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Message from Fr. Michal . . .

This weekend, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. God never ceases to offer us His mercy. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with His right hand raised in a blessing and His left touching His garment above His Heart. Red and white rays emanate from His heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under His image. In honor of this, the church staff and I pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm every day in the Church. All are welcome. Please join us!



I want to thank everyone who assisted me during Holy Week with decorating the church and participating in the ministries. It was wonderful to celebrate the liturgies with my parishioners present and also glad to have others

join us via livestream. At this time, we will continue to livestream the 8:30am Masses for those who are unable to join us in person.

Congratulations to Zach Samples in his Ordination to the Diaconate this past Friday, April 9, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. Zach spent last summer with Sacred Heart Parish and has formed many friendships in the short time he was here. Please keep him in your prayers as he will continue his



studies and, God willing, will be ordained a priest next summer. Cards can be sent to Zach at 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, IN 47577.



This is the year of St. Joseph, and with the success of the first study group, interest has sparked to offer another session. If you are interested in being a part of this group, books are available and we can arrange for the meetings. Please contact Darlene at the parish office at 217.347.7177 or email d.koester@sheff.org to sign up.

The International Exhibition "Miracles of the Eucharist" is displayed in the Narthex. The display expands the length of the Narthex and we will highlight various portions of it in the bulletin, on Facebook, and by Constant Contact. Please take time to visit the display devised and planned by Carlo Acutis and absorb the information on each of the panels. Additional information is on page 4 of the bulletin.



Welcome to Sacred Heart - we're glad that you're here!

Sacred Heart Parish

It's time . . . Welcome back to Mass

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki announced that, effective April 11, the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days will be modified to be limited to the following groups:



- ♦ Those 65 years of age or older;
- ◆ Those at risk for severe illness due to underlying medical conditions as described by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- Those who care for the sick, homebound, or infirmed;
- Those women who are pregnant;
- ◆ Those who cannot be accommodated at Mass because the church was at safe-distancing capacity
- ◆ Those who are sick or who came in contact with someone with COVID-19/flu are obligated to stay home and are therefore excused.

All other Catholics not in those categories in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois are obligated to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation, effective April 11, beginning with the Saturday anticipated Masses the evening before. Answers to questions can be found at dio.org/backtomass.

Sacred Heart Church Weekend Mass Update

We will no longer require you to sign up for Mass. Some sections will be roped off to allow strict social distancing while the other sections will not be roped off. You will have the option to choose where you want to sit. Regardless of which section you prefer, the pews will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Masks are highly encouraged, but not required.

Liturgical Ministers for April 17-18, 2021			
Ministry	4:00pm Mass	8:30am Mass	10:30am Mass
Sacristan	Cliff & Mary Klein	Jim & Carol Hakman	Pat Bristow
Lector	Roy Schmidt	Amy Westjohn	Abbey Nosbisch
ЕМНС	Jane Herman	Kathy Wall	Michelle Kruger
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Thank you to everyone who attended the liturgical ministries meetings held during Lent. As we move forward with the reopening of the church, ministries are vital to Mass. If you would like to join a ministry but were unable to attend the meetings, please contact the ministry leader to be updated. We value your time and appreciate your support. Any questions, feel free to call the parish office at 217.347.7177 or talk to the parish staff.

The Ministry Leaders are	
Sacristans: Tom Palmer	Ph. 704.604.8225
Lectors: Allen Lukowski	Ph. 812.585.0137
EMHC: Diane Lukowski	Ph. 607.731.0250
Ushers: Kevin Kruger	Ph. 217.480.0332
Servers: Shauna Albert	Ph. 217.821.1996
Gift Bearers: Cindy Goddard	Ph. 618.554.2997
Greeters: Billi Jansen	Ph. 217.347.7177

Parish News

The Sunday 8:30am Mass and weekday Masses are being live streamed at https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartCatholicParishEffinghamIL/ and on our YouTube page: "Sacred Heart Effingham".



