

# St. Francis *of* Assisi Parish

Teutopolis, Illinois



*You are invited*  
to a **Choir Concert**

*presented by*

**the Combined Choirs**  
of  
**St. Francis of Assisi Parish**

*Sunday, October 5, 2014*

*6:30 p.m.*

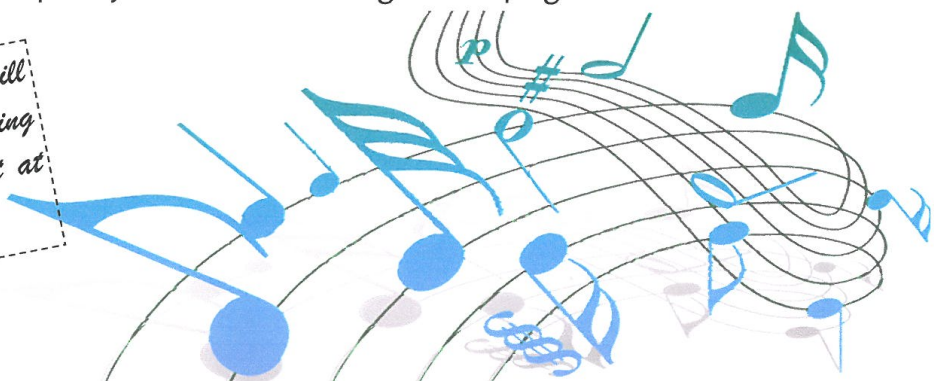
*St. Francis of Assisi Church*

*203 E Main St.*

*Teutopolis, IL 62467*

Please join us as the Adult Choir, Teen Choir, and Children's Choir combine to perform a selection of contemporary and traditional songs worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ.

*A freewill donation will  
be collected benefitting  
the music department at  
St. Francis.*



## From the Pastor

**Rest in Peace.** Our brother **Richard Thoele** was buried from the church this past Saturday. May he rest secure in the arms of his Savior! Please pray for his family during this difficult time.

**ACSA.** We're getting ready to start this fall's ACSA campaign. Every parish in every diocese is expected to shoulder a certain amount of the financial load that it takes to run a diocese's office and programs. The friars have discussed the extent of their pledge for this year; I hope you will do the same with your family. Our assigned goal this year is \$65,926.

**Free Webinar Series: Building a Better Disciple.** This fall the Office for Catechesis will offer a free webinar series for Catholic adults. Over the course of five webinars we will explore what it means to be a Christian through the lens of Acts 2:42. "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to prayers. Full information on the series is being posted at [BuildingABetterDisciple.tumblr.com](http://BuildingABetterDisciple.tumblr.com).

The webinars are scheduled for five consecutive Monday evenings; all webinars begin at 7:30p (Central Time) and will last 90 minutes. The first session, October 13: **Jesus: The Face of Discipleship** (<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/961033874>). Before understanding how to become a disciple we must first know what a disciple is. Through the person of Jesus Christ we will come to know what it means to claim the name "Christian."

**Head Count.** Please remember that all parishes in the diocese are required to take a "head count" at all the Masses during the month of October. Parish members: stand up and be counted. And while you're at it, bring your family and friends to church during October.

**October Events.** Please join us for the choir concert on October 5 at 6:30 p.m. We thank our musicians and singers for sharing their talent with us at Mass and during this special presentation.

**Fr. Austin** will be back at SFA on October 26 to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. He will preside at the 10:30 Mass that Sunday.

**Tech Request.** If any of you techies out there have a machine to transfer audio cassettes to CDs, I would like to borrow it.

**Retreat.** I will be making my annual retreat during the first week of October. I will leave sometime during the morning of October 6 and will return on the evening of the 10<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for me...I will be praying for you.

**Days of Prayer for Life.** We will be marking October 10 and October 15 as Days of Prayer for Life. The schedules will be slightly different for both days. On the 10<sup>th</sup>, we will end with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.; on the 15<sup>th</sup>, we will end at 8:00 p.m. so that the high school students are able to participate in the Adoration and Benediction. As usual, there are sign-up sheets in the various entrances of the church. Please commit to spending some time before the Blessed Sacrament on at least one of those days.

**Prayer.** We are being asked to offer the following prayer for the Catholic bishops who will meet in an extraordinary synod in October to discuss family life:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

**In Case You Missed It.** The Teutopolis Education Association Charity Event Committee recently presented a check for \$800 to the family of **Pete and Brandy Niccum** to assist with **Will's** recent medical expenses.

**A Thank You Note** from the Franciscan Missionary Union. Thank you for your continued support of our missions and missionaries. We received the contribution of \$3,126.43 to the Franciscan Missionary Union.

