

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 14, 2021



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Message from Fr. Michal...

This Tuesday, Sacred Heart School is hosting a School Walk-Through



for new & prospective families. Please consider sending your child to Sacred Heart and encourage your family and friends to check it out!



I invite you to join me at our Ash Wednesday Masses to begin your Lenten season. Per new guidelines this year, instead of being marked on the forehead with ashes, each person will have ashes sprinkled on their head.

Personally, this is the way it has always been done in Poland.

I ask that you take the insert included in this bulletin and use it for reference on the many opportunities available to complete your Lenten journey. We will have Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Bible/Study groups throughout the week. Also included on the insert is our Holy Week schedule.



On Thursday evenings at 6:30pm in the church, we are hosting liturgical ministry meetings. On Thursday, Feb. 18, the first ministry meeting will be for Sacristans. If you are interested in a ministry, but will not be able to attend at this time, please notify the parish office or contact the following parishioners who serve as ministry leaders.



Sacristans: Tom Palmer
Lectors: Allen Lukowski
EMHC: Diane Lukowski
Ushers: Kevin Kruger
Servers: Shauna Albert
Gift Bearers: Cindy Goddard
Greeters: Billi Jansen
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This Sunday, we celebrate "World Marriage Day", an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The theme "To Have, To Hold, To Honor," was chosen to



highlight how married couples live and renew their wedding promises daily in building up the domestic Church, particularly this year as many have spent more time at home together.

Congratulations and many blessings in your marriage!!

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

Sacred Heart Parish

The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021, and ends just prior to the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021, when the Paschal Triduum begins. Lent is the principal penitential season in the Church year. All the Christian faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations which follow), serious prayer, and the performing of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.



Ash Wednesday Masses

8:30am; 12:10pm; 7:00pm Please sign up via Sign Up Genius or call the parish office at 217.347.7177 to register.

Lenten Regulations

- 1. **ABSTINENCE** Everyone <u>14</u> years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- 2. **FAST** Everyone $\underline{18}$ years of age and under $\underline{59}$ is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.
- 3. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.



The author of the "Consecration to St. Joseph" is Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, a convert to Catholicism and member of the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception. Call the parish office at 217.347.7177 or send an email to shchurch@sheff.org to reserve a copy for the Monday Study Group.



You are invited to take home a "The Word Among Us' book to use during this Lenten Season. It contains daily meditations for Feb. 17 to April 4, 2021, along with the readings for each day. The books will be available in the Narthex along with various pamphlets to assist you in your Lenten Journey.

FORMED°

Formed is a free subscription compliments of Sacred Heart Parish. The website has many programs, videos, and resources, for your personal use. Go to Formed.org to sign up!!



Sacred Heart Parish Meeting Calendar Monday, February 15 (Presidents' Day)

Parish Office Closed

6:00pm: Consecration to St. Joseph Study

@ Sacred Heart Church Narthex

Tuesday, February 16

5:30pm-7:00pm: Sacred Heart School Walk-Through for New/Prospective Families

6:30pm: The Search Program @ Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday, February 17

6:30pm: NO PSR @ Sacred Heart School

(please attend the 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Mass)

Thursday, February 18

6:30pm: Sacristan Meeting @ Sacred Heart Church Narthex 7:00pm: Parish Council Mtg @ Sacred Heart Church Office

Friday, February 19

4:30pm: Drive Thru PTA Fish Fry @ Sacred Heart Parish 5:30pm: Stations of the Cross @ Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, February 20 & Sunday, February 21

Scrip cards sold after Mass

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,

Don Miller, Andrew Sheehan, Clete Westendorf, Brian A. Niebrugge, Deb Meyers, Virginia Wendt, Donald Rentfrow, Jr., Mary Jane Behrman, Kenneth Westendorf, Gordon Kreke, Wilber Lister

Join in the Bible Study, presented by George Wenthe, on Wednesday nights during Lent. We will be using the series by Kevin Saunders in FORMED. The first will be "The Bible in the Mass" on Feb. 24, "Interpretation of the Bible" on March 3,



and "The Bible in Catholic Doctrine" on March 10. Make plans to come, no signup required.



