

"From the Pastor's Desk"

Dear St. Anthony Parish Family:

I came across a great short article by Matthew Petrusek, who directs the Word on Fire Apostolate. I think in this election season and the noise around it, it is a helpful grounding point for what we desire to bring about: Democracy is a deceptively simple idea. It's something we have good reason to fight for and defend. Yet it's also riddled with complexity. For example, if the definition of democracy is simply "power to the people," then what do we do when the people fundamentally disagree? If the answer is that the majority gets to call the shots, then what does that mean for the minority. Do they have any voice?

At a deeper level, what is the relationship between majority support for law and that law, in fact, being just? For example, substantial majorities enshrine the right to abortion in their state constitutions. Recall that the majority in the United States also supported slavery. In short, democracy is more complex.

It would seem that there must then be values which give democracy its value. Our Church holds that there are three values which promote as well as guard democracy: A) inherent human dignity, B) fundamental human equality and C) the common good. Without these three values in place, democracy (as established in our Constitution) cannot best serve its people or survive for long. This is a crucial acknowledgement that democracy is, then, at the service of something greater, and not only for its own existence. The founders of our nation recognized this in a way which sadly seems to be lost on many today.

Next week I will develop this with some points which help us see the mindfulness of God present in our nation's founding documents. I pray you have a blessed week.

Fr. Peter Harman

Grief Support Meetings

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

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



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Elizabeth Falconburg/Nicholas Wortman October 26, 2024 (III)



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, November 21st at 7:00pm. To register, call the parish office at 217-347-7129.





Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 19:

4:30pm Mass: Frank Kabbes

Sunday, October 20:

7:30am Mass: Anne Martens
9:15am Mass: Eugene Westendorf
11:00am Mass: Marilyn Lane Anniversary

Monday, October 21:

6:30am Mass: Dennis & Jeanne Pike Family; Kenneth

Koester Family; Ken Wiegand

8:30am Mass: Joseph Kabbes Anniversary

Tuesday, October 22:

6:30am Mass: Steven & Kat Kabbes

8:30am Mass: Mike Mitchell

Wednesday, October 23:

6:30am Mass: Jerry Schutzbach Anniversary

Thursday, October 24:

6:30am Mass: Nick & Marie C Dust **8:30am Mass:** Richard Kabbes

Friday, October 25:

6:30am Mass: Robert L & Marcella Behrman **8:30am Mass:** Dan Sullivan Anniversary

Saturday, October 26:

4:30pm Mass: Art & Jeanne Willenborg Family

Sunday, October 27:

7:30am Mass: Richard L Niebrugge **9:15am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony

11:00am Mass: Living & Deceased Members of Bill &

Clara Thies Family

Please join us at St. Anthony Church 101 E Virginia Ave, Effingham, IL Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00pm

SonRise Friday Men's Breakfast The Annunciation

This week we enter into the first Joyful Mystery - The Annunciation. In His infinitely creative mind, God could have done it another way. Yet, in His providence, He chose Mary. Generation after generation of longing and aching for a Messiah comes to fulfillment in Mary's "fiat." MEN say YES! and join in

this Friday.

Gather for hot Breakfast ready at 6:10 AM, VIDEO program at 6:30AM, and concluding at 7:30. More info: contact the parish office or Dan Woods 217-821-1495.



First
Saturday Mass
& Devotion
November 2nd

Rosary - 6:10am

Mass - 6:30am

Meditations - 7:00am-7:15am



CCW News

The Mattoon Deanery Council of Catholic Women meeting will be on Wednesday, November 6, 2024. Immaculate at Conception, 320 N. 21st Street, Mattoon, IL 61938. Holy Mass at 8:30 a.m., registration following Mass in the lower level of the church. Our guest speaker be Fr. Michael Trummer on "Prayer". We warmly welcome all ladies and their friends to come together for a day of fellowship, inspiration and Lunch and community. white elephant auction (wrapped gift) conclude the day; proceeds go to the Seminary Fund (check or cash accepted).

For more information, contact MDCCW President: Margaret Thompson (217) 232-4350 drmathompson76@gmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Create one-of-a-kind Christmas cards with Marilyn Thompson

November 10th from 1:00-3:00pm More details to come!



