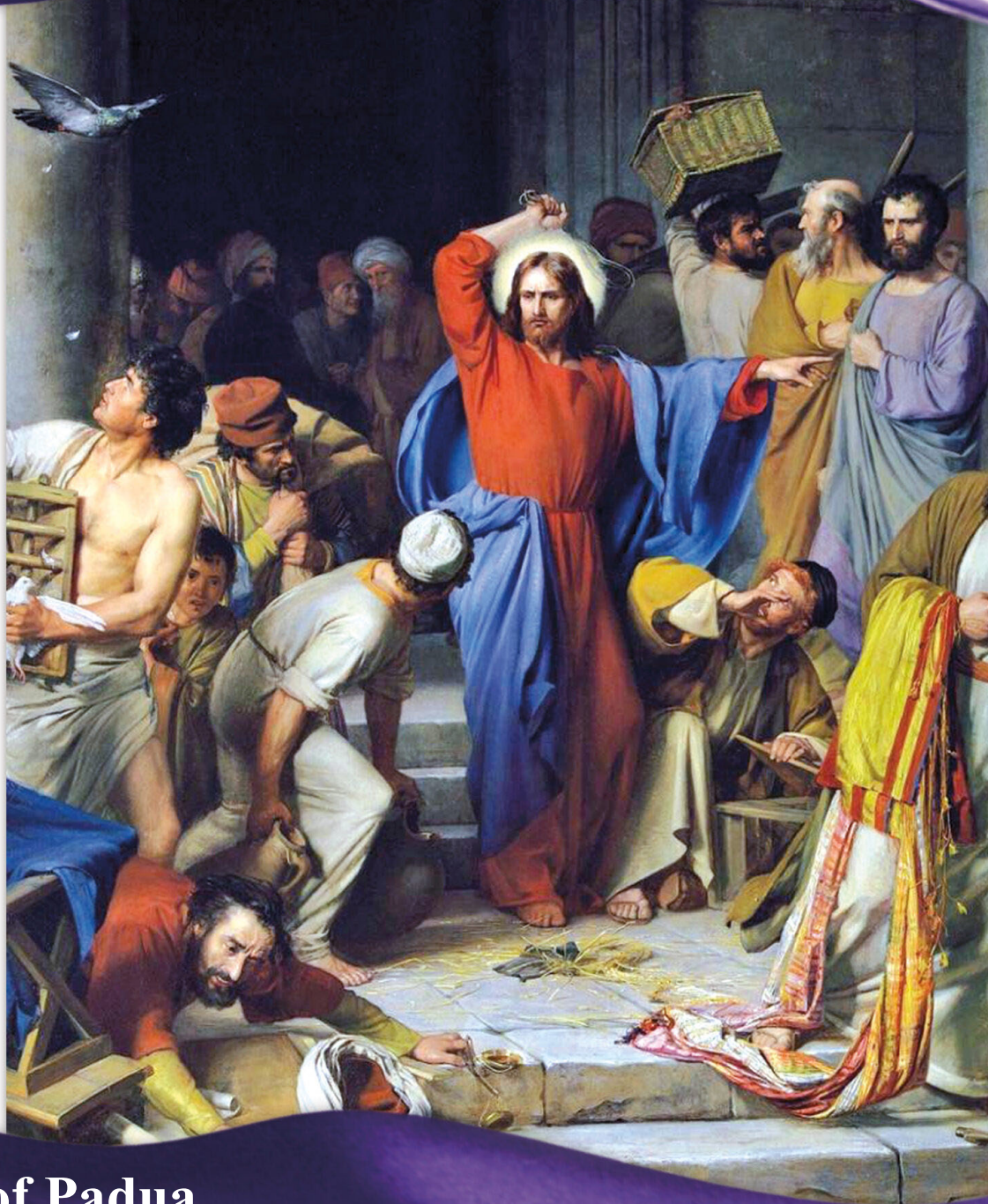


Sunday, March 3, 2024

He made a whip
out of cords
and drove them
all out of the
temple area.
“Take these out
of here, and
stop making my
Father’s house
a marketplace.”

