“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”
Matthew 17:5

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

Website: www.stanthony.com

Phone: 217-347-7129

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 764

Physical Address:
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High School Office:
304 E Roadway Ave
342-6969
Greg Fearday, Principal

Grade School Office:
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347-0419
Matthew Sturgeon, Principal

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

Liturgies Schedule:
Sunday, March 12, 2017
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: Vigil - 5:30 pm, Day - 8:30 am and 12:10 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday: 3:30 pm until all are heard
Weekdays: 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

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.
Padre’s point of view . . .

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

This prayer is directed to Jesus Christ. It connects the Old Testament sacrifice of the lamb at Passover with Jesus who passes over from death to New Life. We request that He take away our sins, have mercy on us, and bring us peace. Peace comes when we follow God’s will. Peace is the gift Christ gives us when we listen to His voice, and like a lamb follow Him to new Life.

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.

St. Anthony Schools are currently seeking applications for the following positions:

- 3rd Grade Teacher
- Junior High Religion/Theology Teacher
- High School Theology Teacher
- High School Assistant Girls Basketball (2 positions)
- Varsity Cheer Coach
- Junior High Cheer Coach
- Junior High 7th Grade Girls Basketball
- Junior High 6th Grade Boys Basketball

For a description of the teaching positions and for information on how to apply, visit www.stanthony.com/church/about/employment.

Pray for Vocations

Attention . . . In the event of a death, accident or other life emergency, while offices are closed, please contact (217) 703-1042.

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, Steve Bierman, Brenda Braunecker, Betty A. Brown, Ruth Bushue, Drew Conder, Lisa Crosson, Doris Dasenbrock, Dale Fitzpatrick, John Gapsis, Carol Gapsis, Katie Guffey, Dustin Harpe, Charles Harris, Francis Herboth, Jeaneane Jenne, Mark Jirak, Ingrid Kay, Elisabeth Koester, Kenneth Koester, Tyler Koester, Katie Kroeger, Rosemary Koste, Craig Lindvahl, Mrs. Don McDevitt, Penny Meyer, Geraldine Miller, Dan O’Connor, Kenneth Polarek, Michael Poterucha, Jill Quandt, Carole Ray, Marcia Reroxat, Joan Valenti, Allen Wente, Sr. Jeanette Willenborg, Ted Willenborg, Cheryl Woodard, Jerry Worman.

St. Anthony Board of Education Openings
Are you interested in becoming a member of the St. Anthony Board of Education? Please stop by the parish office and pick up an informational packet or contact Carrie Koenig at ckoenig@stanthony.com for an electronic copy. Applications are due back to the parish office by March 31. To be eligible for the position, a person must be 18 years of age, a registered member of St. Anthony Parish, and cannot be a paid full time employee, parent, sibling, or child of any paid full time employee of any diocesan parish program. Interested applicants are welcome to attend the March 15 Board of Education meeting in the grade school conference room at 6:35 pm. Candidates should make plans to attend the April 19 Board of Education meeting for interviews.

Lenten Regulations

1. ABSTINENCE – Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. FAST – Everyone 18 years of age and under 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.

St. Anthony Church Mass Times
Monday - Friday 6:30 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 9:15 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

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

There will be NO MASSES on Wednesday, March 15th.
Our priests will be at their Spring Gathering.

COOK FOR PRIESTS - We are in search of a part-time cook for our Effingham/Shumway pastor and parochial vicars. This person will cook 3 evening meals a week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at the St. Anthony Rectory. Average of 8-10 hours per week. Please contact the St. Anthony Parish Office to fill out an application.
### Mass Intentions

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### Calendar of Events

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| Sun 3/12 | 10:06 am Radio Mass on AM 1090 or FM 100.5  
10:00am - 11:00am - Scrip Store Open |
| Mon 3/13 | No Event                                                                 |
| Tue 3/14 | 9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open  
6:15pm - Grief Support - Parish Center |
| Wed 3/15 | No 6:30am or 8:30am Masses  
6:00pm - Men’s Choir Practice  
7:00pm - Adult Choir Practice |
| Thurs 3/16 | 9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open  
Noon Bible Study with Fr. Chris |
| Fri 3/17 | 6:15am - SonRise Men’s Group  
9:00am - 1:00pm - Scrip Store Open  
7:00pm - Stations of the Cross |
| Sat 3/18 | 9:00am - 11:00am - Scrip Store Open |

