

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Teutopolis, Illinois

Confirmation

C E L E B R A T I O N

On November 5, 2014

Katlyn (Emiliana) Beckman
Lane (Michael) Belleville
Dylan (Paul) Bloemer
Audra (Faustina) Breer
Tyler (Sebastian) Broom
Sidney (Mary) Brumleve
Zoe (Teresa) Buhnerkempe
Braydan (James) Bushue
Allison (Lucy) Deters
Christian (Virgil) Deters
John (Joseph) Deters
Mikaele (Mary) Deters
Raegan (Elizabeth) Drees
Joseph (Joseph) Esker
Jared (Joseph) Funneman
Matthew (Michael) Funneman
Mitchel (Paul) Hardiek
Trevor (James) Hardiek

Alexander (Alphonse) Hartke
Carson (Thomas) Hartke
Dustin (Franklin) Hartke
Garrett (Isidore) Hartke
Taylor (Sophia) Hartke
Claire (Elizabeth) Hemmen
Lexi (Rose) Heuerman
Alexis (Caroline) Kaufman
Jason (James) Kenter
Blake (Anthony) Kitten
Kyle (Lawrence) McMahon
Alex (Francis) Meinhart
Conner (Thomas) Mette
Hanna (Anastasia) Niemerg
Caleb (Thomas) Ordner
Lauren (Teresa) Ozenkoski
Noah (Andrew) Pals
Jaelyn (Mary) Poston

Tessa (Rose) Pruemer
Maci (Virginia) Rieman
Joseph (Anthony) Runde
Jamie (Cecilia) Sandschafer
Beth (Marie) Schabbing
Corey (Anthony) Schabbing
Carol (Rose) Schumacher
Christa (Marie) Schwinke
Lauren (Cecilia) Siemer
Shelby (Elizabeth) Thompson
Anthony (Martin) Uthell
Maria (Cecilia) Vonderheide
Hannah (Sarah) Walk
Austin (Elias) Weber
Caleb (Mack) Wendt
Eric (Paul) Willenborg
Ashley (Mary) Young
Shawn (Thomas) Zerrusen



Congratulations to the Newly Confirmed

From the Pastor

Confirmation. We again offer our congratulations to the Confirmation class of 2014. We are proud of these young people because of their character and their service, and we pray that the Holy Spirit will become increasingly influential in their lives.

Supply Ministry. I am helping out at Tuscola and Arcola this weekend. I had to brush up a little on my Spanish—I was asked to do three baptisms in Spanish in Arcola on Saturday evening.

Johnny's Angels. The 5th and 6th grade segment of Johnny's Angels will make their debut at the 8:00 Mass on Friday, November 14. Our rehearsals have been somewhat sporadic because of my schedule, but I have been pleased with the progress of the group—both in singing and with their instruments.

Special Mass. Because so many of the catechists will be participating in the DAEC on Monday, November 17, we will be having a special school Mass at 8:05 that day. Grades 3 – 4 will participate.

Columbarium Project. Donations continue to come in for our columbarium project at the parish cemetery. You should have received a donation envelope in the recent bulk mailing from the parish office. Otherwise there are envelopes available in the church entrances.

As part of our fundraising effort for the columbarium, we are now ready to pre-sell niches. Ordinarily, the niches will sell for the same price as a grave (currently \$500). From now until February 1, however, we will offer the niches for \$400—a \$100 discount. Please remember that one side of the columbarium will have double niches suitable for spouses or for a parent and child.

The recent rains will make it difficult to begin the project this fall. We anticipate that the columbarium will be dedicated on or around All Souls day in 2015—but the sooner we raise the funding, the sooner we can get started.

Retreat. Fr. Thinb will be on retreat from November 17 – 21. Please keep him in your prayers throughout that week.

Heading North. I had to cut my summer vacation short because of meetings for the Province. Since it has been over 7 years since I have celebrated Thanksgiving with my family, and now that my mother is 87 and we don't know how much longer she will be in the family home, I have decided to go home for Thanksgiving this year. Brother Tom and I will leave on Tuesday, November 25 and will return to T-Town on 11/29.

DCJH. The annual Diocesan Collection for Justice and Hope will be taken up on the weekend of November 22 and 23. This collection is one of the diocese's efforts to improve the lives of the poor in our immediate area.