Liturgical Ministers for October 2024						
Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am		
Lectors	Joe Spraul	Adam French	Julie Wortman	Andrew Kremer		
Eucharistic Ministers	Eric Althoff David Emmerich Jacob Emmerich Michael Genta Janet Probst	Sue Bushur Marge Pearcy Kate Weber More Needed	Teresa Beck Patti Jansen Tom Jansen Eric Mammoser Brian Sehy	Eric Koester Larry Masengale Theresa Masengale More Needed		
Servers	Nathan Bailey Ava Barnes Elle Bierman	Bryson Bartimus Henry Bierman	Nora Brumleve Morgan Litz Paxton Nosbisch	Owen Gillenwater Sienna Kaufmann		
Ushers	Jeff Dust Vic Fauss Mike Nosbisch Dan Ritz	Greg Bushur More Needed	Justin Brummer Gene Fearday Vic Jansen More Needed	Jeff Clausius Bart Wiedman More Needed		

Church Cleaning for October

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

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Men's Weekend: November 7-10, 2024 Men's lay leader: Ben Syfert 217-343-8155

Women's weekend: November 14-17, 2024 Women's lay leader: Tammy Syfert 217-343-3493

For any additional questions, you can contact Brian Henning at 217-821-3338 or bnhenning1@gmail.com

Pro-Life Corner

Prayer Campaign for LIFE Sept. 25 – Nov. 3

We will be joining people of faith across our nation to pray, fast, and serve to end abortion and to fight physician-assisted suicide during the "Prayer Campaign for Life", 40 days focused on building a pro-life culture. This will take place from Sept. 25 to Nov. 3. Please consider participating in all 3 parts of this pro-life campaign:

Part 1: Come to the church for an hour or more of individual prayer on Oct. 22, 24, and 25. Sign up sheets are in the back of church

Part 2: Prayer and fasting throughout the 40 days is encouraged. Fast from certain foods, or fast from comforts or entertainment. We fast in the hope that God will heal our lives and communities. (no sign-up required).

Part 3: Join us at the *Family Life Center's* Silk Purse Thrift Store in Effingham for an hour or more any day of the campaign. Volunteers help prepare donated items for sale. Choose a time and sign up by contacting the Silk Purse directly at (217) 342-3319.

Choose your time slots and we'll join with other churches in our region to fill each of these 40 days with prayer that storms the heavens. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church, or you may contact Tiffiny Wrigley at (217) 347-7129 for more information.



SAHS & SAMBA Present Oklahoma!

St. Anthony High School and SAMBA invite you to join us for the upcoming high school musical, Oklahoma, in the St. Anthony High School Multi-Purpose Room on:

> Thursday, November 7th at 7:00pm Friday, November 8th at 7:00pm Saturday, November 9th at 7:00pm Sunday, November 10th at 2:00pm

Tickets for Oklahoma will be on sale to the general public in the SAHS office beginning Monday, October 21st, for \$8 each. General admission seating will be available at the door.



You are invited to an open house to Celebrate and Connect With the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

Saturday, November 9, 2024

2:00 - 4:00pm St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Parish Center 101 East Virginia Ave Effingham, IL 62401

We hope you can join us for this informal opportunity to renew old friendships and create new memories with the Sisters who ministered in the Effingham/Teutopolis/Sigel area.

Please RSVP by October 30 with the number attending. You can register online at www.ssndcp.org/cc-eff or email Debbie Rohrich-Tyler at drohrichtyler@ssndcp.org

For questions, please contact Debbie at 314-633-7032.

We are grateful for your support and partnership. Together, we further the mission of Jesus in our world.



Effingham Catholic Young Adults

NOV. 12TH 97PM





CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE! FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGES 21-35

HOLY

7-8pm @ St. Anthony Church 101 E Virginia Ave, Effingham

HAPPY Hour 8-9pm @ Village Wine 109 S Banker St, Effingham



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. Former members here must be **registered** and **actively** living their faith at the parish where they reside. The latest a wedding can begin is 1pm.

Pre-Cana Dates

Marriage prep programs may be a one-day Pre-Cana program, a weekend for the engaged experience or another approved marriage preparation program.

