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Sunday, September 14, 2025

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

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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:

This Sunday we have the blessing of having the Feast of the Exultation of the Cross commemorated as our Sunday Mass. Our Gospel provides us with some of the most beautiful words in Scripture: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." St. John was blessed to be inspired to write down this revelation from himself being under the Cross of Christ. In the mystery of the Cross of Christ we find victory in the midst of suffering, the promise of life in the midst of death. Bishop Robert Baron has so beautifully said that Catholics honor the cross and show the crucified Christ with pride and love. For instead of seeing it as defeat, (why would you show this happening to the Christ you love?) we show it as both the depth of His love and the power that He is victorious even over this! In other words, since He was victorious over the worst thing a human being can do to another human being, the crucifixion; we have nothing to fear, our God is victorious over everything!

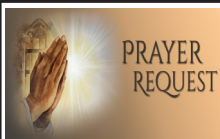
This week the priests of the diocese gather together for our annual clergy convocation. It will be held at the Augustine Institute in St. Louis from Monday afternoon through Thursday afternoon, September 15-18. It is one of the few times that all of the priests are able to gather together, and in fact we are expected to do so. It is the only time of the year where we are all gathered together for any significant time. In addition to the topics which are presented for our continued theological education, the time to share in fraternity with the other priests of the diocese is a real blessing. For this reason, and this is the only time of the year where both Fr. Jayke and I will be away, there will not be daily Mass Tuesday through Thursday, but will begin again on Friday September 19.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Peter Harman

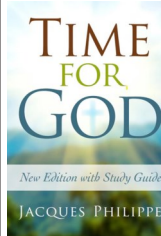
The 2026 Mass Intention Book

The Mass Intention book for 2026 is now open for those who want to schedule Mass Intentions. There will be one intention scheduled for each Mass, except for the 8:30am Mass on Mondays. This is a change from last year. Mass intentions are \$10 each and will be limited to 5 per family for 2026, of which only one can be scheduled on a weekend. Please stop by the parish office to schedule your Mass intentions.

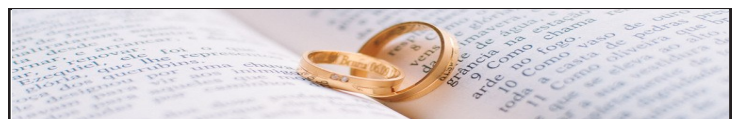


Please pray for Restoration of Religious Liberty, those who are ill, those in hospitals and nursing homes, those recovering from surgery, all those serving our country, and also for:

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Jackson Gaitros	Blain Loll	
Susan Goldstein	Barbara Mayhew	
Cheryl Gross	George Mette	
Heather Dial Hakman	Bernadette Niemann	
Gina Hargis	Bill Nuxoll	

**Time for God**

"I would like to pray, but don't have the time or know how to start out." Does that sound familiar? It is not uncommon to feel unequipped for prayer or how to best follow up with the inspiration we have to draw closer to God. Fr. Jacques Philippe in his classic book *Time for God*, offers a profound yet approachable guide for deepening our sense of God's presence. This fall, Fr. Harman will lead the discussion in a five-part series, with the help of a study guide, through this book. It will take place over the lunch hour, noon-1 p.m., on the Wednesdays of November 5 - December 3. The readings are manageable, since the whole book is just over 100 pages, but it will require some time of reading each week to be able to benefit from the presentation and discussion. Please call the office to register, so that we can order the books if you are interested.

**Wedding Banns**

Mariah Bushue/Matthew Bauer
September 20, 2025 (III)



Grief Support Meetings are held Tuesday evenings in September at 6:15pm in the St. Anthony Parish Center.

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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 13:

4:30pm Mass: Bob Schuette

Sunday, September 14:

7:30am Mass: Clarence & Jeanette Unkraut Family

9:15am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

11:00am Mass: Leonard Einhorn

Monday, September 15:

6:30am Mass: Steve Dasenbrock; Joe, Elizabeth, Harold & Maurice Metten; Margaret Hanfland; Stu & Millie Stumeier; John Soucie; Fred Lohman; Art Kinkelaar; Max Fehrenbacher

8:30am Mass: Gary Kruger

Tuesday, September 16:

6:30am Mass: No Mass

8:30am Mass: No Mass

Wednesday, September 17:

6:30am Mass: No Mass

Thursday, September 18:

6:30am Mass: No Mass

8:30am Mass: No Mass

Friday, September 19:

6:30am Mass: Richard "Dick" Zimmerman

8:30am Mass: Clifford & Dorothy Bushue Family

Saturday, September 20:

4:30pm Mass: Ambrose & Stella Probst

Sunday, September 21:

7:30am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

9:15am Mass: Jerry Brickley Anniversary

11:00am Mass: Marita Kemme

No Masses
Our Priests are at
Convocation

September is Suicide Prevention Month, there will be a Mass of Remembrance at St. Mary Help of Christians Green Creek on Wednesday, September 24th, 2025 at 6:30 pm. The Mass is for those who have died by suicide, as well as their loved ones. Mental health awareness is an important aspect of our communities and our parishes, and it is important that we all know that we are not alone and that we support one another. There will be a reception to follow in the Parish Hall.



