

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Teutopolis, Illinois

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Sacramental Celebrations

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

Thursday before First Friday: 3:30-4:30 pm

Anytime by appointment

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance with the Pastor.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptism Prep. class is required before baptism. Please call office to pre-register.

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr. John Eaton, OFM, Pastor

Fr. Ken Rosswog, OFM, Associate Pastor

Fr. Thinh Tran, OFM, Associate Pastor

Br. Marc Sheckells, OFM

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Religious Education:

Sr. A. Pierre Wilken, OSF, Director of Faith Formation: 857-6404

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Carlene Rauch, Part-time Rel. Ed. Secretary: 857-6477

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Dan Beckman

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children. *Mt 14:19c-21*

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Weekday Liturgy:

See inside schedule

Weekend Liturgy:

Saturday 5:30 pm; Sunday 7:00, 8:45, & 10:30 am

Holy Days Liturgy:

Eve 7:00 pm; Day 6:00 am, 8:05 am, 12:10 pm & 5:30 pm

OUR WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

We welcome all who come and worship with us. If you wish to join our parish family, or have a change in your contact information, kindly complete this form. You can return it to the Rectory, place it in the collection, or give it to a Priest.

Name _____

Cell/Phone Number _____

Address _____

Email _____

Please make the above changes to my parish record.

I wish to find out more about the Catholic faith.

I would like to speak with a Priest.

Interested in information about annulments/validation

Information on having my children baptized

Please pray for: _____

From the Pastor

What a Kickoff!! Thanks to the help, planning, and participation of many, the opening Mass for the village's 175th anniversary was magnificent. Many thanks to the choir and musicians for their hard work. The time and energy you spent in rehearsals yielded a beautiful result. **Bishop Paprocki** gave an excellent homily which tied the gospel to the values that folks in T-Town hold dear. I want to give special thanks to those who helped in any way with the set up or "take down" of the equipment. It's a task that is easily overlooked but was essential to the liturgy.

We are also grateful because even though the skies were threatening, the rain held off until the last hymn was sung, the veterans were saluted, and most of us were able to get back indoors.

Congratulations, Sr. Clara. Yesterday at a special 10:30 am Mass, **Sr. Clara Esker** celebrated her 50th anniversary of religious life. We are grateful that one of "our own" has responded so generously to God's call, and we pray that God will continue to strengthen her in the consecrated life. May God call more of our local young women and men to roles of service in the Church!

Welcome Home! We're really happy to see **Br. Marc** back home. Sadly, he won't be with us very long...he's got to head back to Chicago to finish his degree at DePaul. The year has gone by too quickly.

Information Needed. We sometimes lose track of parish members who are in the hospital and then are moved to nursing homes or other care facilities. Because of government regulations, the hospitals are not permitted to tell us where a patient goes after being discharged; and the care facilities are not permitted to tell us when a patient arrives. It is up to the family to keep us informed. If you have a loved one who is currently in a nursing home (even if only temporarily) or other care facility, please call the parish office and let us know. Thanks!

Ministry Booklet. We have a new booklet describing the various parish ministries. Inside the booklet is a sign-up sheet. Please don't overlook it. Pull out the sign-up sheet, make additional copies for other family members, then fill out the sheets and return them to the parish office by dropping them in the collection basket. If you did not receive a booklet when they were passed out, there are plenty available at the church entrances.

Meetings. I wrote earlier to let you know that the Sacred Heart Province has voted to enter into a dialog with the other Franciscans regarding the future configuration of the provinces in the U.S. Inevitably, that dialog will demand more meetings. The first of those meetings will take place in Racine, WI, from August 3 – 6. I will have to head out after the big parade and should be back by the evening of the 6th. May the Holy Spirit guide our discussions and decisions! I will have to return to WI (Burlington) from August 18 – 20 for a Provincial Council meeting.

Holy Day of Obligation. August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a holy day of obligation. Please check elsewhere in the bulletin for Mass times. If none of these times fits your schedule, please check the Mass times at other parishes in the area.

Mission Appeal. Each year, the diocese assigns a particular missionary group to make an appeal in our area. This year, the Congregation of the Holy Cross will be sending **Fr. Jim Ferguson** to make the appeal on their behalf. Fr. Ferguson will be at SFA on August 16 and 17.

