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



Congratulations to Stacey Eskew and Michael Osborne who were married on Saturday. Also, please pray for our young adults who celebrate Confirmation this Sunday. As these young adults continue their spiritual journey, may they always remain close to their parish family and be a true witness to the Catholic faith.

Thank you to all who attended the Eucharistic Minister workshop this past week. We had a great turnout of people continuing this ministry and also welcomed nine new Eucharistic Ministers. We invite anyone who was unable to attend the workshop, but would like to become a Eucharistic Minister to contact the parish office. We especially encourage our young adults, 16 years or older, to become involved in the church ministries.



We will host our usher workshop on Monday, April 23, at 7:00pm, at church. I want to review the current procedures that are in place and discuss the important role of ushers. If you have any questions or are unable to attend this workshop, please contact the parish office.

As many of you have noticed that we have “servers in training” who have been wearing only the cassock. On Sunday, May 13, at the 10:30am Mass, I will “vest” each of the new servers and give them a special blessing. They have been faithful about serving, and it my pleasure to have them assist me at the Mass.



This past Tuesday, I met with several volunteers who will help with landscaping. I would like to form a committee to oversee the upkeep of the grounds around the church and the school. This is a big task to plant flowers, pull weeds from around the bushes and also to water the plants throughout the summer. If you have a “green thumb” and would like to help, please call me to volunteer. It is a great family project and we could truly use your help.

Please join us at our Sacred Heart School Open House and Historical Reenactment on Wednesday, May 2, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Registration for next year is in progress and we are currently working on the schedules for the 2018-19 school year. If you would like to learn more about Sacred Heart School, please join us at the open house or call Christy at 347.7177.



Congratulations to our Confirmation students

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

The Sacred Heart Parish Picnic will be June 23 & 24 on Sacred Heart Church grounds

Our next picnic chairpersons meeting will be held in conjunction with our picnic packet 'stuffing party' on Tuesday, May 1, from 5:00-7:00pm, in the lower level of church. Pizza and drinks will be provided. We need all hands on deck to assemble and stuff the picnic packets for our parish members.

Our Picnic Planning Committee includes Carol Toney, Tim Hecht, Carson Tardy, and Jeff Buenker along with many stand chairs and co-chairs. We have several stands who are needing volunteers. If you have not been invited to work at a stand or if you have any questions, please contact Carol at 821.7607 or send her an email at caroltoney52@gmail.com.

The Sacred Heart Picnic "Live Auction" will be held in the same location but will now be on Saturday, June 23, from 6:00-8:00pm!! We have created a "wish list" of items that we'd love to add to our sale bill! You can help us by visiting Amazon.com and purchasing an item that can be shipped directly to Sacred Heart Church for the picnic auction. All purchases are tax-deductible, and we'll provide you with a tax receipt after we receive your donation. Simply search for the Sacred Heart Picnic Auction under the wish lists on Amazon, and you'll find detailed instructions on how to proceed. If you have new or gently used items to donate to the live auction, please call Christy at 347.7177 or drop them off at the parish office.



The newly-added "Wine Pull" at the picnic is in need of your help! If you can make a cash donation to help us purchase the wine for this picnic stand, please drop off your cash/check to the church office or contact Jennifer Brent at 312.802.0045. If you'd like to select the wine yourself, it must be a minimum \$10 value and must be purchased at the Village Wine Shop. They will hold the purchased wine until picnic time. Special thanks to the Bonutti family for sponsoring the Wine Pull and covering our licensing fees!

Race to the Cross will feature a 5K, 10K, and 1-Mile Fun Run beginning at 7:30am, on Saturday, June 23, on the school grounds. To register go to Active.com or pick up a registration form in the back of church. To receive a t-shirt, you must pre-register by June 1.

Sponsors for Race to the Cross t-shirts, along with donations for fruit and bottles of water are needed. \$100 corporate sponsorships will have their company name/logo included on the race t-shirt. Volunteers are also needed for that day, so if you can help or you have any questions, please contact Jamiee Sherrod at 217.690.6149 or jamiee@pinnaclelivestock.com or email Jo Anna Mooney at joannastuff@hotmail.com.



