During a life emergency, while offices are closed, please contact (217) 703-1042.
Padre’s point of view . . .

Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year!

In this Year of Mercy, we are looking at the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. The next work is: Give shelter to the homeless.

Like the other works this speaks for itself. You may not know, we have many homeless who pass through and some homeless who live here in Effingham. We are blessed to have a homeless shelter for men in Heartville. However, the needs are still great. Weekly, I speak with people looking for a place to stay. I am beginning a project of creating a clearinghouse to connect people with needs to the right agency that can help. If you have any interest to help, please email cbrey@stanthony.com or c.brey@sheff.org.

Fr. Chris will be in the St. Anthony Church office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
He will be in the Sacred Heart Church office on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Grief Support Meetings
Our next meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, January 5th and every Tuesday in December, in the St Anthony Parish Center.

Staff & Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Party
Sunday, January 31, 2016 from 1:00 – 3:00pm at Effingham Knights of Columbus
Fr. Chris Brey and the Parishes of Sacred Heart, St. Anthony and St. Mary’s Shumway are hosting this Staff and Volunteer Appreciation Party to say THANK YOU for your dedication of time and talents to our Parishes.
Meat and drinks will be provided. Lunch served at 1:00 and fellowship continues until 3:00. Staff and volunteers are asked to bring the following: Sacred Heart – side dish or salad; St. Anthony – Dessert; St. Mary’s – appetizer or dip.
All staff and volunteers from the three churches and schools are invited to join us for food, fun, and fellowship during this family-friendly event. Please contact Sacred Heart at 347-7177 or St. Anthony at 347-7129 with questions.

Confessions will be held before and after all Saturday & Sunday Masses the weekend of January 16 & 17, 2016.
As part of the Year of Mercy, we hope that these extra opportunities will allow our people to grow closer to God through this Sacrament, and to get in the habit of going to Confession more frequently. Listed below is the plan for January 16 & 17. Because we will be one priest short on this weekend who is assisting elsewhere in our deanery, please understand that the celebrant will not greet the people after Mass, but go straight to the Confessional instead.

At St. Mary's in Shumway, Fr. Edgar will hear confessions before & after the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday and the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday (up until 10 am).
At Sacred Heart, Fr. Ron will hear confessions before & after the 4 pm Saturday Mass and the two Sunday morning Masses (starting at 7:45 a.m. on Sunday). Fr. Edgar will hear confessions before and after the 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass, beginning at 4:45 p.m.
At St. Anthony, Fr. Michal will hear confessions before & after the 4:30 pm Saturday Mass. Fr. Carl & Fr. Chris will hear confessions starting at 7 am Sunday & after the 7:30 Mass until 9:05. Fr. Chris & Fr. Edgar will hear confessions between the 9:15 & 11 a.m. Masses and will stay after the 11 am Mass until all are heard.

Please pray for restoration of Religious Liberty, those who are ill, those in hospitals and nursing homes, those recovering from surgery, and all those serving our country. Also, Christine Adams, Steven A Bierman, Brenda Braunecker, Ruth Bushue, Doris Dasenbrock, Betty Esker, Sally Gaca, Bob Harpe, Mary Harris, Eric Hartke, Dorothy Holkenbrink, Jason Hooper, Jeanene Jenne, Mark Jirak, Ingrid Kay, Ted Keller, Tyler Koester, Katie Kroeger, Rich Lauwrence, Craig Lindvahl, Isabel Lustig, Fr. Virgil Mank, Mrs. Don McDevitt, Bill Mette, Geraldine Miller, Eleanor Mross, Floyd Pagel, Michael Peterucha, Fr. Dean Probst, Randy Seaton, Allen Wente, Jerry Worman.

