

A note from Fr. Michal, our pastor . . .

As we celebrate Catechetical Sunday this weekend, I would like to personally thank our teachers, volunteers, and parents for their dedication to our religious education programs.

This week, Sept. 18-21, I will be attending the annual Convocation to gather with fellow priests of our diocese and attend various workshops. Please note there will not be any weekday Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday.

I want to invite you to our Sacred Heart Parish's annual outdoor Harvest Mass and fellowship dinner being held on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 4:00pm. Please join us for the Harvest Mass, which marks the anniversary of our 1997 move to the current Sacred Heart School building. Immediately following the Mass, which will be held on the parking lot in front of the school, we will serve up free hotdogs, chips, cookies, and drinks. Everyone is invited to eat and fellowship. We hold the Mass each year in thanksgiving for God's bountiful harvest of blessings upon our parish.



We're pleased to announce that our pastor, Fr. Michal Rosa, has been named one of the "Top 20 Under 40" recipients by the Effingham Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Effingham Daily News! Fr. Michal is being recognized for his contributions to our Catholic parishes and schools, but also to the Effingham community. We all feel the joy that Fr. Michal brings to us here at Sacred Heart Parish, and we're excited for him to accept his award on Tuesday, September 26, at the Keller Convention Center.

We congratulate Fr. Michal as well as Jami Sparks and Luke Schuette, who are Sacred Heart parishioners and school families, and who were also awarded the honor of being named a Top 20 Under 40 in Effingham County. *What a blessing to have these dedicated and generous folks as part of our parish family!*

The Pilgrimage Bus Tour to St. Mary of the Woods, Terre Haute, IN, originally scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 5, has been cancelled.



Monthly Prayer Vigil for Life will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Effingham, on Monday, Sept. 18.

The prayer service will begin at 6:00pm. (*No Mass due to Priest's Convocation*). The 7:00pm business meeting will follow in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. *Please join us in prayer for an end to abortion.*

YOUTH GROUP Youth group meets on Sunday nights from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church.

Contact Katalyn Miller (kmiller@stanthony.com) for more information! Follow on Instagram at "effinghamcatholicy".

Theology on Tap will meet on Thursday, Sept. 21, at 7:00pm, at the Village Wine Shop on Banker St., Effingham.

The group meets every third Thursday. This month's speaker is Fr. Michael Friedel and he will be talking about the Universal Call to Holiness. Contact Katalyn Miller (kmiller@stanthony.com) for more information!



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sin and forgiveness – yet again. Jesus tells a long story responding to Peter's question: how often must I forgive? We know the answer by heart – not seven times but seventy-seven times. The wisdom of the Old Testament offers this help: do not hug sin tight...do not refuse mercy...put enmity aside...do not hate your neighbor... overlook faults. And St. Paul sings a hymn of baptismal belonging to Christ and to each other, a living and dying in the Lord (*Romans 14:7-9*) that underpins forgiveness. It is set to music in this lovely piece by Huub Oosterhuis and Floris van der Putt/Bernard Huijbers – <https://www.ocp.org/en-us/songs/16653>.

Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish

New families

Patricia Kinkelaar
David & Terri Gilbert
Steven & Kathy Schallert



Wedding Banns

(II) Brena Buening & Dylan Kuhns

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, Sept. 18

7:15am: Rich Rieman

Tuesday, Sept. 19

7:15am: NO MASS

Wednesday, Sept. 20

8:30am: NO MASS

Thursday, Sept. 21

7:15am: NO MASS

Friday, Sept. 22

7:15am: Charles & Agnes Bushue

Saturday, Sept. 23

4:00pm (Fr. Michal Rosa): Norma Jean Pulsford

Sunday, September 24

8:30am (Fr. Michal Rosa): For Our Parishioners

10:30am (Fr. Michal Rosa): Richard Burson

5:30pm (Fr. Michal Rosa): Norma Heuerman

7:00pm Spanish Mass (Fr. Paul Habing): For our farmers

Sacred Heart Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:15am
Wednesday: 8:30am

St. Anthony Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:15am, and 11:00am

St. Anthony Weekday Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 6:30am & 8:30am
On the first Saturday of the month: 6:30am

St. Mary's, Shumway Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5:30pm; Sunday: 8:30am

Readings for the Week:

Monday, Sept. 18: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday, Sept. 19: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday, Sept. 20: 1 Tm 3:14-16;
Lk 7:31-35
Thursday, Sept. 21: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13;
Mt 9:9-13
Friday, Sept. 22: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday, Sept. 23: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday, Sept. 24: Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
Mt 20:1-16a

Sacred Heart Parish Sunday School for 3, 4, and 5 year old children will take place in the lower level during the 10:30am Mass beginning Sunday, Sept. 17. Registration forms are available online at www.sheff.org and in the back of church. If you would like to help teach, please call Beth O'Brien Schmidt at 342.6584 or the parish office at 347.7177.