"Come one, come fall!" Almost time for falling leaves and our annual fall soup supper which will be held October 6 at 6pm in the parish center

Good soups, good prizes, and good friends will be on the agenda. Please join us welcoming Sacred Heart and Shumway ladies for a wonderful evening. Betty Bailey will be our guest speaker sharing her experiences during the Vietnam War era which celebrates 50 years of the war ending for the USA.



We extend a warm welcome to our newest Parishioners...

- Joyce Barnhart
- Mary Bubash
- M Linda Thomson
- Mitchell & Ashley Doedtman, and children Grayson & Sophia
- Julie Everett, and daughter Hannah
- Joseph & Lauren Kabbes, and son Grayson
- Benjamin & Erica Zuber, and daughters Josephine, Miriam, and Hannah
- Jacob Schmidt
- Keagan & Emily Boll
- Blake & Kate Malatestinic
- Jonathan Myers, and daughter Harper



Welcome Recently Baptized

- Nora Catherine Beley, daughter of Thomas & Jacqueline Beley
- Truman Francis Anderson, son of Brent Anderson and Rachel Anderson
- Emma Graece Bourgeois, daughter of Sean & Katalyn Bourgeois
- Clara Agnes Niebrugge, daughter of Mark & Shelby Niebrugge
- Charlotte Mae Vogel, daughter of Jason & Claire Vogel
- Elena Maeve Hardiek, daughter of Andrew & Emily Hardiek
- Miley Frances Dirks, daughter of Brent & Brooke Dirks
- Archie Allen Lustig, son of Clinton & Megan Lustig
- Margot June Thoele, daughter of Blake & Rachel Thoele
- Grayson Joseph Kabbes, son of Joseph & Lauren Kabbes
- Charlotte Frances Kilcoyne, daughter of Patrick Kilcoyne and Courtney Tinker
- Henry Joseph Bierman, son of Nicholas & Megan Bierman
- Sutton Francis Schmidt, son of Mark & Heather Schmidt
- Warner Jerry Hecht, son of Matthew & Brianna Hecht



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.



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, September 18th** at 7:00pm. To register call the parish office at 217-347-7129.

Liturgical Ministers for September 2025

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
Lectors	Bob Mette	Jolene Hoke	Jane Dust	Kim Willenborg
Eucharistic Ministers	Eric Althoff Vic Fauss Michael Genta Janet Probst Billie Zeller	Alice Dust Greg Dust Shae Thoele Valerie Wohltman More Needed	Deanna Koester Tom Murphy Natalie Repking Brian Sehy Anne Wilson	Eric Koester Larry Masengale Theresa Masengale More Needed
Servers	Nathan Bailey Colin Storm Adam Kowalke	Bryson Bartimus Mary Hoke Lucy Hoke	Aubrey Repking Donovan Schultz Liam Schultz	Nash Hoene Charlotte Sprecher
Ushers	Ken Bourgeois Don Niebrugge Joe Ungrund Mike Zeller	Joe Jansen Terry Westendorf More Needed	Gene Fearday Patrick Niebrugge Brian Repking Michael Wilson	George Dallmier Bart Wiedman More Needed



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To continue to be able to transport all school athletes in both the grade school and high school, we are in great need of more drivers who have their CDL license. Drivers are paid for their time.

If this is you or you are interested in getting your CDL license to help the school out, please contact Stacia Semple at ssemple@stanthony.com.

Please share this with all of your friends and family, retired friends and family, etc. We have the buses but we are lacking drivers. Thank you.

Pro-Life Corner

Life Chain 2025
Sunday, October 5
Respect Life Sunday
1:30 pm – Prayer Service
Sacred Heart Parish Center
407 S Henrietta St, Effingham, IL
2-3 pm Life Chain

A Christian Witness against the killing of pre-born children. Help us line Fayette Ave and Keller Drive in Effingham – prayerfully, peacefully and legally – with crowds of pro-life Christians. Bring your family and friends to help make this a successful pro-life event.

Signs will be furnished.

Refreshments will be served following the event at the parish center.

For further information, please call Karla Slifer, Coordinator at 217-690-5282.

The Life Chain is a church and family event, not a rally or political extravaganza. Participants are to respect all other pedestrians, including those who oppose the chain and show only respect to motorists who indicate other sentiments.

