish office or contact committee members: 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.

For more information or any questions, check out the website: www.sheff.org or contact Christy Hakman at 217.347.7177.



Liturgy Schedule

Monday, February 22

7:15am: Glenn Formento family *by Joe & Carol Formenti*

Tuesday, February 23

7:15am: Walter & Mary Kreke *by family*

Wednesday, February 24

8:30am: Bertha Ordner *by friends*

Friday, February 26

7:15am: Leonard Kinkelaar *by Daniel & Mary Ann Hoffman*

2:00pm Lakeland Nursing Home Mass:

John & Pauline Sandschafer *by family*

Saturday, February 27

4:00pm: John & Mary Westfall 50th wedding anniversary and Jim & Jane Wernsing 45th wedding anniversary *by family*

Sunday, February 28

8:30am: Madge Bierman *by Harry Bierman*

10:30am: David Swingler *by family*

5:30pm: Eileen Overbeck *by family*

7:00pm Spanish Mass: John Walker *by family*

WEEKLY OFFERING ~ February 13-14

	<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Envelopes ~ 266	\$ 11,575.00	\$ 427,453.54
Loose	\$ 1,343.21	\$ 52,351.51
Children ~ 55	\$ 57.00	\$ 1,380.68
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 222.00	\$ 12,087.00
Total	\$ 13,197.21	\$ 493,272.73
Budget Goal	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 495,000.00
Difference	- \$ 1,802.79	- \$ 1,727.27
Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)		
<i>Total YTD 2009-10 07-01-09 to 02-14-10</i>	<i>Total YTD 2008-09 07-01-08 to 02-15-09</i>	<i>Difference for YTD 08-09 to YTD 09-10</i>
\$ 493,272.73	\$ 468,481.38	+\$ 24,791.35

Thank you to the family of **Eileen Overbeck** and **Andrew "Bud" Hagen** for the memorial donation. Your generosity is appreciated.

Community Events

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.

Youth Ministry:

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.

Sponsor of the Week

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School News . . .

Thanks to those of you who attended the Preschool Open House and Kindergarten Sneak Peek this past week. We had a great turnout, and are happy that so many of you are choosing to join our school family! If you missed the open house and/or sneak peek, please contact the school at 217.342.4060 to schedule your personal tour. Registration is now underway, and 2010-2011 documents can be found online at www.sheff.org.

All soon-to-be Kindergarten students of the parish are invited to attend this Thursday's Read Night at Sacred Heart School at 6:30pm. Join Kindergarten and Grade 1 students and parents for fellowship and fun. This month's theme is "Pig Mania," and we'll learn a very important life lesson: The world is yours to explore – if you're only willing to open the door! Please RSVP to Mrs. Gorman before Feb. 24 if you plan to attend.

Sports calendar:

Feb. 22: Volleyball @ Trinity Lutheran 4:00pm

Feb. 27: 5th grade basketball four-team tournament

Feb. 27: 7th grade volleyball regional

Rural King Church Week Promotion continues through Sunday, February 21. Drop original receipts in the collection or at the parish office by March 7. The church will receive a percentage on the amount of the items purchased.

Broadway for Life "Our Family" -- Sunday, Feb. 21, 3:00pm at St. Anthony High School. The Family Life Pregnancy Center brings you this touching, entertaining musical, while sharing with you the many services it provides in the community. This is a FREE event, and guests will be given the opportunity to make a donation to the Family Life Pregnancy Center. Christy Hakman of our parish, will be one of the guest speakers. Refreshments will be served. Seating is limited. Please reserve your free tickets by calling 217.342.5433.

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