

St. Francis *of* Assisi Parish

Teutopolis, Illinois

May 18, 2014

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Jessica Goldstein
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Madeline Hartke
Ashley Hemmen
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We congratulate our
GRADUATES

From the Pastor

Celebrating Commencement. We honor our high school graduates who will be joining us at the 8:45 Mass today. We ask God’s blessing upon them as they take another major step in their young lives. May God guard and guide them and keep them always close to Him.

The commencement ceremony at the school will take place at 2:30 p.m. today.

Next Sunday, we will be celebrating the eighth grade students at the 8:45 Mass.

June Masses. From June 8 – 13, all the friars are required to be in St. Louis for our provincial chapter. Please note that there will be no morning Masses from June 9 – 13. Please check the Mass schedule at the local parishes if you wish to attend weekday Mass. Also, if there is an emergency requiring a priest, please contact the priests in Effingham.

Northern Trek. On Memorial Day, Br. Marc and I will head up to northern MI so I can make my annual required visit to the friars at the shrine of Cross in the Woods. The snow should be gone by now! We plan to return home on Thursday, May 29.

...and More Meetings. From June 5 – 7, I will be in St. Louis for the last Provincial Council meeting of the current administration. Our Provincial Chapter begins on June 8 and runs until noon on June 13, so I won’t be back home until the evening of 6/13. Though we won’t be electing a new Provincial or Vicar, we will be electing a new Council. My name was fairly high on the list after the straw ballot, so there is a good chance I will be re-elected. If so, it will mean another three years of meetings every six weeks or so.

Memorial Day. Please remember that on Memorial Day, May 26, there will be no 6:30 a.m. or 12:10 p.m. Mass. Instead, Fr. Ken will celebrate a 9:00 a.m. Mass at the cemetery. Please gather with the Church for prayer.

CD’s for Sale. The parish has purchased 20 CD sets of the talks given by **Fr. Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM**, at our recent parish mission. If you know of someone who was not able to attend the mission, this would make a great gift. Please call the parish office. Cost is \$10 per set of three.

Holy Humor...Adam and Eve had the perfect marriage. He didn’t have to hear about all the men she could have married and she didn’t have to hear about how well his mother cooked!

Mass Intentions

- Monday, May 19, 6:30: AID
- Monday, May 19, 12:10: Mary Fuesting
- Tuesday, May 20, 6:30: AID
- Tuesday, May 20, 8:05: Mack Kitten
- Wednesday, May 21, 6:30: AID
- Wednesday, May 21, 8:05: Bill Esker
- Thursday, May 22, 6:30: AID
- Thursday, May 22, 12:10: Jim Koester
- Friday, May 23, 8:05: Helen Thoele
- Saturday, May 24, 8:00: Mr. & Mrs. Alan Probst
Wedding Day
- Saturday, May 24, 5:30: Leo Hille
- Sunday, May 25, 7:00: George Brumleve
- Sunday, May 25, 8:45: Emma Brumleve
- Sunday, May 25, 10:30: Pro Populo

Thank You. St. Francis Parish would like to thank the following 20 high school seniors of the class of 2014 for their 9 years of service in the server ministry. These young men and young women began this ministry in 4th grade and have continued throughout their high school years. We appreciate all the time and faithfulness you have given to this ministry. Thank you for a job well done and may God bless you in all your future endeavors!

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| Andy Borries | Ashley Hemmen |
| Elena Breer | Lauren Jansen |
| Kyle Brumleve | Justin Kenter |
| Andrew Cople | Jessica Schumacher |
| Morgan Deters | Paul Schumacher |
| Taylor Deters | Kaitlin Smith |
| Maria Esker | Allison Vogt |
| Haley Giles | Charlotte Went |
| Reed Hardiek | Mackenzie Wermert |
| Madeline Hartke | Holley Wright |

Special thanks to Kyle Brumleve of the class of 2014 for his service as a sacristan for the past 2 years at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Kyle, your help has been greatly appreciated. God bless you always!

Parish Office

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 Fax(217) 857-1031
 Parish E-mail stfrancischurch@mchsi.com
 Parish website: stfrancischurch.com
Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.
 Diocesan website: www.dio.org
 Ember Beddingfield, Victim Assistance Coordinator.....
 (217) 321-1155

Liturgy Schedule 5th Week of Easter May 19-25

Monday,	Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday,	St. Bernardine of Siena Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Wednesday,	St. Christopher Magallanes Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Thursday,	St. Rita of Cascia Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Saturday,	Mass at 8:00 am & 5:30 pm
Sunday,	6th Sunday of Easter Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday, May 24 - 3:30-4:30 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

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

Baby Bottle Project. You may have missed getting a baby bottle last weekend for collecting your change, cash, or check for our local pro-life pregnancy center, The Family Life Center. There are now extra bottles at the church entrances. Please return them with your donation on Father's Day weekend.



Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Eddie Siemer, Cheryl Ann Huber, Chris Utz, Anna Habing, Jack Hardiek, Paula Spencer, Lucille Worman, Agnes Kremer, Pauline Gobczynski, Devin Mette, David Pruemer, Harold Hardiek, Sr. Alice Borries, Josh Bierman, Ray Lohman, Don Broom

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 5/11/2014	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
338 Adult envelopes	\$8,962.50	\$401,748.53
Other	\$811.98	\$29,198.25
TOTAL	\$9,774.48	\$430,946.78



Parish Calendar

Monday, May 19

- DeColores Board mtg., 7:00pm, Museum Meeting Room
- Social Concerns mtg., 7:00pm, St. Clare

Tuesday, May 20

- Secular Franciscans meet, 6:00pm St. Clare, 7:00pm Church

Wednesday, May 21

- Rosary, 8:00pm, Chapel

Thursday, May 22

- Finance Council mtg., 7:00pm, St. Clare

Friday, May 23

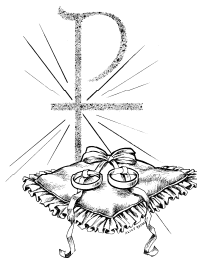
- Calling All Men, 7:00am, St. Clare

Saturday, May 24

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30pm

Sunday, May 25

- Grade 8 Promotion Mass, 8:45am



Planning Marriage

Jay Nottingham and Kristin Runde
Saturday, May 24, 2014
1:00 pm

Special Collection—Catholic Communication

Next week our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This Collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our (arch)diocese and support local needs, so please be generous in this collection. CCC equips us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world. Please use the envelope included with your set.

Sing Along. St. Francis Singers and Friends will be singing at Lakeland Nursing Center on Thursday, May 22nd at 10:00 am.



Homebound Ministry

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, May 25th are Theresa Funneman 821-4867 and Carlene Rauch 857-6296.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS

You are invited to participate in the Outdoor Mass celebrating Teutopolis' Terquasquicentennial. All singers (4th Grade and up) and anyone who can play an instrument are needed. Past, present, and future choir members are especially welcome.

July 26
4:00pm
Society Hall Ball Diamond

Rehearsal times to be announced.

For questions or to sign up, call Theresa Draper at 857-6404 ext 232 or email tdraper@stfrancischurch.com

DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS JUNE 10

RCIA is beginning again. Should anyone express an interest in the Catholic Church invite them to call Sr. Pierre at 857-6404 for an initial conversation.

Protecting God's Children. After a meeting with Ember Beddington, diocesan supervisor of Protecting God's Children, we are in compliance with the USCCB policy in our religious education programs. We are not in compliance with our parish training. We have been asked by Bishop Paprocki to be trained so that our parish will be known as a safe environment for our vulnerable population, namely, our children, elderly and mentally challenged. Should you have any reservations regarding this training, please call S. Pierre at 857-6404 for more information and/or clarification.

Human Trafficking. Several articles regarding the use or misuse of technology can be found in the magazine rack at the east entrance to church. Please help yourself to articles from [How to choose a cell phone for your child \(ren\)](#) to [Myths regarding Human Trafficking](#). This is important for keeping up-dated regarding the swiftly changing arena of technology.

Freedom Prayer Rally for Religious Liberty to be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at noon at the Lincoln statue at the State Capital. The Bishops of the United States have called all the faithful to celebrate the [Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Serve](#), from June 21 to July 4, 2014. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the freedom to serve the poor and vulnerable in accord with human dignity and the Church's teaching. What can you do to help protect religious freedom?

Religious Education News

GRADE SCHOOL- Parents of Grade 2, please turn in your Corpus Christi responses by Monday or Wednesday of this week. Practices during lunch hour will take place on Wednesday and Friday. Corpus Christi Mass and outdoor procession will take place on Sunday, June 22, during the 7:00 Mass. If you need more information, please call 857-6477. Participating in this procession is a great way to thank Jesus for His Presence in the Eucharist.

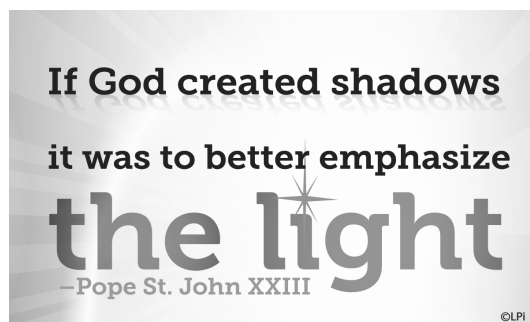
Students in Grade 6H will be touring the museum and Grade 6W will be touring the Teen Center on Tuesday, May 20; on Wednesday, May 21, Grade 6W will tour the Museum.

