



# Baptism of the Lord

**Sunday, January 12, 2025**



**SAINT  
ANTHONY**  
OF PADUA PARISH

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:00pm

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Mr. Cody Rincker, *Principal*

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**Liturgy Schedule:**

Monday thru Friday: 6:30am  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 3:15pm to 4:00pm (anytime by appointment)  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:45am to 8:15am

+Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois*



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

**Welcome**

*We extend a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors  
who have joined us at today's liturgy. We hope that you  
feel at home here. Please let us know if we can be of any  
assistance while you are among us.*

*“From the Pastor’s Desk”*

Dear St. Anthony Parish Family:

Just after the first of the year, I came across a list that Pope Francis had given about resolutions for a better 2025. Probably more than a few of them might apply to you, I know some do to me, “finishing meals” not among them! Perhaps they are worth your attention as we begin the year.

- Don’t gossip.
- Finish your meals.
- Make time for others.
- Make the more “humble” purchase.
- Meet the poor “in the flesh”.
- Stop judging others.
- Befriend those who may disagree with you.
- Don’t be afraid to make commitments, like marriage.
- Make it a habit to ask the Lord.
- Choose to be happy.

These are a great beginning. I might add a couple more. Make time in prayer before the Eucharist in Church to tell Christ exactly how you feel (both good and bad) on a weekly basis, and consider what might be worthy of a good confession when we get to Lent.

Stay warm and have a blessed week!

Fr. Peter Harman

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

Tis the season for snow and ice. Please remember, if you are uneasy on your feet, and the steps are snowy or icy, please use the West entrance of church. It is a covered entrance and may be easier to maneuver than the front steps.



As a reminder during cold and flu season, please remember to protect your health and that of others. Proper steps would include:

- \* If you have a serious cold or the flu, please stay home on Sunday. You are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass if you are sick.
- \* Please understand that if someone refrains from shaking hands during the Sign of Peace, they might be protecting YOU. Please don't attempt to force others to shake hands against their will.

Let’s do our best to keep each other healthy.



**Please pray** for Restoration of Religious Liberty, those who are ill, those in hospitals and nursing homes, those recovering from surgery, all those serving our country, and also for:

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|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Lidy Anderson       | Norma Jean Huelsing  | Bill Nuxoll        |
| Margie Apke         | Donna McDevitt Jones | Mick Pierson       |
| Robert J Behrman    | Ron Kabbes           | Art Pike           |
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| Steve Bierman       | John Keenan          | Deborah Richards   |
| Norma Bloemer       | Marita Kemme         | Olivya Smith       |
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| Cody Chasteen       | Joan Koester         | Ann Worman         |
| Britney Chester     | Terry Kraft          | Dan Worman         |
| Richard Feldhake    | Colleen Linde        | Jerry Worman       |
| Jackson Gaitros     | Fred Lohman          | Richard J Worman   |
| Susan Goldstein     | Blain Loll           |                    |
| Cheryl Gross        | Linda McDevitt       |                    |
| Heather Dial Hakman | Rita McMillan        |                    |
| Gina Hargis         | George Mette         |                    |
| Mike Hartke         | Robertta Meyer       |                    |
| Lucinda Herboth     | Bernadette Niemann   |                    |

**St. Anthony Church Mass Times**

Mon. thru Fri. - 6:30am  
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 Saturday - 4:30pm  
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**Reconciliation Times**

