

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time January 14, 2024



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Please pray for our Sacred Heart School and PSR students who are growing in their faith. Our third graders will attend a special retreat on Wednesday, January 31 in preparation for Confirmation and First Communion. They will then celebrate the sacraments on

Saturday, March 2 at 11:00am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. A special Sacred Heart Parish celebration will be held at our 10:30am Mass on Sunday, March 3. Everyone is welcome! Our second graders will celebrate First Reconciliation on Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30pm.

Sacred Heart School is hosting an Open House for preschool students and new/prospective K-8 students on Tuesday, February 20 from 5:30-7:00pm. If you are interested in Sacred Heart, please come and check it out! We would love to meet you and show you around! Also, please spread the word to your family and friends who might be interested. If you have any questions, contact Andrea Wright at 217-347-7177 or a.wright@sheff.org.

The next parish council meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16 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.







If you are interested in joining Fr. Michal for a Pilgrimage to Ireland, please contact the church office for registration paperwork this week. The trip is filling up so reserve your spot today—only about 10 spots left! The trip will be held April 18-28, 2024.

It is the Catholic tradition of pastoral visits to parishioners' homes, taking place after Christmas. During a visit, a priest prays and talks with the family, and blesses the house. Fr. Michal would like to visit all of you every year, if possible. These visits can be only 10 minutes or could include a longer visit, whatever works for your family. Please call our parish office or talk to him after Mass and schedule a date for a visit.

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

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday, January 12-Thursday, January 18

8th Grade Boys' BB NTC at St. Elmo

Monday, January 15

No School—Martin Luther King Day

Tuesday, January 16

Meyer Twins Art 3:00-5:00pm;

VB at Sigel St. Michael 6:00pm, C match at 5:15pm

Wednesday, January 17

PTA Meeting at Effingham Event Center 6:30pm

Thursday, January 18

VB Home vs. Stew-Stras 4:00pm;

Boys' 5th/6th BB at St. Peter Lutheran 6:00pm

Saturday, January 20

Boys' 7th Grade BB Regionals TBA

Boys' 5th/6th BB at St. Elmo 5th Grade Tourn. 9:00am



Our Young Hearts Potluck is Tuesday, January 16, at 12:00pm in the parish center. Meat is furnished, so bring your favorite side dish and enjoy the fellowship! Everyone is welcome!

Mass intentions can be scheduled in the parish office during office hours. Any questions or if you would like additional information, please call the parish office at 217.347.7177.

SACRED HEART CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 14

RCIA for Children 9:30am

RCIA 11:30am

Tuesday, January 16

Study Group in church narthex 9:15am;

Young Hearts Potluck 12:00pm in parish center;

Parish council meeting 6:30pm in church narthex

Wednesday, January 17

PSR Class in Sacred Heart School 6:30pm

Thursday, January 18

Resurrection Choir Practice in church 9:15am;

Men's Prayer Group in church narthex 7:00pm

Friday, January 19

Pray the Rosary in the church 9:00am

Saturday, January 20

Young Women's Group in church narthex 7:30am

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, February 18: Father Daughter Dance

Tuesday, February 20: Sacred Heart School Open House

Sunday, February 25: Mother Son Event Saturday, March 16: St. Pat's Bash



Prayer List

Pat Prichard, Britney (Walters)
Chester, Barb Hoefft, Carolyn Ordner,
Tom Hewing, Bill Foreman,
Jackson Gaitros, Mindy Reardon,
Avery Gardewine Braunecker,
Holly Althoff Newburn, Dawson
Althoff, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Sister
Pat Thies, Lucinda Herboth

Study Group Updates

Our Tuesday morning study group will meet January 16 for a video and discussion. On Tuesday, January 23, they will start a new book study about the book *Jesus: The Way, The Truth, The Life* by Jeff Cavins and Ed Sri. It is a 10 week series with a 30 minute video and discussion each week. They meet in the narthex following the Tuesday 8:30am Mass. Everyone is welcome!

The evening study group will take the next couple of weeks off. They will start *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* on Tuesday, February 27. This will be a 5 week series with a 30 minute video and discussion each week. This book study was such a hit last time that they are going to do it again. Stay tuned for details!

Our men's group meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm in the narthex. They are finishing up their study of The Beatitudes before starting a Lenten program. All men are invited!