John 2:15,16

Jesus Casting Out the Money
Changers at the Temple
by Carl Bloch, circa 1800s



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3RD SUNDAY OF
LENT

"From the Pastor's Desk"

Dear St. Anthony Parish Family:

As we had predicted last fall, the Illinois Assembly is introducing legislation to allow assisted suicide. One might ask why does it matter if assisted suicide is legalized if I do not participate in it?

There are many dangers to all individuals in making assisted suicide acceptable in our broader society. A society in which the elderly, disabled, and extremely sick are pressured to die is a society in which the value of human life is conditional. The message is that life is valuable and worthy of respect so long as one experiences a certain level of pleasure and contributes something to others. This leads to what Pope St. John Paul II called the "culture of death" and what Pope Francis has called the "throwaway culture." Sometimes people are quick to dismiss such arguments as a "slippery slope fallacy." But when we witness the breakdown of respect for human life all around us, especially in countries and states where actions like abortion, assisted suicide, and euthanasia are permitted and promoted, it is not fallacious to recognize this development as morally evil and opposed to human flourishing and God's design.

Very few would have predicted in 1973 that the legalization of abortion, frequently argued for extreme situations, would have led to the cultural phenomenon of "abortion on demand" for any reason or no reason at all. It would be naïve to assume that the same pattern for undermining the objective dignity of human life would not lead to similar dismissal of the poor, handicapped, sick, and suffering. In places where assisted suicide has been legalized and is practiced, the cultural situation has deteriorated to the point of allowing death inducing medications to be given to those who are unable to grant their desire or consent to such practices.

Finally, in terms of just access to healthcare, once the precedent of assigning value to one's life is established, government aid resources and insurance coverage will naturally begin to decrease for those whose conditions are not "worth treating." It has already been documented that in countries like Canada, people with terminal illnesses have been denied various treatments but offered assisted suicide instead. Sadly, this phenomenon of death in place of care would have a disproportionate effect on the poor. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops addressed the threat of assisted suicide to end-of-life healthcare in a recent document:

Even health care providers' ability and willingness to provide palliative care such as effective pain management can be undermined by authorizing assisted suicide. Studies indicate that untreated pain among terminally ill patients may increase and development of hospice care can stagnate after assisted suicide is legalized. Government programs and private insurers may even limit support for care that could extend life, while emphasizing the "cost-effective" solution of a doctor-prescribed death. The reason for such trends is easy to understand. Why would medical professionals spend a lifetime developing the empathy and skills needed for the difficult but important task of providing optimum care, once society has authorized a "solution" for suffering patients that requires no skill at all? Once some people have become candidates for the inexpensive treatment of assisted suicide, public and private payers for health coverage also find it easy to direct life-affirming resources elsewhere (USCCB, "To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide").

Please keep our efforts to prohibit the legalization of assisted suicide in your prayers!

Fr. Peter Harman, Pastor



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 and also for:

Lidy Anderson	Lucinda Herboth	Cathy Polarek
Margie Apke	Norma Jean Huelsing	Kenneth Polarek
Sara Bernhard	Ron Kabbes	Deborah Richards
Steve Bierman	Ingrid Kay	Kolin & Meredith
Dustin Borries	Susan Keenan	Roderick and their
Dennis Bushur	Tina Keller	unborn child
Mary Lynn Byers	Marita Kemme	John Soucie
Britney Chester	Amy Koester	Paul Will
Jim Feldhake	Coleen Linde	Georgia Willenborg
Jackson Gaitros	Jeff Linde	Dr. Mel Willenborg
Avery Gardewine-	Blain Loll	Paul V. Willenborg
Braunecker	Rita McMillan	Ann Worman
Susan Goldstein	George Mette	Dan Worman
Cheryl Gross	Roberta Meyer	Jerry Worman
Gina Hargis	Bill Nuxoll	Pauline Worman
Mike Hartke	Art Pike	Richard J Worman



*We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Clarence Unkraut, Cameron Scott, Edward Eckert, Angela Geltz and Clete Koester.** May they enjoy eternal peace and happiness in Heaven.*

In the event of a sudden illness, accident or life threatening emergency, while offices are closed, please contact our priests at (217) 703-1042.

