

R.C.I.A. "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" Orientation Meeting will be Monday, August 2, at 6:00pm in the church lower level. If you know of a family member, a neighbor, or someone who is interested in learning about Catholicism or if they have no church of their own, please let them know. For more information, or to register, please call the parish office at 347.7177. Informational books about the Catholic faith are available.

Sacristans and volunteers are needed to help with Mass ministries for the 5:30pm Sunday evening Mass. Please call the church office to be added to the ministry scheduling list at 347.7177.

First Friday Communion ~ On the first Friday of the month, the parish priest brings communion to parishioners who are homebound or temporarily unable to attend Mass. If you know of someone from the parish who would like to receive communion on Friday, August 6, contact Darlene at the parish office 347.7177.

Deacon Program will begin in the autumn of 2011. An informational meeting for men desiring to know more about the program or wanting to apply will be held on Sunday, October 24, 2010 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at the Christ the King Parish Center, 1930 Barberry Drive, Springfield, IL. Contact the parish priest at 347.7177 for more information.

Picnic Pool Party will be at the Effingham Kluthe Pool at Evergreen Park on Saturday, August 7, from 8:30pm to 10:00pm. Lifeguards and pool toys are provided. The parish will provide snacks and refreshments; however, feel free to bring your own. No alcohol is allowed on the grounds. Make plans to enjoy an evening of swimming.

Special Olympics athletics and coaches would like to thank the Vacation Bible School children for the donations made to assist them with their programs. We appreciate your generosity.

21st Annual Family Camp/Renewal Days for family and friends of persons with special needs will be Sept. 25-26 at Lake Williamson Christian Center, Carlinville, IL. Early bird registrations are due by Sunday, August 8. For a registration form, contact Elaine Vonderheide ~ email mewv23@consolidated.net or call 342.2718.

Pre-Cana, hosted by St. Anthony Church, will be Sunday, September 12, from 10:00am to 4:30pm at St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham. To register, please contact Robin at 217.347.7129.

Pre-Cana, hosted by Patrick O'Toole from the Diocese, will be held at the Sacred Heart Parish Center on Saturday, September 18, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Register online at dio.org/familylife.

Life Banquet "By God's Design" Family Life Center fundraiser will be at the Keller Convention Center on Thursday, September 23, from 6:30pm to 9:15pm. If interested in attending or hosting a table: RSVP by calling 342.5433.

Effingham Deanery Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will meet on Tuesday, August 10, at Christ the King Parish in Greenup. There will be a 6:30pm Mass followed by an evening to refresh your knowledge of faith with Bible trivia! Join in the evening of spirituality, table discussion and refreshment.

Protecting God's Children Workshops: Wednesday, August 18, and Monday, August 23, from 6:30pm-9:00pm at the St. Anthony Parish Center ~ call 347.7129 to register. Sacred Heart will host a workshop on Wednesday, August 25, 6:30pm-9:30pm at Sacred Heart Parish Center ~ call 347.7177 to register.

Senior Fair 2010 will be Monday, August 2, from 9:00am to noon at the Effingham K of C. Free health screening and information that benefits Illinois senior citizens will be available.

Life Line will provide health screenings on Thursday, August 5, at the Effingham Senior Center. Call 1-888-653-6441 to pre-register.

Note from Kate Pruemer . . .

PSR Registration forms for the upcoming school year were mailed this week. Please check the mail and return your forms to the Sacred Heart parish office by August 18. If you do not receive a form and would like to enroll your children in 1st to 9th grade, please contact the parish office or pick up a form in the back of the church. We are also still in need of volunteers to teach and assist in the classrooms. Contact Kate Pruemer at 347.7177 or k.pruemer@sheff.org for more information.

August 7th Inter-parish High School Softball Tournament - St. Isidore Parish has invited us to take part in their Annual Co-Ed Slow Pitch Softball Tournament. We need a team of at least 10 high school students, with an equal number of guys and girls, ages incoming freshmen through outgoing seniors. This is not a competitive tournament, just a fun leisurely one! All skill levels are welcome to join the fun! The tournament is tentatively set to begin at 11:00 am and conclude with Mass at 4:30 pm. The tournament will take place at the St. Aloysius Church Ball Diamonds at Bishop Creek in rural Dieterich. Food and drinks will be provided and spectators are welcome! Sign up for the team on the sheet in the back of church or contact Kate Pruemer at 347.7177 or k.pruemer@sheff.org.