No PSR Class on Wednesday, Feb. 17.
Please attend Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00pm.

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.
- 4) 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

The flowers by the tabernacle were donated by Judy Amacher in memory of Fred Amacher.



Readings for the Week

Monday, Feb. 15: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 16: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 17: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2;

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb. 18: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Friday, Feb. 19: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15 Saturday, Feb. 20: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, Feb. 21: Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, February 15

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

Pike Family

Tuesday, February 16

8:30am: †Harry & †Madge Bierman Family

Wednesday, February 17

8:30am: †Tim Wendt

12:10pm: †Joe Haarmann

7:00pm: †Dolores Kingery

Thursday, February 18

8:30am: †George Westjohn

Friday, February 19

8:30am: NO MASS

Saturday, February 20

4:00pm: For Our Parishioners

Sunday, February 21

8:30am: †Edwin Mattix

10:30am: †Zita & †Gene Reis

7:00pm Spanish Mass: †Dorothy Bushur

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- iPads for Grades, 1-8, as well as
- & Leadership Development

Catholic School Week was very special to our students and staff. We ended the week with a zoom pep rally featuring trivia about our teachers and staff. Our sixth grade class won with the most correct answers. Their prize was our coveted School Spirit Stick! Their class rabbits 'Leo' and 'Turtle' joined in the spirit day fun!





Sacred Heart School is currently registering for pre-school, kindergarten, and grades 1-8 for the 2021-22 school year. Our preschool classes fill up quickly, so please call right away if you are interested in your child attending Sacred Heart. For more information or any questions, call the school at 217.342.4060 or Andrea Wright at 217.347.7177 or email a.wright@sheff.org.



Check out our website: www.sheff.org!

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram.



Do you know a Catholic school teacher who strives for academic excellence with a focus on the Catholic mission? Do you know a teacher who goes above and beyond for his or her students and who lives authentically Catholic? Nominate that teacher for the diocesan wide St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award! To nominate a teacher, go to dio.org/schools/eas. Nominations are due by March 5.

Sacred Heart School



Friday, February 19 • 4:30-7:00pm

Fried Fish & Sides

Loaded Mashed Potatoes Cole Slaw Cornbread Subway Cookie Suggested Donation \$10

Kids Meal

Pizza Man Cheese Pizza Goldfish Crackers Applesauce Subway Cookie Suggested Donation \$7

All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School PTA



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Calendar

Monday, February 15

No School—Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 16

4:30pm: Volleyball @ Altamont Lutheran

5:30pm-7:00pm: Walk-Through for New Families

@ Sacred Heart School

6:00pm: Basketball @ Newton St. Thomas

6:30pm: School Board Meeting @ Church Narthex

Wednesday, February 17

4:00pm: Volleyball vs SEB @ home

Thursday, February 18

6:00pm: Basketball @ Altamont Grade School

Friday, February 19

4:30pm: PTA Drive-Thru Fish Fry

(Please enter on Raney Street & follow signs)



Please note that we are following the guidelines provided by IESA that allows only a limited amount of people to attend our sporting events. Sacred Heart home

games will be live-streamed on our new school YouTube page: "Sacred Heart School Effingham".

School News . . .

So exciting! We recently received a shipment of new Chromebooks! These new Chromebooks complete our goal of having 1:1 technology for grades 1-8! Students in grades 2-8 all have their own Chromebook, while each first grader has his/her own iPad. We also have many additional iPads for use in kindergarten and preschool.





Friday, March 5 • 4:30-7:30pm



2. Red Pasta w/ Salad and Breadstick -- \$8 White Pasta w/ Salad and Breadstick -- \$8

4. Breadsticks (4) w/ Marinara Sauce -- \$5 (Special thanks to Joe's Pizza!)



iPad Raffle!