St. Anthony Church Mass Times

Mon. thru Fri - 6:30am
Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri - 8:30am
Saturday - 4:30pm
Sunday - 7:30am & 9:15am, 11:00am

Live Streamed Masses

Saturday at 4:30pm
Monday thru Friday at 6:30am

Reconciliation Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs. & Fri: 7:45am to 8:15am
Saturday: 3:15pm to 4:00pm



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 2:

6:30am Mass: Marie C Dust

4:30pm Mass: Harold & Bertha Bushur Family

Sunday, March 3:

7:30am Mass: Esther Poterucha

9:15am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

11:00am Mass: Frank Kabbes

Monday, March 4:

6:30am Mass: Deborah Ann Kabbes; Carl Jean Vahling

8:30am Mass: Otto & Mardell Goldstein

Tuesday, March 5:

6:30am Mass: Deb Hutchison

8:30am Mass: Leonard & Judy Willenborg Family

Wednesday, March 6:

6:30am Mass: Richard "Bruno" Braun

5:15pm Mass: Bud & Millie Braun Family

Thursday, March 7:

6:30am Mass: Tom Thies Anniversary

8:30am Mass: Dan Sullivan Family

Friday, March 8:

6:30am Mass: Mary P Willenborg

8:30am Mass: Stu & Millie Stumeier

Saturday, March 9:

4:30pm Mass: Lorraine Jones

Sunday, March 10:

7:30am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

9:15am Mass: Charles & Grace Hotze Family

11:00am Mass: Jeff Anderson

Stewardship's Sunday Funday

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 3rd at 1:00pm. The Stewardship committee has planned another fun event. A Jigsaw Puzzle Competition. Teams of 5 compete to complete the same puzzle. Come as a team or join one when you come. \$5.00 per person payable at the door. Call the office at 217-342-7129 to sign up. If you forget to sign up, come anyway. By signing up it gives an idea of the number of puzzles we need. Deadline for signup is February 26th. You are welcome to bring your own drinks and snacks. See you at the Parish Center on March 3rd.

April will bring us to the Hobby & Arts Showcase. If you have a craft or collection you would like to show, we would love to see it. More detail about this to come.

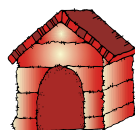
Wednesday Evening Adoration, Benediction & Mass will be live streamed during Lent. Live streaming will begin at 5:00pm for Adoration, with Benediction beginning at 5:15, and Mass immediately following Benediction.

You can find our livestream Masses on YouTube. The easiest way to find them is to go to stanthony.com and enter the church portal, and click the link that says "Live Stream." Choose the date of the Masses you would like to watch.



Stations of the Cross

During this season of Lent, St. Anthony Church will have Stations of the Cross on Friday at 2:10pm in church (led by the grade school) and 7:00pm in church.



Pups' Patch Pre-School Now Registering

Preschool registration for the 2024-2025 school year is underway. Registration will be open to all parish and school families beginning Monday, February 12th. Please contact the grade school office to obtain a registration form if needed. Registration forms and fees may be returned to the grade school office beginning Monday, February 12th to reserve your spot. Public registration will be open as of Monday, February 26th. All registrations are accepted on a first come first serve basis, based on date and time registration forms and fees are received. If you would like additional information please contact the grade school office at 217-347-0419.

Class Times

3 year old classes - (Tuesday & Thursday)

7:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.

4 year old classes - (Monday, Wednesday & Friday)

AM Class 7:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.

PM Class 12:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DeColores Spring Weekends

Say yes to a 3 day beautiful experience at camp Walter Scott.



If you're:

- So busy, don't know which end is up?
- Distant from Jesus, but want His Peace?
- Tired of the rat race, need a break?
- Looking to refresh, rest, renew?

So many in our area have found a treasure in DeColores. It's your turn!

* The Men's Weekend, March 7-10; Lay leader: Brian Henning. Call or text 217-821-3338

* The Women's Weekend, March 14-17; Lay leader, Mandy Henning. Call or text 217-821-0799

Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange



St. Anthony Parish is hosting a Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange on Saturday, March 9, 2024 from 11:00 - Noon at the Parish Center! Bring a puzzle; take a puzzle! Everyone that comes can exchange one puzzle for another! Tell all your puzzle friends!!!