Mark your calendar for these 125th Anniversary events!

Watch the bulletin for additional information on the following events.

May 19, 2018: Mass, 4:00pm, followed by 'Family Night' with free dinner and games for the whole family.

June 8, 2018: Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Day Mass, 6:30pm, with ice cream social following Mass.

June 23/24, 2018: 48th annual Sacred Heart Parish Picnic

August 25, 2018: Mass, 4:00pm, to celebrate all married couples in the Parish. Wine Tasting to follow at the Austin Mansion from 5:00-7:00pm.

September 22, 2018: Harvest Mass, 4:00pm, to close the anniversary celebration.



School Calendar

Monday, April 23

4:00pm: Scholar Bowl NTC Tournament Championship @ Dieterich

Tuesday, April 24

5th Grade to Lincoln Log Cabins & Casey, IL

Wednesday, April 25

8:30am: Gr. 2 & 8 blessing of sacramental items at Mass

4:00pm: Scholar Bowl Regional Tournament @ SHS

Thursday, April 26

Gr. 2-4 go to Decatur Children's Museum

4:30pm: Track @ Cumberland

Friday, April 27

6:30pm: K/1 Reader's Theatre @ SHS gym

Sacred Heart Church Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:30pm,
7:00pm (Misa en Español)

Reconciliation

3:00pm on Saturday
and 30 minutes prior to weekday Masses

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



Wedding Banns

(III) Andrew Becker & Mary Perkins
(II) Leon Hillyer & Theresa Petersen

Baptism Class will be Thursday, May 17, at 6:00pm, at Sacred Heart Parish Center. To register, please call Darlene at 347.7177.



Parish Calendar Events

Monday, April 23

7:00pm: Usher Workshop @ Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday, April 25

11:30am: Restoration Committee

@ Sacred Heart Lower Level

6:00pm: Choir practice @ Sacred Heart Church

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

Sunday, April 29

10:30am: Sunday School @ Sacred Heart Lower Level

Sacred Council of Catholic Women Events

Sacred Heart CCW Annual May Breakfast will be Sunday, May 6, immediately following the 8:30am Mass, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Ladies of the parish and their guests are invited to a breakfast catered by Deb's Catering in Altamont. Christy Harder will be our guest speaker to discuss button creations featuring jewelry and arrangements. *Please join us for wonderful breakfast and fellowship.*



RUMMAGE SALE The annual CCW Spring Rummage Sale will be May 23-25 at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. To volunteer to sort or work at the rummage sale or if you are hosting your own garage sale and would like to donate items, please call Vicki Walker at 821.6179.

Set up times . . .

Monday, May 21, and Tuesday, May 22
from 8:00am to 5:00pm

Sale dates are . . .

Wednesday, May 23, 8:00am to 5:00pm
Thursday, May 24, 8:00am to 5:00pm
Friday, May 25, 8:00am to noon (\$4 Bag Day)

Protecting God's Children Workshops

St. Francis Church, Teutopolis, Museum Dining Room

Sunday, April 29, at 9:30am ~ call 857.6404

St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham

Monday, May 7, at 6:30pm ~ call 347.7129

Readings for the Week:

Monday, April 23: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 24: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 25: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Thursday, April 26: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

Friday, April 27: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, April 28: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday, April 29: Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, April 23

7:15am: Walter Ritchie

Tuesday, April 24

7:15am: Joseph & Zola Klingler

Wednesday, April 25

8:30am: Wilbert Kinkelaar

Thursday, April 26

7:15am: Dr. William Rezabek

2:30pm **Lakeland Nursing Home Mass:**
Anna Marie Wernsing

Friday, April 27

7:15am: Landon Stuckey

Saturday, April 28

4:00pm: Silas Alldredge

Sunday, April 29

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

10:30am (Fr. Michal Rosa): Jill Lewis

3:00pm (Fr. Paul Habing): For Our Deacons

5:30pm (Fr. Michal Rosa): Donald O. Heath

School News

It's hard to believe we are nearing the end of the school year!