Parishioners are invited to church to participate with Grades 5 and 6 as they say the group rosary on Thursday, May 22.

Catechists and Mass supervisors, please mark your calendar for Wednesday, May 28, for a parish gathering and closing activities at 9:00 in St. Clare Hall.

JUNIOR HIGH- Grade 8 Parish Recognition Mass will take place on Sunday, May 25, at the 8:45 Mass. Parents and students have received reminders in the mail this week. All 8th graders will please be in the reserved pews by 8:30, with graduation gowns and collars—no caps.. Those who have special reading parts for the Mass, please arrive at 8:15 in the sacristy for practice. Any concerns, please call 857-6477. God bless everyone's Summer!

TWO CATECHIST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR –FULL TIME (2 DAYS OR 3 DAYS A WEEK) FOR GRADE 2 AND GRADE 4. YOU WILL BE GIVEN ALL THE HELP AND PRAYER SUPPORT YOU NEED TO GET ON THE “RIGHT ROAD” TO GETTING STARTED AND TO HAVING CONFIDENCE. CALL 857-6477 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO SIGN UP OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. “IF NOT YOU, THEN WHO???” MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO NEEDED FOR SUBSTITUTING ANY DAY OF THE WEEK AS A CATECHIST OR AS A MASS WALKER.



Guitar Group. During the summer, a guitar group will be providing music at the 5:30pm or 10:30am Mass every other weekend. This group is open to any musician who would like to participate. We will be practicing every Wednesday at 6:30pm in church, starting Wednesday, May 21st. Feel free to come to practice to check it out, even if you don't play at Mass. If you have any questions, call Denise Walk at 259-2369.

Prayer Vigil for Life. St. Aloysius Church, Bishop Creek will host the May 19th Prayer Vigil for Life. Praying the Scriptural Rosary will begin at 6:00pm followed with Mass at 6:30. Special guest for the evening will be Jill Schultz from St. Anthony's Parish. She will share her personal experience with Small Victories and how this organization helped change her life forever. Come see how one person's actions made a difference between life and death.

A group of local residents will be traveling to Granite City on Saturday, June 14th, to pray at the largest abortion clinic in the Mid-West, and support Small Victories, a not-for-profit organization which works tirelessly to save the unborn. Over the past 21 years, Small Victories has saved over 4600 babies! (<http://www.smallvictoriesusa.com/>). They would not be able to do this without your prayers, presence and financial support! If you would like to join us, or make a financial donation, or donate needed baby items, please contact Jill Schultz at 217-821-4254. Any support you can provide would be appreciated.

Death Notice. Sister Joyce Des Jardins, SSND, a former Spanish teacher at Teutopolis High School, who taught from 1971 to 1975, died at the retirement home in Chatawa, Mississippi and was buried May 10th. May she rest in peace.

Stewardship Corner. Have you ever thought about how many of your free hours you spend doing things for yourself versus how many you spend doing things for others?

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) 347-3685 or (217) 663-3444; Sr. Ann Pierre Wilken, OSF (217) 821-8405 or (217) 857-6404

Upcoming Jubilarian Celebrations.

Sister Clara Esker, School Sister of Notre Dame, native of Teutopolis and daughter of deceased George and Mary Esker will be celebrating her 50th Jubilee on Saturday, August 2, at the 10:30 am Mass at St. Francis Church followed by a family gathering.

Sister Helen Vahling, Franciscan Sister of Joliet, Illinois, native of Teutopolis and daughter of deceased Ferd and Anna Vahling, will be celebrating her 60th Jubilee with eleven members of her Community in the Cathedral of St. Raymond on Saturday, June 21, in Joliet, Illinois. Sister Helen was the first parish Director of Religious at St. Francis parish in Teutopolis, serving from 1978 to 1985.

Sister Ann Vincent Siemer, School Sister of Notre Dame, a native of St. Louis, will be celebrating her 60th Jubilee at the St. Louis Motherhouse on Sunday, August 3. Sister Ann Vincent is the present Director of Religious Education at St. Francis Parish. Both Sisters Helen and Ann Vincent will be celebrating with the St. Francis Parish community during the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, August 24. Because of her ministry in California, Sister Clara will not be able to be present for the August 24 celebration.