Young Hearts Potluck will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at noon, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Meat is furnished, so bring your favorite side dish and join us.

Baptism Class will be held Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6:00pm, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Call Darlene at 347.7177 to register.

Natural Family Planning Classes

St. Francis Church, Teutopolis

September 23, 2:30-4:00pm

To register or for more info, call Kate Pruemer at 821.1840 or email kpruemer@gmail.com.

St. Isidore Parish has a Pre-Cana on Sunday, November 12, beginning with a 8:00am Mass at St. Aloysius Church. The day will conclude at approximately 4:00pm. Call 925.5788 for more information and to register.

Parish Calendar Events

Monday, Sept. 18

6:00pm: Pro-Life Prayer Service @ Sacred Heart Church with a Pro-Life meeting to follow at the Sacred Heart Parish Center

Tuesday, Sept. 19

12:00pm: Young Hearts Potluck @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Wednesday, Sept. 20

6:00pm: Parish Choir Practice @ Sacred Heart Church

6:30pm: PSR Class @ St. Anthony High School

Thursday, Sept. 21

11:00am: RCIA Class @ St. Anthony Parish Center

6:00pm: Baptism Class @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

7:00pm: RCIA Class @ St. Anthony High School, Room 109

7:00pm: Theology on Tap @ Village Wine & Gifts

Sunday, Sept. 24

6:30pm: Effingham Area Youth Group @ S.H. Lower Level



Join Sacred Heart Music Ministry!

Our Parish Choir meets every Wednesday, at 6:30pm, to practice. There is still time to join ~ we are especially in need of altos and baritones. We also have ensembles and a Resurrection Choir which you are welcome to join. Contact Sr. Rene, Director of Liturgy and Music, with questions or for more information on the Music Ministry here at Sacred Heart. Please call her 347.7177, ext 322, or email at r.simonelic@sheff.org.

Catholicism 101, a "Catholic Boot Camp", will be held at St. Anthony Parish Center, on Sept. 26, at 7:00pm. The topic will be *The Church (Part Two)* and presented by Deacon John Kay on the four marks of the Church, Ecumenism, and the Catholic teaching on who will be saved. No cost, but register at the St. Anthony Parish office or call 347.7129. Everyone welcome.

~ Prayer List ~

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, in the hospital, nursing homes, recovering from surgery and those who are in need:
Amanda McKinney, Kimberly Poe, Barb Sims, Frank Kemo, Jason McFarland, Bryce Beccue, Lillian Nolan, Catherine Began, Lydia Hemrich, Rosie Myers, Caroline Hoene, Barbara Jansen, Brandon Wurl, Mary Ellen Eversman, Debbie Myers, Emily McCabe, Harold Poe, Gertrude Alldredge, Eric Hartke, Katie Kroeger, Cathy Swingler, Nikki (Dust) Szymonik, Mike Ritchie, Jack Richardson, Travis Miller, Tom Pruemer, Greg Schaefer, Mary Edwards, Craig Lindvahl, Cathy Hayes, Fred Amacher, Kevin Ordner, Elizabeth Weidner, Wm. "Bill" Dasenbrock, Dorothy Levitt, Jill Quandt, Lois Emmerich, Gloria Ellis, Sandy McDevitt, Esther & Lou Feldhake, Brian Wirth, Ron Caron, Cheryl Woodard, Carolyn Westendorf, Steve Schniederjan, Shawn Bourland, Rex Easton, Bill Myers, Eva Applegate, Sam Stitz, Philip Wendt, Penny Myers, Alice Watson, Julie Hoffman, Rosanna Schallert, David Geltz, Lisa Crosson, Donna Rentfrow, Rita Tucker, Marcia Rexroat, Elliot Minor, Angie Borrelli, Harper Rose Ellis, Sr. Jeanette Willenborg, Kristen Angel, Don Musser, Judy French, Madonna Bushur, Nate Hille, Fr. Dan Bergbower, Carol Perkins, Fidelity Mette, Leonard "Bud" Klein, Scott Schaefer, Jim "Stump" Overbeck, Becky Ordner

Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women . . .