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





*Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, January 11:**

**4:30pm Mass:** Dan Sullivan Family

**Sunday, January 12:**

**7:30am Mass:** Bob Swingler Family

**9:15am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony

**11:00am Mass:** Larry Roewe Family

**Monday, January 13:**

**6:30am Mass:** Debbie Worman Anniversary; Harold & Bertha Bushur Family; Don & Jo Raney

**8:30am Mass:** Living & Deceased Members of the Franklin Platz Family

**Tuesday, January 14:**

**6:30am Mass:** Joe, Elizabeth, Harold Maurice Metten

**8:30am Mass:** Living & Deceased Members of the August Schultz Family

**Wednesday, January 15:**

**6:30am Mass:** Margaret Hanfland

**Thursday, January 16:**

**6:30am Mass:** Mary Louise Dietzen Anniversary

**8:30am Mass:** Jerry Schutzbach

**Friday, January 17:**

**6:30am Mass:** Bud Althoff

**8:30am Mass:** Bertha Mette

**Saturday, January 18:**

**4:30pm Mass:** Kenny Koester

**Sunday, January 19:**

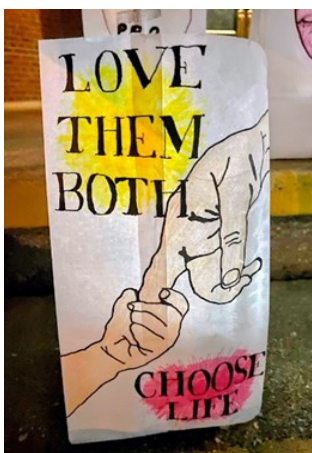
**7:30am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony

**9:15am Mass:** Albert Feldhake Family

**11:00am Mass:** David Dean Koester

**Luminaries for Life 2025**  
Every Life: Why We March \*

St. Anthony Church will be displaying their annual "Luminaries for Life" January 18 and 19, 2025.



Students in PSR, Junior High and High School will decorate bags with messages celebrating life from the moment of conception to natural death. These bags will be illuminated for everyone to see.

Drive or walk by this beautiful public display of St. Anthony parishes' respect for life. It is a beacon of Christ's love and hope in the community that will shine bright for a few nights during the weekend.

\*2025 "March For Life" Slogan



*We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Catherine Polarek**. May she enjoy eternal peace and happiness in Heaven.*

**CCW News**

St. Mary's, Shumway CCW invites the ladies of St. Anthony, Sacred Heart, and St. Mary Green Creek to our annual Casserole Dinner at 6pm on Tuesday, Jan. 14. We have mass at 5:15pm for anyone who would like to come early. Hope to see you there.

**Pro-Life Corner**



You're invited to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life during a special novena called 9 Days for Life. Visit [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com) to sign up to receive daily prayers from January 16th through the 24th.

**The 49th annual Pro-Life Breakfast** will be held on Sunday, January 19th from 7:00am-Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Free will donation accepted for breakfast, which includes whole hog sausage, eggs, and a variety of home baked breads, along with juice, milk, and water. There will be a 50/50 drawing and raffle.

Volunteers are needed. Please text Susan at 217-663-2084 to sign up for a shift. Donations of breads, rolls, donut holes, & muffins are needed, and can be dropped off on Saturday, January 18 from 12-4pm at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. This is the primary fundraiser for Effingham Area Right to Life. If you're unable to attend the breakfast, please consider sending a donation to PO Box 861, Effingham IL 62401. Learn more by visiting "EffinghamAreaRightToLife" on Facebook.

**Mass for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children and Deanery Pro-life Meeting** – St. Francis Church in Teutopolis will host a pro-life Mass at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 22. The U.S. Bishops ask that January 22 be a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. A pro-life Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM prior to Mass. Following Mass, the Deanery Pro-life Meeting will be held in St. Clare Hall, adjoining the church. Pro-life events and issues will be discussed and refreshments will be served.

## Liturgical Ministers for January 2025

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
<b>Lectors</b>	Sr. Claret Feldhake	Adam French	Christy Elder	Tony Kemme
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Joe Buscher Nicole Field Patricia Kirk BJ Kortte Janet Probst	Alice Dust Greg Dust Janet Kennedy <b>More Needed</b>	Kelly Butts Patti Jansen Tom Jansen Eric Mammoser <b>More Needed</b>	Brenda Jansen Pete Jansen Mike Klitzing <b>More Needed</b>
<b>Servers</b>	Nathan Bailey Ava Barnes Elle Bierman	Bryson Bartimus Taylor Denning	Lilly Butts Charlee Jansen Emery Jansen	Jude Flach Owen Gillenwater
<b>Ushers</b>	Jeff Dust Vic Fauss Dan Ritz Joe Ungrund	Bill Overbeck Gerald Westendorf <b>More Needed</b>	Gene Fearday Vic Jansen Patrick Niebrugge Todd Wegman	Jeff Clausius Chris Quandt <b>More Needed</b>



January's Table of Plenty Donations will be delivered to The Study Shoppe. St. Anthony Jr. High students are asked to bring their donations to morning Mass on Tuesday, January 14, and the elementary students will bring their donations to the morning Mass on Thursday, January 16.