Saturday, November 16, 2024 @ St. Anthony Church Call 217-347-7129 to register.

Sunday, February 2, 2025 @ St. Francis, Teutopolis Call 217-961-6404 to register.

Saturday, March 8, 2025 @ St. Mary, Ste. Marie Call 618-455-3155 to register.

Natural Family Planning Class

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

Sat., October 26th: 9:00-10:30am at St. Anthony, Effingham

Ministers of Holy Communion Volunteers Needed

HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital Pastoral Care Department is seeking Ministers of Holy Communion, who would be able to commit to one day a month, or as needed, to offer Holy Communion to the sick in the hospital.

If you are interested, please call the Pastoral Care office at 217-347-1225 and leave your name, telephone number and the name of your parish. We will get back to you with options and details. Thank you.

ST. CLARE CHILI SUPPER

St. Clare Catholic Church in Altamont would like to invite you to attend our Annual Chili Supper. It will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2024. Serving times are from 4:00 - 7:00pm in the church basement. Cost is free-will donation. Carry outs are available.

Questions please contact the committee members: Nick & Megan Burrus (217-821-3798), James & Katie Lurkins (618-553-7083), Jon & Connie Shultz (217-240-0272), and Alan & Michelle Kollmann (217-690-1563) Menu: Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup, Pulled Pork Sandwich or Hot Dog, Homemade Desserts & Drinks.

Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number at 217-321-1155 or Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE.

Week Ending Oct 13, 2024	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 15 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$23,232.59	\$352,423.63	\$383,163.09
GOAL	\$27,765.00	\$416,475.00	
Difference	(\$4,532.41)	(\$64,051.37)	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Oct 14, 2024	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$1,277.00	\$11,238.00
Catholic Charities	\$25.55	\$102.20
Cemetery	\$0.00	\$4,086.00
Special Collection- Hurricane Relief 2024	\$150.00	\$150.00



Knights of Columbus ID Breakfast

Sunday, October 20, 2024 7:00am to 12:00 noon Teutopolis Banquet Hall

Free Will Donation

Meal prepared by: Knights of Columbus Members All proceeds benefit the Intellectually Disabled.

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL will be hosting their 27th Annual Conference on October 25-27th. Join us for this retreat weekend titled "Satan's Tactic for Christian America". Speakers will include Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, Jesse Romero, Dr. Dan Schneider, Fr. Josh Stengel, and John LaBriola. Please go to osmm.org to register and to learn more about each of the speakers. The cost is \$50 to attend. You may contact Karla Slifer at 217-690-5282 for more information.



CCW Fall Bingo Festival

Sunday, Oct. 20, 2024 4-7pm St. Mary's, Shumway 10 cards \$5

Extra for Blackout and Bonus games

Food Available: Free Will Donation Sloppy Joes, hot dogs, chips, drinks and desserts

All proceeds will go towards altar supplies.

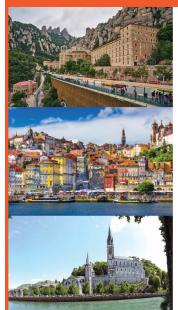
Millions of Monicas Prayer Group

If you are a Catholic mother who would like to unite with other mothers in prayer for your children, you are invited to come pray with the Sacred Heart Parish Millions of Monicas group.

Millions of Monicas is a nationwide effort that includes groups of mothers who come together to lift up their children of all ages. Many mothers have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the Church entirely. Like St. Monica, these mothers pray for their children's joyful return to the church. The group will come together monthly, uniting our hearts and prayers, and encountering Christ as we grow in holiness and humility while praying for our children.

We will meet on the third Monday of each month from 6:00-7:00pm at Sacred Heart Church in Effingham. All mothers are invited! The next meeting is Monday, October 21. For details about the nationwide efforts, visit https://millionsofmonicas.com/

Pilgrimage to Spain — Portugal — France



May 18-30, 2025

Enjoy a 13-day pilgrimage through Spain and Portugal, with a 2-day stop in Lourdes, France. Visit sacred destinations and learn about the rich religious heritage in this part of the world. It will be a spiritual journey sure to inspire you and strengthen your connection with God.

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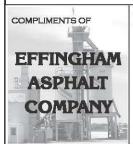
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