Here is a recap of what the SHS students are working on in their respective classrooms:

Preschool students enjoyed "family night" this past week. They were able to perform a few songs for their families and show them the special work they've been doing in class. In religion, the students are learning about different ways to pray and different places where they can pray. They are getting very close to finishing the entire alphabet, and are working to master their handwriting, cutting, and coloring skills!

Kindergarten students are discussing the Holy Spirit and that Mary was the greatest saint! The students took a field trip to the planetarium recently, and had a great time learning more about the solar system. The kindergarten students are eagerly awaiting their caterpillars to become butterflies, and they also celebrated the wedding of Mr. Q and Mrs. U! In math, the students are learning to solve simple word problems. They are practicing for their Reader's Theater next week, and would like to invite the parish to join them on Friday, April 27, at 6:30pm, in the school gym.

Grade 1 students are excited that Jesus has risen and what that means for them and all those who love Him. They have been working on their animal research reports in English. In science, they made greenhouses and are watching bean plants grow! The 1st graders are also practicing their lines and parts for the upcoming Reader's Theater, so please come watch their performance next Friday.

Grade 2 students are full of joy and Jesus, as they received their First Holy Communion last weekend! They (and the SHS 8th graders) are preparing for the May Crowning ceremony on May 1, at 8:30am, in church. The students are learning how to pray the rosary, and learning their multiplication facts as well as adding and subtracting three-digit numbers. They will soon start their first book report posters, and will be sharing those with families who attend the upcoming Open House on Wednesday, May 2, from 5:00-7:00pm. The 2nd grade students are looking forward to going to the Decatur Children's Museum for a field trip next week!

Grade 3 students have started working on double-digit multiplication by one digit, and are also working on division with remainders. In religion, they have learned about the liturgical colors and the liturgical year, and are now focusing on the seven sacraments. The students are reading an awesome book called *Because of Winn Dixie*. In social studies, they are studying immigrants and learning about Ellis Island and the reasons people might move to different countries. The 3rd graders will soon start researching facts about Illinois and creating a Google Presentation.

Grade 4 students are learning the Apostle's Creed, and just finished an awesome story about the famous magician, Harry Houdini. They even performed their own magic tricks in class! They are now reading the classic novel, *The Castle in the Attic*, and will be making their own castles in the coming weeks. In math, the students are learning more about fractions, and now know how to reduce fractions as well as identify equivalent fractions. In English, they are learning about sentences, abbreviations, and titles of work.

Grade 5 students are learning about the Church's liturgical year and the colors associated with each season in the liturgical calendar. They are discussing the importance of respecting all of God's creation. The students recently read the *Ghost Cadet*, a story about a ghost from the Civil War searching for his family's heirloom watch which he lost during a battle. In science, the 5th graders are anxiously awaiting the hatching of their baby chicks, and invite you to visit their classroom during the Open House on May 2! Next week, the students will be taking a field trip to Lincoln Log Cabin near Lerna, Illinois, and will also visit the extra-large attractions in Casey, IL.

Grade 6 students are studying the seven sacraments and rituals of the Church. They'll soon be exploring the Book of Leviticus. In English, they are learning how to read, write, and present persuasive essays. They are also preparing to perform small skits for the upcoming literary contest. In social studies, the sixth graders are eager to continue exploring ancient Greece! And, to go along with their Greek theme and learn even more about mythology, they're reading *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan. The sixth graders are also preparing for their Historical Reenactment as part of the Open House on May 2. Recently, they took a field trip last week to explore Cahokia Mounds, Alton Lock and Dam, and The Lewis and Clark Museum!

Grade 7 students are doing an in-depth study of the Ten Commandments in religion. In literature, they are reading the *Diary of Anne Frank*, a story about a thirteen-year old Jewish girl hiding from the Nazis in Amsterdam. The students are working on the research needed to complete their historical character project which is part of the upcoming Open House on May 2. From Aristotle to Neil Armstrong, there are many fascinating characters they've been studying!