Win an iPad! Tickets are only \$10 each! Drawing will be held following the No Fish, Fish Fry on Friday, March 5, 2021. Tickets available at Sacred Heart School or at the Drive-Thru event. Need not be present to win.



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Community News



Everyone is welcome to attend the Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life to celebrate our precious Gift of Life at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Neoga, on Monday, Feb. 15. Praying the scriptural rosary will

begin at 6:00pm. Fr. Divakar will be the celebrant for the 6:30pm Mass. The business meeting will follow in their parish center. Refreshments will be served while current legislation and local pro-life events are discussed.

St. Isidore Youth are hosting a Drive-Thru
Soup Supper on Sunday, Feb. 21, from
4:00pm to 7:00pm, at St. Aloysius Parish
Center, Bishop Creek. Menu is chili, chicken
noodle soup, sauerkraut soup, Southern roll, and a
cookie. A Day of Prayer will also be held on that day.

St. Mary's, Ste Marie, Drive-Thru Brunch will be Sunday, March 7, from 8:00am to 11:00am, at the St. Mary's Parish Center. The menu is sausage links, sausage gravy & biscuits, and bread/roll. Free-will donation.

The St. Anthony Memorial Hospital notified us that their Chapel is currently closed.



Effingham Knights of Columbus Council #665 will again be awarding up to eight (8) \$500 scholarships this year. Applications are available on the Council's website at

www.effinghamkc.com. *The eligibility requirements are:*

Any son or daughter of a member in good standing, a deceased member, or a member of **Effingham Council 665** is eligible. A scholarship applicant must submit the application form which includes certification from the school principal or counselor of grade point average and no disciplinary issues. The applicant shall also provide a list of all school, church, and volunteer activities and a 450 to 500 word essay. Applications are due the 2nd Friday in March. The application form has instructions on submission of the application.

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call the Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number 217.321.1155. Individuals may also contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE, or contact your local police authority.

International Exhibition The Eucharistic Miracles of the World



St. Anthony Parish Monday- Friday 8:30-4:00 Special showings call 347-7129

These documented miracles are on display at St.

Anthony Parish. The research of the miracles was done
by Blessed Carlos Acutis, a young boy who died at the
age of 15 in 2005. He wanted to foster a renewed faith
and deep love for the Holy Eucharist. To view the
miracles on line go to miracolieucaristici.org

Pre-Cana Workshop

A one-day PreCana will be held at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, in Sainte Marie, on Saturday, March 13. There is a fee of \$50 for the day, which includes a meal and materials. If you would like to attend, go to the website www.stemariechurch.org for the registration form, or call St. Mary's parish office at 618.455.3155, or send an email to stmaryschurch@psbnewton.com to register.

The next Natural Family Planning Workshop will be held via web conferencing, on Saturday, March 20, from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. For more information or to register, call/text Kate Pruemer at 217.821.1840 or email her at kpruemer@gmail.com.



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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, \$24,340 has been paid to "Tithing", leaving a balance of \$43,010.

The scrip order form is available on our website at www.sheff.org under the "Giving" tab. Each card returns a percentage of the sale to Sacred Heart School. If you prefer, you can place



your order in advance by emailing shscrip@sheff.org each week by Friday. If you order in advance, we will have your order ready for you when you come to the parish office on Tuesday. SHS parents can also complete the form, send it to school with your child by Tuesday, and cards will be sent home on Friday.



Financial

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, February 7, 2021

Envelopes: \$ 17,250.70 Loose Collection \$ 218.00 Total: \$ 17,468.70

"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

On Ash Wednesday, there is a Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still



struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Please be generous. Additional information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.



Rice Bowls will be available in the Narthex on Ash Wednesday. Your donation will assist the Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in their efforts

to provide services and supplies to people around the world. Please return the boxes on Easter. Thank you!!



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Lent is a time of reflection and penitence, helping us turn our hearts back to God, purify our souls, and prepare for the celebration of Christs' resurrection at Easter. At Sacred Heart Parish, we are offering many opportunities for spiritual growth and personal connection with God during this Lenten season.

