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SACRED HEART
Catholic Parish & School



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 13, 2026

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Mass Schedule:

Tuesday-Friday 8:30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30 & 10:30am,

La Misa en Español 5:00pm el domingo

Reconciliation:

30 minutes before weekday Masses

Saturday: 3:00pm-3:45pm

Liturgy of the Hours:

7:45am Sunday-Friday

Chaplet of Divine Mercy:

3:15pm Monday-Friday

3:00pm Saturday

Pray the Rosary:

Flame of Love: Wednesdays at 3:30pm

Healing: Fridays at 9:00am

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monthly on First Friday

9:00am-8:00pm

Reconciliation 7:00-8:00pm



As we mark 25 years since the events of September 11, 2001, we remember and honor the nearly 3,000 people who passed away, as well as the thousands who suffered chronic health issues and mental/emotional turmoil following that tragic day. May they find peace in the arms of our Heavenly

Father. We lift up the families who still carry the heavy ache of grief, and we pray that God will wrap them in steadfast comfort and peace. We remember the courage of the first responders –the firefighters, police officers, paramedics, and rescue workers– who ran toward danger with selfless bravery. May their actions inspire us to live with greater compassion, courage, and love for our neighbors. We pray for our country and our leaders, and that America will never forget the unity and compassion that rose from the ashes that day. *God Bless America!*

The meeting for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, originally scheduled for September 10, will be rescheduled at a later date.

After 12 years at Sacred Heart Parish and School, Andrea Wright, has accepted a position as the Marketing Manager at Washington Savings Bank. We are grateful for her time here and the valuable contributions she has made to our church and school. We will be holding a Farewell Open House on Friday, September 18, from 11:00am-1:00pm in the parish office. Please stop by and wish Andrea well as she moves forward with this new opportunity.

SHS Parents and Grandparents: We are asking for your help to ensure smooth traffic flow and safety in the school car rider line at dismissal. There is a lot of traffic, students walking to cars and loading, along with buses arriving, loading, and exiting during dismissal. We have observed some cars pulling out of the line to go around other vehicles while kids are still loading, as well as cars pulling around other vehicles to exit the parking lot. To avoid accidents and incidents, please be patient and stay behind the car in front of you until you have pulled out of the parking lot onto the roadway. If there is a delay with your child coming out, you may be directed to pull out and park while you wait. We will then make sure your child gets to your parked car safely. Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe!



The flowers by the tabernacle were donated by Tom Rohr in memory of Carol Rohr. If you would like to donate flowers for an upcoming weekend, contact Vicki Walker at 217-821-6179.

Prayer List: Nicole Bishop, Bill Weis, Maria Dolores Ruholl, Tom Palmer, Brenda Harris, Trevor Roy, Stan & Cis Ozenkoski, Mary Jane Behrman, Jackson Gaitros, Jim Hakman, Anita McKerrow, Theresa Zumbahlen, Bob Overbeck, Richard Bence, George & Vicki Weis, Becky Priess, Todd Gardewine

Names will be kept on our prayer list for 1 month and then removed. If you or your loved one would like to remain on the list for another month, simply call the parish office at 217-347-7177 and we will be happy to renew your name. ♥



Our next Young Hearts Potluck is Tuesday, September 15, at 12:00pm in the parish center. Meat is furnished, so bring your favorite side dish and enjoy the fellowship!

We are offering a Baptismal Class for parents and godparents on Saturday, September 19, from 9:00am - Noon. This class will be held in the narthex and must be completed prior to baptism. Call the parish office for details or to register.

SACRED HEART CHURCH & SCHOOL CALENDAR

✝ Parish Event ☺ School Event

Monday, September 14

- ☺ Baseball Home vs. Altamont 4:30pm
- ✝ Cemetery Board Meeting 5:30pm

Tuesday, September 15

- ☺ School Picture Day
- ✝ Study Group in Narthex 9:15am
- ✝ Young Hearts Potluck in parish center 12:00pm
- ☺ Cross Country at NTC Meet in Cowden 4:00pm
- ✝ OCIA meeting in narthex 6:30pm

Wednesday, September 16

- ☺ School Picture Day
- ✝ Group Visit to Willowbrook Memory Care 1:00pm
- ✝ Pray the Flame of Love Rosary in church 3:30pm

Thursday, September 17

- ✝ Resurrection Choir Practice 9:15am
- ☺ Baseball Regionals
- ✝ Men's Prayer Group in narthex 7:00pm

Friday, September 18

- ✝ Pray the Healing Rosary in church 9:00am

Saturday, September 19

- ✝ Baptism Class in narthex 9:00am-12:00pm



SACRED HEART
Catholic Parish

Thinking About Your Faith Journey?

