

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 24, 2021



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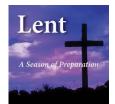
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Message from Fr. Michal . . .

As we celebrate the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, we are reminded of the importance and value of Sacred Scripture for the Catholic life, as well as the relationship between the Word of God and the Liturgy. Time



devoted to reading the Bible and seeking out the opportunities that are available through Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Adoration, and spiritual programs on FORMED enhance our relationship with God.



In a couple of weeks, we will be entering the season of Lent. Our Liturgy Committee and Parish Council have been meeting to discuss and work on the schedules for Ash Wednesday, Bible Studies, and ministry meetings. Please watch our upcoming bulletins, Facebook, Constant Contact, and our new

website for additional information. I am grateful for the input of our parishioners who serve on our committees and councils as they provide a great sounding board for our parish.

Join us for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on weekdays at 3:00pm in the church. Everyone is welcome, so please take a few minutes out of your day to come and pray with us.



Pope Francis has declared this year as a year of St. Joseph. He is encouraging us to learn more about St. Joseph and to model his holiness in our lives. With this in mind, we are planning some special ways to study St. Joseph and gain more knowledge about him. I am starting a small group that will study the life of this incredible saint, as well as have consecration with him. If you are interested in joining this group and learning more about St. Joseph, please call the parish office at 217.347.7177 or send

an email to shchurch@sheff.org so I can get a head count for our book and supplies. The class will start on Monday, February 15, at 6:00pm, in church. St. Joseph, pray for us.

Parish News

New website!

We are excited to introduce our newly updated website! Check it out at www.sheff.org.

The website has new features, updated information, and a fresh look.



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In order to comply with social distancing and capacity requirements, we will be having Confirmation/First Communion on three Sundays.



Dates and times for Confirmation/First Communion are: **Sunday, April 11, at 2:00pm**

3rd grade SHS

Sunday, April 18, at 2:00pm

8th grade SHS and 8th grade PSR

Sunday, April 25, at 2:00pm

3rd grade PSR and

7th grade PSR that have prepared for the sacrament Each candidate will be allowed 10 people. The candidate and sponsor are considered to be 2 of those 10 people (leaving 8 seats for other family members).



The New Testament – the Gospels, Acts of the Apostles, Epistles. What do they mean for us today? In three evenings, we will explore the history and meaning of the New Testament

writings. Each class will include a short video, printed notes, reference material, and group discussion. Join us for an hour or so on Wednesday, Jan. 27, at 6:30pm, in the Church Narthex.

Welcome to Sacred Heart Church

Whether you're a long term attendee or newly arrived to Sacred Heart Church, we extend a warm welcome to you. We thank God that you are here with us. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and drop it off at the parish office, in the collection box, or the mail slot on the east side office doors.

Name	
Phone:	
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☐ Request registration information	
I am interested in learning more about:	
☐ Catholic Faith	☐ Bible Study
☐ Baptism	☐ Marriage
☐ Other Needs	
If you prefer, send via email to shchurch@sheff.org.	



Sacred Heart Church will be eliminating our P.O. Box 870 and have all mail delivered to 405 S. Henrietta St., Effingham, IL 62401. If you have payments made directly to Sacred Heart, please notify them of this change! Any questions, please call the parish office.

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 ~

Joe Mitchell, Cathy Swingler, Cathy Hayes, Keith Willenborg, Clark Wise, Tony Koste, Betty Miller, Don Miller, Andrew Sheehan,

Clete Westendorf, Brian A. Niebrugge, Deb Meyers, Virginia Wendt, Donald Rentfrow, Jr., Mary Jane Behrman

Sacred Heart Parish Meeting Calendar

Wednesday, January 27

6:30pm: PSR @ Sacred Heart School 6:30pm: Bible Study w/George Wenthe

@ Church Narthex

6:30pm: St. Anthony Cemetery Board Meeting

@ St. Anthony Parish Center

Weekend Mass Reminders

Mass sign up is encouraged, but not required.



You can sign up in two ways:

<u>Signup Online:</u> The signupgenius link is updated each Monday and will be sent via Constant Contact to your email and is updated on our website at www.sheff.org.

Signup by Phone: Call the church office at 347.7177.

COVID precautions are common-place at work, school, in stores, and social events. Let's continue to work together to take precautions at church too.

- 1) Please wear a mask during the entire Mass.
- Please practice social distancing when seated in church; when processing to and from Holy Communion; and when entering and leaving the church.
- 3) Sanitize your hands when entering the church.
- Keep your hands completely flat when receiving Communion.

You can enter on the east <u>or</u> west side of the church. The greeter will still assist you when you enter and an usher will take you to your assigned pew.

Please note that Bishop Paprocki has extended the dispensation for attending Mass until further notice.

