

March 4, 2018






To keep us all informed of the great things happening at Sacred Heart Parish, we provide a monthly bulletin insert with details regarding church and school news, updates on current projects and events, recaps of meetings, and much more. These "great things" will also be posted to www.sheff.org.



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LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES AS WE WALK WITH JESUS THESE 40 DAYS

During your Lenten journey, please plan to join us for these parish events! Invite a friend or family member to join you – what a great opportunity for all of us to share faith and fellowship!

-  **Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday during Lent at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart Church. Note: Good Friday Stations of the Cross will be held at 12:10pm.**
-  **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place March 5 (and every first Monday of the month) at 7:00pm in Church.**
-  **Sacred Heart Parish Retreat "Be A Disciple from Womb to Tomb" will be held on March 12-14 at 6:30pm each evening in Church. Spiritual reflection will be lead by Fr. Chuck Edwards, who is the Director of Stewardship and Discipleship for the Diocese of Springfield and pastor of St. Anthony Parish.** We'll kickoff our retreat at 5:00pm on Monday, March 12, with a Soup Social in the Sacred Heart Parish Center! Join us for homemade soups, bread/crackers, to "Fill Your Stomach, Feed Your Soul." At 6:30pm, we'll gather at Church to hear Fr. Chuck. As part of Tuesday's retreat, guests will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. And, at the conclusion of our retreat on Wednesday, March 14, we will celebrate a 6:30pm Mass.
-  **Join us on Friday, March 9, for the Space Camp-hosted "No Fish, Fish Fry" in the Sacred Heart Parish Center.** Serving from 4:30pm to 7:30pm with a menu that includes Cheese Pizza or Meatless Pasta, Salad, Breadstick, Drink, and Dessert. Carry-outs available! Adults: \$6.00 & Children \$4.00
-  **The Living Stations of the Cross will be presented by the Sacred Heart School 7th grade students on Wednesday, March 28, at 1:30pm in Church.** Please join us for this beautiful and moving reenactment of Jesus' last day on Earth.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BASH IS MARCH 17 ~ COME CELEBRATE!

We're excited to host a St. Patrick's Day Bash as part of our 125th anniversary celebration, and we hope you'll join us! Tickets are sold after all weekend Masses and at the Church and School offices. The event is open to the public, so please invite your family and friends.

Tickets are just \$18.92 per person, in honor of our founding year! Ticket price includes heavy hors 'doeuvres, green beer, music by Firebox, and dessert. All ticket holders will receive a free party gift! *Cash bar will be available.*

Casual attire suggested and green attire encouraged! No additional fundraisers or raffles will be held - just come and enjoy a slew of fun!

Contact Christy at 347.7177 if you have questions or need more info.

St. Patrick's Day BASH

Saturday, March 17
Sacred Heart School Gymnasium

407 S. Henrietta Street, Effingham

- 5pm Doors Open with Green Beer & Light Hors D'oeuvres Served
- 6pm Heavy Hors D'oeuvres Served
- 7pm Irish Blessing & Bash Kick-Off
- 7-10pm Music by FIREBOX - Bluegrass with a Scottish/Irish Flair!



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Leave your 'nickels & dimes' at home!
No raffles nor fundraisers - Just a slew of fun!
Cash bar will be available.



SACRED HEART SCHOOL SPORTS TEAMS CELEBRATE SUCCESSES

Sacred Heart School's 8th grade volleyball team recently took 2nd place in the NTC tournament held in Windsor. Congratulations ladies! We wish them good luck in their upcoming regional play in West Salem. The team is seated #2, and hopes to advance to sectional play!



Congratulations to the Sacred Heart School 5th grade boys basketball team for taking 1st place in their recent 5th grade Shamrock tourney!



And congratulations also goes to the 6th grade team for taking 2nd place in the 6th grade bracket of that same tournament!

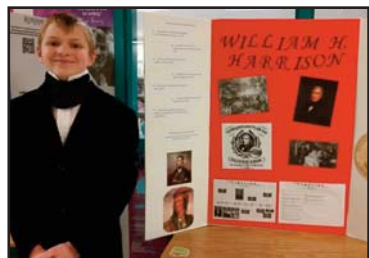


These boys have done a tremendous job of growing and learning this season, and their skills have improved greatly!

SHS STUDENTS' ARTWORK SELECTED FOR ART GUILD EXHIBIT

The annual Effingham Art Guild Children's Art Show will be held March 15-18 at the Suzette Brumleve Public Library. Over 50 pieces of art work from Sacred Heart School 4-8 grade students were selected for the exhibit! We invite you to visit the library and see the wonderful work our students have created. The times for the exhibit are: Thursday, March 15, from 12pm-8pm; Friday, March 16, from 9am-6pm; and Saturday, March 17, from 9am-3pm. A reception and awards presentation will take place from 2-3pm on March 17. *Way to go Shamrocks!*

FROM STATE PROJECTS TO PRESIDENTS AND FAMOUS PERSONS, SHS STUDENTS PRESENT SCHOOL PROJECTS TO THEIR PEERS AND VISITORS



February was a busy month for the students at Sacred Heart School! In Mrs. Bloemker's 3rd grade class each student researched a person who has accomplished great things in his/her life. They created a PowerPoint with a bottle person, and gave presentations to their peers, their families, and to guests, at our recent Open House. The 4th graders presented their state projects which also included a PowerPoint and 3D state model. And in the 5th grade classroom, students chose a president whom they researched and personified during the Open House. These types of projects – like many others at Sacred Heart School – are a great opportunity to integrate technology and hands-on learning to truly engage students in education!



THANK YOU WOODMEN LIFE!

Special thanks to the Woodmen Life organization (including Doris Verdeyen, Doris Probst, Shari Goldstein, and Vickie Esker) who recently presented a donation to Sacred Heart School! Their group gives back to the Effingham community, and they delivered to us many new playground balls, paper, crayons, glue, and more. We are so grateful to them and to all those who support SHS!

