

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 16, 2022



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## Message from Fr. Michal . . .

After the final blessing at Mass, we recite the Prayer to St. Michael. During that prayer, I ask you to direct your attention to the icon of St. Michael on the east side of church. St. Michael is the patron saint of police, military, and firemen and a spiritual warrior in the battle of good versus evil.





In the Church Narthex, there is small tree with informational cards on our Diocesan seminarians. The cards include their birthday, home parish, and address in the seminary. Please take a card home, pray for them, and correspond with them throughout the year. They are our future for the Catholic Church and appreciate hearing words of encouragement as they continue their studies.

I was approached to write an article explaining the suffering servant from the book of Isaiah. Please check it out in the Jan. 9 *Catholic Times* issue in the Hey, Father! column on page seven.



There is a lot of great information in the article, so I hope you take time to read it and ask me any questions you have.



Can I visit you? It has been a pleasure visiting with several of our parish families. It is difficult to get to know my parishioners by just greeting them after Mass or seeing them at a social function. So, please call our parish office or talk to me after Mass and schedule a date for a visit.

Saint Blaise Day is Feb. 3. He is recognized as the saint of throat disease or 'The Blessing of the Throats' in the Catholic Church. His most famous and memorable act was when he healed a young boy that choked on a fishbone. The boy was placed at the saint's feet by his mother, and he was healed! Crossed candles are an important part of Saint Blaise Day, as they commemorate the mother of the boy who choked on the fishbone. She



presented Saint Blaise with crossed candles to light his way to jail when the ruler of Sebastea ordered his arrest. The origin of the blessing of throats use crossed candles as a symbol. Mark your calendar, I will be blessing throats at the 8:30am Mass on Thursday, Feb. 3.

## Parish and Pro-Life News



January is designated as Right to Life month. Luminaries bring the message to our community to respect life from the moment of conception to natural death. Our Sacred Heart School and PSR students will be making the luminaries with a Pro-Life message to be displayed the weekend of Jan 22-23. *Please pray for life!* 



Join others from across the country in praying the 9 Days for Life Annual Novena, January 19-27. The novena is for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up at: www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup.

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

Supreme Court's 2022 term: Will Roe v Wade end? In 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court will rule on a state of Mississippi law that bans



abortions after 15 weeks. This past summer, lawyers for Mississippi asked the Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade. What will happen? Dive Deep interviews Peter Breen with the Thomas More Society to discuss that. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen and subscribe or search "Dive Deep" on all the major podcast platforms.

Liturgical Ministers for January 22-23, 2021			
Ministry	4:00pm Mass	8:30am Mass	10:30am Mass
Sacristan	Carol Rohr Carol Toney	Bob & Laurel McIvor	Tom Palmer
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## **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 ~

Declan Robertson, Mary Ann Sanders, Mary Lou Jenson, Toby Stauch, Lee Goodman, Pat Kuhns, Anne Bourgeois



We will keep individuals on the prayer list in the bulletin for 30 days. After that they will remain on the prayer list on the bulletin board in the Church Narthex. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please request their permission, and send the name to shchurch@sheff.org.



If you would like to donate flowers for the tabernacle, please call Vicki Walker at 217.821.6179.

Our Young Hearts Potluck will be on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at noon, in the Sacred **Heart Parish Center.** Meat will be furnished. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Please join us for lunch and fellowship!





Our 2022 picnic chairpeople, Bob & Tammy Utz, are looking for a third couple to co-chair the picnic and a chairperson(s) who would oversee our

picnic dinner. Our picnic will be June 25-26, 2022. For more information, contact Bob Utz at 217.994.4140.

All Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women are encouraged to attend a convention planning meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 2:00pm, at the Immaculate Conception



Parish Center, 1920 Richmond Ave, Mattoon. your calendar for Tuesday, March 1, for the first Mattoon Deanery Council meeting to be held at the Immaculate Conception Parish Center, Mattoon. Mass will begin at 9:00am in the church with the meeting to follow.

