

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023



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A note from Fr. Michal . . .

At Sacred Heart Parish, we have two beautiful November traditions: The Book of Remembrances and Jacob's Ladder

1. Jacob's Ladder is the colloquial name of a bridge between the earth and heaven that the biblical Patriarch Jacob dreamt about. Origin explains there are two ladders in the life of a Christian: the ladder we climb on earth to grow in virtue and the ladder we travel after death, climbing up to the heavens towards the light of God. So, if you have a



picture of a family member who died this year, we encourage you to place it on the ladder where we all can keep the memory of your loved one alive in thought and prayer.

2. The Book of Remembrances, also known as the "Book of Life," gives us an opportunity to record the names of our deceased loved ones for the parish to remember in prayer during the month of November. It will be placed near the Jacob's ladder in the church. We invite you to take some prayer time, approach the book, and write the names of family and friends who have died since November of 2022. During November, at all the Masses, we will pray for those "whose names are recorded in our Book of Remembrances." For those we have loved in life will remain in our hearts forever.

2023 October Count for Weekend Masses					
Weekend	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am	Totals	Spanish
Sept. 30/Oct. 1 Oct. 7/8	291 205	320 231	305 245	916 681	77 50
Oct. 14/15	222	255	254	731	67
Oct. 21/22	238	260	252	750	62



We are excited to welcome Laura Ann Tays to our parish office staff as a part-time receptionist! Laura Ann, and her husband, Alex, are members of Sacred Heart Parish, and their children attend Sacred Heart School. Her humble, friendly, and kind personality coupled with a deep passion for her faith, make her a great addition to the staff at Sacred Heart. Welcome Laura Ann!

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 7

Girls' BB at Cumberland 6:00pm, C game following; Boys' BB Home vs. Windsor 6:00pm

Thursday, November 9

Veteran's Day Program in school gym 9:00am; Boys' BB at South Central 6:00pm

Saturday, November 11

Girls' BB Regionals at Neoga TBA



Our Young Hearts Potluck has been moved to Tuesday, November 14, at 12:00pm in the parish center. Meat is furnished, so bring your favorite side dish and enjoy the fellowship!

Our next servers' meeting is Tuesday, November 7 at 6:32pm in the church. We ask for all servers and shadow servers to attend.

We are grateful for your continued support of Sacred Heart Parish with your gifts and generosity. In October, an envelope was included for Maintenance expenses and, so far, we have collected \$1,430 from that specific envelope collection. The money from the maintenance envelope is allocated towards the maintenance budget of our parish. These funds provide for basic repairs and improvements as needed around Sacred Heart Church and School.

Flowers by the tabernacle were donated by Joann Ullrich, in honor of the living and deceased members of the Vahling and Pottebaum families. If you would like to donate flowers, call Vicki Walker at 217.821.6179.

SACRED HEART CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, November 6

Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-8:00pm;

Reconciliation 7:00-8:00pm

Tuesday, November 7

Study Group in church narthex 9:15am & 6:30pm;

Servers' meeting in church 6:32pm

Wednesday, November 8

Choir Practice 5:30pm;

PSR Classes in Sacred Heart School 6:30pm

Thursday, November 9

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

Friday, November 10

Pray the Rosary in the church 9:00am

~ Prayer List ~

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

Please come for Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, November 6, between 9:00am-8:00pm. Reconciliation will be offered from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. A sign up sheet is in the church narthex.

With November comes the opportunity for plenary indulgences. Fr. Michal will be going to the cemetery each day from November 1-8 after 8:30am Mass. Everyone is welcome! To receive a plenary indulgence, you need to first go to confession, then each day during this time period you are required to say prayers, receive Communion, be free of venial sin, and make a visit to the cemetery from November 1-8.



Sacred Heart School is hosting a Veteran's Day program and prayer service on Thursday, November 9 at 9:00am in the school gym. We invite all

veterans to join us! Parents and grandparents are also welcome. Our school band will perform, the color guard will be there, and students will sing the National Anthem. Students are encouraged to wear red, white, and blue or other school-appropriate patriotic clothing.

