Parish Office Hours:
Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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Greg Fearday, Principal

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347-0419
Matthew Sturgeon, Principal

Convent:
3017 Sugar Mill Court
536-9530
Sr. Jane Marie Hotze, SSND

Liturgical Schedule:
Weekdays: 6:30 am & 8:30 am
First Saturday: 6:30 am
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:15 am & 11:00 am
Holy Days: 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 12:10 pm, and 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday: 3:15 to 4:00 pm
Weekdays: 7:45 to 8:15 am or by appointment
First Thursday of Month: 7:00 to 7:30 am

+Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki
Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Fr. Charles A. Edwards, Pastor
Fr. Mark Tracy, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Carl Schmidt, Senior Priest
Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich
Mrs. Carrie Koenig, Director of Operations
Mrs. Sara Hoene, Executive Parish Secretary
Mrs. Peggy Clough, Executive Secretary
Mrs. Tiffiny Wrigley, Accountant
Mrs. Mary Koester, Financial Secretary
Mrs. Marlene McWhorter, Office Assistant
Mrs. Pati Jansen, Annulment Ministry
Mrs. Irene Koester, Music Director
Ms. Regina Villafuerte, Music Director
Mr. Kenny Thies, Technology Administrator

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.
Ordinary Time Again …….

Church looks different, doesn’t it? Yet even in its simplicity of being “Ordinary Time” both St. Anthony and St. Mary’s Annunciation churches are both beautiful and prayerful worship centers. We are blessed. We are all eager to see the Sacred Heart Church’s family enter into a time of growth, change, and refurbish of their church. We support them in their successful campaign and renovation plans.

Thanks to the “MANY” folks who stayed and helped the Art and Environment Committee “take down” the Christmas décor. It truly was a beautiful season of celebration of all the major feasts of this great season of hope, new birth, and Joy. Thanks to all our ministries who helped in any way bring to our parish great “seasonal” worship during Advent & Christmas.

In only eight weeks we will come to begin our Lenten journey and once again we will see change in our church environment, music, and prayer.

This past week I taught RCIA to our class and a few others individually. I talked about the living out of a “church year” with its seasons or Ordinary Time, Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. We do this as we journey through the calendar seasons of Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer.

SO now we wear our Green vestments and use the altar cloths to match, and we continue this journey with the winter cold, white snow, and freezing temperatures. Usual Midwest January right? Nothing new right?

I will join the snowbirds for the next two weeks and will go south for a vacation. I am looking forward to the warmth of the sun, and an opportunity to relax, and chill out with friends. I appreciate this opportunity and entrust your care to Fr. Mark. We will welcome this weekend Fr. Richard Chiola and next weekend Fr. David Hoefler to help preside at the liturgies and both parishes. I feel so blessed to have such a great team of staff members who I know will keep the life of our parish going smoothly and beautifully. In their YES we are blessed daily. I will return on Feb. 2nd for the weekend masses. Pray for me and I will pray for you…..

- Peace, Fr. Chuck

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Carole Ray & Dolores Niebrugge May they enjoy eternal peace and happiness in Heaven.

Protecting God’s Children Workshop
St. Isidore Parish, St. Aloysius Hall
Monday, February 4th at 6:30pm
Call 217-925-5788 to register

Tis the season for snow and ice. Please remember, if you are uneasy on your feet, and the steps are snowy or icy, please use the West entrance of church. It is a covered entrance and may be easier to maneuver than the front steps.

St. Anthony Church Mass Times
Mon., Tues, Thurs, Friday 6:30am & 8:30am
Wednesday 6:30am  Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 7:30am & 9:15am, 11:00am

St. Mary’s, Shumway Mass Times
Wednesday 7:15am  Saturday 5:30pm  Sunday 8:30am

Sacred Heart Mass Times
Mon., Tues, Thurs, Fri - 7:15am & Wed - 8:30am
Saturday 4:00pm - Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am, 5:30pm
Spanish Mass Sunday 7:00pm