Upcoming Knights of Columbus Initiation

Council 665 will hold a live Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity (a.k.a. Third-Degree Initiation) on Wednesday, March 6th, 2024 at the Effingham Event Center. Registration will begin at 6:15pm and the Exemplification will start at 6:30pm. The ceremony will last a little over thirty minutes.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. If you have any questions, please contact our Membership Director, Bob Utz, at 217-994- 4140, or our Grand Knight, Charlie Tegeler, at 217-663-4797.

Liturgical Ministers for March 2024

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
Lectors	Bob Schultz	Ann Platt	Bernie Blanchette	Norma Fisher
Eucharistic Ministers	Ellen Hann Gary Hanner Linda Hanner Josh Hanner Jamie Schuette	Alice Dust Janet Kennedy Carlene Weber Art Willenborg More Needed	Teresa Beck Kelly Butts Deanna Koester Connie Rudolphi Jull Schultz	Eric Koester Larry Masengale Theresa Masengale Susan Ealy More Needed
Servers	Henry Gannaway Jonny Gannaway Will Ludwig Aubrey Repking	Jacob Thoele Kyle Thoele Henry Bierman	Mallory Litz Morgan Litz Braxton Schultz Bella Schultz	Charlotte Sprecher Alex Koester Ava Hendrickson
Ushers	Eric Althoff Ken Bourgeois Don Niebrugge Bart Willenborg	Bill Overbeck Tony Weber More Needed	Troy Greene Carl Koester Doug Rudolphi Russ Sehy	Preston Barr Jeff Clausius More Needed

Church Cleaning for March 2024

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

Chad Barr	Aaron & Carrie Bartimus
Robert & Linda Baumann	Scott & Jamie Bayler
Deborah Beasley	Gary & Sharrina Beaver
Kaleigh Beavers	Brian & Teresa Beck
Jacob & Hannah Beckman	Christina Bednar-Loy
Andrew & Cayleigh Beeman	Brad & Cindy Beesley
Kevin & Gigi Behl	Rick Belford
Anthony Benline	Jason & Morgan Benline

CRS Rice Bowls

RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY
Nowadays, in Morazán, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope.



CCW Deanery Meeting

St. Anthony CCW will be hosting the Mattoon Deanery meeting March 5th starting with Mass at 8:30am at St. Anthony Church, followed by a meeting, speakers, lunch and a white elephant auction. All ladies attending are asked to bring a wrapped white elephant gift to be auctioned off. This auction supports our seminarians. This is a fun, and informative meeting. All ladies in our deanery are invited to attend. We would like to have as many ladies in our parish and surrounding parishes to attend in support of what we do in our parish and deanery. Thank you in advance for your support. Rita Devore, CCW President

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

- **High School Boys Assistant Tennis Coach**
- **High School Volleyball Coach**

For a description of this position and for information on how to apply, visit <https://church.stanthony.com/employment/>

Natural Family Planning Class

2024 Sessions: To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or kpruemer@gmail.com.

Saturday, April 6th: 9:30 - 11:00am at St. Francis Church
Saturday, June 15th: 10:30am - Noon at St. Anthony Church



Baptism Class - Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class before their child is baptized. The next class will be held at St. Anthony's Parish Center, **Thursday, March 21st** at 7:00pm. To register call the parish office at 217-347-7129.



Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are celebrated during Mass on Saturdays & Sundays (not during Lent). A family must be **registered & actively** living their faith at St. Anthony Church for 1 year to assure faith will be shared with the new born child. Godparents must also be registered in a Catholic parish or other Christian church & actively living their faith. A Baptism Class is required for all parents. We ask that both parents attend this class together. Godparents are also encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, please call the parish office.



Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact our parish office at least 9 months before your anticipated wedding date to begin your spiritual preparation. The process will begin with meeting with one of our Priests to set your date. One or both persons must be **registered** and **actively** living their faith at St. Anthony Church for at least 1 year to celebrate their wedding here. All couples planning to be married at our parish must attend a Pre-Cana program, Natural Family Planning program and FOCCUS evaluation. For those who were former members here, they must be **registered** and **actively** living their faith at the parish where they reside. The latest a wedding can begin is 1pm.