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, November 6

8:30am: †Susie Meyer, Charlie Thoele

Tuesday, November 7

8:30am: Dave & Joyce Traub's Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, November 8 8:30am: †Karlene Frese

Thursday, November 9 8:30am: †Dr. John Kroeger

Friday, November 10 8:30am: †Patricia Fuesting

Saturday, November 11 4:00pm: For Our Veterans

Sunday, November 12 8:30am: †Albert Kreke

10:30am: For Our Parishioners

Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum will be available on Sunday, November 05, from 12:30-4:00pm. The Museum, located behind St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, 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, visit www.stfrancischurch, or call (217) 961-6404 ext. 236.

Effingham Knights of Columbus Council 665 invites you to their Annual K of C Memorial Service. Eighteen Brother Knights who have died in the past year will be remembered at the

annual Memorial Mass and services which will be held here at Sacred Heart Church, on Wednesday, November 15, at 6:30pm. Mass will be concelebrated by Chaplain Rev. James Flach and Fr. Michal Rosa. Families and friends of the deceased as well as all Council Brothers are encouraged to pray for them. The Mass will be livestreamed on YouTube at "Sacred Heart Effingham" for those who may not be able to attend in person. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the church narthex.

Upcoming Natural Family Planning Classes:

- Saturday, December 9, 9:00-10:30am at St. Anthony Church, Effingham
- Saturday, February 10, 1:00-2:30pm on WebEx To register please contact Kate Pruemer. Call or text 217-821-1840 or email kpruemer@gmail.com.





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

St. Mary's Fall Breakfast is Sunday, November 5, from 7:00-11:00am at the Shumway Kluthe Center in Shumway. Menu is Pancake, Sausage, Coffee, Milk, and Sweat Breads. Free Will Donation.

The Mattoon Deanery Council of Catholic Women meeting is Wednesday, November 15, at St. Charles Borromeo Parish Center, located at 921 Madison Ave. in Charleston. Registration at 9:00am, Holy Mass at 9:30am. Father John Titus will preside over the installation of new officers. Our guest speaker is Janelle Vogt, she will speak on her missionary work in Philadelphia. We warmly welcome all ladies and their friends to come together for a day of fellowship, inspiration and community. Lunch and white elephant auction (wrapped gift) will conclude the day; proceeds go to the Seminary Fund (check or cash accepted). This is an excellent opportunity to grow in your faith, strengthen your community bonds, and have a great time! Contact: MDCCW President: Jody Secondino-Crandell (812) 208-4293 or jscrandell@yahoo.com





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Eucharistic Congress

We are very thankful for a great time at the Eucharistic Congress! It was wonderful to see so many fellow Catholics gathered together for prayer and spiritual growth. It was an awesome faith-filled day! #5000fed



Great Things at Sacred Heart



Congratulations to our marching band for winning first place in the Junior High Band category at the Effingham Halloween Parade last Sunday! They braved the wet and cold weather, and did an excellent job.

Way To Go Shamrocks!





Sacred Heart students had a great time celebrating Red Ribbon Week! Our student council planned a week full of events. Shown here are pictures from our "Hide from Drugs, They are Scary" Day (camo gear) and our "We are 'Kenough', We Don't Need Drugs" Day when students dressed like Barbie or Ken.

Pursuing your Spouse's Heart

Marriage Event Sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish Saturday, November 18, 2023

5:00pm Doors Open - 6:00pm Dinner - 7:00pm Speaker

Join us for a special evening with your spouse! Featuring Dana Nygaard, a passionate Catholic speaker dedicated to growing your and your spouse's relationship with Christ. \$50/couple—includes event, dinner by Ochs Street Meats, and Dana's book "365 Dates to Renew Your Christian Marriage"



Scan this QR code purchase your ticket. ONE ticket is needed per COUPLE. After you purchase your ticket online, you will receive an email receipt. That email receipt will serve as your ticket to enter. Simply show the receipt via paper or on your phone that evening to enter. Tickets are also available in the parish office.

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