

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. Think Tran, OFM, Associate Pastor

Br. Marc Scheckells

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September 1, 2013



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.” Lk 14:13-14

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Liturgy:

Saturday 5:30 pm

Sunday 7:00, 8:45, & 10:30 am

Weekday Liturgy:

See inside schedule

Holy Day Liturgy :

Eve 7:00 pm; Day 6:00 am, 12:10 pm & 7:00 pm

From the Pastor

Rest in Peace. On August 31, we buried the earthly remains of our sister **Mrs. Joyce Meyer**. May God grant her eternal light and peace and give the blessing of consolation to all her loved ones.

Mass Intentions. We have been receiving requests for Mass intentions as far ahead as December of 2014. If you would like to request a Mass for a specific date (birthday, memorial of death, wedding anniversary, etc.), please request that date and time as far ahead as possible so that we can do our best to accommodate you. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to fulfill every request.

Evergreen. Were you aware that there is a Wednesday Mass at Evergreen nursing home at 9:45 a.m.? You would be welcome to attend and bring a little companionship to the residents. Please note that we do not have Mass on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

ACSA. The ACSA materials for the new campaign have arrived. The kick-off is right around the corner. Now would be a good time to start thinking about your donation. The friars will be discussing their contribution when we meet on Thursday this week.

Celebration. **Sr. Frances Haarmann** will be joining us for the 10:30 Mass today as she celebrates her 50th anniversary of entrance into religious life. Thank you for your commitment, Sister.

Called By Name. On September 7 and 8, the parishes of the diocese are being asked to participate in the “Called by Name” program. You will be asked to submit the names of people whom you think might be called by God to the priesthood or religious life. Look around the church this weekend and look for people whom you think might be called to service in the Church.

Catholic Charities. Recently, **Br. Marc** assisted with Catholic Charities’ initial expedition in their new mobile food pantry. The crew delivered 60 food boxes to needy families in Shobonier. Since the members of SFA make significant contributions to Catholic Charities, you had a hand in this important service. Talk to **Sr. Carol** at CC to find out how you might be able to help even more.

Johnny’s Angels CDs. I was able to record the recent performance by Johnny’s Angels, and I have created a CD with most of the music on it. I would be willing to make more copies if anyone wishes—perhaps a nice gift for some of the children who attended. I don’t mind doing it for free, but a couple of dollars would help defray my cost.

Friar Visitors. We have had a series of friar visitors of late. **Friar Bob Barko** was with us last weekend, **Friar John Dombrowski** stayed with us on Monday night, and **Friar Jim Lause** spent some time with us on Friday in order to see how **Br. Marc** is starting out his STiP year. Apparently, having a couple of younger friars here has put T-Town “on the map.”

New (Old) Wheels. I drove Br. Marc down to St. Louis this past week so that he could pick up a car for his use. This will make it easier for him to get around the T-Town metropolitan area and its suburbs.

Liturgy Committee. The members of the SFA Liturgy Committee are reminded that we are scheduled to meet on Monday, September 9, 7:00 p.m., in St. Clare Hall.

Vision. The “Vision” magazine which you will find in the church’s front entrance is a guide for those who feel they might have a call to religious life. The ad for Sacred Heart Province is on page 83, and you will find a picture of both Fr. Thin and Br. Marc.

Baptisms

We welcome into our faith family those recently baptized:



Aidan Michael Buscher,
Son of Michael and Kelly
(Johnson) Buscher

Collins Ruth Bushue,
Daughter of Travis and Lisa (Kremer) Bushue

Karson David Dasenbrock,
Son of Derek and Stacy (Roepke) Dasenbrock

Ava Regina Atwood Jones,
Daughter of Brandon Sharp and Shelby Jones

Rylyn Anne Koester,
Daughter of Bernard and Beth (Buenker) Koester

Paxton Lowell Nobsch,
Son of Cody Nobsch and Jamie Whitehead

Myles Steven Schabbing,
Son of Mark and Jeannie (Coffey) Schabbing

Emma Lynn Wells,
Daughter of Benjamin and Kelli (Tegeler) Wells

Liturgy Schedule 22nd Week in Ordinary Time September 2—8

Monday,	Labor Day Mass at 9:00 am
Tuesday,	St. Gregory the Great 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 5:30 pm
Sunday,	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Thursday, September 5 - 3:30-4:30 pm
Saturday, September 7 - 3:30-4:30 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

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

Sympathy. We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Marian Schultz. May God welcome her into the joy of his everlasting presence.

