Padre’s point of view . . .

After the great Amen, we pray the prayer that Christ gave us. This prayer is different in the Gospels of St. Luke and St. Matthew. Luke has 5 petitions and Matthew has 7. You can find the Lord’s Prayer at Luke 11:2-4 and Matthew 6:9-13.

Which do we pray at church? Is it the short one or the longer one? Look it up or wait till next week and find the answer here.

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.

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Advent Penance Services
St Anthony will host a Communal Penance Service on December 18th at 3:00pm in the Church.

The Parish Office will be closed the following days:
- Friday, December 23rd & Monday, December 26th
- Friday, December 30th & Monday, January 2nd
In observance of Christmas and New Years.

Christmas Mass Schedule
- **St. Anthony Church**
  - Christmas Eve: 4:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. & Midnight
  - Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. (Incense free)
- **Sacred Heart Church**
  - Christmas Eve: 4:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Incense free) & Midnight
  - Christmas Day: 9:30 a.m., 5:00pm (Spanish Mass)
- **Shumway Church**
  - Christmas Eve: 5:30 p.m., & Midnight (Latin Mass)
  - Christmas Day: 8:30 a.m.

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Pray for Vocations

Attention . . . In the event of a death, accident or other life emergencies, 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, Dan L. Feldhake, John Gapsis, Carol Gapsis, Katie Guffey, Jack Guthrie, Francis Herboth, Jeanene Jenne, Mark Jirak, Ingrid Kay, Dennis Koester, Elisabeth Koester, Katie Kroeger, Craig Lindvahl, Mrs. Don McDevitt, Penny Meyer, Geraldine Miller, Dan O’Connor, Kenneth Polarek, Michael Potterucha, Jill Quandt, Carol Utz, Joan Valenti, Connie Vonderheide, Allen Wente, Ted Willenborg, Cheryl Woodard, Jerry Worman.

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Extended Holiday SCRIP Store hours
in the Parish Center
Monday thru Friday - 9am to 1pm
Saturday - 9am to 11am
Sunday - 10am to 11am

The LAST DAY to BUY SCRIP CARDS for Christmas will be December 22nd!
The LAST DAY to place SPECIAL ORDERS will be December 15th to be here in time for Christmas!
Thank You for Supporting St. Anthony Schools!

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St. Anthony of Padua Hall of Fame
committee will be accepting nominations for this year’s 2016 class of inductees. The selection criteria & nomination application is accessible at stanthony.com/church/about/hall-of-fame. The deadline for submission of applications is December 31, 2016.

There are four categories for nominations:
- Alumni of St. Anthony School
- Former Faculty, Staff, or Coach of St. Anthony
- Friends of St. Anthony
- Athlete or Team of St. Anthony

The Inductees will be announced at the end of January with a dinner and celebration on Saturday, April 8th at the Keller Convention Center.

Last year’s inductees to the St. Anthony of Padua Hall of Fame were Jane Kabbes (’57), Fr. Leo Enlow, Mike & Laurie Yager, and Michael Imburgia (’04)

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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 8:30a.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.
**Calendar of Events**

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**Grief Support Meetings**

will be held every Tuesday evening at 6:15pm in the St Anthony Parish Center.

**New Year’s Mass Schedule**

- **St. Anthony Church**
  - New Year’s Eve: 4:30 p.m.
  - New Year’s Day: 7:30am, 9:15am, 11:00am

- **Sacred Heart Church**
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- **Shumway Church**
  - New Year’s Eve: 5:30 p.m.      New Year’s Day: 8:30 a.m.

**A Special Christmas Gift**

St. Anthony Church will be accepting donations for the Christmas Season decorations. If you would like to make a donation towards the decorations, please place it in an envelope marked “Christmas Decorations”: and mail it to PO Box 764 Effingham IL 62401 or place in the collection basket. Please include how you would like your donation listed in the bulletin.