Also, **Father Austin Albers, OFM**, is celebrating 50 years as a priest of the Order of Friars Minor, Sacred Heart Province. His jubilee, along with others', will be celebrated during the Provincial Chapter in St. Louis in June. See the May 4 Catholic Times for a more detailed write-up.

If anyone wishes, congratulations may be sent to the following addresses for those persons unable to attend any of the celebrations in person.

Sister Clara Esker, SSND
656 Delta Way
Watsonville, CA 95076

Sister Helen Vahling, OSF
St. Clare House of Prayer
1320 Franciscan Way
Joliet, IL 60435-3956

Sister Ann Vincent Siemer, SSND
508 W. Main St
PO Box 726
Teutopolis, IL 62467

Father Austin Albers, OFM
Holy Cross Friary
724 N 20th Street
Quincy, IL 62301-2463

Reflection

5th Sunday of Easter

Robert Frost's famous poem "The Road Not Taken" is studied in many English classes. Countless school children have memorized and recited back the four stanzas that constitute the work. The 1920 composition is remembered most for its final three lines: "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I - / I took the one less traveled by, / And that has made all the difference." Taking the road less traveled has become synonymous with making bold choices in life that are in some ways counter-cultural. More than thirty years ago, M. Scott Peck even turned that image into an attempt to merge psychoanalysis and spirituality (along with a host of other things) into what would become a best-selling book. So successful was Peck's book, that the actual title of the Frost poem is now confused in Internet searches and Web pages with the bestseller.

Thomas and Philip were also a bit confused in today's Gospel. Jesus had to make plain to them that he is the way and the truth and the life that leads to the Father. Jesus clarified his interaction with the Father when he said to Philip, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn 14:9). But the ultimate promise that Jesus makes in today's Gospel is about the power that resides in the Christian. Jesus says that whoever believes in him will do greater works that because Jesus is returning to the Father.

When John wrote his Gospel he was not shy about the gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus handed over to believers. That Spirit of God dwells in each of the baptized and empowers us to do the works of Christ. Those who were baptized at the Easter vigil just a few weeks ago, now share in that same out-pouring of the Holy Spirit that is within all of us who renewed our baptismal promises. God is there ready to work within us. Let's take that road!

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Calling All Men. All men that can are invited to join us each Friday (next date: May 23rd) throughout the summer for 6:30 am Mass at St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, followed by coffee, prayer and fellowship in St. Clare Hall. We will either reflect on the following Sunday's readings, or other topics that will bring us closer in our relationship with God. Any questions, please call Glenn Pankonen 217-663-7821.



Teutopolis Park District

(www.teutopolisparkdistrict.com)

Boot Camp: May 19 –July 11; Sign-up continues, late fee applies

Baseball Clinics: May 22-24; Sign-up continues

Summer Day Camp: June 2-27; Sign-up continues, late fee applies

Summer Tennis: June 2-27; Sign-up continues, late fee applies

Summer Pool Party: June 10

Wooden Shoe Walk: Continues

Chicken and Fish will be served every Friday night, 5:30-7:30pm in the Teutopolis KC bar room.

Fundraiser Cookout by Martins IGA for the Multi Parish Center being built at Sigel, St. Michaels. May 22, 2014, 4:00-7:00 pm on Martins parking lot.

5th Annual St. Charles Summer Start Up

Family Festival will take place on Saturday, June 7th, from noon until 5:00pm at St. Charles Church, Charleston. Don't miss the fun. There will be festival finger food, live music and entertainment, family games and activities, bingo, cake walk, dunk tank, handmade quilt raffle, themed baskets drawing, and flea market along with many other activities.

There will also be a fried chicken dinner, complete with mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, applesauce, and beverage served in the evening from 5:30-7:00pm, with a live auction at 6:00. Come for the festival and then stay for dinner and the auction.

Calling All Gardeners. I am in need of a lot of fresh flowers for our Terquasquicentennial Dinner Dance on July 26th. If you enjoy gardening, please plant some extra flowers (daisies, zinnias, snapdragons, etc). I will follow up in July on how to get them to us. Thanks so much! Because of all your help, we are going to have a Grand Celebration!
-Karen Brumleve

Word of Life. "What people are for is, we believe, like guided missiles, to home in on God, God who is the one truth it is infinitely worth knowing, the possession of which you could never get tired of, like the water which if you have you can never thirst again, because your thirst is slaked forever and always. It's this potentiality, this incredible possibility, of the knowledge of God of such a kind as even to be sharing in his nature, which Christianity holds out to people; and because of this potentiality every life, right up to the last, must be treated as precious." Elizabeth Anscombe, *Contraception and Chastity*