### Stations of the Cross

During this season of Lent there are several opportunities to attend the Stations of the Cross.
- Every Friday at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart
- Every Friday at 7:00pm at St. Anthony
- Shadow Stations on April 7th @ 6:30pm at St. Mary’s, Shumway

### Pre-Cana Workshops

**St. Mary of the Assumption, Sainte Marie**
March 18, 2017. Call 618-455-3155 to register.

Or you can go to dio.org/familylife/Marriage-preparation.html to find other area dates.

### Protecting God's Children Workshop

**St. Francis, Teutopolis**
Monday, March 27 at 6:30pm
Call 857-6404 to register

**St. Anthony of Padua, Effingham**
Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00pm
Call 347-7129 to register

### 5th Annual St. Anthony Treasure Sale

Is Friday, April 7th & Saturday, April 8th. Please take a minute to think of what your donations will be for this year’s Treasure Sale. Our advertising is most effective when we know in advance of larger items: furniture, antiques, collectibles, or any special items that should be included in advance advertising. Please call or text, as soon as possible, to tell us of such specific items. For questions call Alice Conlin @ 343-8372 or Pat Brunleve @ 821-7129. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

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### Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life

Will be held at Sacred Heart in Lillyville on **Monday March 20th**. Praying the scriptural rosary will begin at 6:00 pm followed by a 6:30 pm Mass. The 7:30 pm business meeting will be in the parish center. Everyone is urged to join us in prayer for respect of all life, born and unborn.

### Natural Family Planning Class

**2017 Sessions:**
March 18th 10:00-11:30am at St. Francis, Teutopolis
April 29th 9:30-11:00am at St. Anthony, Effingham
May 13th 9:00-10:30am at St. Isidore, Bishop Creek
June 9th 6:30-8:00pm at St. Francis, Teutopolis
July 28th 7:00-8:30pm at St. Anthony, Effingham

Call Kate Pruemer at 821-1840 to register.

### Quilters

The CCW ladies are going to be quilting in the Parish Center the month of March, after the 8:30am Mass. Anyone who is interested is welcome to join. Come and stay as long as you wish.

### Easter Decorations

Donations are being accepted for Easter decorations for our church. Donations can be placed in the basket or mailed to: St. Anthony Church, PO Box 764, Effingham, IL 62401.

### Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number at 217-321-1155 or Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE.
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## Church Cleaning for March

Cleaning is done Saturday morning from 8:30-9:30. If you are unable to clean, please call a replacement.

Jake & Krista Niebrugge
Ken & Diana Niebrugge
Kevin & Misty Niebrugge
Margie Niebrugge
Mark & Amy Niebrugge
Michael & Toni Niebrugge
Nick & Amber Niebrugge
James & Donna Niemann
Carl Niemerg
Chandra Niemerg
Janice Niemerg
Nick & Carissa Niemerg
Tony Niemerg
Mike & Mindy Nosbisch
Phil Nosbisch
Brad & Nicki Nuxoll

## Radio Mass

Recorder for the month of March: Mary Koester

## Liturgical Ministers for March 18/19

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## Pro-Life Corner

Adoption plays an important role in the pro-life movement. Please join us as we invoke the intercession of St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, and pray for all involved with adoption. The novena goes from March 12-20, ending on the day we observe the Solemnity of St. Joseph. For a link to the novena, go to www.stanthony.com and scroll down to “News and Announcements.”

Please join us for our next Pro-Life Group meeting. We’ll continue our discussion of euthanasia, watch a documentary, and discuss what we can do to prepare for the upcoming introduction of this legislation in Illinois.

**Date:** Tuesday, March 14  **Time:** 6:30 – 8 pm  **Location:** Effingham KC Hall

All are invited. Questions? Please contact Valerie at 868-9406 or Jami at 690-3622.