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, August 2

7:15am: Henry & Rose Swingler family by *June Cheatum*

Tuesday, August 3

7:15am: Louise & Tom McDevitt by *their sons*

Wednesday, August 4

7:15am: Paul Lange by *Pat Stockman*

Friday, August 6

7:15am: Bob Swingler by *Tim & Sherry Schuette*

Saturday, August 7

4:00pm: David Swingler by *family*

Sunday, August 8

8:30am: Mike Bierman by *June Cheatum*

10:30am: Virginia & Norbert Koester by *Gary & Kathy Koester*

5:30pm: Marge Sicoli by *Linda Heath*

7:00pm Spanish Mass: Mary Pastor by *Fr. Spriggs*

WEEKLY OFFERING ~ July 24-25

	<i>Weekly Total</i>	<i>Total to Date</i>
Envelopes ~ 245	\$ 9,975.25	\$ 45,494.00
Loose	\$ 1,171.47	\$ 5,578.26
Children ~ 15	\$ 14.00	\$ 96.92
Adopt-A-Student	\$ 120.00	\$ 684.00
Total	\$ 11,280.72	\$ 51,853.18
Budget Goal	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Difference	-\$ 3,719.28	-\$ 8,146.82

Comparison to 1 Year Ago (YTD)

<i>Total YTD 2010-11 07-01-10 to 07-25-10</i>	<i>Total YTD 2009-10 07-01-09 to 07-26-09</i>	<i>Difference for YTD 09-10 to YTD 10-11</i>
\$ 51,853.18	\$ 53,359.56	-\$ 1,506.38

~ Extra Collections for the Month of July ~

Catholic Times	\$ 38.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 50.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 2,937.00
Mission Coop ~ AIM	\$ 2,844.16
Bolivian Mission of Sister Ann Fearday	\$ 827.00
Sacred Heart F.A.C.E.	\$ 515.00
Totals for July	\$ 7,211.16
Extreme Makeover	\$ 22,794.00

FISH & Catholic Charities Benefit will be August 20, 21, 22 when the St. Isidore Parish Community teams up with FACE to present "Over the River and Through the Woods", a comedy about an Italian family of grandparents. Dinner theatres will be catered by Joe's Pizza and Pasta on August 20 and 21 and a dessert theatre will be Sunday, August 22. Tickets may be purchased at Donsbach/Meinhart during regular business hours at 8:30am to 4:30pm or call 342.0465 for information.

The Family Life Pregnancy Center is uniting a "prayer team" for the Center. Are you, or do you know of someone who is committed to and strongly believes in the power of prayer? We invite you to be a part of this important ministry simply by praying faithfully and diligently for the Center, and its many clients. Please contact the church office at 347.7177 or the Family Life Pregnancy Center at 342.5433 for more information and to join the prayer team.

Sponsor of the Week



NUXOLL FOOD CENTER
1210 S. Fifth Street, Effingham, IL
(217) 342-4070

School News . . .

Kings Kids & Son-Shine Preschool Programs have a few openings on Monday/Wednesday session for the 2010-11 school year. Registration forms are available on www.sheff.org or call Jill Dust at 347.5368 or the parish office 347.7177.

Registration for grades K-8 at Sacred Heart School is still open. Call the parish office 347.7177 to register.

Baseball practice will be Aug. 2 thru Aug. 6 from 4:30-6:30 pm at the Sacred Heart ballfield.

Volleyball Camp by Colleen & Tena Westendorf will be held August 9-13 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at Sacred Heart School. It is open to 5th through 8th grade students. Cost is \$40. Registration forms are available at www.sheff.org and also in the parish and school office. Any questions, call Colleen at 342.6596.

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.

St. Anthony Parish Picnic will be August 14 & 15 on the St. Anthony High School grounds. Sunday dinner of roasted pork or chicken will be served from 11:00am to 6:00pm in the air-conditioned high school multi purpose room. Raffles, food, and games for every age.

Bulldog Challenge ~ 10K run, 5K run/walk and 2 mile fund walk, in memory of Colin Woods, will be Saturday, August 14, starting at 8:30am at St. Anthony High School. Registration fee is \$25 and forms are available at www.stanthony.com.

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, Barb Sims, Larry Weber, Rebekah Volk, Judy Reardon, Jesse Ketteman, Melissa Fiscus, Tena Behrman, Janet Knabe, Amanda Swan, Quade Aldrich, Mark Rogers, Michael Platz, Jodi Waymoth, Mirta Donnelly, Evelyn Krone, Jeanie Knabe, Phyllis Stock, Charlie Meyers, Jackie Luchtefeld, Shannan Miner, Joyce Westjohn, Kathy Smith, Nicholas Rhodes, Dorothy Levitt, Mardell Weis, Kenneth Buening, Fred Tanner, Ellie Flack, Shannon Harris, A. Wm "Bill" Dasenbrock, Fay Ujichldi, Gary Andes, Lisa Rexroat, Marie Pike, Gina Hargis, Ken Birch, Kim Cummins, Stephanie Smith, Sr. Ann Fearday, Mildred Tegeler, Dustin Doedtman, Walter Buening, Victor Ritz