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, Adelaida Anderson, Steve Bierman, Millie Braun, Ruth Bushue, Rosemary Bushur, Mary Lynn Byers, Mitchell Coffin, Nick Compton, Drew Conder, Mary Conder, Lisa Crosson, Doris Dasenbrock, Mary Einhorn, Karen S. Flach, Judy French, John Gapsis, Richard Gerth, Stacia Gorden, Katie Guffey, Adam Haslett, Francis Herboth, Mike Herboth, Charlie Hicks, Mark Jirak, Ingrid Kay, Susan Keenan, Steve Koebele, Clete Koester, Elisabeth Koester, Dan Kruger, Craig Lindvahl, Lloyd Ludwig, Mrs. Don McDevitt, Penny Meyer, Geraldine Miller, Rory Miller, Brenda Milleville, Tom Murphy, Florence Peters, Kenneth Polarek, Susan Pritchett, Jill Quandt, Marty Reed, Marcia Rexroat, Gustie Unkraut, Shirley Valenti, Allen Wente, Leonard Willenborg, Paul V. Willenborg, Dr. Mel Willenborg, Jerry Worman, Pauline Worman.
**Calendar of Events**

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8:30 a.m. Mass: Ludvina Lake Anniversary; Willie Niebrugge Family |
| Tuesday, January 22: | 6:30 a.m. Mass: No Mass  
8:30 a.m. Mass: Dorothy Kabbes |
| Wednesday, January 23: | 6:30 a.m. Mass: Ronald Greuel  
7:15 a.m. Mass at St. Mary’s, Shumway: Austin Flach Anniversary |
| Thursday, January 24: | 6:30 a.m. Mass: No Mass  
8:30 a.m. Mass: Jack & Jane Kabbes Family |
| Friday, January 25: | 6:30 a.m. Mass: No Mass  
8:30 a.m. Mass: Luella Roepke |
| Saturday, January 26: | 4:30 p.m. Mass: Jim & Marcella Bourgeois |
| Sunday, January 27: | 7:30 a.m. Mass: John Niemann  
9:15 a.m. Mass: Connie & Tom Wegman  
11:00 a.m. Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony |

**Summer Mission Trip**

The summer high school mission team is looking to fundraise for their upcoming Mission trip to Topeka, KS. They are looking for some odd jobs and ends jobs to complete in order to help cover the costs of the trip. If you have a job that needs completed, contact Katalyn Bourgeois at kbourgeois@stanthony.com or 217-342-6969 (ext. 3103) for more information.

**First Saturday Mass and Devotion**

February 2nd  
Rosary - 6:10 am  Mass - 6:30 am  
Meditations - 7:00 am - 7:15 am

In response to our Lady of Fatima's request for conversion please consider joining us for the First Saturday Devotion at St. Anthony Church.

Our Lady of Fatima explained the First Saturday Devotion to Sr. Lucia dos Santos: "See, my daughter, my heart encircled by thorns with which ungrateful men pierce at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Do you, at least, strive to console me. Tell them that I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditation on the...mysteries of the rosary."

**Staff & Volunteer Appreciation Celebration**

A Heartfelt

**Staff & Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Party**

Sunday, January 27, 2019 12:30pm - 2:00pm at the Effingham Event Center

Fr. Michal Rosa, Fr. Chuck Edwards, and Fr. Mark Tracy 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 gifts of time and talents to our churches & schools.

Lunch will be served at 12:30pm with fellowship until 2:00pm. No RSVP is necessary. Staff and volunteers are asked to bring the following:
- Sacred Heart - Dips or Appetizers
- St. Anthony - Side Dish or Salad
- St. Mary’s - Dessert

Please contact Sacred Heart at 347-7177 or St. Anthony at 347-7129 with questions.

**Ministry Fair**

Have you ever wondered what ministries we have here at St. Anthony’s, or how you can become more involved within our Parish? Please join us after each of the masses on February 16th and 17th in the Parish Center at our Ministry Fair. Members of the various Ministries will be present to answer your questions.
## Liturgical Ministers for January 26/27

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**Luminaries for Life**

Jan. 26 and 27

Every year, over 920,000 children die from abortion in the US – it’s the leading cause of death! It seems impossible to grasp the enormity of this heartbreak. As you view the luminary display next weekend, consider that their number illustrates the **number of abortions done every 3 hours in the US**.