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 †Gloria Ellis

Readings for the Week

Monday, Jan. 25: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22;

Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday, Jan. 26: 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, Jan. 27: Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20 Thursday, Jan. 28: Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25 Friday, Jan. 29: Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, Jan. 30: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41 **Sunday, Jan. 31:** Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35;

Mk 1:21-28

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, January 25

8:30am: †Gene LaChance

Tuesday, January 26

8:30am: For Our Country

Wednesday, January 27

8:30am: †Leonard Weishaar

Thursday, January 28

8:30am: †Vincent Zumbahlen

Friday, January 29

8:30am: Living & Deceased Members of the †Ben Pike

Family

Saturday, January 30

4:00pm: For Our Parishioners

Sunday, January 31

8:30am: †Lawrence Will

10:30am: Living & Deceased Members of the Bob & Ann

Overbeck Family

7:00pm Spanish Mass: †Dolores Kingery

Pro-Life



Last weekend, "Luminaries for Life" were on display her at Sacred Heart Church.

The special bags were decorated by our SHS & PSR students.





The Luminaries for Life will be on display on the steps at St. Anthony Church on Jan. 23-24 (rescheduled from Jan 16-17). Please take time to drive by and see the lights illuminated in the dark drawing attention to the millions of lives lost due to abortion.





The 9 Days for Life novena for the protection of human life through Jan. 29. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today

at www.9daysforlife.com and pray to protect life!



On Friday, Jan. 15, it was announced that the March for Life 2021 in Washington, D.C. is going to be a small group of pro-life leaders with everyone else participating virtually. The prayer for an end to abortion and the public witness to the Respect for Life are not limited to one day a year, in one location. We appreciate your courage and commitment to the most vulnerable and invite you to participate as we "Mirror the March" across the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Go to: www.dio.org/youthministry/mfl.

Effingham Area Right to Life would like to thank everyone for attending the annual Pro-Life Breakfast. Our first ever *drive-up* breakfast was a big success! God bless the numerous wonderful volunteers who make this event happen each year!



Sacred Heart School



The Empower Illinois Scholarship application process is now open! This scholarship is available to any incoming K-12 student for the 2021-22 school year (eligibility based on income and

reservation time). If you are interested in sending your child to Sacred Heart School but are concerned about finances, Empower Illinois might be able to help!

If you are interested in applying for the **Empower Illinois Scholarship**, visit Empowerillinois.org to find the reservation page link. **Empower Illinois Scholarships are** granted on a first come, first serve basis so you need to act quickly!

Any Sacred Heart School families seeking financial assistance from the parish must first apply for an Empower Illinois scholarship.

If you have any questions about applying for an Empower Illinois scholarship, please contact Billi Jansen at 217.347.7177 or b.jansen@sheff.org.

Donors who give to Empower Illinois receive a 75% tax credit! If you are interested in donating and helping a Sacred Heart student receive a quality Catholic education, contact Julie Roedl at 217.663.5482 or by email at julieroedl@gmail.com.

Saving Change to Save Hearts . . .

Sacred Heart School will be participating in a friendly fundraiser for the Family Life Center beginning Feb. 1! Sacred Heart, St. Anthony, St. Thomas, St. Michael, and Altamont Lutheran will be



filling baby bottles with change. The winning school will be awarded a pizza party.



Sacred Heart School is currently registering for pre-school, kindergarten, and grades 1-8 for the 2021-22 school year.

Sacred Heart School Walk-Through

Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm The walk-through is for prospective/new families.

For more information or any questions, call Andrea Wright at 217.347.7177 or send an email to a.wright@sheff.org.

Mark your calendar . . .

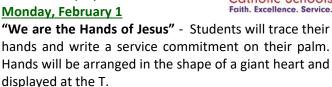
PTA Fish Fry: Friday, Feb. 19

Space Camp No Fish, Fish Fry: Friday, March 5

Catholic Schools Week Faith, Excellence, Service January 31-February 5, 2021

January 30 and 31 Masses

- Student greeters for each Mass
- School display in the Narthex



Kick off of Baby Bottle Competition with other schools for Family Life Center Feb 1-8 (St. Anthony, St. Thomas, St. Michael, Altamont Lutheran)

Tuesday, February 2

How are we Excellent - Students will write words, virtues, and traits that best describe each of their classmates. The teachers will then collect those notes and compile an "Excellence Sheet" for each child which will be displayed for everyone to see.

Prayer Intention Stone - All students will receive a small stone on which they will write an intention or inspirational thought. *The stones will be placed around the water fountain at our Wednesday prayer service.*

Wednesday, February 3

11:00am Prayer Service at the Fountain - Family members and parishioners are welcome to join our student body around the fountain on the north side of the church. We will pray a decade of the rosary, have a guided silent prayer time, and sing a song while students place their Prayer Intention Stones around the perimeter of the fountain.

Dress-Up Day - Students may dress up in their Sunday best, or wear their normal school Mass day attire (no jeans). Please dress appropriately for the weather as we will be outside for the prayer service.