St. Anthony High School
Chapel Mass Thursday 7:00 a.m.
(Except the 3rd Thursday of every month)
(Subject to Change. Check with SAHS)

Sacred Heart Mass Times
Monday - Friday 7:15 a.m.
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30a.m. & 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass Sunday 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Mass Times
Saturday 5:30 p.m.        Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Mass Intentions

Monday, January 4:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Alice E Haarmann
8:30 a.m. Mass: CCW Members

Tuesday, January 5:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Norbert & Virginia Koester
8:30 a.m. Mass: Harold Bushur Anniversary

Wednesday, January 6:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Joe, Elizabeth, Harold & Maurice Metten
8:30 a.m. Mass: Barb Willenborg Anniversary; Harry & Hilma Willenborg; Jim Charters Sr; Clarence Braun Anniversary

Thursday, January 7:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Marie C Dust
8:30 a.m. Mass: Special Intention

Friday, January 8:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Larraine Jones
8:30 a.m. Mass: Dan & Jane Sullivan Family

Saturday, January 9:
4:30 p.m. Mass: Lucille E Probst

Sunday, January 10:
7:30 a.m. Mass: Bud & Ruth Overbeck
9:15 a.m. Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony
11:00 a.m. Mass: Virginia Poeppelmeyer

Baptism Class - Parents are required to attend Baptism Class before their child is baptized. The next class will be held at Sacred Heart, January 21st at 6:00 pm. To register call Darlene at 347-7177.

Pre-Cana Workshops
St. Mary of the Assumption, St. Marie on Saturday, March 19, 2016. Call 618-455-3155 to register.
St. Aloysius Church, Dieterich on November 13, 2016. Call 217-925-5579 to register.

Natural Family Planning Class
Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016 at 10:00am - St Isidore Parish
Saturday, Apr. 23, 2016 at 1:00pm - St Anthony Parish
Saturday, May 14, 2016 at 1:00pm - St Isidore Parish
Saturday, July 23, 2016 at 11:00am—St Anthony Parish
Call Kate Pruemer at 821-1840 to register.

Calendar of Events

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Altar Servers
During our December meeting, St. Nicholas visited us and left gifts for all Altar Servers. If you were unable to make it to the meeting, please come by the Parish Office to see Fr. Michal and pick up the gift he has for you.

Christmas Decorations/Donations
- In Loving Memory of Jim Kinkelaar by Penny Meyer Family
- In Loving Memory of Kenny Koenig
- In Memory of Sean Niebrugge, Alf Niebrugge & Tony Osthoff by the Niebrugge Family
- In Memory of Grace Schorman by the Westendorf Family
- In Memory of Louis and Charlene Thies
- For the Living & Deceased Members of the Jeanne & Bill Huelsbusch Family
- In Loving Memory of Mike Mitchell by Connie Mitchell
- In Loving Memory of Bob & Becky Hawickhorst
- In memory of Lorne & Mary Fehrenbacher, Larry Fehrenbacher, Jim & Frieda Charters by Kathleen Fehrenbacher
- In Remembrance of Dr & Mrs John Sehy, Mr & Mrs Robert Willenborg
- In Loving Remembrance of Jim Mahon, Joe J and Mary Riemann, J.O. and Selma Mahon by Rita Mahon Family
- In Loving Memory of Bob Dirks by Ramona
- In Memory of the Dirks and Tegenkamp Families
- In Memory of Albert, Doris, & John Willenborg, Jim Mahon, and Jeremy Hubbard by the Dan Willenborg Family
- Living & Deceased Members of the Robert & Anne Kenter Family by Mark & Sue Kenter
- Living & Deceased Members of the James & Charlotte Kantor Family by Mark & Sue Kenter
- In Memory of Marily & Jimmie Smith by Mark & Sue Kenter
- In Memory of Margaret & Ruth Barlage by Mark & Sue Kenter
- In Loving Memory of Tom Doehring by Sharon & Jessica
- In Loving Memory of Diane Rallo, Rudy Aye, Lincoln Mercer by Joe & Pat Emmerich
- For the Living & Deceased Members of the Joe & Pat Emmerich Family

Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number at 217-321-115 or Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE.
How to Submit Bulletin Articles - Please submit written bulletin articles to: bulletin@stanthony.com or mail to Bulletin, PO Box 764, Effingham, IL 62401. Articles must be in the office by noon Monday prior to publication.