Please Note. The Men's Holy Name will no longer have meetings in September.



Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Cathy Green, Renae Roepke, Eddie Siemer, Cheryl Ann Huber, Chris Utz, Anna Habing, Jim Koester, Jack Hardiek, Toby McMahon, Paula Spencer, Lucille Worman, Mack Kitten, Agnes Kremer, Pauline Gobczynski

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 8/26/2013	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
299 Adult envelopes	\$7,819.50	\$66,226.00
Other	<u>\$459.25</u>	<u>\$5,031.15</u>
TOTAL	\$8,278.75	\$71,257.15



Parish Calendar

Monday, September 2

- Labor Day—Mass at 9:00 am
- Parish Office closed

Tuesday, September 3

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

Wednesday, September 4

- Jr. High Religion, 7:20 pm
- Jr. High Parent meeting

Thursday, September 5

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30 pm
- Baptism Prep, 7:00 pm, St. Clare
- Adult Choir, 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 7

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday, September 8

- B & B, 7:00 pm, St. Clare

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 2, 9:00: Arthur Schottman
 Tuesday, September 3, 6:30: AID
 Tuesday, September 3, 8:05: Dr. Joseph Runde
 Wednesday, September 4, 6:30: Paul Niebrugge Family
 Wednesday, September 4, 8:05: Arthur Schottman
 Thursday, September 5, 6:30: Tom Miller
 Thursday, September 5, 12:10: Arthur Schottman
 Friday, September 6, 6:30: Tom Miller
 Friday, September 6, 8:05: Arthur Schottman
 Saturday, September 7, 8:00: AID
 Saturday, September 7, 5:30: Larry McMahon
 Sunday, September 8, 7:00: Pro Populo
 Sunday, September 8, 8:45: Deceased Members of CDA
 Sunday, September 8, 10:30: Arthur Schottman

Have you checked out St. Clare Hall book-case recently?

You will find many multi-media options for growth in the Catholic faith. The Catholicism series by Fr. Robert Barron takes you on a wonderful journey through biblical and early Christian places while explaining the significance of each place. Check out is simple. Enjoy the variety.



Attention Homebound

Holy Communion will be brought to you on First Friday, September 6th. No Communion to you on Sunday, September 8th.

HS Religious Ed. High School Religious Ed starts September 18 at 7:20 in the TGS Gym for Freshmen through Seniors! Don't miss the opportunity to learn more & to build a closer relationship to God! All students are invited and expected!

Freshmen Student/Parent meeting is set for September 25 at 7:30 pm in the TGS Cafeteria. We'll introduce the Confirmation program and go through the details you will need for your preparation!

We are excited for our Sophomore Confirmation Retreat on October 5 from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. This mandatory retreat begins and ends in the museum dining room. We will do a variety of service projects throughout the morning session in various locations in our community. Any adults who would be willing to help with our work projects in the morning can call the high school religious ed office at 857-1500 to volunteer!

High School Religion Teachers meeting will be on September 11 at 7 pm in the museum dining room! We are ready for a great year of faith sharing with you!

Sophomore Retreat. Our sophomore confirmation class will do service projects in our community on October 5 as part of their retreat. We are looking for projects for this day! Projects must be able to be completed between 9 & noon. In year's past, we have worked in the homes of the elderly and those who may need a hand up to get by. We have painted, done small construction projects, washed windows, trimmed bushes, & helped at Catholic Charities & other local agencies. It's a day for learning the joy of serving those who could really use a hand. If you have a project idea, please call Lisa Siemer or Karen Pruemer at 857-1500 to discuss it.