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, January 15

8:30am: †Nettie Willenborg

Tuesday, January 16

8:30am: †Charles & †Agnes Bushue

Wednesday, January 17 8:30am: †Angela Jansen

Thursday, January 18

8:30am: †Evan Willenborg

Friday, January 19 8:30am: †Ethel Gallo

Saturday, January 20 4:00pm: Dominic Thoele

Sunday, January 21

8:30am: †Johnny Stumeier **10:30am:** For Our Parishioners

PLEASE JOIN US!

CCW Luncheon - Tuesday, February 6

The Council of Catholic Women's first meeting of the new year will be Tuesday, February 6 at 12:00pm in the parish center. The meeting is a noon salad luncheon. The CCW is open to all women of the parish seeking fellowship with other women of faith. Please join us! Our guest speaker will be Dr. April Ritz and she will be sharing a presentation on women's wellness and physical therapy with a holistic approach.



Tickets for the 2024 St. Pat's Bash are available in the parish office! They will also be sold in the narthex following Mass. The event is Saturday, March 16 at the Effingham Event Center. Tickets are \$50 per person. Tables can be reserved for parties of 8. All 8 payments must be received together with reservation. Only 450 tickets will be sold. Last year we sold out so make sure to get your tickets early! See the bulletin insert for more details. Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School.

Also, new this year is our Golf Cart Raffle! Enter for your chance to win a 2023 golf cart or \$7,500 cash! See the bulletin insert for more details. Tickets can be purchased in the parish office, in the narthex following Mass, or online by clicking on this QR Code.







GIFT CARD OR REWARDS STORE BONUS POINTS

Sacred Heart Church

Sunday, January 14 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Center 405 S. Henrietta

Masks optional. Appointments required.
To schedule an appointment, scan QR code, call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401, or go to bloodcenter.org/group, grp #70742







Attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21 – This summer, join tens of thousands of passionate

Catholics to experience the healing power of Jesus Christ, present in the holy Eucharist at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Soak in the Presence of Jesus alongside people of all walks of life – a vivid image of the universal Church. You will participate in beautiful liturgies, lifting your voice in prayer alongside world-class musicians, hear from the most influential Catholic speakers of our day, and make history as part of the first National Eucharistic Congress in nearly 100 years. This is the beginning of a new chapter of faith in America. Will you be there? Register at eucharisticcongress.org. Registrations made prior to January 31 receive a 10% discount!

If interested in going with a small group from Sacred Heart Parish, contact Carol Toney at 217-821-7607 or Michele Kruger at 217-342-5477.





Track & Field Coach

- Join us to continue the success of our track and field program!
- Last year, we had 11 athletes compete at the state level. We are looking forward to another great year!
- Season runs February 26 early May
- Interested?
 Send inquiries to athletics@sheff.org or 217-342-4060

Substitute Cook

- Scheduled on an as-needed basis
- Food service experience is preferred, but not required
- Hours: approximately 9:00am 1:30pm
- Duties: prepare, plate, and serve meals; clean kitchen
- \bullet The assistant cook will be present for serving and clean-up
- A lunchroom supervisor is also present during lunch hours
- Interested? Send inquiries to a.sheehan@sheff.org or 217-342-4060

Clubhouse Workers

- Supervise children 2-3 days per week with multiple scheduling options:
 Monday & Wednesday: 11:00am - 5:30pm, and/or Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 2:30-5:30pm
- Must be 16 years of age or older
- Perfect for high school or college students, or adults looking for afternoon hours
- Must interact well with children
- Interested?
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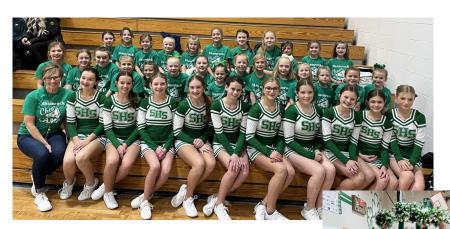
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WE'VE GOT SPIRIT, HOW 'BOUT YOU!?

We had a great turnout for our Shamrock Cheer Camp! Shown here are the Cheer Camp participants with the junior high cheerleaders and Mrs. Charlotte Habing, our cheer coach. Cheer Camp participants presented their cheer performance during halftime of the seventh grade Sacred Heart game this past Monday. Our junior high cheerleaders cheered during both games and, as usual, did a great job building Shamrock Spirit! Go Shamrocks!

Our eighth grade basketball players, cheerleaders, and their parents were recognized at Monday night's basketball game. Congratulations SHS students and parents! Once a Shamrock, Always a Shamrock!





Congratulations to Taylor Feldhake, our Sacred Heart 2024 IESA Scholar Attitude Award nominee! An IESA Scholar Attitude Award nominee must be an eighth grade student who has at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale for their seventh and eighth grade years. He or she must

participate in at least one IESA activity for each of those years and also display outstanding citizenship.