## Parish Office

203 E. Main St., P.O. Box 730, Teutopolis, IL 62467-0730

**Office Hours:** Mon. -Fri. – 9:00 am -4:30 pm

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Parish website: [stfrancischurch.com](http://stfrancischurch.com)

*Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.*

Diocesan website: [www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org)

Ember Beddingfield, Victim Assistance Coordinator.....

(217) 321-1155

## Liturgy Schedule 27th Week in Ordinary Time October 6—12

Monday,	St. Bruno, St. Marie Rose Durocher Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday,	Our Lady of the Rosary Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Wednesday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Thursday,	St. Denis, St. John Leonard 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,	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

### Confession Schedule

Saturday, - 3:30-4:30 pm

### Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

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

**Needed.** The Art and Environment committee is looking for your help. We are in need of pumpkins and gourds for our Thanksgiving decorations. If you have some to donate, please put them in a sack and leave them by the book racks in the St. Clare Hall area. Thanks for your help.



### 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 Pruemmer, Harold Hardiek, Ray Lohman, Don Broom, Margaret Pruemmer, Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl

### Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 9/28/2014	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
271 Adult envelopes	\$6,702.50	\$100,453.50
Other	<u>\$769.27</u>	<u>\$9,353.52</u>
TOTAL	\$7,471.77	\$109,807.02



### Parish Calendar

#### Monday, October 6

- Guitar practice, 6:30 pm, Church

#### Tuesday, October 7

- Secular Franciscans, 6:00 pm, St. Clare
- RCIA, 7:00 pm, Museum Meeting Room

#### Wednesday, October 8

- Bible Study following 8:05 Mass, St. Clare
- Jr. High and H.S. Religion, 7:20 pm
- Welcome to My World—Soph. 5:30-8:30, Gr. Sch. Aud.
- Rosary, 8:00 pm, Chapel

#### Saturday, October 11

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30 pm

#### Sunday, October 12

- Pre-School Religion, 10:30 Mass



### Planning Marriage

Jeff Willenborg and Gina Runde  
Saturday, October 11, 2014  
1:00 pm

### Mass Intentions

Monday, October 6, 6:30: Gioan Huy Nguyen  
 Monday, October 6, 12:10: Christine Koester  
 Tuesday, October 7, 6:30: AID  
 Tuesday, October 7, 8:05: August & Marian Schultz Family  
 Wednesday, October 8, 6:30: AID  
 Wednesday, October 8, 8:05: Richard & Esther Hardiek Family  
 Thursday, October 9, 6:30: Marie Martin  
 Thursday, October 9, 12:10: Jim Bloemer  
 Friday, October 10, 6:30: Marie Martin  
 Friday, October 10, 8:05: August & Marian Schultz Family  
 Saturday, October 11, 8:00: Gioan Huy Nguyen  
 Saturday, October 11, 5:30: Larry & Mert McMahon  
 Sunday, October 12, 7:00: Pro Populo  
 Sunday, October 12, 8:45: Living & Deceased of C D of A  
 Sunday, October 12, 10:30: August & Marian Schultz Fam.

**Sing Along.** St. Francis Singers and Friends will be singing at Evergreen Nursing Center on Wednesday, October 8th, at 10:00 am.



### Homebound Ministry

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, October 12th are Rita Pals 857-3569 and Mary Runde 857-3276.



**RCIA** meets Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Museum Meeting Room. This week's session is on: Saints: holy & human. Interested? Know of someone who is? Contact S. Pierre, 857-6404, ext. 227 for more information.

**Protecting God's Children** sessions will be held every Tuesday during the month of November (4, 11, 18, 25) in St. Clare Hall. Any person participating in any church ministry is invited to attend. Please call the parish office to register. 857-6404.

**Bible study** will be meeting in St. Clare Hall following the 8:05 Mass on Wednesdays. Our sessions will take a story of Jesus and his call to others (us) to become disciples. All are welcome to join us. Our next story will be: The Bent-Over Woman, Luke 13:10-17. Please bring your Bible and an open heart.

**KC Living Rosary** will be held on Wednesday, October 8th, at 8:00 pm in front of the tower at the Teutopolis KC Hall. Everyone is welcome.

**Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group** will meet on Tuesday, October 14, 6:30-8:00 pm. It is held at Heartland Human Services, 1200 N. 4th St., Effingham, Room 148. Enter south door.

**Youth Notes:** Youth Councils: We meet TODAY, October 5, in the Teen Center at 6:15, and we'll head over to the church as a group for the 6:30 pm concert. We will head to the Teen Center to celebrate our parish feast day & for a brief meeting (and snacks!). We will be finished by 7:30 pm. All Unit 50 students are encouraged to attend! See you there!