#### Sacred Heart Parish Calendar

Tuesday, January 18

12:00pm: Young Hearts Potluck @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Wednesday, January 19

6:30pm: PSR Classes @ Sacred Heart School

#### **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



## Rest in Peace

Our sympathy to family and friends of †Dr. William (Art) Shuler

#### **Readings for the Week**

Monday, Jan. 17: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday, Jan. 18: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, Jan. 19: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, Jan. 20: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday, Jan. 21: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19 **Saturday, Jan. 22:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

**Sunday, Jan. 23:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## **Sacred Heart Mass Schedule**

Monday, January 17

8:30am: †Alice Loretta Funneman, †Vincent Zumbahlen,

†Fern Kahley, †Carol Anne Utz

Tuesday, January 18 8:30am: †Ann Began Wednesday, January 19 8:30am: †Tanya Pope

Thursday, January 20

8:30am: †Michael & †Ethel Gallo

Friday, January 21

No Mass

Saturday, January 22

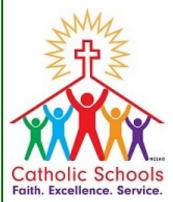
4:00pm: †Joe & †Cecilia Buening Family

Sunday, January 23

8:30am: For Our Parishioners 10:30am: †Louis Feldhake

7:00pm Spanish Mass: In Thanksgiving

## Sacred Heart School



Sacred Heart School is gearing up for Catholic Schools Week from Jan. 30-Feb. 5.

They will kick off the week at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, Jan. 30. Students will participate in the ministries and will have a display in the Church Narthex. Many activities are being planned throughout the week including homerooms adopting parishioner pen-pals. If you know of a loved one who would like to correspond with students, please send an email to shschool@sheff.org and we can include them.

On Wednesday, Feb. 2, students and staff will join neighboring Catholic schools to participate in an All School's Mass with Bishop Paprocki at St. Anthony High School. It is a special day to worship together as a community of faith. Watch the green note and bulletin for a detailed schedule of events.



Congratulations to our eighth grade basketball players and cheerleaders!

They were recognized this week, along with their parents! Way to go Shamrocks, we love you!

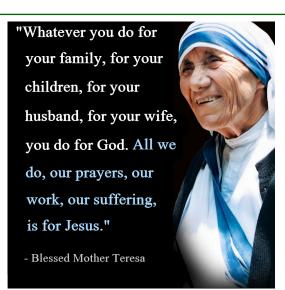
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We have replenished our stock of cards from many of our local businesses and restaurants, along with national chains. Sacred Heart School receives a percentage of each Scrip card sold with many cards at places you already shop.

Scrip is sold on Tuesdays in the church office and after Mass in the Church Narthex on the first and third weekend of the month.

You can now place an order online and have it delivered directly to your home. Brands are clearly labeled "Ship to Home Eligible" in the app. You can shop a category and filter your search by gift cards that are "ship to home eligible" or, look for the label on the detail pages of the brands you shop. Orders must be placed in the RaiseRight app. This feature is not available on ShopWithScrip.com or MyScripWallet.com.

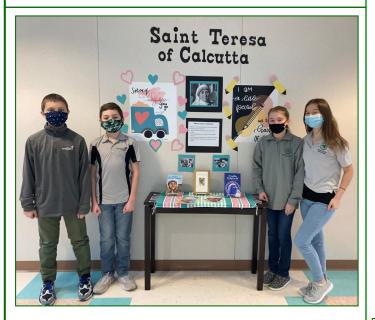


## **Sacred Heart School**

Reservations for the 2022-2023 Empower Illinois Scholarships opened on Wednesday, Jan. 12. Empower Illinois Scholarships are open to any new or existing K-12 family who



meets certain financial qualifications. They can be used toward SHS K-8 tuition. Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis so it is important to reserve your spot as soon as possible. After reserving your time stamp, you will receive an email to log into your EmpowerXChange portal and complete the application. For more information or to find out if you qualify, visit https://empowerillinois.org/. You can also contact the Empower Illinois team with any questions about the reservation process by calling 800.616.7606 or emailing scholars@empowerillinois.org.