Advent. November 23 is the feast of Christ the King; November 30 is the first Sunday of Advent. As we move to the new liturgical year, the Sunday gospels will come primarily from the Gospel of Mark. Since Mark's gospel is so short, it will be supplemented with readings from the Gospel of John—as you will see during the coming summer.

October Count. You will recall that every parish in the diocese is asked to take a "head count" at all the Masses during October. According to my unofficial calculations, our average weekly attendance last year was 1300; this year, it dropped to 1243—even though we had several big celebrations during the month.

Secular Franciscan Professions at the 10:30 am Mass on November 16, 2014. The St. Francis of Assisi Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order (O.F.S.) happily shares the news of our upcoming Professions. Nancy Roley and Pat Niemerg will make a permanent commitment to the Gospel Life as they profess into the Secular Franciscan Order. This *Rite of Profession* will take place during Mass.

Profession in the Order is the culmination of over three years of initial formation. At their Profession the candidates promise to follow the Rule of Life of the Secular Franciscan Order, pledging themselves to the Gospel in the manner of St. Francis by means of this Rule. St. Francis himself wrote the first "Rule of Life" for members of the Secular Franciscan Order. Since Vatican II, that Rule has been updated but remains true to the vision of St. Francis of Assisi. This Rule calls Secular Franciscans to live out their calling to the Franciscan life in a particular way in their homes and families, at work, in their parishes, and in the world.

A light meal and Reception will follow the Profession in St. Clare Hall. All are welcome to join us!

The St. Francis of Assisi Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order was canonically established on March 6, 1864 and began meeting in Teutopolis, Illinois. We gather as a Fraternity on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2:00 pm in the St. Clare Hall. If you would like more information or would like to explore a possible vocation to the O.F.S., please contact our **Formation Director, Mike Koeberlein—217-739-2202** or **Minister, John Adams—618-322-2874**. Formation Director, Therese Ream, O.F.S., at priestfrancis@yahoo.com or call 660-627-5626.

Liturgy Schedule 32nd Week in Ordinary Time November 10-16

Monday,	Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Wednesday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Thursday,	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,	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday, November 15 - 3:30-4:30 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

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

Book of Eternal Life. St. Francis Parish began the practice years ago of having a “Book of Life” placed by the Blessed Virgin Mary’s side altar in church for parishioners to write the names of loved ones who have been called from this life. Writing the name of your departed loved one(s) in the book of life is an expression of faith that you believe your loved one is among the number of saints marching into heaven.



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, Ray Lohman, Don Broom, Margaret Pruemer, Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Kay Schwartz, Tom Rhodes

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 11/2/2014	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
299 Adult envelopes	\$9,480.00	\$141,219.50
Other	<u>\$642.80</u>	<u>\$12,766.11</u>
TOTAL	\$10,122.80	\$153,985.61
All Saints Day	\$1,278.00	



Parish Calendar

Monday, November 10

- Guitar practice, 6:30 pm, Church
- Liturgy mtg., 7:00 pm St. Clare
- Men’s Holy Name mtg., 7:30 pm, Museum Meeting Room

Tuesday, November 11

- Protecting God’s Children, 6:30-9:00 pm, St. Clare Hall
- CHWC mtg., 7:00 pm G.S. Cafeteria
- RCIA, 7:00 pm, Museum Meeting Room
- Social Concerns mtg., 7:00 pm, Museum Dining Room

Wednesday, November 12

- Children’s choir, 3:30-4:30 pm
- Teen choir, 6:00-7:00 pm
- Jr. High and H.S. Religion, 7:20 pm
- Rosary, 8:00 pm, Chapel

Thursday, November 13

- Adult Choir, 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 15

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday, November 16

- Secular Franciscan Professions at 10:30 Mass; reception following in St. Clare Hall
- DAEC

To the Family of Dan Buehnerkemper. We are sorry for inadvertently missing his name at the candle ceremony during the Mass of Remembrance. Dan was, is, and will continue to be in our prayers.

Sing Along. St. Francis Singers and Friends will be singing at Evergreen Nursing Center on Wednesday, November 12th at 10:00 am.

RCIA meets Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Museum Meeting Room. This week’s session is on: Organization of the Church and where we fit. Anyone is welcome. Come join us as we deepen our own faith commitment. Contact S. Pierre 857-6404 ext. 227 for more information.



Homebound Ministry

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, November 16th are Lenora Drees 857-3583 and Deb Runde 857-6281.

