

The Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2023



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A note from Fr. Michal . . .

Transfiguration: From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things... and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context, the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chose by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become



dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem". A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" From the Catechism of the Catholic Church. #554



Adoration is always a beautiful time of personal time with Jesus. Please join us at Adoration on Monday, August 7, from 9:00am-8:00pm. Reconciliation will be offered from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. A sign up sheet is in the church narthex.

Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, August 8, at 6:30pm, in the church narthex. If you have any items for discussion, please email parishcouncil@sheff.org and it will be added to the agenda.





Our Symbolon program will begin on Sunday, Sept. 10, after the 10:30am Mass. If you know of anyone who would like to become a Catholic through our Symbolon program, please talk to me or call the parish office and the parish staff will help you. If you are a Catholic and want to learn and enhance your faith life, you are invited and encouraged to attend the classes.

Darlene Koester has been a valuable and integral part of the staff at Sacred Heart Parish for the last 28 years. She has decided to retire this fall. With that in mind, we will be hiring a new person to join the office staff. More details to come this week.

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

Join us for a

faith-filled day

at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal









Space is limited.
Call 217-347-7177 to reserve your seat!
\$60/person (includes bus, tour, snacks, & lunch)

Monday, September 25, 2023

Bus Trip with Sacred Heart Parish

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is located at St. Mary's of the Barrens Church in Perryville, Missouri. Saint Mary's was founded in 1818 and the Shrine was built in 1929. The church is decorated with beautiful paintings, stained glass windows, and intricate design work on the walls and ceilings.

The Miraculous Medal, or the Medal of the Immaculate Conception, was given to us by the Blessed Virgin Mary through apparitions with Saint Catherine Labouré in 1830. Saint Catherine saw our Lady standing on a globe with her arms outstretched with dazzling rays of light streaming from her fingers. The rays symbolize the graces Mary obtains for those who ask for them. Framing her was the inscription: "O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

After the first medals were made and distributed, the blessings that Mary had promised began to shower down almost immediately on those who wore her medal. This led to people calling it the "Miraculous" Medal. Learn more and receive a free Miraculous Medal by joining us on the trip!

Included in the day is a tour of the Rosary Walk which is a nearly one mile walk featuring rosary beads and a peaceful, handicap accessible path with beautiful places to sit, pray, and reflect.

Arrive back to Sacred Heart Parish

Schedule:

6:00pm

7:30am Depart from Sacred Heart Parish
10:45am Mass in the Shrine Chapel
11:45am Lunch & Browse the Gift Shop
1:00pm Tour of the Shrine
2:00pm Tour the Walking Rosary
3:00pm Depart the Shrine

Lunch will be a sandwich boxed lunch.

For more info, visit https://www.amm.org/

Registration for Sacred Heart PSR is now open! The link is shared on the Sacred Heart Parish Facebook page or pick up a registration form in the parish



office. Contact Jill Feldhake at psr@sheff.org with any questions. The first class is Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6:30pm, at Sacred Heart School.



Jean Harder, Billi Jansen, and Tom Purcell recently attended a training seminar about annulments. If you have experienced a divorce and would like to consider an annulment, call the parish office for more information.

Music Notes . . .

 Resurrection Choir practice will be on Thursday, Aug. 17, at 9:15am, in the church.



We always welcome new voices, so please join us. If you have any questions, call Joan Frey at 217.663.3049.



You are invited to a historical diocesan-wide celebration on October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield to celebrate the Year of the Eucharist and the 100th

anniversary of the transfer of the See city of our diocese. Doors open at 10:30am with the first speaker starting at 1:00pm, and Mass begins at 4:00pm. There will be no Masses at Sacred Heart Church on that day. We have a limited amount of tickets, so please take this opportunity to get your FREE ticket. A sign up sheet for tickets is in the church narthex. Any questions, please call the parish office at 217.347.7177.

Sacred Heart Church Calendar

Monday, August 7

9:00am-8:00pm: Adoration @ Sacred Heart Church (Reconciliation from 7:00pm to 8:00pm)

Tuesday, August 8

9:15am: Study Group @ Church narthex

6:30pm: Parish Council Meeting @ Church narthex

Wednesday, August 9

5:30pm: Parish Choir Practice @ Church

Thursday, August 10

7:00pm: Real Men Pray the Rosary Prayer Group

@ Church narthex Friday, August 11

9:00am: Pray the Rosary @ Church

~ Prayer List ~

Barb Hoefft, Carolyn Ordner, Tom Hewing, Avery Gardewine Braunecker, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Marilyn Lane, Pat Prichard, Britney (Walters) Chester





Rest in Peace

Our sympathy to the family and friends of †Patricia Braun †Diana Fuesting

Flowers were donated for the Living & Deceased Members of the †Harold & †Mildred Koester Family by Charlie & Linda Koester. If you would like to donate flowers, call Vicki Walker at 217.821.6179.