Our sixth graders are continuing to lead us in prayer each morning, with a special focus on Mother Teresa (Saint Teresa of Calcutta). They put together a beautiful display at the hallway "T" with information about her life and works.

Students in grades 6-8 are invited to sign up for Scholar Bowl! Our Scholar Bowl team is coached by Nila and Ron Pike. A



parent meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 19, at 4:30pm, in the school library. Practices will be held in the school library on Wednesdays from 4:30pm to 5:30pm starting Jan. 26. Students may dually participate in Sacred Heart athletics and Scholar Bowl.

#### School News . . .

Each day at PreSchool, the students say a prayer of thanksgiving before their snack. It is a wonderful way to remind them of God's presence.



Would your child like to cantor at our Wednesday school Masses? All fourth-eighth grade students are invited to help cantor and lead the singing for our school Mass. Practices will be on Tuesday mornings from 7:30am to 8:00am in the church.

We invite sixth-eighth grade students to sign up as lectors for the weekend Masses! Student lectors will be scheduled with an adult lector and will share the reading responsibilities.

The school will be closed on Monday, Jan. 17, (Martin Luther King holiday). Clubhouse will not be open.

We are looking for someone to take over coordinating our annual Race to the Cross. Responsibilities include organizing registrations, medals, t-shirt orders, and working with the parish office to complete insurance,

permits, and advertising. The previous race coordinator will help get you started! This is a fun event that raises a lot of money for the SHS Booster Club! If you're interested in more information, please send an email to: racetothecross@gmail.com.

#### Sacred Heart School Calendar

#### Monday, January 17 (Martin Luther King)

School not in session—No Clubhouse

#### Tuesday, January 18

6:00pm: Volleyball @ Sigel St. Michael School

#### Wednesday, January 19

4:30pm: Scholar Bowl Parent Meeting @ SHS Library

#### Thursday, January 20

4:00pm: Volleyball vs. Stew-Stras @ home

6:00pm: 5th/6th Grade Basketball @ St. Peter Lutheran

#### Saturday, January 22

Boys' 7th Grade Basketball Regionals @ home (TBD)

Monday, Jan. 17, Tuesday, Jan. 18, Thursday, Jan. 20

Boys' 8th Grade Basketball NTC Tournament

@ St. Elmo Jr./Sr. High School (TBD)

## **Community News**

Effingham Knights of Columbus . . .

The K of C Free Throw Contest will be held on Sunday, Jan. 23. The doors open and registration will be from noon to 12:15pm



with the free throw shoot starting at 12:20pm at the Enlow Center at St. Anthony High School. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (age as of Jan. 1) are welcome to compete. The winners will go on to the District Free Throw contest in February. For more information, please call Greg Koester at 217.821.7731.

#### Pre-Cana workshops:

- ◆ St. Francis Church, Teutopolis, on Sunday, Jan. 30. Call 217.961.6404 to register.
- ◆ St. Mary's Church, St. Marie, on Saturday, March 12. Call 618.455.3155 to register.



A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be March 18-20 at the Villa Maria Conference Center in Springfield. There is an application

fee of \$100. Apply at <a href="https://www.org">wwme.org</a> by Jan. 17. For more information, call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314.649.7317.

St. Thomas Church in Newton would like to invite you to their annual Wine Tasting event, hosted by their Angel's group, on Saturday, Jan. 29, at 5:30pm, at the Newton K of C Hall!



There will be a quilt raffle, as well as an auction of various baskets at 8:00pm. Admission is \$10 per person. Come out and enjoy wines from around the world, specialty drinks, and delicious hors d'oeuvres!

The annual Newman Breakfast will be Sunday, Feb. 6, from 7:00am until noon, at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. The menu is all you can eat scrambled eggs, whole hog sausage, biscuits & gravy, hashbrowns, French toast sticks, rolls, and drink.

