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SACRED HEART
Catholic Parish & School



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 20, 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

Catechetical Sunday

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Celebrated on the third Sunday in September every year, Catechetical Sunday is a special chance to recognize those who serve the parish community as catechists. This includes our school teachers, PSR teachers, OCIA coordinators and all who work hard sharing the Gospel and spreading God's word. Thank you for your service!



It's time to turn in your Boxes of Joy!

Make sure to return your BOX OF JOY boxes by next Sunday! 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!

PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR LIFE

As part of the Prayer Campaign for Life, Sacred Heart is scheduled to volunteer at the Silk Purse Thrift Store on Tuesday, September 22, from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Also, Sacred Heart will be hosting a day of prayer on Thursday, October 1, from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

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!**





The flowers by the tabernacle were donated by Jim and Carolyn Hakman in honor of their 59th wedding anniversary. If you would like to donate flowers for an upcoming weekend, contact Vicki Walker at 217-821-6179.



There is power in praying for your children! Many parents have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the church entirely. We believe in the power of prayer and we encourage all parents to pray for their children, especially in regard to their salvation. Our Millions of Monicas group exists for this purpose! This is a group of mothers (and grandmothers, aunts, or other mother figures) who gather together in prayer for their children. They meet on the third Monday of each month at 6:00pm. The next session is Monday, September 21. All mothers are invited! Come join us in prayer for the joyful return of our children to full unity with the Catholic Church.

SACRED HEART CHURCH & SCHOOL CALENDAR

✠ Parish Event ☺ School Event

Monday, September 21

✠ Millions of Monicas Prayer Group in church 6:00pm

Tuesday, September 22

✠ Study Group in narthex 9:15am
✠ OCIA meeting in church office 6:30pm

Wednesday, September 23

☺ No Unit 40 Bus Service
✠ Pray the Flame of Love Rosary in church 3:30pm
☺ Cross Country at Cumberland 4:00pm

Thursday, September 24

✠ Bus to Beatification Mass for Fulton Sheen
✠ Men's Prayer Group in narthex 7:00pm

Friday, September 25

☺ No School—School Improvement Day
✠ Pray the Healing Rosary in church 9:00am

Sunday, September 27

✠ Return filled Boxes of Joy

----- **SAVE THE DATE** -----

October 11: Blood Drive 9:30am-12:30pm

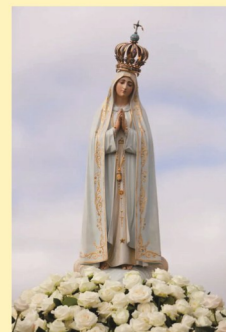
Prayer List: Nicole Bishop, Bill Weis, Maria Dolores Ruholl, Tom Palmer, Brenda Harris, Trevor Roy, Stan & Cis Ozenkoski, Mary Jane Behrman, Jackson Gaitros, Jim Hakman, Anita McKerrow, Theresa Zumbahlen, Bob Overbeck, Richard Bence, George & Vicki Weis, Becky Priess, Todd Gardewine

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. ♥

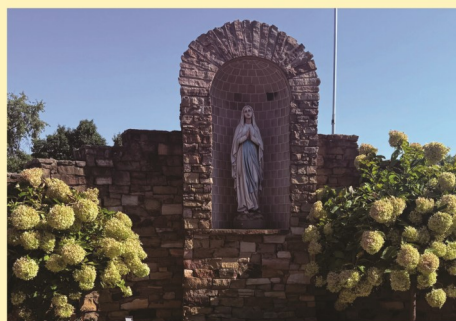
Join us in praying for our country!

ROSARY *Crusade*

Our Blessed Mother told us that the Rosary is the Divine Solution and that the rosary is our greatest weapon. "Do as I say and there will be peace!"



Saturday, October 10, 2026
12:00 Noon (the time of the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima)
Grotto on the south side of HSHS St. Anthony Hospital
(503 N. Maple in Effingham, IL)



Please bring a lawn chair and your rosary.

MASS INTENTIONS

Due to the Diocesan Priest Convocation this week, we will not have Masses on the following days:

Tuesday, September 22
Thursday, September 24
Friday, September 25

Wednesday, September 23

8:30am: †Dolores Will

Saturday, September 26

4:00pm: †Trenton Kingery

Sunday, September 27

8:30am: For Our Parishioners

10:30am: †Mary Ann Bierman

5:00pm: La Misa en Español

Need a little time to step away, recharge, and reconnect with God? Join us for a DeColores weekend! DeColores is a wonderful opportunity to grow closer to Christ through prayer, fellowship, laughter, and sharing faith.

Men's Weekend: October 15-18
Rector: Doug Atwater, 217-821-1351

Women's Weekend: October 22-25
Rectora: Kathy Buenker, 217-821-3722

Applications are now being accepted, and space is limited! Contact Doug or Kathy for more information or to sign up.

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Date	Weekend Collection	Budgeted Amount	Difference
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
Sept 13	\$9,977.12	\$13,500.00	(\$3,522.88)

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.



St. Isidore Parish

Annual Fall Breakfast & Raffle

St. Joseph Hall (St. Joseph Church), Island Grove
 16987 N 200th St / Teutopolis, IL 62467

Sunday, October 4, 2026
7:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Free Will Donation

Menu:

- Whole Hog Sausage
- Ham
- Pancakes
- Fried Eggs
- Scrambled Eggs
- Homemade Breads & Rolls
- Orange Juice, Milk & Coffee

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