**JH Girls Track Coach Position**

The JH girls track position that has been open since June remains open. We would like the team to continue. All capable and interested individuals, please contact Athletic Director Kevin Palmer email: kpalmer@stanthony.com

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**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, December 19:**
- 6:30 a.m. Mass: Albert & Celeste Willenborg Family
- 8:30 a.m. Mass: Tom Nacke

**Tuesday, December 20:**
- 6:30 a.m. Mass: Kim Bushue
- 8:30 a.m. Mass: Effingham CD of A

**Wednesday, December 21:**
- 6:30 a.m. Mass: Marcella D Niebrugge
- 8:30 a.m. Mass: Paul Krueger Family; Vansaghi and Vloss Families; Ruben Bushue; Al & Martha Having; Joe & Clara Cornell; Kathryn Yakley

**Thursday, December 22:**
- 6:30 a.m. Mass: Deb Hutchison
- 8:30 a.m. Mass: Johnny & Mary Lou Schaefer Family

**Friday, December 23:**
- 6:30 a.m. Mass: Kenny Koenig; Bert Haarmann Family; Clara Cornell Anniversary
- 8:30 a.m. Mass: Clarence & Marie Dust

**Saturday, December 24:**
- 4:30 p.m. Mass: For the Deceased Parishioners of St. Anthony Parish in 2016
- 7:00 p.m. Mass: For the Deceased Parishioners of St. Anthony Parish in 2016
- Midnight Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

**Sunday, December 25:**
- 8:00 a.m. Mass: For the Deceased Parishioners of St. Anthony Parish in 2016
- 10:00 a.m. Mass: For the Deceased Parishioners of St. Anthony Parish in 2016

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**Baptism Class** - Parents are required to attend Baptism Class before their child is baptized. The next class will be held at Sacred Heart, **January 19th at 6:00 pm**. To register call Darlene at 347-7177.

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**Pro-Life Corner**

One unique way to observe Advent is to use the time, among other preparations, to ponder the maternity of the Blessed Mother and the value of life from its earliest beginnings in the womb. Doing this, we will remember anew that while there was only one Savior of the world in the Divine Christ Child, who was both God and man, every person is a gift. Every life has potential and God does not make mistakes – every child is wanted and loved by Him, even if rejected by his own mother and father. (Excerpt from www.integratedcatholiclife.org, 12/10/11)

**Wedding Banns**

*April Wenthe/Alex Ritz*  
December 31, 2016 (II)

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  - New Year’s Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30am, 5:30pm, 7:00pm (Spanish Mass)

**Proposal**

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**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 and 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.

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Church Cleaning for December
Cleaning is done Saturday morning from 8:30-9:30. If you are unable to clean, please call a replacement.
Cheryl McLeod          James & Rebecca McLeod
Melinda McMahan        Scott & Barbara McMahan
John & Carol McNeely   Kelly & Erica McNeely
Sara McWhorter         Lynn Meek
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Weekday Mass Servers
Mon., Dec 19 6:30am Steve Bierman
           8:30am Caroline Deters & Jacy Boatman
Tues., Dec 20 6:30am Connor Roepke&Maggie Broeker-Wright
           8:30am Grade School
Wed., Dec 21 6:30am Allison Repking & Sophie Seagle
           8:30am Jessica Wilson & Rachael Kemme
Thurs., Dec 22 6:30am Claire & Bridget Sudkamp
           8:30am Grade School
Fri., Dec 23 6:30am Anna Zaccari & Abby Thoele
           8:30am Charlie Wegman & Evitt Nashed

Effingham Ministerial Association is sponsoring the annual Christmas Day Dinner at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, on December 25, at 11:30am. To volunteer your time to help, call 347-5569. If you can help financially, please make checks payable to the Effingham Ministerial Association and send it to the treasurer, Roger Marshall, c/o First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 306, Effingham, IL 62401. This is a free dinner and open to all. If you would like to come to the dinner or volunteer, please call the Senior Citizen Center at 347-5569 to make your reservations by Dec. 22. Please let them know if you will need a ride.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.” Let us learn to accept each other and Christ in our marriages by participating in a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend on February 3 – 5, 2017. To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.

Effingham K of C News . . .
Adult Christmas party will be Sunday, Dec. 18, with doors opening at noon. The social hour will be from noon to 1:00pm with the meal being served at 1:00pm. Live music starts at 2:00pm and will play until at least 4:00pm. There will also be 50/50 and door prize drawings throughout the afternoon. We will again have the “Keep Christ in Christmas” posters on display.