Be sure to visit the lighted display on the evenings of January 26 & 27. Students from St. Anthony and Sacred Heart parishes created these luminaries with a prayer on the backside. Please join your prayers with theirs and ask God to help all mothers and fathers tempted by abortion. In the event of bad weather, the display will be held the following weekend.

**Mass for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

will be held at St Francis Church, Teutopolis, on **Tuesday, January 22nd, at 7:00 PM, with Rosary at 6:30 PM**. Jan 22nd is a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and in penance for acts of abortion. All are welcome to attend on this 46th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Please also offer prayers and sacrifices throughout the day.

**Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life** will be held at St. Michael the Archangel in Sigel on Monday January 21. Praying the scriptural rosary will begin at 6:00 pm, mass will follow at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer for the legal protection of unborn children. The 7:30 pm business meeting will follow in the school. Refreshments will be served while local pro-life events and the March for Life are discussed.
World Wide Marriage Encounter

Why don’t you surprise your spouse and apply for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend as a Valentine’s gift? You will be giving yourself and your spouse a present you will never forget! Jan. 19-20, 2019 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Lawrenceville, IL; or Feb. 8-10, 2019 at Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php or call 314-649-7317.

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy - even if it is in the past -- individuals are encouraged to call the Diocese's Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number at 217-321-1155. Individuals may also contact Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE.

Embracing Authentic Love: Humanae Vitae Explained

Three Day Speaker Series

What is God's plan for love and family life? Why is the Church against contraception? What exactly is Natural Family Planning? Humanae Vitae, the papal document which clarified these teachings, calls us to love in a way that respects God’s beautiful design for marital love and life. Join us on Feb. 17th, 18th, and 19th from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. Anthony Parish Center in Effingham to learn about these beautiful but challenging teachings.

Who can come? This event is for any adult; married, single, young, and old; in the Effingham Deanery area!

Talks and Speakers:

- **Sunday, Feb. 17th** - Humanae Vitae: Understanding Love and Marriage in the Image of God with Joe Gehret
- **Monday, Feb. 18th** - The Struggle is Real: Embracing the Truth Behind the Church's Teachings with Patty Schneier
- **Tuesday, Feb. 19th** - A Medical Perspective on the Effectiveness of Natural Family Planning and NaPro (Natural Procreative) Technology with Dr. Gavin Puthoff, MD

Catholic Charities Presents - Deutsches Fest

Saturday, February 2, 2019

Teutopolis Banquet Hall

Order of the evening:
- 5:30 PM  Cocktail Social
- 6:30 PM  Dinner
- 7:30 PM  Program, Vineyard Awards, & Raffle
- 8:30 -11:00 Dance

Single Ticket Price:  $45.00

Contributors Levels:
- Stein  $1500 – 8 tickets & Reserved Table
- Krug  $1000- 6 tickets
- Weizen  $500 – 4 tickets
- Pilsner  $200 – 2 tickets

Call Catholic Charities for Tickets!!!  217-857-1458
Credit card donations accepted.  www.cc.dio.org

Attention Young Adults!

Would you like to connect with other young adults on issues of life and faith? Come to our next Spirited Discussions event at the T-Town Banquet (KC) Hall meeting room on Thursday, January 24th from 7-8pm! What is that? Spirited Discussions is a once a month event for all young adults in the area. There will be a speaker and discussion on the topic. Our January event is “What IS the Mass?” with Fr. Daren Zehnle. There is access to the bar and snacks will be provided. Hope to see you there! Also, join Effingham Area Catholic Young Adults on Facebook to know what events are going on in our area.