Lent and Learn 2024

Week 3: March 6, 2024

The Holy Spirit, Fire of Divine Love

- Join us on Wednesday, March 6
What images do you associate with God the Holy Spirit?
Is the Holy Spirit a regular focal point of your prayer?
- Priests will be available each Wednesday in church from 11:45am - 1:00pm through Lent to hear your confession.
"Be courageous, and go to confession!" - Pope Saint John Paul II
- Prepare for Mass this weekend by reading the gospel passage ahead of time and reflecting on the questions provided (*see other side*)



Sunday, March 10, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Our Gospel Reading
John 3:14-21
Jesus & Nicodemus



- This is the famous "John 3:16" passage we so often see on signs and banners.
- Why is this scripture so powerful?
- What are examples of light and darkness you see in the world?
- Where are areas of your life where more light is needed?

Lent and Learn each Wednesday

- March 6 The Holy Spirit, Fire of Divine Love
- March 13 Journey of Faith through the Stages of Life
- March 20 An Appreciation of Christian Art

Wednesday Mini-Retreats

- 6:30 am Parish Mass
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7:00 am-5:15 pm Adoration in church
- 11:45 am-1:00 pm Confessions in church
- 5:15 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Parish Mass
- 6:00 pm Soup / Light Meal in the Parish Center *free of charge*
Presentation by Fr. Harman or Fr. Michael

Holy Week

- March 28 Holy Thursday 6:30 pm
- March 29 Good Friday 3:00 pm
- March 30 Holy Saturday 8:00 pm
- March 31 Easter - *Hallelujah! He Is Risen!*
7:30, 9:15, 11:00 am



DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support for this collection provides emergency assistance to victims of war and natural disasters; assists migrants and refugees who need housing, education, and specialized legal assistance; and supports travelers and others whose livelihoods require special pastoral support to access the sacraments. In addition to aiding those with immediate needs, your support helps long-term efforts to build peace in regions that have been affected by decades of conflict-such as the Korean peninsula.

Although active fighting in the Korean War ceased with an armistice agreement in 1953, a lasting peace has never been established. In the intervening 70 years, relations among North Korea, South Korea, and the United States have grown in complexity, especially with the increasing recent threat of nuclear weapons.

The Catholic Church seeks to prevent the scourge of war and the proliferation of nuclear weapons, as a world mission and voice to build lasting peace in place of war. The Catholic Institute of Northeast Asia Peace (CINAP) was founded in 2015 to strengthen communications among the Catholic Bishops' Conference of

Korea, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Japan, and the Holy See. In 2017, CINAP hosted its first international conference, the Catholic Korea Peace Forum.

After several years of virtual meetings due to pandemic restrictions, the sixth annual Catholic Korea Peace Forum gathered in October 2022 in Washington, DC, bringing together church leaders from North and South Korea and the United States-including the USCCB's International Justice and Peace (IJP) committee chairman - as well as experts, scholars, and government officials from the United States, South Korea, and Japan. As co-organizer of the Forum, IJP was integral to the Church's mission to pray and work for just and lasting peace on the Korean peninsula. This crucial work is made possible with the support IJP receives from The Catholic Relief Services Collection.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the globe. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year. To learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

Week Ending Feb 25, 2024	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 35 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$17,472.00	\$1,013,318.82	\$946,140.24
GOAL	\$27,765.00	\$971,775.00	
Difference	(\$10,293.00)	\$41,543.82	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Feb 25, 2024	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$140.00	\$34,330.00
Catholic Times	\$35.00	\$2,495.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$25.00	\$75.00
Catholic Charities	\$7,107.00	\$11,387.00
Central/Eastern Europe	\$75.00	\$1,776.50
Christmas/Easter Flowers	\$240.00	\$4,632.00
Holy Land	\$10.00	\$110.00
Seminarians	\$25.00	\$450.00



St. Isidore Spring Breakfast at Bishop Creek is Sunday, March 17th from 7am-Noon. The menu will include whole hog sausage, ham, fried or scrambled eggs, pancakes, homemade breads and rolls. We will also have a Country Store with raffles, baked goods and mystery boxes. We look forward to seeing you there!