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, Joyce Quandt was installed as the CCW president for the 2017-18 year with 19 ladies and Fr. Michal present. Discussions and motions were made to assist with changes in the rectory, new tables, gift baskets, and repairing the slaw cutter. A special thank you to Prime Sole for donating racks and benches. Upcoming events are the Deanery Conference in Springfield on Sept. 16 and the upcoming rummage sale on Oct. 6, 7, & 9. Couples married 50 years+ will be recognized with a certificate from the diocese. A presentation was made by Dr. Jerabek about new and healthy alternatives to prescription drugs. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 6:30pm, in the parish center.



Sacred Heart CCW Fall Rummage Sale will be Friday, Oct. 6, from 8:00am to 5:00pm; Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8:00am to 3:00pm; and Monday, Oct. 9, 8:00am to noon (\$3.00 bag day), at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. After fall cleaning or garage sale, please donate your items. You can drop them off at the maintenance building behind school.

St. Anthony CCW would like to invite the ladies of Sacred Heart to a soup supper on Monday, Oct. 16, at 6:00pm, at St. Anthony Parish Center. There will be several kinds of soups and homemade breads as well as an inspirational speaker.

Covenant Network Fall Radiothon will begin on October 2. Please help them reach their goal to keep Catholic radio on the air and sharing the faith. Call 314.752.7000 or 877.305.1234 for more information or to make a donation.



Protecting God's Children Workshop . . .

St. Francis Parish, Teutopolis

Wednesday, Sept. 20 @ 6:30pm

Monday, Oct. 23 @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, Nov. 14 @ 6:30pm

Call 857.6404 to register.

DeColores Fall Weekends

Men's Weekend will be October 12-15

Lay Leaders: Ken Polarek @ 217.342.4218 and

Eric Thompson @ 217.821.7157

Spiritual Director: Fr. Michal Rosa

Women's Weekend will be October 19 - 22

Lay leader: Coleen Gephart @ 217.739.2321 or
cocosn68@yahoo.com

Spiritual Director: Father Michal Rosa

Assistant Spiritual Director: Sister Jane Hotze

For more information, please call Mary Sur at 342.2003.

Pro-Life Information . . .

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass and Rosary Walk - Join Bishop Paprocki in celebrating Mass at Holy Family Parish, Granite City, on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 9:00am. At 10:15am, there will be a rosary walk and prayer vigil at the abortion facility. Lunch will be served after the walk at Holy Family Parish. Guest speaker is Jeannie Sockoch, Pregnancy Resource Center Volunteer. *Join in collectively praying for the end to abortion.*



40 Day Prayer Campaign for Life will be from Sept. 27 to Nov. 5, 2017, in our local churches. Sacred Heart Church will be open on Thursday, Sept. 28, and Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 8:00am to 5:00pm, to pray and for Eucharistic Adoration. We are also asked to help at the Silk Purse in Effingham, on Tuesday, Oct. 17, from 1:00pm-5:00pm. Sign up sheets are in the back of church.

Family Life Center Fundraising Banquet will be held on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7:00pm, at the Keller Convention Center in Effingham. Kristin Hawkins will be the featured speaker. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 342.5433.

Life Chain 2017 will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1. It will begin with a prayer service at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, Effingham, at 1:30pm. The actual life chain will form on Keller Drive and Fayette Ave. from 2:00pm-3:00pm. Signs will be furnished. Refreshments will be served immediately following. Donations of cookies would be greatly appreciated. We ask you to come and join other pro-life Christians to prayerfully and peacefully witness against the killing of preborn children. For additional information, please call or text Karla Slifer at 217.690.5282 or call the parish office 347.7177.

The rosary will be recited before all weekend Masses during the month of October. Please take this opportunity to be early for Mass and pray the rosary with the parish. If you would like to lead the rosary, please let Cindy Goddard know or call the parish office at 347.7177.