Special thanks to the HCE (Home Community Extension) of the U of I Extension Office for donating

handmade bookmarks to our school library! The bookmarks are available in the library for all of our students to use.





Congratulations to our SHS second quarter
Accelerated Reader and Literature Leaders!
First Grade: Devan Kumar & Kate Hayes
Second Grade: Emmy Bushue & Ava Roedl
Third Grade: Kale Poe & Bo Zumbahlen
Fourth Grade: Oliver Jenson & Ellie Dirks
Fifth Grade: Haylie Roedl & Viola Linley
Sixth Grade: Reuben Jansen & Margo Chojnicki
Seventh Grade: Cora Bierman & Logan Roedl
Eighth Grade: Brayden Kastl & Lucy Chojnicki

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children - St. Francis Church in Teutopolis will host a pro-life Mass at 6:30pm on Monday, January 22. The U.S. Bishops ask that this be a 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. Eucharistic Adoration, which begins at 1:00pm in the chapel, will pause and the Holy Eucharist will be reposed at 6:00pm. A pro-life Rosary will begin at 6:00pm prior to Mass. Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration in the chapel will resume immediately following Mass. Also after Mass, the Mattoon Deanery pro-life meeting will be held in St. Clare Hall adjoining the church. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Rosary, Mass, Adoration and/or pro-life meeting.

Project Rachel: Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Share with them the Good News of God's merciful love. Call Project Rachel for a confidential referral to those who can help: 1-877-RACHEL-5. Pray that many will seek and receive the gift of God's infinite mercy.



SAVE THE DATE ANNUAL PRO-LIFE **BREAKFAST JANUARY 21** 2024 Hosted by Effingham Area 7AM - 12:00PM **Right to Life** Please Join Us! Whole Hog Sausage & Egg Breakfast Sunday, January 21 from 7am-12:00pm **Teutopolis Banquet Hall** 210 S. Pearl Street • Free-Will Donation · Dine In or Carru Out 50/50 Drawing Raffle Baskets for All Ages To volunteer (or if you have questions), please call or text Susan at 217.663.2084 **Effingham Area Right to Life**

Prayer Service For Illinois Legislative Session

Thank you for supporting this primary fundraiser for Effingham Area Right to Life. If you're unable to join us for breakfast, please consider sending a donation to PO Box 861, Effingham IL 62401.



Does the direction of our state government concern you?

Our lawmakers need our prayers!

Join us on Tuesday, January 16th as we pray for laws that uphold Catholic Values. This is the first day of the 2024 legislative session in Springfield.

We will be praying at St. Anthony of Padua Church from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments immediately after.

A top concern this year is the push to legalize assisted suicide. This sweeping legislation would make doctorprescribed suicide available to patients in a wide variety of situations, in direct opposition to the 5th commandment.

January 16, 2024 | 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Of Padua Church 101 E Virginia Avenue Effingham IL 62401



The Effingham Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest is Sunday, January 28. Registration is 12:00 -12:30 with the free throw shoot starting at 12:30pm at the St. Anthony High School Enlow Center. ALL

boys and girls ages 9-14 (age as of January 1) are invited and welcome to participate. The winners will go on to the District Free Throw Contest in February. Questions, please contact Greg Koester at (217) 821-7731.

Mission Trip to the Appalachian Mountains

Would you like to reach out and help some of the poorest people in the United States? Have you



always wanted to do a mission trip but don't know what you have to offer? Well, if you know which end of the hammer/paint brush to pick up, then there is a job for you! Everyone can help in some way!

We are looking for a team of young adults/adults (parent/child, men, women, friends) to go to the Appalachian Mountains for a 5-day mission trip helping build ramps for the handicapped, paint, renovate homes, etc.

Dates: July 7-12, 2024

Questions?

Contact: Carol Toney 217.821.7607

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(1Peter 4:10)

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Spring DeColores Retreats Men– March 7-10, 2024 Women – March 14-17, 2024

Looking for a break from the daily stresses of life? Needing some spiritual renewal without traveling a long distance or breaking the bank? Perhaps a DeColores Retreat would fit the bill! Located at Camp Walter Scott just 13 miles south of Effingham in a serene wooded setting. Retreat includes three nights of lodging, eight meals, daily Mass, Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, dynamic Catholic speakers, and much more. All faiths welcome! For more information call Brian Henning, men's lay leader, at 217-821-3338 or Mandy Henning, women's lay leader, at 217-821-0799.

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



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