Br. Claver. The Province is in the process of getting Br. Claver ready to move to Manitowoc, WI, where a number of our retired friars are already living. Br. Claver is eager to move and has been a little frustrated that the process has taken so long. If you want to say "farewell" to him, you better get over to see him ASAP.

Anointing. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing on Tuesday, August 12, at 2:00 p.m. Participation at our Anointing services has been steadily growing over the past couple of years. If you are struggling with physical or emotional problems, please consider making use of this opportunity. If you are of advanced age, you are encouraged to participate. If you are healthy and strong, consider providing transportation for a family member or neighbor who could benefit from Anointing.

If you have loved ones who need Anointing but are unable to come to church, please call one of the priests to arrange for us to visit them.

Lightning Update. Several weeks ago, we had a lightning strike that affected various electrical components in the parish buildings. The organ company has been here to repair the organ. Ron was able to find a back-up mixer for the sound system in the choir loft, so that's working OK again. **Dennis Deeters** has been working to get the electronic sign functioning properly. Dennis also plans to replace some of the lights in the steeple. The fire alarm system is still not fully functional, though most of the building is covered.

In a related note, someone asked whether or not we were going to purchase tower speakers. As a result of our demonstration several months ago, most people agreed that they could hear better using the tower speakers. This is an expensive proposition (more than \$30K), so we are going to check with other companies and ask them to submit proposals for the installation of tower speakers.

More Celebrations Coming. At the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 24, **Sr. Ann Vincent Siemer** and **Sr. Helen Vahling** will celebrate 60 years of religious life. That is a witness of commitment that we admire and young people would do well to emulate. Please join us for Mass if you are able. I'm sure that cards and prayers would be welcome.

Franciscan Retreat. Il Ritiro Franciscan Retreat Center in Dittmer, MO, is offering a "Franciscan Hermitage Experience" from August 29 – September 1. If you are in need of some prayer time away, you can get more information by calling 636-274-0554.

Liturgy Schedule 18th Week in Ordinary Time August 4—10

Monday,	St. John Vianney Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday,	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Wednesday,	The Transfiguration of the Lord Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Thursday,	St. Sixtus II and Companions St. Cajetan Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Friday,	St. Dominic Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Saturday,	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Mass at 8:00 am & 5:30 pm
Sunday,	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday, August 9 - 3:30-4:30 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday -- 11:45 am & 4:45 pm



Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Eddie Siemer, Cheryl Ann Huber, Anna Habing, Jack Hardiek, Paula Spencer, Lucille Worman, Agnes Kremer, Pauline Gobjczynski, Devin Mette, David Pruemer, Harold Hardiek, Sr. Alice Borries, Ray Lohman, Don Broom, Margaret Pruemer, Will Niccum, Ruth Schmidt

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 7/27/2014	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
230 Adult envelopes	\$6,377.50	\$29,138.00
Other	\$1,677.00	\$3,275.52
TOTAL	\$8,054.50	\$32,413.52

Catholic Charities \$1,242.00



Parish Calendar

Tuesday, August 5

- Secular Franciscans meet, 6:00pm, St. Clare
- Baptism Prep, 7:00pm, St. Isidore

Wednesday, August 6

- Guitar practice, 6:30pm, Church
- Rosary, 8:00pm, Chapel

Thursday, August 7

- Catechists mtg., 8:00am, Museum Dining Room

Friday, August 8

- Men's group, 7:00-8:00am, St. Clare

Saturday, August 9

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30pm

The Mass Schedule for the Feast of the Assumption of the BVM on August 15th

is: 7:00 pm Vigil Mass on August 14, and 6:00 am, 8:05 am, 12:10 pm and 5:30 pm on the holy day.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 4, 6:30: Phe-ro-Tran (*Fr. Think's Father*)
 Monday, August 4, 12:10: John Worman
 Tuesday, August 5, 6:30: Anna Mae Nosbisch
 Tuesday, August 5, 8:00: Mack Kitten
 Wednesday, August 6, 6:30: AID
 Wednesday, August 6, 8:00: August & Marian Schultz Family
 Thursday, August 7, 6:30: Gary Funneman
 Thursday, August 7, 12:10: Phe-ro-Tran
 Friday, August 8, 6:30: Jerry Niebrugge
 Friday, August 8, 8:00: August & Marian Schultz Family
 Saturday, August 9, 8:00: Jim Bloemer
 Saturday, August 9, 5:30: Pro Populo
 Sunday, August 10, 7:00: Mildred Bloemer
 Sunday, August 10, 8:45: Jerry Niebrugge
 Sunday, August 10, 10:30: Fred A. Waldhoff