Parishioners may drop their donations in the church foyer during the weekend Masses on January 18/19.

The Study Shoppe is a Christian, non-profit organization that provides a free-of-charge, safe place for students in grades 6-12, to work on their homework. The staff helps the students focus on their assignments with needed assistance. Concessions are provided strictly through donations like ours. For many, this is the only snack they may have all day, so please continue with your unwavering generosity. The Study Shoppe is open Monday-Thursday, 3:00-5:00pm, and only on full school days. All students are welcome at: 800 S. Henrietta St. Effingham, IL - one block from the Effingham Jr. High and High School. The following is the list of snacks they have requested :

- Full size Candy Bars: Hersheys Milk Chocolate, Skittles, Nestle Crunch, M & Ms Snickers, Reese's, Milky Way, Sour Patch Straws
- Little Debbie Snacks: Zebra Cakes, Brownies, Oatmeal Crème Pie
- Microwave Popcorn, Individual Variety Pack Chips, Bottle Water

- Jayne Genta, Table of Plenty



**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 the faith will be shared with the newborn 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.

### 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.

**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

**2025 Sessions:** To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or [kpruemer@gmail.com](mailto:kpruemer@gmail.com)

**Saturday, February 15th**

9:30-11:00am virtual class on WebEx



### 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.



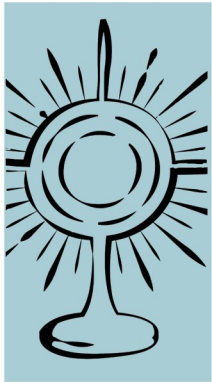
**Baptism Class** - Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class before their child is baptized. The next class will be held at St. Anthony's Parish Center, **Thursday, January 16th** at 7:00pm. To register, call the parish office at 217-347-7129.



# Effingham Catholic Young Adults

JAN  
14TH  
@7PM

# HOLY HOUR HAPPY HOUR



CONFESSIONS  
WILL BE  
AVAILABLE

FOR  
YOUNG  
ADULTS  
AGES 21-35

**HOLY HOUR** 7-8pm @ Sacred Heart Church  
405 S Henrietta St, Effingham

**HAPPY HOUR** 8-9pm @ Effingham Event Center  
1501 W Fayette Ave, Effingham



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK TO STAY UP TO DATE ON EVENTS!

## Are You Registered with St. Anthony Parish?



Thank you for visiting St. Anthony Church. We're so glad you're here! We hope you've had the opportunity to mingle with members of our church family after Mass.

Have you been attending St. Anthony Church for a while? If so, we want to know you better! You may have attended St. Anthony Church your whole life, or may have even attended St. Anthony Schools. You may have moved back to Effingham after moving out of Mom & Dad's house or graduating college. If you're attending St. Anthony Church on a regular basis, register with us as a parishioner.

Every person 21 years or older should fill out a parish registration form to be considered a registered member of St. Anthony Church. Registering is the first step in receiving parish news and information about our parish life and activities such as bible studies, small groups, volunteer opportunities, and more.

Join us in our mission of forming lifelong intentional disciples of Jesus Christ within His Church. Registering as a parishioner is being an intentional disciple!

Visit [church.stanthony.com/join-us](http://church.stanthony.com/join-us) to complete our parish registration, or contact our parish office at 217-347-7129 or [shoene@stanthony.com](mailto:shoene@stanthony.com) to learn more. We look forward to getting to know you better!

## SonRise Friday Men's Breakfast Is Jesus Missing?



Calling All Men! Begin your Year Newly. Beginning Friday Jan. 17, come to SonRise Men's Breakfast. A video series by *That Man Is You!* and a full hot breakfast will continue weekly in the Parish Center. This week's topic: **Perfect Harmony No More.**

Form a habit of prayer for 2025. You'll be glad you did!

All Men are welcomed. Gather at the St. Anthony Parish Center for delicious hot **Breakfast ready after 6:10 AM, VIDEO program at 6:30AM**, and concluding at 7:30. More info: Dan Woods [danwoodsface@gmail.com](mailto:danwoodsface@gmail.com).

