During a life emergency, while offices are closed, please contact (217) 703-1042.

Welcome
We extend a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors who have joined us at today’s liturgy. We hope that you feel at home here. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance while you are among us.
Christmas here at the St. Anthony Parish and St. Mary Parish was amazing. I have told so many of my family and friends that it truly was one of the most “spiritual” times of celebrating at the holiday masses that I can remember. Thirteen Masses were offered from 4:30pm, Saturday December 23rd to the final Mass at 10:00am on Christmas day. I was blown away by the crowds, the joy-filled smiles, the happy hearts, and the wonderful and spirit filled worship by our parish families.

This weekend we are already celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany. Following that star, those who were wise traveled to the place where Jesus lay. They went to find Him. They went to pay homage. They went to acknowledge Him as Messiah. With our own experience of a “White Christmas” we came to our spiritual homes as members of the “parish family” to share our joy with our sacred brothers and sisters. We united with our sacred brothers and sisters in Haiti and all around the world to welcome the “GIFT” of His coming again. Now He comes to us. In Word & Sacrament, in grace filled encounters, in real “God Moments” we meet the Lord at these times of “authentic worship”. Can you remember the moment HE entered your heart this Christmas? I really can. God is so good !!!

Epiphany leads us to reflect on the wondrous gift God has given us in sending us His Son, and in offering the Holy Family as a model for our individual families to imitate, and our parish families. I hope and pray you were able to celebrate your “holy families” and what they all mean to you. Now we begin 2018 with a clear invitation to become “Christ bearers” and return this gift, by sharing our time, talent, and treasure once again.

Last weekend I was so blessed to spend the Sunday celebrating with Don and Marietta Kemme and their family at their 60th wedding anniversary. Their son, +Bishop Carl and I entered the Seminary the same day in Springfield and will be classmates and even more so friends for life, as brothers in priestly ministry. His parents have always been so friendly, and caring to me and my journey in the priesthood. His brother, at the ordination of Bishop Carl three years ago, said to me something I will always remember, “You are always a part of our family”. This has deep meaning to me, especially as I now am here as pastor. I thank him, and thank this wonderful family for their love.

I want to be your pastor and give you my all, my best. I want to be a gift as I receive your gift of self, sharing this faith journey together seeking the kingdom….. Let us build the kingdom one day at a time. Let us be a united family at both parishes. Let us run the race and fight the good fight. It is when we give our all, and give our best that we will rest each night as we “sleep in heavenly peace”….. I’m loving this assignment already…..

- Peace Fr. Chuck
Mass Intentions

Monday, January 8:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Joe Cornell Anniversary
8:30 a.m. Mass: Andrew Polarek Anniversary

Tuesday, January 9:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Cookie Wolters
8:30 a.m. Mass: Valerie Smith Anniversary

Wednesday, January 10:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Mary Jane Hardiek
8:30 a.m. Mass: William F. Meyer Anniversary; Frieda Charters; Mary Pike

Thursday, January 11:
6:30 a.m. Mass: LeRoy & Maryann Borries
8:30 a.m. Mass: Joe Ruholl

Friday, January 12:
6:30 a.m. Mass: Cookie Wolters
8:30 a.m. Mass: Gerry Clough

Saturday, January 13:
4:30 p.m. Mass: Donald Apke & Arlene Clayton

Sunday, January 14:
7:30 a.m. Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony
9:15 a.m. Mass: Robert & Mary Swingler Family
11:00 a.m. Mass: Jeaneane Jenne

The Mass Intention book for 2018 is open for those wanting to schedule Masses. There will be one intention scheduled for each Mass, except for the 8:30am Mass on Wednesday and the 6:30am Mass on Friday. There will be up to 10 intentions scheduled for those two Masses. Mass intentions will be limited to 5 per family each year, of which only one can be scheduled on a weekend.

Calendar of Events

Sun 1/7
10:06am Radio Mass AM 1090 or FM 99.5 & 96.3
10:00am - 11:00am - Scrip Store Open

Mon 1/8

Tues 1/9
9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open
6:15pm - Grief Support in the Parish Center

Wed 1/10

Thur 1/11
9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open
6:30pm - Kate Weber’s Bible Study at the High School Room 101

Fri 1/12
9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open

Sat 1/13
9:00am - 11:00am - Scrip Store Open

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Jeaneane Jenne (Class of 1995) & Cookie Wolters (class of 1965). May they enjoy eternal peace and happiness in Heaven.