New Families

Mark & Morgan Christine Miller Jr. Family
Nila Weber

Each Friday at 9:00am (following 8:30am Mass), there is a Prayer Group that meets to pray the rosary. This group is committed to praying the weekly rosary for your intentions and prayer requests. If you have a prayer request for them, please write it on the clipboard in the narthex. *Everyone is welcome to join them.*

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, August 7

8:30am: Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters

Court Columbus

Tuesday, August 8 8:30am: †Doug Althoff

Wednesday, August 9 8:30am: †Dorothy Kade

Thursday, August 10 8:30am: †Nyal Palmer

Friday, August 11

8:30am: †Rockney Weber

Saturday, August 12

4:00pm: For Our Parishioners

Sunday, August 13

8:30am: †Leroy & †Maryann Borries

10:30am: †Marguerite Sicoli



Back to School Mass & Cookout

Saturday, August 19, 2023 4:00 PM

Following mass, join us for a Cookout & Games!

Hamburgers & hotdogs will be provided.

Please bring a dish to share, lawn chairs, and your own drinks.

Everyone from Sacred Heart Parish and School is welcome!

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Sacred Heart School Calendar

Wednesday, August 9

6:30pm: PTA Meeting @ Effingham Event Center

Thursday, August 10

4:30pm: Baseball vs. Mattoon St. John's @ SHS 5:30pm: Preschool Orientation @ SHS gym 6:00pm: Kindergarten Parent Meeting

@ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Saturday, August 12

CHBC Tournament @ Beecher City Park





IMPORTANT BACK TO SCHOOL DATES:

Thursday, August 10:

- ♣ Preschool Parent Orientation at 5:30pm in the school gym During this parents-only orientation, we will discuss classroom procedures and review all the expectations of preschool. We ask that at least one parent attend. Tuition payments, lunch money, birth certificates, and school physicals can be turned in this evening.
- * Kindergarten Parent Meeting at 6:00pm in the parish center One parent must attend this meeting. We ask that no children attend, as this is an informative meeting regarding kindergarten requirements, expectations, etc. Please bring all required health documents.
- Junior High (Gr. 6-8) Back to School Bash from 6:00-7:30pm at the Effingham Event Center (KC Hall) Pavilion Drinks & snacks provided; Hosted by junior high teachers

Tuesday, August 15:

- Preschool Meet & Greet from 4:30-6:00pm Please bring your student (and his/her supplies) to meet the teachers, explore the classroom, etc.
- Kindergarten/First Grade Supply Drop-Off from 4:30-6:00pm Please bring your student (and his/her supplies) to meet the teacher, explore the classroom, etc.
- Grade K-5 Popsicle Playground Party from 6:00-7:00pm on the big playground Siblings welcome; Parental supervision required; Hosted by PTA

Thursday, August 17:

First Day of School for Grades K-8; 2:00pm dismissal (Unit 40 buses will run)

Friday, August 18:

2:00pm Dismissal for Grades K-8 (Unit 40 buses will run)

Saturday, August 19:

Parish "Back to School" Mass at 4:00pm & Cookout Following Mass ministries led by SHS & PSR students; Cookout & games following Mass; Hamburgers & hotdogs provided; Bring a dish to share, lawn chairs & your own drinks; Everyone from Sacred Heart Church and School is invited

Monday, August 21:

- First Day of School for M/W/F & M-F Preschool Classes
- Normal 3:00pm dismissal for K-8

Tuesday, August 22:

First Day of School for Tu/Th Preschool Classes

Thursday, August 24:

Back to School Parent Night (Grades 1-8; Kg is optional) from 6:00-7:00pm Meet your child's teacher & see the classroom; Jedco will be onsite for uniform orders; SCRIP Card volunteers will be onsite to explain how you can get SCRIP tuition credit, and will help you get set up

33rd Annual Family Camp

September 30 - October 1, 2023

For those (and their families/friends) with intellectual and/or physical disabilities

Join us for a fun-filled, weekend retreat! Lake Williamson Christian Center 17280 Lakeside Drive Carlinville, IL 62626 www.lakewilliamson.org Fun & relaxation for the whole family! Handicapped accessible facility and activities, including:

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> Games Archery Swimming Hay Rides

Registration is due August 12, 2023
Fees will increase by \$5.00 per person
after August 12.

Camp fee includes handicapped-accessible motel room, three meals, & all camp activities.

\$75 Per Adult \$60 Per Child (ages 6-17) FREE for Children 5 & Under

Registration forms are available at www.sheff.org or by contacting Elaine Vonderheide, Camp Facilitator, at: 1204 S. 4th St. Effingham, IL 62401 217.821.1995 mewv1995@gmail.com



Check-in begins at 10:15am on Saturday, Sept. 30. Sunday Eucharist will be celebrated, with departure at noon on Sunday, Oct. 1



Family Camp is made possible through the support of our local Knights of Columbus Councils, and Sacred Heart Parish

Visit the Cathedral in Springfield or Ss. Peter and Paul Church in Alton, receive an indulgence!