~ Prayer List ~

Joe Mitchell, Cathy Swingler, Cathy Hayes, Keith Willenborg, Clark Wise, Don Miller, Clete Westendorf, Brian A. Niebrugge,

Deb Meyers, Donald Rentfrow, Jr., Mary Jane Behrman, Gordon Kreke, Wilber Lister, Claudia Gale, Gina Hargis, Irene Spilker, Ken Gouchenouer, Jr., Rita Schrader

Congratulations to our Sacred Heart School 3rd grade students making their Confirmation and First Communion on Sunday, April 11.



Please pray for them as they continue their faith journey.

Owen Andrew A.

Owen Patrick B.

Hayden Edward B.

Kate Elizabeth C.

Margo Ann C.

Ava Elizabeth D.

Jack Charles G.

Isabelle Abbott H.

Bryce Matthew H.

Ava Nichole H.

Reuben Joseph J.

Christopher Michael K.

Jackson Matthew L.

Zoey Marie L.

Colton Vincent M.

Logan Matthew M.

Kaden Mauriece P.

Logan Albert S.

Gabriel Jacob T.

Sacred Heart Parish Meeting Calendar

Monday, April 12

6:00pm: Picnic Auction Meeting @ Church Narthex

Wednesday, April 14

6:30pm: PSR Classes @ Sacred Heart School 6:30pm: Bible Study @ Church Narthex

Sunday, April 18

2:00pm: Confirmation for 8th grade @ Church

Sacred Heart Church Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm; Sunday: 8:30am and 10:30am 7:00pm (Misa en Español)

Reconciliation

3:00pm on Saturday and 30 minutes prior to weekday

Masses or by appointment

Join in the Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries, presented by George Wenthe, on Wednesday,



April 14, and 21, at 6:30pm, in the Church Narthex. This series is broken down in several parts, with a different emphasis each week. Everyone welcome.

Readings for the Week

Monday, April 12: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday, April 13: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday, April 14: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21 Thursday, April 15: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36 Friday, April 16: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15 Saturday, April 17: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday, April 18: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a;

Lk 24:35-48

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, April 12

8:30am: †Paul Kemme, †Connie Wendt

Tuesday, April 13

8:30am: †Delores Cornell

Wednesday, April 14 8:30am: †Leroy Wente

Thursday, April 15

8:30am: Special Intention

Friday, April 16 8:30am: NO Mass

Saturday, April 17

4:00pm: †Joe & †Rosa Rieman

Sunday, April 18

8:30am: †Edwin Mattix

10:30am: For Our Parishioners **2:00pm:** 8th Grade Confirmation

7:00pm Spanish Mass: †Bill Sheehan & Family

Parish & School News



International Exhibition

MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST

ACROSS THE WORLD

Devised and planned by Carlo Acutis

Sacred Heart Parish is displaying the panels of this exhibition in the Narthex of the Church. Due to the size of the collection, one-half of the panels will be on display for several weeks and then the second half will be on display for the remaining weeks. Please take time to read about the different miracles which have happened around the world. If you are unable to come to the church, the panels can be viewed at www.carloacutis.com and www.miracolieucaristici.org.



Sacred Heart Church and School donated 746 items to the Catholic Charities food pantry along with a check for \$997. Catholic Charities appreciates your generosity to allow them to assist God's people in need. They provide counseling, MedAssist Prescription Medicine Program, Mobile Food Pantry, Ramblin' Rose, Second Hand Rose, and emergency assistance. Thank you for your support!!





Sacred Heart School

We have partnered with the Unit 40 Educational Foundation to offer a \$500 scholarship to an EHS graduate. It is our intent that we will be able to provide this



scholarship annually to a SHS alumni who stays active in the church into their high school years. Because it is provided via the Unit 40 Educational Foundation, the recipient does need to be a graduate of EHS.

You can view the scholarship listed on the link below.