Lenten Mission at St. Francis Church with Fr. Luke Spannagel

Wednesday, March 6th at 7pm: Explanatory Mass
Thursday, March 7th at 7pm: The Eucharist

Wednesday night Fr. Luke will explain what is happening during the different parts of the Mass. Thursday night Fr. Luke will explain how powerful the Eucharist is and share stories about saints who were dedicated to the Eucharist. He is one of 50 priests throughout the US who were chosen by the USCCB to devote their full time to preaching about the Eucharist during the last year of the Eucharistic Revival. He is a joyful and dynamic speaker, and this will be a wonderful opportunity to grow in your understanding of the Eucharist.

RED ALERT ACTION MEETING on MARCH 7 — Illinois is proposing a new law, SB 3499, also known as the "End-of-Life Options for Terminally Ill Patients Act." However, many refer to it more accurately as the "Legalization of Assisted Suicide Act." We invite you to learn more about its potential impacts by attending a Red Alert Action Meeting on March 7th at 7:00pm at the Effingham Event Center.

Passage of this legislation will open the door to many hidden dangers that would greatly impact you and your families. Please attend the meeting to further discuss these concerns and to learn how your voice can make a difference as together we fight this proposed legislation.

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COMMUNITY ACTION MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 AT 7PM
EFFINGHAM EVENT CENTER
1501 W. FAYETTE AVENUE

TOGETHER, WE CAN FIGHT PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO LEGALIZE ASSISTED SUICIDE IN ILLINOIS.

WHAT IS LEGALIZED SUICIDE?

IT WOULD ALLOW DOCTORS TO PRESCRIBE LETHAL DRUGS TO PATIENTS WHO WISH TO END THEIR LIVES

HIDDEN DANGERS OF ASSISTED SUICIDE

- ✓ Encourages insurance companies to pay for lethal drugs rather than expensive treatment
 - ✓ Opens the door for care givers to coerce a patient into taking their life.
- Many more dangers will be discussed at the meeting!

ADVOCATE AGAINST SB 3499

People need authentic end-of-life care — not a drug overdose to end their life!



LEARN HOW THIS ISSUE WILL AFFECT YOU & YOUR FAMILY AND WHAT YOU CAN DO TO OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE!

JOIN US ON MARCH 7TH

YOUR VOICE MATTERS IN THE FIGHT

Sponsored by Effingham Area Right to Life. Contact us at effinghamrtl@yahoo.com for more information.



For the calendar . . .

- * **Mar. 1**, 11:48 Dismissal (1/2 Day of School)
 - * **Mar. 2**, IHSA Solo & Ensemble Contest
 - * **Mar. 5-6**, Soph/Jr Girls Retreat, Villa Maria, Springfield
 - * **Mar. 6**, Spring Sports Photos
 - * **Mar. 7**, Adoration All Day in Holy Angels Chapel
 - * **Mar. 8**, Third Quarter Ends
 - * **Mar. 12**, Report Cards
 - * **Mar. 13-15**, Senior Girls Retreat, Evermode Institute; Senior Boys Retreat, Villa Maria
 - * **Mar. 18**, Incoming Freshman Placement Test, 9:15am-11:00am
 - * **Mar. 19**, Open Campus Lunch (Voting in MPR); Spring Begins
 - * **Mar. 20**, Vision & Hearing Screening
 - * **Mar. 22**, Fr-Soph-Jr Boys Lenten Reconciliation after 8:30am Mass
 - * **Mar. 27**, 11:48 Dismissal (Teacher Institute)
 - * **Mar. 28**, No School (Holy Thursday)
 - * **Mar. 29**, No School (Good Friday)
 - * **Apr. 1**, No School
- **H.S. Masses in Church 8:30am each Friday; **Reconciliation in Room 7:7, 1:00-2:00pm each Wednesday*



HISTORY CLUB CELEBRATES LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

History Club sponsored a Lincoln dress alike day/birthday party on Monday, Feb. 12. Winners of the dress-alike contests were Stacie Vonderheide-1st place; Grace Niebrugge-2nd place, and Lucy Silva-3rd place. Prizes were five dollar bills and rolls of Lincoln pennies.