The diocesan-wide Year of the Eucharist going on now has a heavenly treasure of our Catholic faith attached to it. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki received permission from the Holy See, granting a plenary indulgence to those who make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield or Ss. Peter and Paul Church in Alton (the "Old Cathedral") now through Dec. 8. One must also partake in the other usual conditions to receive this indulgence by going to Confession, receiving the Eucharist, and saying prayers for the intention of the Pope. These acts "may be carried out several days preceding or following the performance of the prescribed works. But it is more fitting that communion and the prayer for the pope's intentions take place on the day the work is performed" (Handbook of Indulgences, Norms for Indulgences, 23.3). An indulgence is a gift and grace that remits the temporal punishment due to a sin.

Holy Cross Parish Picnic, Wendelin, will be Sunday, August 6, from 10:00am to 10:00pm. A chicken dinner will be in the church hall until 4:00pm. There will be kids games, food, music, and raffles. Entertainment by the Andy King Band will be at 7:00pm.

Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum will be available on Sunday, August 6, from 12:30pm to 4:00pm. The Museum, located behind St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, IL, is housed on the second floor in the former Franciscan Novitiate building. An elevator is available for visitors who have difficulty with stairs. A collection of articles used by the early pioneers of the area and the Franciscan Friars can be viewed. Admission fee is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. For more information go to www.stfrancischurch.com or to the town website at www.Teutopolis.com and click on "Our Community"; or call 217.961.6404 ext. 236.

2nd Annual Family Life Center Dance, sponsored by the Friends of the Family Life Center, will be held on Saturday, August 12, at the West End Reception Hall, Newton. SOCO 'a little southern comfort' will be the entertainment along with food provided by CZ's Fried Green Tomatoes!

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL will be hosting their next retreat "Healing of Memories" on August 11-13. You'll get opportunities for prayer, meditation, daily Mass, and reconciliation. Please go to osmm.org to register, and the full agenda is listed on their website. You may also contact Karla Slifer at 217.690.5282 for more information.

Natural Family Planning Class:

Saturday, August 26, 12:00-1:30pm on WebEx Text or call Kate Pruemer at 217.821.1840 to register.

Pre-Cana Workshop:

St. Anthony Parish, Effingham - Saturday, October 21 To register, please call 217.347.7129

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314.649.7317. The next weekend experiences in St. Peters, MO, are Sept. 29-Oct. 1; and Dec. 1-3.

Scrip Cards are retail gift cards that can be used to make everyday purchases or to give to others as gifts. There are many scrip



cards to choose from - including many national retailers, as well as local stores and businesses!

Where to purchase SCRIP Cards:

- 1. In the Sacred Heart Parish office on Tuesdays & Fridays
- 2. In the church narthex after weekend Masses on the first full weekend and the third weekend of each month
- 3. Fill out a check and an order form (available at www.sheff.org under the Giving tab), send both in to school with your child; we will fill the order and send it back with your child
- 4. Online through the SCRIP RaiseRight app (Some cards can be shipped directly to your home!)

Tuition Credit via Scrip Cards . . .

You can earn SHS tuition credit simply by shopping with SCRIP cards! You purchase the SCRIP card at face value, and a percentage of each sale goes back to Sacred Heart School. School families can sign up to receive a portion of the school percentage as a K-8 tuition credit. It's no extra cost to you, and in return, both you and the school receive money back for purchases you make . . . it's a win-win! The more SCRIP cards you buy, the greater your tuition credit (and the more money raised for the school)!

If you have any questions about the SCRIP program or would like to sign up for the SCRIP tuition credit, please email shscrip@sheff.org.

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, July 30, 2023

Envelopes: \$ 10,084.00 Loose Collection \$ 1,064.00 Total: \$ 11,148.00

"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

The State of Illinois Fayette Avenue project continues with roadwork being done on the north and east side of the



Sacred Heart property. Please note, the entrances to Sacred Heart from both Fayette Avenue and North Raney Street are CLOSED (Raney Street via Grove Street is accessible). The State paid Sacred Heart a sum of \$492,400 for the property they acquired from us, and for the damages and replacement costs due to the project. After the State completes their portion of the Fayette Avenue project along Sacred Heart property, we will proceed forward with a new fountain, electronic sign, and other necessary modifications and signage. We anticipate that all of the funds received will be needed in order to restore and beautify our property.

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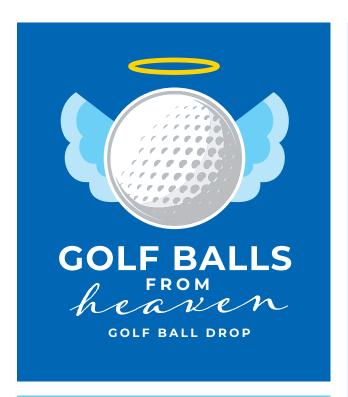
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Sunday Aug 13th 6:30 PM

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1 Ball - \$20 6 Balls - \$100

Only 1000 Golf Balls Available.

Purchase Tickets at:

- Parish Center Office (during regular hours)
- At the Picnic

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Contact the Parish Office at 217-347-7129 for more information.

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We'll be dropping 1000 golf balls from a HELICOPTER, high above the SAHS soccer field. The person whose ball lands closest to the pin will win \$2500, and the second closest will receive \$1000!

Golf Balls can be purchased in memory of a loved one who has passed away.

Names of these loved ones will be displayed on a banner at the Parish Picnic.