## AN INVITATION TO OUR PARISHIONERS

**Spring Gala**

Saturday, April 8, 2017 – Keller Convention Center

Enjoy a social evening of dinner, celebration, and fun, featuring, your 2016 Hall of Fame Inductions. Don’t miss this opportunity to celebrate St. Anthony’s rich history.

Come join your parish community in an evening of fellowship.

For more information visit our website at: StAnthony.com/Hall-of-Fame
De Colores Spring Weekends

Our hope is not in the new year...but in the One who makes all things new. The old is gone, the new is here, make a De Colores Weekend!

The Men’s Weekend, March 23rd.- 26th Lay Leader Eric Koester 217-273-4071; ericfkoester@gmail.com; Spiritual Director - Fr. Ron Hilt

The Women’s Weekend, March 30th - April 2nd. Lay leader, Shelia Greuel, 217-725-6081; smgreuel@gmail.com ; Spiritual Director - Fr. John Titus

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 Sur at 217-342-2003.

Cemetery Decorations

The Cemetery Board would like to ask that if you have special flowers or decorations you want to keep, please take them home now. We are preparing for spring mowing and clean up. We will start to remove grave blankets and other decorations the week of March 13th. Thanks in advance for your help.

Sacred Heart Parish, Effingham Fish Fries

Friday, March 17, serving from 4:30 - 7:30pm, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Menu includes: Fish, Mac & Cheese or Baked Potato, Slaw or Applesauce, Chips, Drink, and Dessert. Carry-outs available. Price: Adults $7.00 & Children $3.00.

Sacred Heart, Effingham No Fish-Fish Fry

Friday, March 31, serving from 4:30 - 7:30pm, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center, Effingham. Come and enjoy cheese pizza and meatless pasta, salad, and breadsticks (prepared by Joe's Pizza) and desserts. Price: Adults $6.00 & Children $4.00. Proceeds to benefit the 2018 Space Camp Trip.

Band & Choir Solo & Ensemble Recital

The Band and Choir students invite you to come hear the pieces they will be performing for IHSA and IESA Solo & Ensemble Contests. They will be having a recital on Sunday, March 12 at 1pm in the High School MPR. Admission is free and all are invited. Hope to see you there!

Wine Tasting event

will be held on Saturday March 25th @Holy Cross Parish Center, Wendelin, Illinois. Doors open @6pm and will remain open until 10:30pm. NO ONE under the age of 21 will be admitted. Admission is $10.00 per person, and you will receive complimentary wine glass, tasting and appetizers. Domestic beer will be available for purchase. We will have 5 local wineries available to sample and/or to purchase their wines. Live music will be provided throughout the evening. Then @8pm, we will have the $15,000.00 cash raffle drawing. You need not be present to win the raffle. Tickets are $100.00 each and only 375 tickets will be sold. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, you can contact the parish office Monday thru Thursday 8:30 until 12pm @618-752-5671, or Tony/Missy Buerster @618-752-3261; Kelly/Sherry Geier @618-752-2961; Dennis/Diane Herdes @618-723-2506. If less that 200 tickets are sold, then the amount will be prorated. You can visit our parish website www.holycrosswendelin.com.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus will be doing a FISH FRY on April 7 from 4:30 to 7:30pm. The funds for this are earmarked for PRO-LIFE so please join us. The menu includes beer battered cod, fries, grilled cheese, slaw, drink. Prices range from $8 for adults to $3 for kids.
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<td>Technology</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
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### Sunday Collection from Feb 27-Mar 5

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<td>Loose &amp; Children’s</td>
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### Effingham County Right to Life Rummage Sale
March 16 from 7:00am to 5:00pm  
March 17 from 7:00am to 2:30pm  
$3.00 Bag day all day Friday  
Effingham Knights of Columbus Building  
Items accepted on March 15th from 6am to 5pm  
No TVs, Computers or printers accepted

### Spring tennis and volleyball
Being offered for boys and girls, ages 5 years and older. It is great fun for both beginners and more advanced tennis players and beginner volleyball players. Practices are Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, from 4:00pm-7:00pm, at Evergreen tennis courts behind the pool and begin Monday, March 13, and will continue for 8 weeks. Students will be broken up by age and ability even within each hour for more fun and better instruction. Any questions, please contact Alan Kowalke at 347-2692 or send an email to kowalkefamily4@gmail.com.  
This is not a school sanctioned event.