Grade 8 students are anxiously awaiting their special moment of receiving Confirmation this Sunday! Please continue to pray for them. The end of the year is extremely busy for the 8th grade students as they are also preparing for the May Crowning along with graduation. In literature, they are almost finished with reading *And Then There Were None*. It is a story about a group of people who are mysteriously invited to an island and end up having to answer for their past decisions. In science, the students are studying thermal energy, and are conducting experiments to see which material will keep water the warmest for the longest time period. The 8th graders are also learning more details about car engines and refrigerators, which they very much enjoyed.

Community Events

St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale will be April 26 and April 27, from 8:00am to 6:00pm; and April 28, from 8:00am to 11:00am, at the St. Thomas Parish Center in Newton. Specials announced throughout the sale. All proceeds will go to St. Thomas School.

St. Anthony Parish is hosting a Parish Mission featuring Daniel Oberreuter, the lead singer of *The Thirsting*, on April 29, 30, and May 1. Inspired by the song *Come Hold My Son*, the mission will take listeners on a journey through the mysteries of the rosary.

Sunday, April 29

6:30pm: Concert at St. Anthony Church

Monday, April 30

5:00pm: Soup supper at St. Anthony Parish Center

6:30pm: Part 1 (Vision) at St. Anthony Church

Tuesday, May 1

5:00pm: Potluck at St. Anthony Parish Center

6:30pm: Part 2 (Mission) at St. Anthony Church

Community Support Systems Annual Art Auction will be Friday, May 4, at 6:30pm, on the east side of the Courthouse Museum. Items will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Artwork from CSS artists is on exhibit at Joe Sipper's Café. The Artisan Fair is Saturday, May 5, from 10:00am to 4:00pm, on the downtown square.

HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is selling 11" hanging baskets for their annual fundraiser. Choose between mixed calibrachoa, ivy geranium, and wave petunia baskets for \$15 each. Place orders in the gift shop by April 27, at 4:00pm. Money will be collected when order is taken. Pickup will be Wednesday, May 9, at the hospital. Any questions, call Marilyn M. at 343.0356.

19th Annual Austin Lockett Memorial Golf Scramble will be Friday, May 11, at the Cardinal Golf Course with registration at 11:00am and shotgun start at noon. If you are interested in playing, sponsoring a hole, contributing a prize, or making a financial contribution, please contact the Catholic Charities office at 857.1458. Hole Sponsorship is \$100. The top raffle prize is \$500 cash. Cost is \$80 per player (4 person teams) which includes green fees, cart rental, food, and beverages. Hamburgers, brats, munchies, and on-course beverages will be available all day.

Community Charitable Cookout will be held on the Teutopolis & Sigel State Bank parking lot on Friday, May 11, from 11:00am to 6:00pm. They will be serving hamburgers, pork burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, and drinks. There will be a free-will donation. All proceeds benefit the Crisis Nursery.

SAA Banquet

The top 5% academically in the senior, junior and sophomore classes at St. Anthony High School and Effingham High School were honored recently at the Society for Academic Achievement (SAA) Banquet.

Congratulations to all!

"Backpack Attack" and "Jean Dig"

Catholic Charities assists families with limited resources the opportunity to obtain school supplies/jeans for their children. Items needed are: pens, pencils, highlighters, crayons, colored pencils, Crayola markers (10 ct. original colors), folders, binders, glue, glue sticks, notebooks, loose-leaf paper, rulers, scissors, erasers (pencil top and big "pink"), zipper pencil cases, new or gently used jeans (boys or girls ~ children's sizes 4-14). New or gently used backpacks are also needed. Drop items off at the school or parish office. Contact Judy Luchtefeld at 821.4060 or send an email to j.luchtefeld@sheff.org with any questions or concerns.