DCCW News. The next Effingham Deanery DCCW Mass and meeting is at the Immaculate Conception Church in Mattoon on Friday, August 8th, at 7:00 pm.



Homebound Ministry

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for Sunday, August 10th are Rita Pals 857-3569 and Mary Runde 857-3276.

RCIA meets Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Museum Meeting Room. The week's session is on: Who do you say I am? Jesus. If you know of someone expressing a desire to know more about the Catholic faith, you can call S. Pierre 857-6404 for an initial conversation.

Is there something missing in your life?

Where is God calling you? Spiritual Direction is for men and women from all walks of life who (1) seek a deeper relationship with God, (2) want a clearer direction in life, (3) or hope to grow spiritually.

Spiritual direction is not counseling or therapy, and does not involve advice giving or problem solving. Rather it is a process of listening together for the movement of the Spirit. Spiritual Direction offers a safe time and place to share your faith journey and experience of God with a fellow companion on the journey—a person of prayer who is trained to witness to God in the journey of others. Interested? Contact one of these Certified Spiritual Directors for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Pati Jansen, M.A. Pastoral Theology (618) 238-4471 or (217) 821-4771; Liz Schmidt, M.A. Pastoral Studies (217) 663-3444 or (217) 347-3685; Sr. Ann Pierre Wilken, OSF (217) 821-8405 or (217) 857-6404

Happy Birthday to Fr. Vernon Olmer, OFM on Thursday, August 7th. He would enjoy cards to be sent to him at St. Francis Solanus Church, 1721 College Ave., Quincy, IL 62301

Become a volunteer for St. Anthony's Hospice program to bring peace, comfort and dignity to a patient's life. Whether it is a home visit, office help or spiritual care, each is important for the benefit of the person and family caring for a loved one. Training to become a certified Hospice volunteer is provided free of charge. For more information, please call St. Anthony Memorial Hospital at 347-1777.

SEARCH Special Religious Education welcomes people with special needs, who reside in the Teutopolis/Effingham area, to participate in our program. We provide sacramental preparation and spend time together to form a community of faith. Anyone over the age of 7 into adulthood is welcome. Classes are on Saturday mornings and start October 4th. To enroll or for more information, please contact JoAnn Ellett at 217-857-1948 or a jrhabi@hotmail.com.

Religious Education News

GRADE SCHOOL—CATECHISTS. Religious Education initial meeting is Thursday, August 7, at 8:00 am in the Museum Dining Room.

MASS SUPERVISORS' meeting is on Thursday, August 14, in St. Clare Hall beginning at 8:00 am. Both meetings begin with refreshments and socializing. Please join us for a refresher "course" on the upcoming suggestions for the coming year, the calendar, and lists of names of the children in your classes. God bless our new beginnings.

Friday Mass supervisors, please be available at 7:55 to escort the children in grades 3 through 6 to church on Friday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption and Holy Day of Obligation.

Thanks to those who responded to walk a class to church, following the notice in last week's bulletin.

Catechists and Mass Supervisors of grades 2 to 6 begin on Monday, August 18; Grade 1 classes begin on Monday, August 25. Please be present at 7:55 in the areas assigned to begin your service. Many thanks!

Readings for catechists and others using the Catechism of the Catholic Church for study and reflection: For the 18th Week in Ordinary Time—Sunday: Facing Difficulties and Temptations in Prayer (2729-2733); Monday: Filial Trust (2734); Tuesday: How is Our Prayer Efficacious? (2736-2741); Wednesday: Persevering in Love (2742-2745); Thursday: Prayer of the Hour of Jesus (2746-2751); Friday: The Lord's Prayer (2759-2760); Saturday: Summary of the Whole Gospel (2761-2764).