My Parish App
We have updated your app with the Advent background and an Advent button. If you do not see the change when you open the App, you may need to refresh your phone.
1. Tap on the 3 horizontal bars at the top left of the app
2. Tap 'change parish'
3. Tap the name of your parish when it appears in the list.

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Effingham Area Catholic Youth Group New

The Effingham area Catholic Youth Group will be visiting the area nursing homes and caroling this Sunday. If you are a high school age youth, join us on December 18th. We will depart from Sacred Heart Church at 6:30pm and return at 8:30pm. If interested in joining us, contact Katalyn Miller, at kmiller@stanthony.com. Permission form required to attend. The EACYG will be on holiday break until January 8th.

March for Life - Washington, D.C. The St. Anthony High School students will be traveling to Washington, D.C. for the annual March for Life. There are open seats available, if anyone would be interested in attending. The cost for the trip is approx. $150. We are also having a "sponsor a seat" opportunity for parishioners who want to support the March but are unable to attend the trip. If interested in riding the bus or sponsoring a seat contact Katalyn Miller at kmiller@stanthony.com. A brief itinerary listed below.

January 26th: 4:00pm -- Board a Bales Bus at SAHS parking lot
January 27th: 6:30am -- Arrive in D.C. for the youth rally
January 28th: Return to Effingham

Theology on Tap is a social young adult group that is open to the public between the ages of 21-40. We discuss faith based topics and how our faith intertwines with our everyday lives and current events! We meet every third Thursday at 7pm @ Village Wine and Gifts located at: 109 S Banker St, Effingham, IL 62401. Contact Katalyn Miller at kmiller@stanthony.com for more information.

Retrouvaille YOU Can Help Your Marriage – 25% of surveyed couples say they are “Happily Married”. For everyone else there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with each other? Are you constantly fighting? Or so you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next Program begins the weekend of FEBRUARY 3, 2017.

De Colores Fall Weekend’s

Seek Jesus this season. Respond to his call on your life. Make a DeColores Weekend!

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

The Women’s Weekend, March 30th - April 2nd. Lay leader, Shiela 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.

Addresses for the Religious

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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.
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### Sunday Collection from Dec 5 - 11

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### Year End Contributions

To ensure your contributions are included in the year intended, 2016 contributions must be dated and post marked in 2016. If you hand deliver your year-end contributions, it must be dated 2016 and received by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

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 23-26, 2016 and Dec. 30-Jan 2, 2017.

**Trivia/ Live Auction** - **St. Michael’s Church and School** is hosting a Trivia and Live Auction on Saturday, January 14th, 2017 at the Four Parish Center in Sigel. The doors open at 6:00 p.m. and trivia will start at 6:30 p.m. Items will be auctioned off throughout the night. To see auction items please go our Facebook page Sigel St. Michael’s Trivia Night and Live Auction. There will also be a 50/50 drawings and heads and tails games throughout the night. Food and drink will be available for purchase. All participants must be 21 years old to attend. The cost per team is $160.00 and can have up to 8 team members. To sign up your team call Betty Zumbahlen at 821-7653. Proceeds of the night go to help cover cost of the church and school Sesquicentennial coming in the fall of 2017.

**Sigel St. Michael** is hosting its annual New Year’s Eve Cash Bash at the Four Parish Center/Gym on December 31st. Tickets are $100 per couple which includes your meal, drinks, and a chance to win a $2000 grand prize! You must be 21 years old to attend. Doors open at 6:30pm with dinner at 7:00 pm followed by gambling and dancing. It is sure to be a great time! Get your tickets at St. Michael’s School, Sigel Community Bank, or contact us on Facebook.

**HSHS St. Anthony’s Foundation** is hosting a **“Glowinga”** on Saturday, January 14, at the Keller Convention Center. Pre-sale tickets are $25 per person. Tickets are limited, so please contact 217-994-3158 or glowinga2017@hshs.org to get your tickets now.

**HSHS Hospice Southern Illinois** need volunteers in the areas of home care, clerical, bereavement, and spiritual care to help them in their mission. Complete training to become a hospice volunteer is available free of charge. For more information, call 347-1777. Consider being a volunteer!