Bishop Thomas Paprocki will lead us at the Prayer in the Public Square Rosary Rally as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. The Rosary Rally will be held from 12:00pm to 1:00pm, at the Illinois State Capitol Building in front of the Lincoln statue, Capitol and 2nd streets. If it rains, the event will be held inside the Capitol Rotunda. If you would like to lead one of the prayers, contact Donna B. 217.622.8576.

School News . . .

Each month, Fr. Michal is speaking to the students on virtues. This month, the topic is responsibility.

Student responsibility occurs when students take an active role in their learning by recognizing they are accountable for their academic success. It is demonstrated when students make choices and take actions which lead them toward their educational goals.

Being Responsible Outside of Class

- ♦ Manage your time wisely. Managing your time will significantly help you become a better student.
- ♦ Study for tests and exams ahead of time.
- ♦ Get help if your grades fall behind.
- ♦ Take responsibility for your words and actions.

Sacred Heart School is looking for a cheerleading sponsor. Applications are available in the school office or email Mrs. Wenthe at v.wenthe@sheff.org. The girls cheer at the boys 7th and 8th grade basketball games. Their first game is Oct. 30.

Sacred Heart Booster Club is hosting their first ever Glo-Bingo on Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Effingham Event Center. There is a planning meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 6:00pm, in the school.

School Calendar

Monday, Sept. 18

Baseball Regionals

6:15pm: Girls Basketball @ North Clay

Wednesday, Sept. 20

No 8:30am Mass

6:00pm: Glo-Bingo Meeting @ SHS

Thursday, Sept. 21

K/1 to Apple Orchard

4:00pm: Cross Country @ home

6:15pm: Girl's Basketball vs. Dieterich @ home

Friday, Sept. 22 to Saturday, Sept. 23

Softball State Finals

Saturday, Sept. 23

Baseball Sectionals

4:00pm: Harvest Mass @ Sacred Heart grounds

Sacred Heart Parish has received its annual distribution from the Foundation for the People of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. *This year's distribution total was \$15,728.43.* As per the Diocesan Foundation requirements and the approval of the Sacred Heart Parish Finance Council, the funds will be used for educational purposes at Sacred Heart School.

THANK YOU to all who purchase SCRIP cards through Sacred Heart and at the Baseball Card Connection. Since its inception in November of 2011, the SCRIP program has profited more than \$124,000 for the parish, resulting from total sales of \$2,878,024. *What a blessing this has been to us!*

Most recently, SCRIP funds were used to purchase Chromebooks for the 3rd grade classroom as well as a new rug and bean bag seats for the SHS library. These are just a few of the "extras" that SCRIP has enabled us to purchase.



For those who haven't yet tried the SCRIP program, we invite you to purchase gift cards to use when buying your groceries, gas, clothing, and household items, or for dining out and giving as gifts. You purchase gift cards for the face value of the card, which Sacred Heart purchased for a discount from local merchants, retailers, restaurants, etc. On average Sacred Heart makes 4.5% of the total card sale.



SCRIP cards are sold in the Sacred Heart Church office on Wednesdays from 9:00am-4:30pm and on Fridays from 9:00am-1:00pm. We will continue to sell cards after the Masses on the first weekend of the month. And remember, you can always purchase SCRIP from Baseball Card Connection in downtown Effingham, during their regular business hours. SCRIP order forms can be accessed online at sheff.org under the "Giving" tab.

Thank you again for your support of the program!



Calling all Sacred Heart School alumni! As we look forward to celebrating the 125th anniversary of the parish, we are searching for updated information on SHS alumni. If you are a graduate of Sacred Heart School, please email alumni@sheff.org and provide your name (maiden & married name if applicable), graduation year, current mailing address, phone number, and email address. If you have information regarding other SHS alumni, please provide that information as we plan to contact and invite all SHS alumni to upcoming 125th anniversary events. *Thank you for your help!*

Community Events . . .

Teutopolis American Legion Post 924 Annual Breakfast will be held on Sept. 17, from 7:00am to 11:00am, at the Teutopolis American Legion. Menu is sausage, eggs, pancakes, and drinks. All proceeds will benefit the veterans.

Catholic Charities Spaghetti Lunch, sponsored by Joe's Pizza and Pasta, will be Sunday, Sept. 17, from 10:30am to 2:30pm, at the Effingham Event Center. Dine in, carry out, or drive through available. Cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children. Tickets are available at the door. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities.