The Catholic Committee on Scouting is hosting its annual Camp-O-Ree the weekend of September 5-7 at Camp Illinek in Springfield. The Camo-O-Ree is an opportunity for Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing Crew members to earn religious awards as part of a Scout's duty to God. Awards include patches from the Footsteps of America Saints, Pray the Rosary, Women in Scripture, and Models of Faith. Scouts will also have an opportunity to earn the International Awareness patch or emblem. Chaplain Aide training will also be available during the program. Registration information is online at <http://scouts.dio.org>, or contact Kyle Holtgrave, diocesan chair, at 217-698-8500, ext. 154 for details.

Looking for something to relax and inspire you after a week of festivities? Try checking out some of the material in St. Clare Hall. Books, videos, Bible study, DVD's all meant to inspire, instill a desire and feed a hunger.

Q. On August 10 we celebrate St. Lawrence. He was a deacon who valued the true treasures of the church. Can you tell us more about him?

A. There is little known about Lawrence other than he was a deacon in Rome during the reign of Emperor Valerian from 253-259. In 258, Valerian began a persecution of the leaders of the Roman Church. Lawrence was in charge of the purse for the church of Rome. Roman officials in need of money demanded that the riches of the church be handed over to them. Lawrence asked for a few days to gather them.

Lawrence took the money he had charge over and distributed it to the poor of Rome. Then he gathered all the homeless and the poor together. When the Roman officials came again demanding the riches of the church, Lawrence pointed to the destitute and homeless, saying that these are the true riches of the church.

For this he was imprisoned and tortured. Lawrence was put to death by burning on a gridiron. It is said that as he was dying, he told his executioners to turn him over because he was done on one side and needed to be fully cooked for the Lord.

Lawrence continues to be a model for us today. The church needs continual reminders that its riches are the people. The primary purpose and mission of the church is to be continually sensitive to the needs of all God's people, most especially the least of our brothers and sisters.

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Reflection

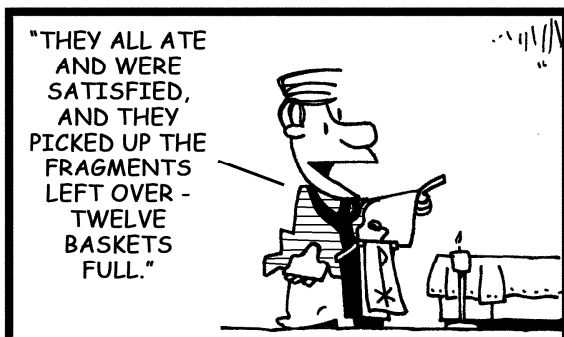
CYCLE A AUGUST 3, 2014
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself." In the midst of his own sorrow at the murder of his cousin and friend, John the Baptist, Jesus had wanted to be alone. We can imagine how he might have been dealing with his sadness, perhaps shedding some tears and most likely praying to his Father in heaven. Yet his privacy was not respected at this difficult moment. Instead, a crowd of more than five thousand people found out where he was and "followed him on foot from their towns." Anyone else might have been annoyed in this situation. But Jesus was compassionate. Rather than wallowing in his own emotion, he thought of the men, women, and children who had made the journey to this remote location to be near him. "His heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick."

Imagine the sick people who came to see Jesus. Imagine their hopes, their expectations, and the sacrifices they made to be in his presence. Jesus understood all of this. His emotions turned in their direction now as the sight of them touched his heart. And he cured them. And then, he fed them. Not only those who were sick, but all those present. First, the miracles of healing. Then, the miracle of multiplying the loaves and fish. What an experience it must have been to be among this crowd!

This Jesus of compassion and healing, this Jesus who provided for his people until they "were satisfied," this is our Jesus too. His sacred heart is also moved by seeing us, by recognizing our weaknesses, hopes, and desires. Jesus remains the same. He is willing and able to satisfy our deepest needs. The question is whether we, like the crowd that day, will make the journey to find him.