Mission Statement - Philippians 3:14
Pressing on to the Goal of service to the Lord by stretching our intellect, confirming our values, and living our faith.
For the calendar . . .
- Jan. 1-4, No School
- Jan. 5, School Resumes (8:30am Mass in Church; Friday bell schedule runs).
- Jan. 6, Report Cards Available after 3:00pm
- Jan. 7, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am
- Jan. 8, H.S. School Mass, 8:30am in Church
- Jan. 11, 2nd Semester Add/Drop Deadline
- Jan. 14, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am
- Jan. 15, H.S. Mass in Church, 8:30am; H.S. Pizza Party; Illinois State Scholar Recognition at Boys’ BB Game
- Jan. 16/17, Luminaries for Life
- Jan. 18, No School (Martin Luther King, Jr., Day)
- Jan. 20, Mass 6:30am in Church; Athletic Eligibility
- Jan. 21, Scholar Bowl @ Beecher City
- Jan. 21-23, March for Life
- Jan. 22, H.S. Mass, 8:30am in Church
- Jan. 28, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am
- Jan. 29, H.S. Mass, 8:30am in Church
- Jan. 31, Catholic Schools Week Begins (Catholic Schools Week Area Catholic Schools Mass is Wed., Feb. 3, at 9:30am, in the SAHS Gym—all are welcome to attend.)

ST. ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS’ SPIRIT OF SHARING
On December 9, the FISH Christmas Store received many new coats and new toys that Mrs. Keller’s Spanish classes and Mrs. Jones’ math classes collected for this year’s store. Shown above are Chris Jones, Emma Richards, Alex Deters, Libby Brandt, and Allison Spraul with FISH representative Karen Luchtefeld. In addition, Mrs. King’s English classes collected over $500, and the sophomore class made a $550 monetary donation to FISH toy store. Mrs. Cindy Eder of FISH assisted in organizing the project.

CARSON FONNER & JAMES KABBES CROWNED HOMECOMING QUEEN & KING
Shown above is the 2015-2016 SAHS Homecoming Court, Bottom Row, L to R: Seniors Abby Brown, Jay Niebrugge, Sara Ragland, James Kabbes, Carson Fonner, and Kyle Hartke. Top Row: Juniors Mitchell Sager, Mary Claire Wegman, Donovan Hammer, Lexi Mendella, and Sophomores Brandon Runge & Reese Buehner. Carson Fonner, daughter of Dr. Tom Fonner and Debbie Ikemire, and James Kabbes, son of Craig & Tessie Kabbes, were crowned Homecoming Queen and King during the coronation on Tuesday, Dec. 8, between the junior varsity and varsity boys’ basketball games. The Homecoming dance was held on Saturday, Dec. 12, in the high school multi-purpose room.
The Financial Corner as of December 21, 2015

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Year End Contributions
To ensure your contributions are included in the year intended, 2015 contributions must be dated and post marked in 2015. If you hand deliver your year-end contributions, it must be dated 2015 and received by 4:00 pm on Monday January 4, 2016.

If you are planning a donation of stock, please be aware that credit cannot be given until the shares are in our name and control. Your tax advisor can show you how a donation of stock could benefit you. Please note, the Parish Office will be closed the following dates: December 24 & 25, 2015 and January 31 & 1, 2016.

St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund Update
As of Thursday, December 21, 2015

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Thank you to everyone who has Made a Difference in St. Anthony Schools!

GLOW BINGO
This is not your grandma’s bingo!
Saturday, January 16, 2016
Effingham Knights of Columbus

Presale tickets: $25 per person
At-the-Door tickets: $30 per person
Includes 10 bingo cards, glow dabber, and glow hat
Additional Bingo cards available for purchase at the door
50/50 Bingo Game | Concessions & Raffles
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 P.M.
BINGO STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.

For Advanced Tickets or more information contact Kelley Esker 217-663-8813 | kelsey.esker@hshs.org
or Michael Wall 217-347-1854 | michael.wall@hshs.org

Proceeds from this event support the HSHS St. Anthony’s Mother/Baby program and HSHS Hospice Southern Illinois.

Watch for information about our Butterfly Ball coming March 5, 2016

Make your New Year's resolution and say yes to a De Colores Weekend! It is a gift from the Holy Spirit.

De Colores Spring Weekend’s
The Men’s Weekend, March 31st. - April 3, 2016 Lay Leader Joe Sudkamp @217-994-0031; jksudkamp@frontier.com

The Women’s Weekend, April 7th - 10, 2016. Lay leader, Bitsy Trummer, 217-294-3179, bitsy-trummer@hotmail.com Spiritual Director: Father Ron Hilt

For more information about the spiritual, fun-filled weekends, please call Mary Sur at 217-342-2003.

YOU Can Help Your Marriage – 25% of surveyed couples say they are “Happily Married”. For everyone else there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next program begins the weekend of January 29-31, 2016.