St. Thomas School presents the 3rd annual Trivia Night & Live Auction on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 6:30pm, at



the St. Thomas Parish Center in Newton. Cost is \$160 per team of 8 adults over age 21 (space is limited, so sign up early-deadline is Feb. 5). There will be fun trivia questions, silent & live auction, games, food, and more!! For more information contact Jill Bierman or Lori Smith at 618.783.3517.

### Pro-Life News . . .

Effingham Area Right to Life Breakfast will be Jan. 16, at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall from 7:00am until 12:30pm with inside



dining. The menu is sausage, eggs, sweet breads, and drinks. There will be a quilt raffle and a 50/50 raffle. For donations of cinnamon rolls, sweet breads, and to volunteer, please text Susan Vogt at 217.663.2084.



The Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life will be at St. Michael Church in Sigel on Monday, Jan. 17. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00pm. Fr. James Flach will be the

celebrant for the 6:30pm Mass. The business meeting & refreshments will follow in their grade school.

A Diocesan-wide Pro-Life Mass with Bishop Paprocki and March for Life will be held on Friday, Jan. 21, in Springfield, IL. A bus has been secured by the Effingham Area Right to Life group to take to Springfield. The registration fee is \$30 and also a package of diapers to be donated to the Family Life Center. Registration paper for all 7th grade to college-aged students and adults is on the counter in the Narthex. There will be a 10:00am Mass celebrated by Bishop Paprocki at the Cathedral, a March to the Capitol and back. The charter bus will be leaving Effingham Event Center at 7:30am and returning at 4:00pm. Complete information is included on the registration form. The deadline to sign up has been extended. Call Diann Ruholl at 217.663.2056 to see if seats are available.



St. Anthony Church will be displaying their annual "Luminaries for Life" the weekend of January 22 and 23, 2022. From dusk to dawn, the luminaries will light up the church steps with over 400 messages of respecting life from the

moment of conception to natural death. Students from St Anthony

Junior High and High School will be decorating bags with artwork and messages of God's unique, individual love for each of us. In 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court will rule on a state of Mississippi law that bans abortions after 15 weeks. Drive or walk by this beautiful public display of St. Anthony Parish's respect for life. It is a beacon of Christ's love and hope in the community that will shine bright for a few nights during the weekend.

## Invest in Kids Tax Credit

Are you interested in contributing towards student scholarships for Sacred Heart School. The Illinois Invest in Kids scholarship program is dedicated to ensuring every child in elementary and secondary school has access to the school of their choice. Invest in Kids allows parents the opportunity to choose the school they feel best meets the educational needs of their child. Invest in Kids offers a 75 percent income tax credit to individuals and businesses that contribute to a qualified Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). The SGO then provides scholarships for students whose families meet the income requirements to attend qualified non-public schools.

#### Invest in Kids in Three Easy Steps . . .

- 1. Apply for a tax credit at MYTAX.ILLINOIS.GOV. Applicants are required to first have a My Tax Illinois account. Visit empowerillinois.org/donors instructions on creating an account and then applying for a tax credit.
- 2. Donate to Empower Illinois within 60 days. Once the application is approved, donate to Empower Illinois, the Scholarship Granting Organization used by the Diocese of Springfield, within 60 days.
- 3. Designate Sacred Heart School. During the donation process, donors have the option to donate to a specific Catholic school. Donations will stay with the designated schools and will not roll-over to regional or state funding.

For more information, contact the church office at 217.347.7177.

## **Financial**

#### **Our Stewardship of Treasure**

Sunday, January 9, 2022

**Envelopes:** \$ 8,225.00 Loose Collection: \$ 665.00 Total: \$ 8,890.00

"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



In your January envelope packet CATHOLIC TIMES there is an special envelope for Catholic Times magazine. Every

parish family receives the magazine either by mail or by email. It contains information about our diocese. information from other parishes, and articles on our Catholic faith. Catholic Times has continued its emphasis on catechesis of the Catholic faith such as their Hey, Father! Series, and a special edition dedicated to the sacraments. Please support this by your donation.

In your January envelope packet is an envelope for the Church in



Latin America. For many in Latin America, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation to share our faith. Visit www.usccb.org/latin-america for more information.





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