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Anthony Church Picnic will be held August 9th & 10th at the St. Anthony High School. On Saturday, the grounds will be open from 5:00 pm to midnight and on Sunday from noon to midnight. A Sunday dinner will be served from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm in the St. Anthony High School multi-purpose room. There will be games for kids of every age, food, refreshments and live music. Take a chance on the big raffle and junior raffle. Everyone welcome!

The 2nd Annual Community Wide Garage Sales are set for Saturday, Aug. 9, from 7 am to 1 pm at the Grove Township Community Center. We are opening the garage sales up to vendors — vendors \$10; garage sale booths \$5. If interested, contact Kim Will 217-683-2688 or grovetownshipcommunitycenter@gmail.com

The 2nd Annual Social Gathering is set for Saturday, Aug. 16, from 5 to 8 pm at the Grove Township Community Center. \$5:00 meal includes porkburger or hotdog, chips, donated desserts, drinks. 50/50 drawing and Cake Walk.

Pray the Rosary at Planned Parenthood. Join the Life Runners on Tuesday, August 5 at noon for the Rosary.

Also on Tuesday, August 5 at 1:30pm come pray the Rosary as we ask God to close down the Effingham Planned Parenthood facility. Together we can make it happen.

Come, Grow With Us! St. Anthony's Pups' Patch Preschool in Effingham is growing! Pups' Patch is adding a 2nd classroom due to overwhelming interest! Classes are available for 4 year olds on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays in the morning or the afternoon. Classes are also available for 3 year olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the morning. Pups' Patch wants your preschoolers to Come and Grow With Us! Visit our website at www.stanthony.com or call today to register for Fall 2014! 217-347-0419.

Teutopolis Park District

www.teutopolisparkdistrict.com

Soccer: Sign-up continues (late fee applies)

Soccer Clinics: August 9; Sign-up continues

Fall Doubles Tennis: Sign-up continues (late fee applies)

Summer Pool Party: August 14; 7-9pm at Effingham Kluthe Pool

Wooden Shoe Walk: Continues; July progress reports due August 1-3

Congratulations to Olivia Meinhart, Grace Tegeler and Emma Hewing who participated in gymnastics at the Junior Olympics in Des Moines, IA on Monday, July 28. Way to go girls on your accomplishment!

You're invited to a FREE summer concert at Sacred Heart Church, Effingham on Monday, August 4 at 6:30pm. Julie Carrick, of Carrick Ministries, is touring the USA, presenting an exciting evening of music and worship. This year's theme is "Summer Faith—Sipping on Grace."

This dynamic woman from Scottsdale, AZ, is known nationally and internationally for her music and heartfelt testimony. Julie has appeared on EWTN, Catholic TV, and during World Youth Day Events. She works extensively to share her Faith-filled trials and tribulations, and this is a once-in-a-lifetime event that shouldn't be missed. Julie's real life experiences are shared in her music and her testimony, including serious marriage issues, helping an adult daughter through a rape that resulted in pregnancy, and most recently, becoming a lung cancer survivor. Because of her Faith, Julie has stayed the course with Christ and has been blessed by His grace! For more information, please phone Sacred Heart Parish Office at 217-347-7177 or visit www.sheff.org.

MS Open House. Does Multiple Sclerosis affect you or someone you know? An Open House will be held Wednesday, August 13, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at Helen Matthes Library. Check in at 6:00 pm and learn more about the National MS Society and what they are doing in your community. Light snacks and refreshments will be served. Registration is encouraged. Call 1-800-344-4867 or go to MSillinois.org to register.

Thank You. Thanks to all of you for donating flowers (oh my, we had so many beautiful ones!), desserts, doilies and jars for the Dinner Dance. It was absolutely an overwhelming response from all of you! Thanks to the servers, the Drees family for the cole slaw, and all who helped set up and tear down. It all made the event memorable for everyone. Thanks a million.

Karen Brumleve

Shed Available. Due to the upcoming columbarium project, the shed at the cemetery must be eliminated/moved. If anyone is interested in looking and/or purchasing it, contact Ron Ruholl at the church — 857-6404. The shed must be moved by September 1st. If you would like to purchase it, please send your bid in to the parish office by August 15th. Thank you.