If standing is a problem, lawn chairs are welcome. All denominations are invited and urged to attend!

Natural Family Planning Class

2025 Sessions: To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or kpruemer@gmail.com

Saturday, October 18th
9:30-11:00am at St. Anthony Church in Effingham

Saturday, December 6th
1:00-2:30pm at St. Francis Church in Teutopolis

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 15, 2025 @ St. Anthony
Call 217-347-7129 to register.



Flame of Love Rosary Prayer Group
Wednesdays from 3:30-4:10
Sacred Heart Church, Effingham

No commitment - come when it works for you
 Introduction and prayer sheets available
 Please join us - everyone is welcome!
www.flameoflove.us

PSR
Parish School of Religion

Meet the 2025-26 PSR staff...

Will Kabbes
 Harrison Miller
 Jess Goeckner
 Erica McNeely
 Ellen Hann
 Kyla Niebrugge
 Samantha Conrady
 Dixie Hartke
 Anne Wilson

This group of dedicated teachers are excited to share their love of Jesus and the Sacraments!

There is still time to join us! Reach out to Sara Hoene (shoene@stanthony.com) or Anne Wilson (awilson@stanthony.com) for more information.



Millions of Monicas celebrates one year in the Effingham Community Monday, September 15 at Sacred Heart Church. Join us for prayer from 6:00 - 7:00pm followed by refreshments and fellowship in the church narthex. All mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and Godmothers are invited! Even if you have never been before, please come check it out and celebrate with us!

Millions of mothers have watched their children abandon their Catholic faith in a chaotic, stressful, and struggling world. This prayer group is a way we can come together as believers and lift up our children in prayer. Millions of Monicas meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. For more information, visit www.millionsofmonicas.com.



SonRise Fridays
All Men Invited

SonRise Friday Men's Breakfast has returned to St. Anthony's Parish Center for men of all area parishes.

Last week we saw how failed male leadership is at the heart of a societal crisis. This coming Friday, we'll explore how this issue has deep roots and how strong leadership in the family - through the roles of husband, father, provider, and protector - can bring lasting peace, joy, and even financial stability. It's all about shaping a stronger future, starting at home!

Come for food, fellowship and faith 6:15 AM, Friday, at the St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham. All men are welcome. Learn more at thatmanisyou.com, or Dan Woods, 217-821-1495.

Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 2025 Convention - All women are invited to the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's annual convention on Wednesday, October 1, at St. Paul's Church and Trinity Hall, 1411 Main St., Highland, IL. The day begins with registration and refreshments from 8:00-9:00 a.m., followed by the convention from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., including Mass at 11:00 a.m. with Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. This year's theme is "Let Yourself Be Loved" and will feature speaker Claire Dwyer, author of *This Present Paradise: A Spiritual Journey with St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*. Hosted by the Alton Deanery Council of Catholic Women. Registration forms are available at the parish office or dio.org/events and are due by September 14. For more information, email sdccwinil@gmail.com or call SDCCW President Janet Zimmerman at 217-494-4743.

Week Ending Sept 7, 2025	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 10 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$21,812.66	\$260,604.83	\$251,227.37
GOAL	\$28,265.00	\$282,650.00	
Difference	(\$6,452.34)	(\$22,045.17)	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Sept 7, 2025	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$300.00	\$2,901.00
Cemetery	\$5.00	\$4,327.00
Mission Doctors	\$250.00	\$7,557.00



EIU Newman Center Annual Gala

Are you an alumni, friend, parent, or have a connection to EIU and the Newman Center? Consider attending this year's Newman Night Gala, October 25th, as we remember our past, celebrate the present, and ensure the future of our catholic student community and center here at EIU. For more details call 217-348-0188, visit our website eiunewman.org/newmannight, or email John Johnson at development@eiunewman.org.



St. Mary's Shumway Pork Chop Dinner Parish Hall Fundraiser

September 14, 2025 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Cost: \$12 per ticket

Dine-IN & Carry Out

2 pork chops, green beans, baked potato, dinner roll

For tickets contact:

Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399 Ed Kemme 217-821-3445
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must be in the office
by noon Monday
prior to publication.



Teutopolis American Legion Post 924 Whole Hog Breakfast

When: September 21, 2025
Time: 7:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Where: American Legion Post 924
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Ashley's Story

On Sunday, June 15, 2025, Ashley (Kinkelaar) Westendorf along with three of her four children, ages 8, 3, and 4 months were the victims of a head-on crash with another vehicle. The children are doing well. Ashley had surgery to repair many broken bones in her legs. She is working hard with physical therapy to regain her strength. She will be off work recuperating for quite some time.

Let's join together as friends, community and family to show Ashley, Mark and her young family our support during her lengthy process of healing.

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