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Effingham Knights of Columbus Council

Free Throw Contest will be held on February 3rd at the Richard E. Workman Sports and Wellness Complex. The contest is open to all youth ages 9 to 14 - age as of January 1. Participants may only compete in one Council contest. Registration is at 1 pm, contest begins at 1:30 pm. Contact Greg Koester at (217) 821-7731.
The Financial Corner

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St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund Update

As of Tuesday, January 15, 2019

- 87 $1,000 Challenge
- 230 Family Gifts
- $272,739 Total Pledges
- $262,712 Total Cash Gifts Rec.
- $333,000 Goal for 2018/2019

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

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

The programs, services, & ministries supported by the Annual Catholic Services Appeal meet the larger diocesan needs of Catholics and others in the Diocese of Springfield.

As of Tuesday, January 15, 2019

1,304 Parish Families
238 Family Gifts (18.3%)
$256 Average Gift Per Family
$60,976 Total Pledge Gifts Received
$94,051 ACSA Goal for 2018/2019 (64.9%)

Simply make your check payable to ACSA (with St. Anthony of Padua, Effingham in the memo line), use the envelope provided by the diocese or write ACSA on an envelope and drop it in the collection.

The Annual Newman Breakfast will be held Sunday Feb. 3rd, from 7a.m. until noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Menu will include whole hog sausage, scrambled and fried eggs, pancakes, sweet rolls, and hash browns. Also, baked goods and crafts will be available for purchase and chances.

Over 80 Newman Centers throughout the state of Illinois offer college students a chance to gather and practice the Catholic faith. All proceeds from the breakfast go to the Newman fund. Donations of raffle items, crafts, and baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be brought to the Teutopolis Banquet Hall after 6 a.m. the day of the breakfast or call Kathy Hartke to make other arrangements at 217-857-6282 or 217-821-7076.

If you would like to volunteer to help with this breakfast, please call Earl Probst at 217-739-2347.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help pay for supplies and food for this breakfast please make check payable to “Knights of Columbus-Newman Breakfast”. Please mail your donation to Earl Probst, 20468 E. 600th Ave., Dieterich, IL 62424 or Brett Higgs at 19374 E. 1150 Ave., Dieterich, IL 62424. Your donations make all of this possible.

Thank you for your generosity in support of this worthwhile cause.

PILGRIMAGE to Spain, Portugal and Morocco, July 8-19, 2019 with Fr. Dean Probst. Visit Shrines of St. James the Apostle in Santiago de Compostela, St. Isidore (the Farmer) in Seville, Spain; Candlelight Procession and Mass in Fatima, Portugal, and also visit Madrid & Barcelona, Spain; Lisbon & Porto, Portugal, and Casablanca, Morocco. Contact Proximo Travel (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370 or www.proximotravel.com. $4,399 Airfare, Hotels, Breakfast & Dinner, tolls.

St. Thomas Catholic Church 11th Annual Wine Tasting will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Newton Knights of Columbus Hall. Sample some of the best new wines and brewed beers available. Sold by the glass, bottle or case. Sponsored by Koerner Distributors, Knights of Columbus and Friends of St. Thomas.
Staff & Volunteer Appreciation Celebration

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12:30pm – 2:00pm at Effingham Event Center
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Lunch will be served at 12:30pm with fellowship until 2:00pm.

Chicken & fish and tea & lemonade will be provided.

Attendees are asked to bring the following:
Sacred Heart: dip/appetizer ~ St. Anthony: side dish/salad ~ St. Mary’s: dessert

No RSVP necessary. Please contact Sacred Heart at 347.7177 or St. Anthony at 347.7129 with questions.
Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday January 7, 2019

Present- Fr. Chuck, Fr. Mark, Matt Sturgeon, Carla Hodge, Jill Schultz, Stacey Sehy, Eric Althoff, Susan Gillenwater

I. **Pastoral Council**- What do we want to be? We are a Pastoral Council. Our mission is to shepherd our people and help them to grow spiritually. We need to look for opportunities to do so and decide how we can be effective by meeting once a month.
   A. Are we to be a sounding board, advisory board, etc. What does the Pastor want?
   B. Fr. Chuck would like us to be excited in our role as Pastoral Council members and ask for guidance from the Holy Spirit.
   C. Going forward, we would like to have topics of discussion sent to Jill Schultz 1 week prior to our meetings so there is an agenda to discuss and we are not repeating issues and not addressing others. We will review what happened in the last month to evaluate how it went and talk about opportunities that can be met in the parish.
   D. Both Fr. Chuck & Fr. Mark mentioned looking at magazines and other Pastoral Council information to see what we can do for our parish.
   E. Try to observe what other parishes are doing to see if we can bring it to our parish.