It is titled "Sacred Heart School Scholarship". http://effinghameducationfoundation.com/scholarships/



We are having a Virtual Scholastic Book Fair April 12-25. Our Book Fair is online and helps our students discover new books, favorite characters, and more! Every

purchase earns our school rewards for much needed resources. Plus, shipping is free on book-only purchases over \$25. Find our school at scholastic.com/fair and enter Sacred Heart School. *Thank you for instilling a love of reading and supporting our Book Fair!*



All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School Booster Club

Entrance Fees:

5K / 10K = \$30; 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk = \$15

Includes a t-shirt and medal if registered by April 16

(\$2.00 extra for XXL Shirt)

Registration:

- ♣ Online at Active.com
- Submit a registration form. Forms are available at school or in the Church Narthex.

For more information, email racetothecross@gmail.com, or call 217.347.7177. Forms can be mailed or dropped off at Sacred Heart School.

In conjunction with the race, Booster Club is hosting two class contests! There will be one for the class with the most race registrations sold and one with the most students participating in the race. Each winning class will receive a pizza party! The deadline for registrations counting towards the contests is Friday, April 23.

Online registration for next year is now open for preschool, kindergarten, and grades 1-8, for the 2021-22 school year! Every student needs to be registered in



TeacherEase. Please log in to your TeacherEase account and complete registration. If you have multiple children, you will need to complete registration for each child individually. If your child is not returning next year, please let us know so we can start getting an accurate count for next year's classes. For more information or any questions, call the school at 217.342.4060 or Andrea Wright at 217.347.7177 or you can send an email to a.wright@sheff.org.

Calendar

Virtual Book Fair Monday, April 12, to Sunday, April 25 Monday, April 12

Girls Basketball @ Neoga (Time TBD)

Tuesday, April 13

3:00pm: Stang Arts @ SHS

4:00pm: Scholar Bowl @ Beecher City-Cowden Herrick

6:00pm: Girls Basketball vs. Dieterich @ home

Wednesday, April 14

5:30pm: Booster Club @ Effingham Event Center

6:30pm: PTA @ Effingham Event Center

Thursday, April 15

First Day to wear shorts

6:00pm: Girls Basketball vs. Cowden Herrick—Beecher

City @ home (8th Grade Night)

During Holy Week, our 7th & 8th grade classes presented the Living Stations for their peers and









Community News

The Effingham Knights of Columbus will hold their Tootsie Roll Drive on April 16-17.

If you can help, please call . . .



Nathan Westendorf at 217.690.1231 Charlie Tegeler at 217.663.4797 Greg Koester at 217.821.7731 Eric Florey at 217.821.6618 Fred Jansen at 217.663.6906 Anthony Jansen at 217.663.2572

The Family Life Center is hosting their 1st 5K Walk/Run for Life on Saturday, April 24. Registration is at 8:00am with the walk/run starting at 9:00am. They are looking for sponsors, volunteers, and



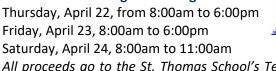
participants. You can sign up online on their website Familylifepcc.org or call Linda at the Family Life Center for more information on sponsoring or volunteering.

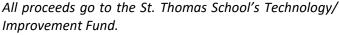


Catholic Charities is hosting the 22nd annual Austin Luckett Memorial Golf Tournament on May 7 & 14, at the Cardinal Golf Course in Effingham. If you are interested in playing, sponsoring

a hole, or making a financial contribution, please contact Catholic Charities at 217.857.1458 or visit www.cc.dio.org. Cost for the event is \$80 per player which includes green fees and a cart. For \$100, you can sponsor the event which includes your name printed on the scorecard. Registration forms are available in the church office and in the Narthex.

St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale







Purchase a \$100 ticket for a 2022 Corvette Convertible or Corvette Coupe or \$65,000 cash. The

grand prize drawing will be Sept. 18, 2021 with the next Early Bird drawing on May 5. Place your order online at corvette.stanthony.com; phone 800.235.3841; email corvette@stanthony.com; or send checks to SAHS Corvette Raffle, P.O. Box 764, Effingham, IL 62401. *Proceeds help support St. Anthony Schools.*

Perpetual Adoration at St. Anthony Hospital Chapel.