Staff & Volunteer Appreciation Party
Sunday, January 28, 2017
at Effingham Knights of Columbus

Sacrament of Reconciliation Time Change:
Saturday: 3:15 to 4:00 pm
Weekdays: 8:00-8:20am or anytime by appointment

Pictures are in!
Complimentary 8 X 10 family portraits taken in August, October, and November, for the parish directory, have arrived. Please stop by the parish office to pick them up. Office hours are 9am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday. If you ordered other photos from Lifetouch, your complimentary 8 x 10 will be sent with those to your home.

De Colores Spring Weekends
Start the New Year by making a DeColores weekend. Say yes to a 3 day beautiful experience, at camp Walter Scott. Share in inspiring talks, renew your faith, and make new friends. For more information, please call Mary Jo Orme at 217-343-7312 or maryjoorne@gmail.com.

Protecting God’s Children Workshop
St. Isidore Parish, Bispoph
Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018 at 6:30pm
Monday, February 5th, 2018 at 6:30pm
Call 217-925-5788 to register

The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2018

Natural Family Planning Class

2018 Sessions:
February 10th 2:30-4:00pm at St. Anthony, Effingham
March 24th 9:00-10:30am at St. Francis, Teutopolis
April 20th 6:00-7:30pm at St. Isidore, Bishop Creek
May 4th 6:30-8:00pm at Sacred Heart, Effingham
June 2nd 10:00-11:30am at St. Francis, Teutopolis
July 21st 9:30-11:00am at St. Isidore, Bishop Creek
August 24th 6:00-7:30pm at St. Anthony, Effingham
September 21st 6:30-8:00pm at St. Francis, Teutopolis
October 20th 9:00-10:30am at Sacred Heart, Effingham
November 10th 1:00-2:30pm at St. Isidore, Bishop Creek

If you’re interested in learning more about NFP or want to register for an Introductory Session, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or kpruemer@gmail.com.

Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number at 217-321-1155 or Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE.
Weekday Mass Servers

Mon., Jan 8  6:30am  Max Koenig
8:30am  Abby Thoele & Collin Westendorf
Tues., Jan 9  6:30am  Allison Geen
8:30am  Grade School to Provide
Wed., Jan 10  6:30am  Anna Zaccari
8:30am  Ivan Daiber & Anna Faber
Thurs., Jan 11  6:30am  Lucy & Will Feariday
8:30am  Grade School to Provide
Fri., Jan 12  6:30am  Joey B Trupiano
8:30am  High School to Provide

Church Cleaning for January
Cleaning is done Saturday morning from 8:30-9:30.
If you are unable to clean, please call a replacement.
David & Susan Seiler  Michael & Cindy Seiler
Dale & Janice Semple  Kevin & Rebecca Shamhart
Ben Siemer  Cory Siler
Robert & Valerie Siler  Dana Silva
Jill Slaughter  Andrew & Nicole Slavens
James & Jamileh Sloan  Bruce & Donna Smith
Doug & Gwyn Smith  Floyd & Jennifer Smith, Jr

Liturgical Ministers for January 13/14

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Kate Weber’s Bible Study
A powerful study on the Blessed Mother begins: Thursday, January 11th at 6:30 pm in Room 101 at St. Anthony High School.

- Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary’s earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine son.

- Following the Study of Mary, a 5 week Biblical walk through the Mass will be covered. We will explore the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explain their profound significance. In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass as never before, leading you to a richer, more fruitful worship experience.

Please join us on our journey. To register for either session or both, please call, St. Anthony Church at 347-7129.

Pro-Life Corner
Living out Christmas in the New Year
How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments?

Each year the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Her open heart and courageous “yes” to God show us how to live year-round—with hearts open to the Lord, following where He leads. We are called to place our trust in Him, to enter compassionately into the suffering of others, and to love one another as Christ loves us. Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance.

One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady’s example is to join 9 Days for Life, a digital pilgrimage of prayer and charitable action.

The U.S. Catholic bishops invite you to join thousands of Catholics nationwide from Thursday, January 18 – Friday, January 26. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!
For the calendar . . .