Effingham County Family FISH Appreciation Day will be held on Sunday, Sept. 17, at the Evergreen Park (Red Pavilion), between 11:30am and 3:00pm. Free to the Community! Food, Bounce House, Music, Cotton Candy, Snow Cones, Popcorn, and Giveaways.

St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale will be Thursday, Sept. 21, & Friday, Sept. 22, from 8:00am to 6:00pm and Saturday, Sept. 23, from 8:00am to 11:00am, at the St. Thomas Parish Center, Newton.

The Andrew Gobczynski Big Heart Foundation third annual golf outing will be held on Friday, Sept. 22, at the Effingham Country Club, to support heart testing for local student athletics. Golf reservations are \$125 per player or \$500 per team. It includes lunch, 18 holes of golf and a steak dinner. For additional information, please call the pro shop at 347.0424.

Soup & Sandwich Supper Benefit for the family of John Cordes will be held on Friday, Sept. 29, from 5:30pm to 8:00pm, at the Neoga City Building. All money raised will be matched "Dollar for Dollar" up to \$2,500 by Modern Woodmen home office and will be used for medical expenses. There will also be a silent auction and raffle. For more information, call Patty Murray at 273.1971.

Catholic Charities Fall Fun Run will be Saturday, Sept. 30, beginning at 8:00am, at the Teutopolis Community Park. To register or for more information, call 857.1458. Entry fees are:

- ▶ 1 mile run/walk: \$15 (no guarantee of a shirt)
- ▶ 5K run/walk: \$25 (no guarantee of a shirt)

St. Joseph Church, Island Grove, Annual Fall Breakfast and Raffle will be on Sunday, Oct. 1, from 7:00am to noon, at the St. Joseph Parish Center. The menu is whole hog sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs, breads, and drink. Cost: \$7.00 for 11 years and older and \$4.00 for 10 years and under. There will be a country store featuring homemade baked goods and the drawing for the quilt and big raffle will be at noon.

Effingham Knights of Columbus News . . .

Effingham Knights of Columbus Family Picnic will be held on Sept. 24 starting at 11:00am and eating at noon. Bring the family out for games, face painting, bounce house, mule wagon rides, pedal tractor pull, food and drinks. Invite a prospective knight and his family.

The 2017 Bishops Hall of Fame will be held on Saturday, October 28, in Sherman, IL, and Daniel L. Koester of the Effingham Council will be inducted. Our Council has chartered a bus for the trip and any member is welcome to join us for the trip to honor Dan and our past Hall of Fame inductees. The proceeds after expenses are used to help the seminarians in our diocese. We are working out specific details on departure time. Banquet tickets are \$26 each and there is no additional cost to ride the bus. Please contact F.S. Jim Miller at 343.7480 if you will be attending. If no answer, please leave a message and Jim will contact you.

Sigel St. Michael is hosting a three-day celebration for their Sesquicentennial on Sept. 29, 30, and Oct. 1, 2017. Opening Mass will be held on Friday, Sept. 29, at 5:30pm, followed by alumni basketball games at 7:00pm in the gym. Saturday, Sept. 30, enjoy a full day of festivities including wiffle ball, quilt show, children's games, and music by the Feudin Hillbillies on the church grounds and parish center. On Sunday, Oct. 1, there will be a 10:00am outdoor Mass followed by a parish family meal. At 1:00pm, come enjoy Larry DeLawder as Barney Fife followed by a parish comedy hour.

DASK - Divorced and Separated Koinonia, will be held on Oct. 6-8, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center, on Lake Springfield, Springfield, IL. The cost is \$110. The weekend is sponsored by the Springfield Diocese, but is open to anyone of any faith. Some people invite a divorced or separated friend to attend with them. Everyone who volunteers their time on the weekend, are currently or have been divorced or separated, so it is a very safe and understanding environment. Information on Villa Maria is available at <http://villa.dio.org/>. DASK facebook can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/daskkoinonia/>. For more information or to register, contact Karen Marruffo, 217.496.2831. Find a brochure is at www.dio.org/familylife/divorce-recovery.html.