The process of restarting Perpetual Adoration at St. Anthony Memorial Hospital Chapel has begun! Please see the current openings available. There will now be a "Captain" for each day:

Sunday: Karie Sudkamp, phone 217.821.3154 midnight, 1am, 2am, 3am, 1pm (1st Sunday), noon (4th Sunday), 3pm (2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays) Monday: Connie Wegman, phone 217.821.6364

midnight (3rd and 5th Mondays), 1am, 2am (every other week), noon, 1pm (5th week), 8pm (4th Monday)

Tuesday: Irene Koester, phone 217.821.4595 midnight, 2am, 3am

Wednesday: Bernice Sandschafer, phone 217.536.6320 1am, 2am (*(need someone to share*)

Thursday: Mary Sandschafer, phone 217.821.8098 1am (5th Thursdays) 2am (5th Thursday), and 4am

Friday: Brad Koenig, phone 217.690.3333

1am, 9am (2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 4pm (2nd Friday),
6pm (3rd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 11pm (1st, 2nd, and
5th Fridays)

Saturday: Anne Wilson, phone 217.821.1313

1am (4th, and 5th Sundays), 2am, 4am (1st, 3rd, and 5th

Sundays), 5pm (2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays), 10pm

If you do not feel you can fill all weeks of a given time slot, encourage a friend or family member to join you in splitting up the weeks. *This is a great opportunity to grow closer to God*.

The Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life will be held at St. Mary Help of Christians Church in Green Creek on Monday, April 19. Praying



the scriptural rosary will begin at 6:00pm. Fr. Ery will be the celebrant for the 6:30pm Mass. All are welcome.

Repeal of Parental Notification of Abortion Law - Please contact our lawmakers and tell them to vote "No" on House Bill 1797 and Senate Bill 2190. If the law is repealed, it will eliminate a critical safeguard to protect young girls from abuse of human traffickers and rapists.

April Is
National
Child Abuse
Prevention
Month

It is a time for heightened vigilance in our homes, schools, churches, and communities with an emphasis on the importance of the healing and protection of

those affected by childhood abuse. Please protect God's children to keep them safe.

Parish News

Our Diocese presented a new structure called "TITHING" and no longer "ACSA". The amount we are expected to tithe for 2020-2021 is \$67,350.



Your contribution directly to our Diocese's Tithing can be in place of your weekly contribution to Sacred Heart Parish. Put your check payable to "Diocese Parish Tithe" with "Sacred Heart" in the memo and place it in the collection basket and we will mail it for you. Any questions, please call Mark Volk or Billi Jansen at the parish office at 217.347.7177.

To date, \$34,743.30 has been paid to "Tithing", leaving a balance of \$32,606.70.

A second letter has been sent to anyone who has not given to our "Tithing". Please respond with a donation to help us reach our goal!!



The Diocese of Springfield sends each family in the parish

a copy of the *Catholic Times* either by mail or electronically. To date, we have collected \$5,060 which leaves a balance due of \$3,303.

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call the Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number 217.321.1155. Individuals may also contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE, or contact your local police authority.



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Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, April 4, 2021

Envelopes: \$ 12,895.00 Loose Collection \$ 314.71 Total: \$ 13,209.71

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

(1Peter 4:10)

Thank you for sharing your "Treasure" with Sacred Heart Parish



Sacred Heart Parish Giving Options

Various giving options. . .

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Set up Sacred Heart Parish as a "payee" at your bank, and make a payment just like you would pay a bill.

Auto Withdrawal

An Auto Withdrawal form is available on our website at www.sheff.org under the Giving tab or pick up a form at the parish office.

Donate Online

Visit www.sheff.org. Click on the Giving tab, then on the link in the Online Donations section.

Personal Check / Collection Envelope

Bring it to the parish office, drop it in the mail slot, mail it to 405 S. Henrietta Street, Effingham, IL 62401, or drop it in the collection box on Sundays.





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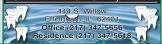
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