* Jan. 1-3, No School
* Jan. 4, School Resumes (8:30am Mass in Church-Friday bell schedule runs); Report Cards Available after 3:00pm
* Jan. 5, H.S. School Mass, 8:30am in Church
* Jan. 8, Scholar Bowl @ Stew-Stras, 6:30pm
* Jan. 10, 2nd Semester Add/Drop Deadline
* Jan. 11, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am; Scholar Bowl @ North Clay, 6:30pm
* Jan. 12, H.S. Mass in Church, 8:30am; Illinois State Scholar Recognition @ BB Game
* Jan. 15, No School (Martin Luther King, Jr., Day)
* Jan. 17, Athletic Eligibility Begins
* Jan. 18, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am; Scholar Bowl @ Home, 6:30pm; March for Life Departure, 4:00pm
* Jan. 19, H.S. Mass in Church, 8:30am
* Jan. 20, March for Life students return
* Jan. 21, Band & Choir Trip to Fox Theater
* Jan. 25, Mass in Chapel, 7:00am
* Jan. 26, H.S. Mass, 8:30am in Church
* Jan. 28, Catholic Schools Week Begins (Catholic Schools Week
* Jan. 29, Scholar Bowl @ Altamont, 6:30pm
* Jan. 31, CSW Mass, SAHS Gym, 9:30am (All are welcome to attend.) & Middle School Day, 9:30am, SAHS Gym

ST. ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS’ SPIRIT OF SHARING
On December 6, the FISH/Catholic Charities Christmas Store received seventy-one new coats and many new toys from Mrs. Keller’s Spanish classes and Mrs. Jones’ math classes. The sophomore class also made a $500+ monetary donation.

Pictured left are Logan Klitzing, Augie Heal, McKenna Steineman, and Madelyn Tegeler, who represented National Honor Society by going to WXEF to speak and sing at their X-athon. All National Honor Society members collected the donated items from collection bins around Effingham County throughout the month. Mrs. Cindy Eder assisted in organizing the projects. Shown in above photo are Catherine Willenborg, Katherine Slaughter, Averee Greene, Jessica Wilson, and Michael Kaldar representing the sophomore class.

KENDALL FONNER & AUSTIN KLINE CROWNED HOMECOMING QUEEN & KING
Shown in photo to the right: Kendall Fonner, daughter of Dr. Tom Fonner & Debbie Ikemire, and Austin Kline, son of Jeff & Anita Kline, were crowned Homecoming Queen and King during the coronation on Tuesday, December 5, between the junior varsity and varsity boys’ basketball games. The Homecoming dance (Theme-Under The Sea) was held on Saturday, Dec. 9, in the high school multi-purpose room.
## The Financial Corner as of January 3, 2018

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### ACSA Goal 2017-2018

| ACSA Goal 2017-2018 | $115,435 |
| Pledges as of Dec 28, 2017 | $43,975 |

### St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund Update

**As of Friday, December 29, 2017**

- **67**  $1,000 Challenge
- **210** Family Gifts
- **$236,997** Total Pledges
- **$280,000** Annual Fund Goal for 2017/2018

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

### Job Opportunity – Student Exchange

Work from your own home office 3-5 hours weekly. Exchange student program looking for responsible adult to place and monitor high school exchange students attending St. Anthony High School. This is a stipend paid position open to adults in excellent community standing. Online application www.dash-regional.org or call (844) 528-1145.

### St. Michael’s School Trivia Night & Live Auction

**Saturday, February 3rd, 2018**

At Four Parish Center, Sigel

Doors Open at 5:00pm

Trivia Begins at 6:30pm

Lots of fun including a silent auction, 50/50 drawing, heads and tails game, and a wine pull. Food will be served for a free will donation. Drinks available for purchase. Please contact Betty Zumbahlen at 821-7653 to sign up your team.

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Respect Life Breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at the Teutopolis Grade School Auditorium in Teutopolis. Donation of breads and rolls appreciated; bring to auditorium Saturday, January 13th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or morning of breakfast! Volunteers most welcome to help set up Saturday January 13, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Workers for the breakfast are needed-2 hour shifts starting at 7 a.m. on Sunday, January 14th! If you would like to donate items (remember: the kiddos, Grandpa & Grandma love to buy for their grandchildren!!) Also appreciate donations of 25¢ Mystery Boxes! Contact Marisa Schabbing @ (217) 343-2286 or Bernice Schabbing at (217) 821-2694 with any donations for the raffle. Call: Liz Kremer (217) 273-9677 or email: liz.kremer1957@hotmail.com for more information!

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.