### Family Life Center Annual Fundraising Musical Event
Presents Broadway for Life - “Life to Share”  
March 11, 2017 at the Carriage House Event Center, Altamont, IL.  
For ticket reservations call 217-342-5433.  
Dinner tickets are $25 each.  
Doors open at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:00pm, Show at 7:00pm.

### St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund Update
As of Friday, March 3, 2017
74 Fr. Chris’ $1,000 Challenge  
224 Family Gifts  
$247,661 Total Pledges  
$244,328 Total Cash Gifts Received  
$225,000 Annual Fund Goal for 2016/2017  
Thank you to everyone who has Made a Difference in St. Anthony Schools!

### St. Thomas School, Newton Fundraiser
St Thomas School in Newton, IL will be hosting a fundraiser where all the proceeds go to the St Thomas School Music Program. The event will be held Saturday March 18, 2017.  
Doors open at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:00pm, Show at 7:00pm.
ADULT FLASHLIGHT
EASTER EGG HUNT

Effingham Event Center
(Effingham Knights of Columbus Hall)
Pro-Life Fundraiser

Saturday, March 25, 2017

Doors open at 6:00 PM – Registration ends at 7:00 PM
Egg Hunt begins at 8:00 PM

Cash bar available. Heavy hors d’oeuvres provided

Tickets: $20.00 Advance $25.00 at the Door
Must be 21 years old

Grand Prize: $1000 toward the vacation destination
of your choice or $900 cash
2nd Prize: Wide screen TV or $400 cash
3rd Prize: $200 in Script cards
Many additional prizes awarded.
50/50 drawing

Tickets Available at:
Effingham Event Center (K of C Lounge)
Baseball Card Connection
St. Francis Animal Hospital of Effingham County, LLC
Joe’s Pizza and Pasta
Sacred Heart Parish Office
St. Anthony Parish Office
W.S. Broom & Co. Furniture

IN CASE OF RAIN, BRING AN UMBRELLA.
DON’T FORGET YOUR FLASHLIGHT!
The Period of Purification or Illumination

The Period of Purification corresponds to the time known in the Catholic Church as Lent, the six-weeks of preparation for Easter:

This period becomes a prayerful time for catechumens and candidates, who are now known as the Elect, as they prepare for the moment of welcome as full members and are established as such by the Sacraments of Initiation.

This period is begun by the Rite of election, usually celebrated at the Cathedral Church with the Diocesan Bishop; by this rite they are accepted as candidates for the Sacraments by the Bishop, representing the fact that this decision is not theirs alone. Normally this rite takes place on the first Sunday of Lent.

Throughout Lent, special prayers are offered at the Sunday Eucharist for the catechumens and candidates; they are called scrutiny's; these prayers for strengthening in grace and virtue and for purification from all past evil and from any bonds which hinder them from experiencing the love of God. Throughout this period, the Elect are invited to join with the whole Church in a deeper practice of works of charity and in the practice of fasting.

During this period, the common reflection on the Scriptures continues; the readings of Lent were chosen with the themes of continuing conversion in mind. Toward the end of the period, the Church continues the custom of "handing over" to the Elect the Creed (the summary of our faith) and the Lord's Prayer (which represents its practice of continuing prayer after the command of Jesus who taught us to pray).
Few parts of the Bible are as famous as the Sermon on the Mount. It includes the Lord’s Prayer, the Golden Rule... But did you know: it also includes a story? It is a story that is brought to life in this spellbinding performance...

Monday, March 27, 2017 @ 7:00pm
St. Anthony Catholic Church
101 E. Virginia – Effingham, IL

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 @ 7:00pm
St. Mary’s – Shumway, IL

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TV star
FRANK RUNYEON
in

Afraid!
The Gospel of Mark

Sunday, March 26, 2017 @ 7:00 PM
St. Anthony Catholic Church
101 E. Virginia – Effingham, IL

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 @ 7:00pm
St. Mary’s – Shumway, IL

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