## JIGSAW PUZZLE EXCHANGE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18  
11:00AM - 12:00 NOON

ST. ANTHONY  
PARISH CENTER  
BRING A PUZZLE  
TAKE A PUZZLE!



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

"St. Anthony Schools admits students of any race, color, sex or national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Our schools do reserve all their rights as religious entities in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the protections of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act 775 ILCS 35/."



**Helping Hand Fund** - Several years ago, our parish office established a "Helping Hand" fund to assist travelers or others in need with expenses for food or gas. Anyone who comes to the office asking for help receives a \$20 gift card to Kirby IGA. This ministry has been funded by anonymous donations in the past. The need continues to grow, so we come to our parishioners for help. If you would like to donate, please drop your donation off at the parish office or drop it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Helping Hand Fund". Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of the Church!

Week Ending Dec 29, 2024	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 26 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$77,259.03	\$689,942.21	\$788,452.16
<i>GOAL</i>	\$27,765.00	\$721,890.00	
Difference	\$49,494.03	(\$31,947.79)	
Christmas Offering	\$45,100.50	\$48,205.50	\$36,640.00
Christmas Goal		\$50,000.00	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Dec. 29, 2024	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$1,465.00	\$15,355.10
Cemetery	\$1,600.00	\$10,042.00
Catholic Times	\$15.00	\$60.00
Catholic Children's Home	\$1,915.00	\$2,670.00
Christmas Flowers	\$320.00	\$4,400.00
Justice & Hope	\$75.00	\$612.00
Retired Religious	\$55.00	\$1,425.00

Week Ending Jan. 5, 2025	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 27 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$74,575.23	\$764,517.44	\$838,152.77
<i>GOAL</i>	\$27,765.00	\$749,655.00	
Difference	\$46,810.23	\$14,862.44	
Christmas Offering	\$980.00	\$49,185.50	\$36,760.00
Christmas Goal		\$50,000.00	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Jan. 5, 2025	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$910.00	\$16,265.10
Cemetery	\$1,650.00	\$11,692.00
Catholic Children's Home	\$300.00	\$2,970.00
Catholic Times	\$105.00	\$165.00
Retired Religious	\$50.00	\$1,475.00

**Majestic Germany Pilgrimage** with Fr. R. Dean Probst, August 18-28, 2025. Visiting Frankfurt, Cologne, Hanover, Potsdam, Berlin, Nuremberg, Rothenberg, Munich, Oberammergau, Lindau, Lake Titisee, The Black Forest, Heidelberg and Mainz. Cost \$4599 per person from St. Louis, Mo. Call/text Fr. Dean 217-494-6326 or email rdprobst@gmail.com.

Thanks for your assistance and cooperation. The trip was postponed from April to August.

**The Effingham Catholic Charities** is in need of volunteers! The Food Pantry needs volunteers to pick up food, sort and put away food, and help to give out food through the pantry. Second Hand Rose is in need of volunteers to run the cash registers.

These volunteer opportunities are available Monday - Friday. Please call the Eff. CC office at 217-857-1458 and ask for Crystal (Pantry) or Brigid (Second Hand Rose).

### 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.



### Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage!

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage

Encounter Experience. The following upcoming weekends are available in 2025. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to [www.me.org](http://www.me.org), or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

1/31/2025 - 2/2/2025, St. Peters, MO  
 4/4/2025 - 4/6/2025, St. Peters, MO  
 6/13/2025 - 6/15/2025, St. Peters, MO



### Sacred Heart School is hiring

a grade school principal, to start in the 2025-26 school year. Grounded in the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Catholic School strives for excellence in education while preparing our students for a saintly life of service, leadership, and compassion for all.

Applicants should:

- Possess at least a Master's degree and have 3-5 years of relevant experience.
- Be a practicing Catholic with good moral character, enthusiastically living out the teachings of the Catholic Church.
- Have a deep knowledge of various instructional methods and strategies.
- Be knowledgeable, professional, hard-working, and student-centered.

Position includes benefits & pension package. With strong enrollment, robust fundraising, and engaged faculty, now is an exciting time to join the Sacred Heart School family!

Qualified candidates should submit a letter of interest, copy of transcript, & resume to:

Sacred Heart Church,  
 Attn: Billi Jansen,  
 405 S. Henrietta St., Effingham, IL 62401  
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