Rake ‘n Run. Our junior high and high school students will be out raking leaves (weather permitting) on November 15 from 9 am – 12 pm. If you are elderly or infirm and would like your leaves raked, please give the high school religious ed office a call at 857-1500 to sign up. Any adults in the parish who would like to chaperon this awesome day of service (and who have taken Protecting God’s Children), are asked to call the high school religious ed office as well, to sign up!

Help Us Stay In Touch. We are looking for addresses of snowbirds for the winter, college students or those who are working away from home. If you know of someone, please call the parish office at 857-6404 or email them to parishoffice@stfrancischurch.com. Thank you.

Seniors. We are looking for someone to plan and organize events for our senior members. If you are interested in taking charge of this ministry, please call the parish office at 217-857-6404 or email us at parishoffice@stfrancischurch.com.. Thank you.

Catholic Charities needs your help to purchase turkey breasts for our clients for Thanksgiving. If you are able to help, please drop off the turkey breasts and/or a monetary donation at Catholic Charities by November 14. Thank you for your generosity!

Youth notes: Don’t forget to come rake leaves with us at the Rake ‘n Run on November 15. We’ll meet in the Teen Center at 8:30 am to get our teams together and pair you with a chaperon & hand out lists to where you are going! We’ll rake from 9 – 12 & then come back to the Teen Center for pizza & prizes for the team that rakes the most yards! We will be finished with pizza by 1 pm. Come join us for a day of service & fun!

Taste of T-Town. Mark your calendars for the Taste of T-Town for January 24 – great food & great entertainment! It’s going to be a fun event!

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Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.

Diocesan website: www.dio.org

Ember Beddingfield, Victim Assistance Coordinator.....

(217) 321-1155

Religious Education News.

GRADE SCHOOL- Activities for **Monday**, November 10...**Rooms 4Sco and 4Schu** will be viewing the Personal Safety Videos in St. Clare Hall (Parents are welcome); **Rooms 4Sh and 3K** will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Church; **Rooms 3D, 3R, and 3S** will be meeting in room 3R for a video or prayer service. **Grades 1B, 1M, 1P** will be meeting in the East open area for a singing practice of songs for Wednesday’s Mass.

Activities for **Thursday**, November 13...**Rooms 6H and 6C** will be viewing the Personal Safety Videos in St. Clare Hall; **Rooms 6W and 5K** will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Church; **Rooms 5M and 5S** will meet in the Museum Dining Room for a video or prayer service.

No School on Tuesday, Veterans’ Day.

On Monday, November 17, there will be a MASS instead of a prayer service at 8:05 for grades 3 and 4 and parishioners.

Children in grades 1 and 2 may continue bringing in their filled Christmas shoeboxes for the poor children of the world until the final day—Tuesday, November 18.

Children in grade 3 classes may continue to bring in their Christmas giving gift until Monday, December 1.

Many thanks for helping children be concerned about helping those in need.

PRE-K Sunday morning class—Children will meet this Sunday in the museum dining room as usual.

On Sunday, November 16 ONLY, there will be a CHANGE of location. Children will be in Church with their parents and will be invited to St. Clare Hall for the Children’s Liturgy of the Word during the readings. No classes in Museum Dining Room on this day only.

JUNIOR HIGH At class on Wednesday night, November 12, students will be receiving their report sheets in an envelope. Parents, please review the comments with your young people, sign the report sheet, and please return it in the envelope on Wednesday, November 19. Thanks for your cooperation. Any questions or concerns, please call 857-6477. Thanks to the parent helpers scheduled for November and December.

HS Religious ed. Congratulations to our newly confirmed students! Continue to pray for and use those gifts of the Holy Spirit! We look forward to seeing you again this week in class!

CHWC 2015 is kicking off! We have a meeting for Catholic Heart Work Camp on Tuesday, November 11th @ 7pm in the grade school cafeteria. We have lots to talk about. We look forward to a great year of service in planning for our trip.

