

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.

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 ~ 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. March 5 Fish Fry ~ *All ladies with last names M-Z are asked to bring desserts.*

Easter Flowers offering envelopes are in the March packets. Please indicate on the back of the envelope in memory/honor of a loved one. A special dedication page will be in the Easter bulletin.

Monthly Children’s Mass will be on Sunday, March 7, at the 10:30am Mass. Take this opportunity to bring children to this Mass as the young adults in the parish will participate in the ministries and the homily will be centered around the kids.

Sacristans needed for all Masses ~ Please call the parish office 347.7177 for more information. A training workshop will be held on Thursday, March 4, at 7:10pm in the church for everyone interested.

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.

Resurrection Choir will practice on Friday, March 12, at 9:30am in church.

Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life will be at Sacred Heart Church, on Monday, March 15. We will pray the rosary at 6:00pm and Mass will begin at 6:30pm. Make a special effort to join us to pray for an end to abortion.

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.

Rural King Church Week Promotion ~ Drop original receipts dated Feb. 14-21 in the collection or at the parish office by March 7. The church will receive a percentage on the amount of the items purchased.

“Focus on the Future” ~ The Effingham Deanery CCW will celebrate Mass on Thursday, March 4, at Immaculate Conception Parish in Mattoon at 6:00pm. The meeting will follow in their Parish Center. Come and hear FOCUS (EIU group) speak about keeping the Catholic Church and faith alive to thrive through generations to come. Bring a friend.

Right to Life Rummage Sale will be Thursday, March 11, from 7:30am to 5:00pm and Friday, March 12, from 7:30am to 3:00pm at the Effingham Knights of Columbus. \$2 bag day on Friday. Items can be dropped off on Wednesday, March 10, from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Volunteers are needed. Please call 857.3060 for more information.

Silk Purse Thrift Store is in need of new and used baby beds, mattresses and bassinets for new mothers who are currently in the Family Life Pregnancy Care Center programs. Please drop off items anytime Monday-Friday, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Any questions, call 217.342.3319.

“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 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, March 1

7:15am: Dolores Hinkle *by Ed & Alice Ungrund*

Tuesday, March 2

7:15am: Jim Kuhns *by family*

Wednesday, March 3

8:30am: Ron Niebrugge *by Carolyn Niebrugge*

Friday, March 5

7:15am: Mary Willenborg *by family*

Saturday, March 6

4:00pm: Mary Ritchie *by family*

Sunday, March 7

8:30am: Tудie Kreke *by family*

10:30am: Caroline Braun *by Larry & Pat Braun*

5:30pm: Ralph & Andy Hook *by Paula Tolch*

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

WEEKLY OFFERING ~ February 20-21

	<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Envelopes ~ 288	\$ 10,429.25	\$ 437,882.79
Loose	\$ 1,326.37	\$ 53,677.88
Children ~ 50	\$ 46.58	\$ 1,427.26
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 125.00	\$ 12,212.00
Total	\$ 11,927.20	\$ 505,199.93
Budget Goal	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 510,000.00
Difference	- \$ 3,072.80	- \$ 4,800.07
Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)		
<i>Total YTD 2009-10 07-01-09 to 02-21-10</i>	<i>Total YTD 2008-09 07-01-08 to 02-22-09</i>	<i>Difference for YTD 08-09 to YTD 09-10</i>
\$ 505,199.93	\$ 481,971.99	+\$ 23,227.94

Community Events

Swine and Dine Breakfast will be Sunday, Feb. 28, from 7:00am to noon at the Sigel St. Michael School gym.

St. Mary's Brunch will be Sunday, March 7, from 8:00am to noon at St. Mary's Parish Center, Ste. Marie.

Lillyville Sacred Heart Church Annual Breakfast will be Sunday, March 14, from 7:00am to noon at Lillyville Hall.

St. Patrick's Day Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner will be Sunday, March 14, from 11:00am to 2:00pm, at Mother of Dolors Parish Center, Vandalia.

St. Isidore Spring Breakfast will be Sunday, March 21, from 7:00am to noon at the St. Aloysius Hall in Bishop Creek.

Youth Ministry:

March 6 ~ Ice skating in Champaign. We will leave at noon, skate from 1:30pm-4:00pm, and attend Eucharistic Adoration and confession at St. John's Catholic Newman Center, then return to church at 6:30pm. We will need 1 or 2 parents to help drive. Permission slips are available in the back of church and on the website.

March 26 ~ Fish Fry workers needed from 4:30pm to 7:30pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Please sign up to work a shift. Proceeds will help finance our youth going on the "Franciscans for the Poor" trip in June.

March 26 ~ Michael James Mette concert at 7:30pm in Sacred Heart Church. Come, enjoy & invite friends!!

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School News . . .

Congratulations to the winners in the Effingham Art Guild's 11th Annual Art Show!

Many Sacred Heart students entered artwork into this event, and everyone did very well! The following students received awards:

Anna Sophia K.- 1st

Sidney W. - 2nd

Victoria G.- 3rd

Collin H. and Chloe M. – Honorable Mention

Scholar Bowl is underway. A big thank you to Mrs. Nila Pike for coaching the team, which includes: Grade 8 students Jason P., Dylan D., and Taylor M.; Grade 7 students Megan N., Maria K., Alexander C., Tori S.; and Grade 6 students Chelsea M., Britton S., and Alex H. The first scholar bowl meet is March 6 at Neoga. Good luck Shamrocks!

Save the date for our annual PTA PIG OUT BREAKFAST to be held on Sunday, April 11. More info will be coming soon! If you'd like to help with the planning of this event, and get more involved in the PTA, please attend the next meeting on Wednesday, March 10, at 6:30pm at school.

Sports Schedules: The girls' seventh grade volleyball team starts regional play on March 1. They play at 6pm vs. the winner of Brownstown & Mulberry Grove. Good luck, Lady Shamrocks!!!

Attention High School Seniors . . .

If you are needing service hours, please contact the parish office at 217.347.7177.

Second Hand Rose will be closed March 1 & 2 to change over from winter to spring.

Bracelet found in the church. Please come to the parish office to identify. If you have lost any other items, please check in the lost and found in the usher's room.

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, 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, Carol Utz