You're Not Alone.

This September, our OCIA journey begins. Whether you're exploring Christianity for the first time, considering becoming Catholic, or completing the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, we'd be honored to walk with you.

OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

 BECOME CATHOLIC

 JOIN THE CHURCH

 RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS

A welcoming process where adults can:

- 

Complete your sacraments

(Confirmation & Eucharist)
- 

Learn about the Catholic faith
- 

Ask honest questions

in a relaxed, no-pressure setting
- 

Grow in relationship with God

✝
 No prior knowledge is needed.
 The Spirit awaits your yes.

First meeting: Tuesday, September 15th,
6:30 PM
Church Narthex "Come and see." — John 1:39

————— Your journey matters. ✝ Let's walk it together. —————

Make sure to return your BOX OF JOY boxes by Sunday, September 27. If you are looking for items to put in your boxes, please stop by the parish office. Several parishioners donated items for the boxes. You are welcome to come and take what you need!

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, September 15

8:30am: †Adele Rhodes, †Dolores Will,
Blessings for Family Camp

Wednesday, September 16

8:30am: †Rich Rieman

Thursday, September 17

8:30am: †Pat Hayes, †Dolores Klee,
and †Georgette Braxton

Friday, September 18

8:30am: 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Neil & Linda Schoenhofen

Saturday, September 19

4:00pm: †Karlene Frese

Sunday, September 20

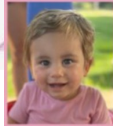
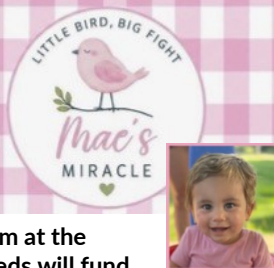
8:30am: †Henry Wendt
10:30am: For Our Parishioners
5:00pm: La Misa en Español

Sunday Fun Day Benefit Show Sep 20th

Music of the '60s & '70s

Free for all ages
(donations accepted for Mae's Miracle)

Doors/bar/food truck open @ 1:00
Band plays 2:00-5:30



Back of the Bus Rock Band will perform at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall and all proceeds will fund groundbreaking gene therapy—Cure Mito's "One Shot to Live"

Mae is the 1-year-old daughter of Michael and Mackenzie Buzzard of Altamont. Mae was recently diagnosed with Leigh syndrome, a progressive, terminal disease that affects the brain and can eventually take away a child's ability to walk, talk, and eat. There is currently no cure. Mae is the great niece of Terry & Kim Jansen.

If unable to attend, you can still donate directly. Use QR



PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR LIFE



As part of the Prayer Campaign for Life, Sacred Heart is scheduled to volunteer at the Silk Purse on Tuesday, September 22 from 9am to 3pm.

Also, Sacred Heart will be hosting a day of prayer on Thursday, October 1 from 9am to 5pm.

There are sign-up sheets in the narthex for both of these opportunities to be a part of the Pro-Life Prayer Campaign for Life. **Please join us!**

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Date	Weekend Collection	Budgeted Amount	Difference
Aug 16	\$17,425.00	\$13,500.00	\$3,925.00
Aug 23	\$8,675.12	\$13,500.00	(\$4,824.88)
Aug 30	\$10,940.40	\$13,500.00	(\$2,559.60)
Sept 6	\$14,088.00	\$13,500.00	\$588.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1Peter 4:10)

Ways to continue supporting Sacred Heart Parish:

In Person: Place donation in the offertory basket at Mass or slip it through the parish drop box.
Online: <https://pushpay.com/g/sacredhearteffingham>
Mail: 405 S. Henrietta Street, Effingham, IL 62401

Life Chain: Sunday, October 4 (Respect Life Sunday)

1:30pm—Prayer Service at

Effingham Event Center (1501 W Fayette Ave)

2:00-3:00pm—Life Chain on Fayette Ave/Keller Dr

- » Help us line Fayette Ave & Keller Dr prayerfully, peacefully and legally, with crowds of pro-life people
- » Bring your family and friends
- » All denominations are invited and urged to attend
- » Signs will be furnished
- » Refreshments served following the event
- » For more info, call Karla Slifer at 217-690-5282.

The Life Chain is a church and family event, not a rally or political extravaganza. Participants are to respect all other pedestrians & motorists, including those opposing the chain.



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