Join us on a once-in-a-lifetime Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land, from Nov 27-Dec 8, 2017. The trip includes visits to Nazareth, Capernaum, Jordan River, Sea of Galilee, Cana, Jerusalem, Bethlehem & more! The trip is under the spiritual direction of Fr. Christopher House. To download the brochure and registration form, visit <http://www.dio.org/missions/mission-trips.html>, or for more information, please contact Vicki Compton at 217.698.8500 or send an email to vcompton@dio.org.

The Financial Corner 2017-2018			
Income	YTD Actuals	YTD Budget	Total Budget
	Jul 1 -Aug 31	Jul 1 -Aug 31	Jul 1 - Jun 30
Offering	\$82,323.00	\$93,620.00	\$551,150.00
Loose	\$15,455.00	\$14,260.00	\$83,950.00
Holy Days	\$1,094.00	\$0.00	\$18,080.00
Other	\$4,751.09	\$2,450.00	\$63,700.00
Tuition & Fees	\$324,054.41	\$288,300.00	\$592,500.00
Fundraisers	\$29,461.32	\$10,000.00	\$195,000.00
Total	\$457,138.82	\$408,630.00	\$1,504,380.00
Expenses	YTD Actuals	YTD Budget	Total Budget
	Jul 1 -Aug 31	Jul 1 -Aug 31	Jul 1 - Jun 30
Salaries & Benefits	\$174,487.71	\$201,214.00	\$1,317,382.00
Utilities	\$9,772.54	\$11,930.00	\$72,280.00
Insurance (P & L)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,000.00
Repairs & Maint.	\$4,805.08	\$7,700.00	\$49,200.00
Supplies	\$22,702.31	\$25,900.00	\$91,350.00
Fundraisers	\$25,917.94	\$10,000.00	\$45,000.00
Other	\$4,140.75	\$4,700.00	\$48,200.00
Total	\$241,826.33	\$261,444.00	\$1,650,412.00
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$215,312.49	\$147,186.00	(\$146,032.00)

Sunday Collection Income	10-Sep-17	Budgeted
Offering (186 Env.)	\$8,474.00	\$10,570.00
Loose	\$1,232.00	\$1,610.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$9,706.00	\$12,180.00
Diocesan and Other Collection		YTD Total
Catholic Times		\$3,520.00
Peter's Pence		\$10.00
Retired Dio-Priest		\$20.00
Mission CO-OP - St. Charles - Scalabrinians		\$3,959.00
Hurricane Harvey		\$6,558.70
FACE program		\$1,815.00
Bolivia Mission		\$1,487.00
Totals		\$17,369.70

Catholic Times has a remaining balance of \$438.50. Please make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church with Catholic Times in the memo line and mark it "Catholic Times" on the envelope.

The 2017-2018 Annual Catholic Services Appeal "ACSA" weekend will begin on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16 & 17. The theme for this year's appeal is "Go Therefore and Make Disciples." Christ calls us to consider our gifts and to return a portion of them to Him through our parish and the larger Church, our diocese. Joining with the other parishes in our diocese, we can all work together to care for the Church by sharing God's gifts through the Annual Catholic Services Appeal.

Fresh flowers are displayed by the tabernacle in memory/honor of a family or special occasion. The schedule for 2017 is full; however, we will continue this in January, 2018. If you would like to donate flowers, contact Vicki Walker at 821.6179. **Thank you to Carol & Tiffany Toney for their donation of flowers this week in memory of Adele Rhodes.**



As we prepare for the restoration of Sacred Heart Church, it's important for all of us to understand the "whys" behind the many details in the church. This is a continuation of the original article written by Michal S. Rose. It was originally published by Envoy Communications, Inc., Steubenville, OH, Issue #3, 2001.

The Crucifix

According to the rubrics of the Mass, a crucifix must be present in the sanctuary. In keeping with Catholic tradition, the crucifix ought to include the corpus of Jesus suffering on the cross. This visible suffering helps us to better connect with Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. A crucifix ought to be placed in the sanctuary either hanging above the altar or behind the altar because what the crucifix represents is intimately connected with the Holy Sacrifice of Mass, which takes place on the altar.

Our annual Family Camp for persons with disabilities (and their families) will be held on Sept. 23/24 in Carlinville, IL. We are very grateful for a \$2,000 gift from the Justice & Hope Grant from the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. This grant helps to cover much of the costs associated with Family Camp, and enables us to teach, play, socialize, and foster the faith of all who attend. A special thank you to Elaine Vonderheide for all her assistance with this camp.

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