Post Prom

St. Anthony and Effingham High Schools team up each year to provide a fun and safe post prom event for over 300 juniors and seniors and their dates. This year's event will be on Saturday, May 5, at Oneighty, and we need your help! It takes a lot of time, energy, and money to put on such a fantastic evening. If you haven't been asked and are willing to provide a prize or cash donation, please send it to the St. Anthony Parish or St. Anthony High School by April 27, marked Post Prom. *Thank you for your generosity!*

ELKS Free Children's Orthopedic Clinic

Elks Free Children's Orthopedic Clinic will be held on Thursday, May 17, beginning at 8:00am, by Dr. Timothy Gray, at the Bonutti Orthopedic Clinic, Effingham. Please call 800.272.0074 for an appointment between 9:00am and 4:00pm.

Catholic Heart Work Camp

The summer high school mission team is fundraising for their upcoming Catholic Heart Work Camp trip to Muskegon, Michigan. They are looking for some small jobs to complete in order to help cover the cost of the trip. Contact Katalyn Miller at 217.347.7129 or send an email kmiller@stanthony.com for more information.

Census Update:

We are finalizing our census update at the end of this week. Any family who has not completed a "Census Card" will have one sent to them by mail or volunteers will contact you by phone. **If you have not completed a card, please do so now.** To date, we have 470 families who have responded. Thank you to everyone who has submitted their card with updated information!! This will help us to gather the data we need to communicate with you in more efficient and cost-effective ways.



Graduation Names . . . If you have a student being promoted to high school or graduating from high school, please send an email to shchurch@sheff.org by May 7 with their name and school from which they are graduating. We will publish names in the bulletin and send high school names to Catholic Times for its special June graduation edition. Any questions, please call Darlene at 347.7177.

Newman Connection's High School Outreach program helps connect graduating high school seniors to campus ministry by collecting their contact information and passing it on to the campus minister at their chosen college. This gives them the ability to reach out and help make the transition to college a smooth one. If you have a high school graduate, cards are available in the back of church. Please complete and return it to the parish office.

You are invited to *Culver's* on **Sunday, May 6, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm**, where our WYD participants will be of service to you, bringing your order, cleaning tables, and greeting guests to raise funds for our pilgrimage to Panama for World Youth Day in January 2019. Please join us and invite your family and friends. *Remember to buy your Scrip Cards for Culver's before you go.*

Community Support Systems is looking for mentors for their program. The most unmet need in the life of person with a disability is "friendship". Becoming a mentor requires a simple application process and an initial training before being matched with your new friend. If you would like to "Make a Difference", please contact them at 217.718.3821 or tblair@cssc.org.

If you would like someone included in the prayer list, please call the parish office at 347.7177. As a courtesy, please ask the person if it is okay to put their name on the prayer list. A complete prayer list is on the bulletin board in church.

~ Prayer List ~

Amanda McKinney, Elizabeth Stork

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, April 15, 2018

Envelopes: \$ 7,296.00

Loose Collection: \$ 1,918.00

Total: \$ 9,214.00

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."
(1Peter 4:10)

Thank you for sharing your "Treasure" with Sacred Heart Parish

The 2017-2018 Annual Catholic Services Appeal "ACSA" goal is \$50,130. Simply make your check payable to ACSA (*with Sacred Heart Church in the memo line*), ACSA on the envelope, and drop it in the collection. **To date, we have received \$44,895, leaving a balance of \$5,235.** The balance not paid through donations will be paid by the parish in May.

Next week, will be the Catholic Home Missions Appeal collection. Over 40 percent of United States dioceses are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support helps ease their struggle. For more information, please go to www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Fresh flowers will be displayed by the tabernacle in memory/honor of a family or special occasion throughout the year. If you would like to donate flowers, please contact Vicki Walker at 821.6179 to schedule a date. **Flowers were donated this weekend in honor of Virginia Wendt, for her 90th birthday.**



We are currently renewing the advertising on the back of the bulletin. The new copy will begin on the weekend of May 6 in FULL COLOR. This is great opportunity to promote your business or service and help support our parish. Please contact Darlene at 347.7177 if you would like to participate this year May, 2018-April, 2019.

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