March for Life – Want to make a peaceful protest against abortion? The March for Life is a pilgrimage experience where you can take a stand against this life issue. The trip takes place from January 21-24 and is open to anyone high school aged or older. Our organizational meeting will be October 15 at 6:15 pm in the TGS cafeteria for any students and parents who would like to know more about this trip.

Pumpkin Painting! We are painting pumpkins to be delivered to the elderly of the parish on October 18 from 9 am – 11 am in the Teen Center! We'll provide the pumpkins and paint, and you provide the bling, flowers, material you'd like to accessorize it with! If anyone in the parish has scrap material, mismatched costume jewelry, beads, fall flowers, etc they'd be willing to donate, please drop it off at the parish office, & we'll use them to decorate the pumpkins!

## Religious Education News

**GRADE SCHOOL---**Grade 5 Halloween Mission Bake Sale will take place Thursday, October 9. All children will receive a reminder on Wednesday. Those who have brought in their Mission Membership dues of \$1.00 will receive 6 free chances on their grade cake on the day of the sale. Those bringing cakes will bring them immediately to the cafeteria. Children in rooms 5M and 5S (A-M) will bring your baked goods to the cafeteria; children in rooms 5K and 5S (N-Z) will bring your goods to the auditorium. **Please indicate if any of your items have peanut/peanut butter in them.**

**Personal Safety Training** sessions with Sister Pierre will take place for Grade 1B in the classroom on Tuesday; for 1P in the classroom on Wednesday.

No school on Friday, October 10, because of a teachers' meeting and on October 13 because of Columbus Day holiday.

**PRE-K SUNDAY MORNING** Religion classes begin this Sunday in the Museum Dining Room during the 10:30 Mass.

**JUNIOR HIGH CLASSES** take place on Wednesday evening from 7:20 to 8:30 at the Junior High Building. Grade 7 continues to study what it means to be Catholic; Grade 8 continues their study of the Heroes of Early Church.

**HIGH SCHOOL REL. ED.** Service Opportunity: Students are invited to help at the ID Breakfast that will be held on October 19 at the KCs to help people with disabilities! Students can sign up with their teachers again this week at religious ed classes!

Sophomores: Your Welcome to My World Session is THIS Wednesday, Oct. 8, from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Please meet in the TGS Gym. If you're coming from club or sports practice and need to bring a sandwich along, please do so. PARENTS – we need at least 8 parents to help with this session. If you are available, please call the high school religious ed office at 857-1500 to sign up! Also, your retreat is October 18 from 8:30 am – 4 pm! We can't wait to serve with you!

**Sophomore Retreat Homes Needed!** Our Sophomore retreat is scheduled for October 18. We are looking for service projects to assist people who could use a hand. If you are elderly, infirm or could use a hand up and have home repair, painting, or window washing types of projects, please call the high school religious ed office to submit your request. Students will be completing 3 hours of service within the community and surrounding area. We are looking forward to serving in Teutopolis!

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE EUCHARISTIC DAY OF PRAYER** will be held here on Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, beginning with 8 am Mass and ending with Benediction at 5 pm. **Volunteers are needed** to commit to prayer hours before the Eucharist. Please commit to a prayer hour or half hour on the sign-up sheets at the church entrances. If you are homebound or unable to come, your prayers are needed also; prayer can be offered at home, while driving, or wherever you are able. **Volunteers also are needed to pray at Planned Parenthood** in Effingham on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9-11 am. Please sign up to pray on sheets at church entrances. Remember to pray and/or sacrifice every day in a special way for the end of abortion through November 2<sup>nd</sup>! The prayer to St Francis below could be used as we honor his feast day.

#### Gentle St. Francis

**you were so devoted to the humanity of Christ.  
Your heart burst with appreciation toward God  
for taking on human life.**

**You saw beauty and goodness in all living things -  
in birds that sing,  
the fish that fill our waters,  
and all that lives in nature.**

**Help us to imitate your reverence for life  
wherever it may be.**

**Especially, humble Francis of Assisi,  
help us to help others  
to see the worth of each living,  
unborn baby sheltered in its mother's womb.**

**May all mankind have the grace  
to understand that these tiny,  
budding lives have the right to life,  
liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.**

**The Annual Life Chain** will be held **today, October 5th**. A short prayer service, led by Fr. Chris Brey, will begin after 1:30 in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. The chain will form at 2:00 pm and signs will be furnished. This is a family event, and children are most welcome, if their parents watch the motorists. Refreshments will be served in the center after 3:00 pm. (The life Chain Committee is begging for cookies—bring to the center that day.)