Mass Intentions

Monday, Nov. 10, 6:30: Marie Martin
 Monday, Nov. 10, 12:10: Gioan Huy Nguyen
 Tuesday, Nov. 11, 6:30: Luella Runde
 Tuesday, Nov. 11, 8:05: August/Marian Schultz Family
 Wednesday, Nov. 12, 6:30: Louis & Mary Buenker
 Wednesday, Nov. 12, 8:05: August/Marian Schultz Fam.
 Thursday, Nov. 13, 6:30: Alice Schumacher-Pruemer
 Thursday, Nov. 13, 12:10: Roger Geers
 Friday, Nov. 14, 6:30: Ruth Schmidt
 Friday, Nov. 14, 8:05: Marie Martin
 Saturday, Nov. 15, 8:00: August/Marian Schultz Family
 Saturday, November 15, 5:30: Annie Meyer
 Sunday, November 16, 7:00: Anna Mae Nosbisch
 Sunday, November 16, 8:45: Living & Dec. of C.D of A
 Sunday, November 16, 10:30: Pro Populo

40 Day Prayer Campaign for Life. The campaign is now complete and participation, with 40 churches and organizations from our region contributing, has been amazing! Each of the 40 days was filled with prayer; and vigils were held outside the Effingham Planned Parenthood every day they were open. A few of the noteworthy efforts at the Planned Parenthood prayer times: volunteers were able to support a pregnant woman considering abortion in allowing her to speak with them about her fears and her very challenging situation, and to offer to her a defense of human life. 135 students from St. Anthony High School prayed at Planned Parenthood during the last week.

Hundreds, possibly thousands, of *local* people prayed for an end to abortion. **THANK YOU!** Our local effort was conducted in solidarity with the national “40 Days for Life” campaign. They’ve documented over 546 babies saved from abortion (that they know of) during this 40-day period. Be inspired by the true stories of some of the abortion-minded women that had a change of heart. Go to www.40daysforlife.com and click on Take Action (top of page) to get to Read Updates.

The Next Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood will be on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 12 pm to 4 pm. After praying in the cold rain last Tuesday, we have decided to cover Tuesday afternoons only during the cold weather. A huge thank you to the 11 participants who weathered the cold and rain last Tuesday to pray for the lives of unborn babies, their mothers, and PP workers. I recently read that if there were 2 or 3 counselors outside each abortion center in the U.S. on a regular basis, 100,000 babies could be saved every year. If you can, please come and join us in prayer. Questions, call Peg Muhlbachler 217-844-2172.

Congratulations. We wish to congratulate **Marty Siemer** on his election as Circuit Judge. Way to go Marty!!!

Protecting God’s Children sessions will be held this Tuesday, November 4, in St. Clare Hall from 6:30-9:00. Any person participating in any church ministry and who has not already done the training, is asked to attend. Please call the parish office to register. 857-6404.

Reminder to check out the materials in St. Clare Hall. Current multi-media programs are available for check-out. Enhance your spiritual life with good, solid Catholic material. Enjoy.

To the Parents of Servers: I am trying to prepare the serving schedule for the Christmas Masses. This year, on **Christmas Eve, there will be a 4:00 pm Mass** at which there are 4 servers (from Gr. 5-12), **a 6:00 pm Mass** at which there are 4 servers (from Gr. 5-12), and **a 10:30 pm Mass** at which there are 12 torch bearers (from Gr. 4,5,6,7 & 8) and 5 servers (from Gr. 8-12). On Christmas Day, there is an **8:45 am Mass** at which we need 4 servers (from Gr. 4-12). If you and your family are planning to attend any of these Masses, and your child is interested in serving the Mass or being a torch bearer, please notify me. I am well aware that some families celebrate their family Christmas on Christmas Eve and some on Christmas Day. To help me avoid a lot of scheduling hassles, I would appreciate knowing if your child could and would possibly be able to serve any of these Masses. I ask that **you please contact me at 821-9950 by Wednesday, November 19th**, if your child is willing and able to serve any of these times. This way I can have these assignments listed in the December schedule.

I am also trying to schedule servers for the Masses on the holy day, January 1 (Mary Mother of God). Mass times are on **Wednesday, Dec. 31 (New Year’s Eve) at 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm and on Thursday, January 1 at 8:45 am and 10:30 am.** If your child is willing to serve any of these Masses, please let me know by November 19th. Thank you for any help that you can give me!
 Barb Runde

Mission. “Sacred Fire: The Passion of God in Us” Fr. John Mark Etensohn, OMI of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, will conduct a four-day Parish Mission at St. Michael’s, Sigel. The faith communities of St. Michael, St. Mary of the Assumption, Sacred Heart and St. Mary, Help of Christians, would be most happy to have you and your friends as their guests for this grace-filled event. The powerful message will be at 7 pm each evening. Need more info, call the parish office 217-844-3371.