Thursday, February 4

Movie/Concession Day - Each class will get to watch a movie. Our PTA will visit each class with a fun 'Concession Cart'.

Sweats Day - Students and staff may wear sweats and sweatshirts for movie day.

Friday, February 5

School Spirit Day - Students and staff are encouraged to wear all the green they can to show our Shamrock Spirit! Staff may wear jeans.

Pep Rally with Staff Trivia - We will have a 1:15pm Zoom Pep Rally featuring fun trivia questions about our staff members.



Community News

Free Developmental Screenings for 3-5 year olds . . .

Effingham Unit 40 is offering parents the opportunity to discover how your child is developing in the areas of speech, language, concepts, and motor skills. Vision and hearing screenings are also provided, free of charge. Dates for 2021 are: Feb. 17, March 17 & 18, and April 21 & 22, at the Effingham Board of Education Office, 2803 S. Banker Street, Effingham. Appointments are required. To schedule an appointment, call 217.540.1522.



St. Hedwig's "Toot and Tell It" Soup Supper to benefit the St. Hedwig Haus of Hospitality will be held on Sunday, Jan. 31, from 11:00am to 3:00pm, at the Teutopolis Knights of Columbus. It will be "drive through

only". The event will offer various soups, along with porkburgers and hot dogs for a free-will offering. There is also a raffle to win a Super Bowl Package (with recliner), grilling package, two \$500 CASH prizes, or a children's package. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. To get tickets email rlanham@eiunewman.org or call 217.348.0188. That day, drive up to the hall, place your order, and it will be brought to you. Proceeds benefit the ministry of the houses. The houses in Charleston are part of the Catholic Worker movement. They are places for women and their children to stay in order to get back on their feet and have a sustainable life once they leave the house.

Natural Family Planning Workshop will be held via web conferencing, on Friday, February 5, from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. For more information or to register, call/text Kate Pruemer at 217.821.1840 or email her at kpruemer@gmail.com.

Pre-Cana Workshops are being offered in the area:

- ♦ St. Francis, Teutopolis, Sunday, Jan. 31 Call 217.857.6404 to register
- ♦ St. Mary, Ste. Marie, Saturday, March 13 Call 618.455.3155 to register

Contact the parish office at 217.347.7177 for additional dates available in the diocese.

Celebrate World Marriage Day, Feb. 14, by joining in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Go to www.wwme.org to



find one in the area or contact Terry & Eric Engholm at 314.649.7317.



Grand Knight Bob Utz recently accepted the Star Council Award on behalf of Council 665. Pictured left to right: Leading Membership Recruiter, Lawrence Carie; Insurance Field Agent, Jacob Pruemer; Grand Knight Bob Utz; District Deputy, George Menard; Program Director, Greg Koester; and Membership Director, Charlie Tegeler Mark your calendar for the annual Tootsie Roll Drive on April 9-10 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

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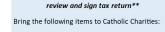
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January 29 to April 1

Tues —Thurs 9 am to 3 pm

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- 3) Wait to be Interviewed
- 4) We will contact you by phone to Set up a
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*Drop ALL information off at address above **Must meet income eligibility requirement Income limit of \$60,000 or less per family



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Parish News



Our Diocese presented a new structure called "TITHING" and no longer "ACSA". The amount we are expected to tithe for 2020-2021 is \$67,350.

Your contribution directly to our Diocese's Tithing can be in place of your weekly contribution to Sacred Heart Parish. Put your check payable to "Diocese Parish Tithe" with "Sacred Heart" in the memo and place it in the collection basket and we will mail for you. Any questions, please call Mark Volk or Billi Jansen at the parish office at 217.347.7177.

To date, \$20,575 has been paid to "Tithing", leaving a balance of \$46,775.



Share Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

This weekend, there is a collection for the Church in Latin America. An envelope is included in your monthly packet. Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to Church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Financial

Our Stewardship of Treasure Sunday, January 17, 2021

Envelopes: \$ 6,389.00

Loose Collection \$ 161.00

Holy Day Collection \$ 115.00

Total: \$ 6,665.00

"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



Over the past year, the coronavirus pandemic has

magnified the importance of communication.

Catholic Times has reported critical information on the reopening of the public celebration of Mass, updates on how our schools would reopen safely, and articles on how to respond to the stress of the pandemic. There has been a greater emphasis highlighting an educational format about our faith through the "Hey, Father!" series and inspiring stories for a spiritual boost.

Catholic Times is available to each parish family either online (ct.dio.org) or by mail. Your donation in the envelope provided in your January packet offsets the cost of receiving the subscription. This is an inexpensive source of information on the vital issues that face our parish, our diocese, and people around the world. Any questions, please call the parish office at 217.347.7177.



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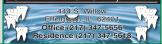
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