SAHS History Club students recently enjoyed a move night at the high school. The movie "Shanghai Noon," an American-Hong Kong martial arts western comedy, was shown.

County Clerk Michelle Kollmann and office staff member Melinda visited SAHS and spoke to the history classes about what their office does for the citizens of Effingham County, as well as getting the students registered to vote in the March 19th primary. Mrs. Kelly Thoele is the History Club sponsor.



SCHOLAR BOWL TEAM WINS NTC TOURNAMENT

The varsity Scholar Bowl team defeated Altamont to win the NTC tournament on Feb. 22 at Neoga. Varsity team members are Zack Hurren, Pierce Verdeyen, Joanna Mitchell, and Elliot Frisbie. JV members Madeline Gibson and Frank Scheidemental were also present for the tournament. Congratulations to Joanna Mitchell who was named first team All-Conference. The IHSA regional is at SAHS on March 4 at 4:30 pm.



STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSORED VALENTINE CAKE RAFFLE



Student Council sponsored a cake baking contest/raffle on Feb. 13, to celebrate Valentine's Day. Sydney Kibler won \$20 for her cookie cake that earned the most votes. The cake was won by Grace Niebrugge. Nicholas Poston won the chocolate covered pretzels made by Emma Myers. Jenny Tawdros won the glitter heart cake made by Gianna Frisbie. Maddux Clark was the winner of the pink heart cake made by Ellie Link.

Mia Schwing won the chocolate covered strawberries made by Mrs. Shae Thoele. Whitney Stefanski won the chocolate chip cookies made by Gracie Slifer. Allison Geen won her own red velvet cake, and Maggie Moeller won the chocolate cake made by an anonymous donor.



SAINT ANTHONY

GRADE SCHOOL



CALENDAR

March

- 3-8—End of 3rd Quarter/Stations of the Cross (Primary)
- 3-10—First Reconciliation (Gr. 2)
- 3-12—Table of Plenty (Gr. 6-8)
- 3-14—Table of Plenty (Gr. K-5)
- 3-27—12:00 Dismissal (Teacher Institute)
- 3-28—No School (Holy Thursday)
- 3-29—No School (Good Friday)

April

- 4-01—No School (Easter Holiday)
- 4-08—No School
- 4-09—Spring MAP Benchmark Testing
- 4-12—No School (Teacher Retreat)



These events and more at stanthony.com!

Extra-Curricular Corner

- Congratulations to our Jr. High Boys Basketball Teams on a successful season. A special congrats to our 7th grade team as they were the IESA State Champions!!
- Regionals for Jr. High Volleyball are underway. Best of luck to our 8th grade team as they finish up their season.
- Upcoming JH Scholar Bowl dates:
Tuesday 3/12 at Home
Tuesday 3/19 at Mattoon
Thursday 3/21 at Paris Crestwood (Tournament)
Tuesday 3/26 at Effingham Jr. High
- Jr. High Musical, *Aladdin, Jr.*:
Friday 04/05 at 7:00pm, Saturday 04/06 at 7:00pm
and Sunday 04/07 at 2:00pm



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good news [@stagradeschool](https://twitter.com/stagradeschool)!



SAGS Highlights

Mrs. Huston's Kindergarten class worked on a special art project. The students are making cross mosaics to display for the upcoming Easter season.



STUDENT COUNCIL

*****Aluminum Can Tabs Collection*****

Students will be collecting aluminum can tabs for donation to the Ronald McDonald House. Tabs will be used as votes to do a *Pie in the Face* of the 'winning' teacher.

*****Spring Fling Dance (Grades 7 & 8)*****

March 22nd

*****Read Across America Week*****

Mon. 3/04 ~ Wear a college t-shirt/jersey with school appropriate pants.

Tues. 3/05 ~ Wear red, white or blue uniform attire to support troops. Add an American flag pin, etc.

Wed. 3/06 ~ Wear a shirt with school appropriate words showing how smart & stylish reading can be.

Thurs. 3/07 ~ Bring a flashlight to read in class!

Fri. 3/08 ~ Wear a superhero shirt with jeans or sweatpants.

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