An Appreciation Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014, for all Paper Depot, Museum and Recycling volunteers who have helped during the past year and their spouse or friend. The dinner will be held at 6:00 pm at the Kountry Kitchen restaurant. If you have volunteered with any of these, you are invited to the dinner. Please call your reservation in by November 11, 2014, to Hank and Norma Hawickhorst 857-3500; Eleanor Gebben 857-3619; or Ray and Joyce Vahling 857-3586.

St. Francis CCW will be hosting their **Christmas Stocking Project** on Monday, November 10th from 1:00-7:00pm at the Monastery Museum Dining Room. This year, we will be sewing our stockings to donate to our Illinois Veterans Groups. A container will be placed in the entrance of the rectory for anyone wishing to donate either fabric or spools of thread (preferably beige or white). Christmas fabric is great, but we can also use solid or print fabrics too. Even if you do not like to sew, we still need your help! We are always needing people to cut and press the stockings. We appreciate anyone willing to bring their portable sewing machines, irons, and ironing boards. Anyone coming should also bring a scissors labeled with their name. Whatever time anyone can give is most appreciated! Please call Angie Hotze at 857-3938 if you have any questions.

Open House. St. Anthony High School is hosting an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 16, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Stop by and meet Principal Greg Fearday and the high school faculty; take a tour of the school with current students as your tour guide; experience our 1:1 iPad learning environment; and meet our coaches and club sponsors. PLUS enter your name in a drawing for a FREE iPad! Stop by anytime between 1:00 and 3:00. Bring your family! Bring your friends! Tell everyone you know! Make plans to attend!

Bids on Shed. We are now accepting bids on the cemetery shed project. Please stop by the parish office to pick up a blueprint. This will be bid in three sections: Construction (including materials), Concrete, Electrical. Proof of adequate insurance required by the Diocese of Springfield must be submitted with the bid. The deadline to submit bids is **Nov. 19th.**



November 11

Thank you Veterans!



Teutopolis Park District News.

Craft Show & Shopping Bus Trip: Nov. 22; Sign-up continues
3rd & 4th Grade Basketball: Sign up by Dec. 1st
5th & 6th Grade Basketball: Sign-up continues (Late fee applies)

Events Happening Today.

Fall Brunch. St. Mary Help of Christians (Green Creek) will host their annual fall brunch on Sunday, Nov. 9th from 7 am until noon. Menu includes: sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, homemade rolls, nut breads. Also there will be a bake sale, quilt raffle, mystery boxes, basket raffle and a 50/50 drawing.

Breakfast. St. Thomas parish, Newton, will host a breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 9, from 8 am until 11 am. Menu: whole hog sausage, ham, biscuits & gravy, pancakes, scrambled eggs, sweet rolls, coffee, water, juice or milk. There will also be a 50/50 drawing, fruit sales for a space camp trip, home show consultant booths and a scholastic book fair.

A Roast Turkey Dinner & Fall Bazaar is being hosted by St. Theresa parish, 190 Ohio St. (school gym) in Salem on Sunday, Nov. 9th, from 11 am to 1:30 pm. Menu includes: roast turkey & dressing, real mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans with bacon & onions, sweet potatoes, creamy coleslaw, noodles, cranberry sauce, rolls & butter, homemade desserts, ice tea & coffee. Adult \$12.00, children under 13 free. Also featured will be a country store, 50/50 drawing, big raffle and quilt raffle. Carry outs available.

A Chicken and Fish Buffet will be served on Friday at the Teutopolis KC Hall from 5:30-7:30 pm.

Reflection for Sunday, November 9.

Letting Our Lives Shine

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? 1 Corinthians 3:16

When I was growing up, this passage was primarily used as part of a moral admonition, a warning to be modest, chaste and not profane the temple. I missed the splendor of the message that calls us to realize that we shine forth what St. Paul in Galatians 5:22-23 calls “the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”

Sometimes it is hard to see this in ourselves. Perhaps we can more readily believe that the Spirit shines in us when we see it in others: the valiant faithfulness of families in a hospital waiting room, the patience of the teacher directing the after-school pick-up line, the deep kindness in the eyes of someone asking us how we are, and really caring about our answer.

Holy Spirit, help me grasp the wonder of your indwelling; let my life shine like a sanctuary lamp.

LIVING FAITH, Patricia Livingston

Holy Humor... Epitaph in a dog cemetery: “He never met a man he didn’t lick.”