**2014 Rosary Crusade.** Join us in praying for America on Sat., Oct. 11th, at St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital Grotto, from noon to 2:00 pm.

**Sympathy.** We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Richard Thoele** and **Patrick Heurman**. May God welcome them into the joy of his everlasting presence.

**Sunday, October 19, 9:30—11:00 am**, the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will come to our region to bring to us their ways of building the mission of Jesus in society today. And they want to hear from us as well. Sisters will bring ways to be involved with them, and they will be interested in how they could stay connected with us. Sr. Joann Nowak from St. Louis will be there, along with local Sisters: Ann Pierre of St. Francis of Assisi, Carol Beckermann of Catholic Charities, Connie Probst of St. Anthony Food Pantry, and Renita Brummer of Chiara Center.

St. Aloysius Hall of St. Isidore Parish, Dieterich  
(after 8:00 Mass)

Child Care in the Lower Level (Grade 5 and younger)  
Bring a Friend

#### Around the Area

**Chicken and Fish Dinner** with French fries and coleslaw will be served on Friday at the Teutopolis KC Hall from 5:30-7:30 pm.

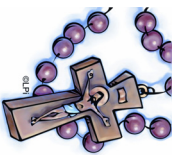
**St. Isidore Parish, St. Joseph Church, Island Grove** will hold its 37th annual fall breakfast from 7:00 am—12:30 pm, today, October 5th, at the St. Joseph Parish Center, Island Grove. The menu will include whole hog sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, homemade bread and sweet rolls, drinks. The Country Store, hand-quilted quilt and raffle will also be featured.

**4th Annual St. Thomas Harvest Picnic** will be held October 11-12. Saturday evening activities begin with 5:30 Mass and includes live bands, beer garden, food, kid's games and the Movie "Frozen" in the Parish Center. Sunday activities begin at 11:00 am with a chicken or pork loin dinner, bands, beer garden, kid's games, bingo, and raffle drawing

**The Teutopolis K of C** is hosting the annual **Mentally and Physically Handicapped Breakfast** on Sunday, October 19th. Serving sausage, eggs, hashbrowns, breads, coffee, milk and orange juice will be from 7:00 am until noon. There will also be a country store, bake sale and craft raffle. All proceeds will be used locally. Any donations to the bake sale, country store and craft raffle would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Katie Waldhoff (217-925-5604) for any donations

**5K Run/Walk.** Join in the St. Aloysius Sesquicentennial Celebration 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, October 25th, at 9:00 am. Registration forms are available on the church website (stisidore.weconnect.com) under the St. Aloysius Sesquicentennial tab. Sign up by October 10th to receive an event t-shirt. Check in and late registration begins at 8 am with a race start at 9 am. (Children 10 and under have the option to run free of charge with a paid adult, but will not be timed or receive a t-shirt.)

**Holy Humor**...A perfect Scripture for new parents. "We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed." (1 Corinthians 15:51)



Month  
of the  
Rosary

# October 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bible Study Choir practice Jr. Hi. & HS Rel Ed Rosary	2 Confessions Adult Choir Baptism Prep at St. Rose	3 Transitus, 7:00 pm Teen Center open 7- 10	4 Wedding Choir practice Confessions Focusus Fr. Ralph & Fr. Luis open house
5 Pre-School Religion begins Monastery Mus. open Blessing of Animals Youth Councils meet Choir Concert	6 Guitar practice Fr. John gone until 10/11	7 Secular Franciscans RCIA	8 Bible Study Jr. Hi. & HS Rel Ed WTMW—Soph. 5:30- 8:30, Gr. Sch. Rosary	9	10 Wedding Rehearsal	11 Wedding Confessions
12 Pre-School Religion	13 Guitar practice Holy Name mtg.	14 RCIA	15 Bible Study Rosary	16 Parish Finance Council mtg. Parish Council mtg.	17 Rosary Wedding Rehearsal Teen Center open 7- 10	18 Wedding Confessions Painting pumpkins, 9- 11, Gr. Sch
19 Pre-School Religion Handicap Breakfast Secular Franciscans meet	20 DeColores Board mtg. Guitar practice CCW mtg.	21 RCIA	22 Bible Study Jr. Hi. & HS Rel Ed Rosary	23	24 Wedding Rehearsal	25 Wedding Confessions
26 Pre-School Religion Fr. Austin's 50th Jubilee Mass, 10:30	27 Guitar practice	28 RCIA	29 Bible Study Jr. Hi. & HS Rel Ed Confirmation practice Rosary	30	31 All Souls Vigil Mass, 7:00pm	