II. **School** (Matt Sturgeon)- All schools Mass today K-12 and then students & faculty went to sing Happy birthday to a neighbor in the parish, Dolores Will on her 99th birthday.
   A. Semester Exams went well at the high school.
   B. Grade School celebrates Jesus the last few days before Christmas break.

III. **Rectory project**- is back on the table.
   A. Meeting for the parish will be next Tuesday Jan. 15th at 6:30 pm.
   B. There is a committee for the rectory made up of finance council members and members of the parish who are in the building/trade business.
   C. Looked at photos of current rectory and plans for new. Garage will remain but roof will be changed. 2019 we will fundraise and discuss project. Rectory will have a full basement for storage & will have ramps for loading in and out. Rectory will have a groom’s room and place for money counters etc.

IV. **Twinning parish in Nigeria**- saw photos of their church before and after roof and flooring was completed.
   A. We have adopted them.
   B. There are 16 people on the twinning group. They are looking to possibly offer more to our twinning parish such as a hot lunch program &/or scholarship program.
   C. We have given ~$16,000 for sanctuary and floor and ~$30,000 for the roof. We are trying to give them $1,000/month

V. **Seminarians**- came to visit over their Christmas break and went over well. We decided we would like to continue having them. Feel it’s good for the children to help promote vocations.
   A. Very appreciative of the cookies we sent
   B. Came ½ day to each of the schools
   C. Teachers at grade school would like to have more instruction from seminarians but not enough time for that this year.
D. Looking to bring Sisters in as well but will be more difficult due to the different orders of sisters.
E. Looking into pen pal program with the seminarians/Sisters. After 5th grade vocations trip, possibly offer pen pals to kids that may be interested in vocations.
F. Sacred Heart does care packages to local seminarians. Talked about doing the same thing but not around the Christmas holiday.
G. Discussed a “Traveling Vocations Box”- Cross, candle and laminated prayer cards that are sent home for 1 week at a time for families to pray for vocations once a day. Box would travel to new family each week.

VI. **Feeding the Poor Program**- now is called **“Table of Plenty”** to be more inclusive

VII. **Social Media**- talked about trying to utilize it more. Many people are not responding to bulletin articles but once posted on social media, they do.

A. Carrie Koenig/Sara Hoene is in charge of marquee in front of grade school for announcements.

VIII. **Coming Up**

A. Art & Environment planning for Lent/Easter
B. New music director is from Mexico. Getting Visa
C. Deacon Joe & Lisa Schmidt will be presenting at our parish mission Sunday March 10-12th. (3 nights) Joel will preach at all the Sunday Masses.
   a. Discussed a possible parish meal
   b. Talked about getting child care for parishioners who would like to attend. Possibly arrange through the high school & have the care at the grade school or high school during mission times.
   c. Discussed offering our services to Sacred Heart when they have their mission in exchange for their help at ours.
   d. Try to invite people that have gone away from the church to help bring them back.
   e. Fliers will be sent out to all parishioners to let them know about the Lenten mission.
D. Fr. Chuck is still working on someone for the Women’s retreat on Saturday March 23rd at the KC Hall or here, depending on the numbers.
E. Discussed possible soup nights during Wednesdays in Lent again. Fr. Chuck will let us know.
F. Tax letters for end of year contributions will be going out shortly. There will be a note on all letters of parishioners who have tithed $0 for the past year, asking if they are still wanting to remain members of the parish. If not, we can remove them and not spend money on postage, envelopes, etc.
G. Stewardship Committee will be holding a stewardship fair after Masses for parishioners to learn more and be able to sign up for different committees or ministries.

**H. Next Meeting Monday February 4th at 6:30 pm- Have items for discussion to Jill by Monday January 28th.**