Mondays

Life of St. Joseph Study Group

6:00pm in the Narthex February 15, 22; March 1, 8, 15

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00pm in the Church February 22; March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

<u>Tuesdays</u>

The Search (by FORMED) Study Group

6:30pm in the Church February 16, 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23; April 6

<u>Wednesdays</u>

Bible Study

6:30pm in the Narthex February 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

<u>Thursdays</u>

Ministry Meetings

6:30pm in the Church

February 18: Sacristans

February 25: Eucharistic Ministers

March 4: Liturgy Committee

March 11: Lectors March 18: Ushers

March 25: Greeters & Gift Bearers

<u>Fridays</u>

Stations of the Cross

5:30pm in the Church February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26

Spiritual meditation books are available in the Narthex. Please help yourself!

Special Dates

Wednesday, February 17: Ash Wednesday

Masses with sprinkling of ashes at 8:30am, 12:10pm, & 7:00pm

Friday, March 19: Feast Day of St. Joseph

Mass & Consecration to St. Joseph at 6:00pm

Sunday, March 28: Palm Sunday

Saturday Mass at 4:00pm Sunday Mass at 8:30am & 10:30am Spanish Mass at 7:00pm

Thursday, April 1: Holy Thursday

Mass at 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00pm

Friday, April 2: Good Friday

Stations of the Cross at 12:10pm in the Church Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm in the Church Good Friday Liturgy at 6:00pm in the Church

Saturday, April 3: Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at 8:00pm in the Church

Sunday, April 4: Easter

Mass at 8:30am & 10:30am Spanish Mass at 5:00pm

Come now, let us set things right, says the LORD:

Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; Though they be red like crimson, they may become white as wool. ~Isaiah 1:18





Please join us during Lent, or any time! We have many spiritual growth opportunities.

All are welcome! Call the parish office at 217-347-7177 with any questions or for more information.

<u>Life of St. Joseph Study Group - 6:00pm on Mondays</u>

Join Fr. Michal in learning about the life of St. Joseph. Who was Joseph really? Why is he important in the life of the Church? Each session will be in the church narthex. The class will follow the book "Consecration to St. Joseph" by Donald H. Calloway, MIC. If you're interested in joining this study group, please contact the parish office to reserve your copy of the book (217-347-7177).

Eucharistic Adoration - 7:00pm on Mondays

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration in the church. This is a great time to spend time in quiet prayer and reflection while being in the presence of our Lord.

The Search (by FORMED) Study Group - 6:30pm on Tuesdays

This class will focus on what we are searching for in life. Fr. Michal will facilitate the class and guide discussion after watching a series of videos called "The Search". The group will meet in the church.

What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination - a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.

Topics include:

What do you seek? Who are you? Why a God?

What's our story?

Who is Jesus?

Am I saved?

Why a church?

Bible Study - 6:30 pm on Wednesdays

This Bible study will be led by George Wenthe in the narthex. It will feature videos about the Bible through the FORMED online platform, with discussion following the videos.

Ministry Meetings - 6:30pm on Thursdays

In an effort to continually strengthen the spiritual life of our church family, Fr. Michal would like to spend time in prayer with each of the various ministry groups. He will also discuss updates and/or answer any questions people may have. We ask all existing volunteers in these ministries to attend the meetings. We also invite anyone new who would like to start helping in a ministry. This is a great time to get more information and meet new people! These meetings will be held in the church.

February 25: Eucharistic Ministers February 18: Sacristans

March 4: Liturgy Committee March 11: Lectors

March 18: Ushers March 25: Greeters & Gift Bearers

Stations of the Cross - 5:30pm on Fridays

Join us for Stations of the Cross in the Church each Friday evening. This is a great time to pause and remember the suffering and sacrifice Jesus gave for each one of us. We will go through each of the stations leading up to the crucifixion, death, and ultimately, the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

> **Drive-Thru Fish Fry** Friday, February 19 4:30-7:00pm

Drive-Thru No Fish, Fish Fry Friday, March 5 4:30-7:30pm