Youth Activities. Youth Councils are ready to start for the year! Ever say "There's NOTHING to do!?" Come be a part of a planning group for our parish youth activities! Junior high meets at 6:30 pm and high school meets at 7:30 pm. It's a night of fun & purpose! Come be a part of it!

Teen Center night for junior high students is Friday, September 6 from 7 – 10 pm. High school night is set for September 7 from 7 – 11 pm.

Catholic Charities is looking for help with their Spaghetti lunch on September 15. They offer 2 shifts for workers – 10:30 – 12:30 & 12:30 – 2:30. Please call Jodi Probst at 994-1421 to volunteer your time!

Religious Education News

GRADE SCHOOL -- NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY—LABOR DAY.

Parents of Grade 6 children—Mrs. Ellett, director of the Search program, visited the 6th grade classrooms last week and passed out sign-up forms to help with the Friday Search set-up from 3:15 to 4:00 (every third Friday) and the Saturday morning Search program (9:00-11:30) taking place in the East end of the Grade School. Also, Sister Ann passed out sign-up sheets to help with Pre-K Sunday morning classes. Please return the completed forms by Tuesday or Wednesday of this week, if you have not already done so. Thank you in advance for considering and promoting your child's involvement in giving service in this year of faith and discipleship!

Grade 1 children received a laminated copy of Pope Francis' 5 Finger Prayer, to help younger children remember to pray for the needs of all people in their lives. Please consider joining them in the development of this practice of intercessory prayer.

JUNIOR HIGH -- Classes begin on Wednesday, September 4, at the Junior High building at 7:20. . Please use the lower East door for entrance as usual. Parents are expected to be with their students in the classroom for the first 10 minutes, and then proceed to the cafeteria to receive the handbook and important information for the year. Grade 7 students should check the name list on the door of their original homeroom. An extra homeroom is added—to keep the numbers down—so they might be assigned to a different room.

ALL CATECHISTS- Webinars for those catechist who have access to the internet will be listed in this column for your convenience a few weeks before the event. On September 4 --Captivating Back to School Ideas for Religion Teachers at 3:00 EDT (2:00 our time) which will help catechists to prepare to teach the children in their classes will be presented by Mr. Joe Paprocki, consultant and interesting speaker for the Loyola Press religion textbooks.

RCIA meets at 7:00 pm in the Museum Meeting Room every Tuesday. We meet every Sunday morning at St. Isidore's after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. You are welcome to attend at either place. No commitments, no pressure, just information.

Next Baptism Prep Class will be held on Thursday, September 5, in St. Clare Hall at 7:00 pm. A class is required before the baptism of your baby, and is to be repeated once every five years.

Sunday, Sept. 8th B&B will begin with a 10 session study of the Book of Revelation by Jeff Cavins 7:00-8:30 p.m. sessions provide us with in-put and some discussion time. This is the perfect opportunity to expand your understanding of Scripture and to share how it is being lived out in today's world. Bring your Bible and favorite beverage and let's explore together.

Teutopolis Monastery Museum will be open this Sunday, September 1, 12:30-4:00 pm. Come early to view all the rooms; lots to see.

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 is welcome. Classes start October 5th. To enroll or for more information, please contact JoAnn Ellet at 857-1948

The parish survey was completed and results will be shared in the upcoming weeks. Watch for them. Check out the parish website, too. It's filled with bulletin material and other items of interest going on at St. Francis.

Rosary Date "A GREAT PRAYER FOR LIFE IS URGENTLY NEEDED—a prayer which will rise up throughout the world" (Pope John Paul II). According to the Gutmacher Institute, from 1973 through 2008 nearly 50,000,000 legal abortions have occurred in the United States. God calls us to fight this evil of abortion and the forces that promote it. Please join us as we pray a rosary at the Effingham Planned Parenthood facility (across from St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital) on THURSDAY, SEPT. 5TH, at 1:00 pm. Thank you to all those who have been participating in the rosaries. One day we had 40 participants. "The spirit God has given us is no cowardly spirit" (2 Tim 1:7). Feel free to bring a chair if you cannot stand for 30 minutes. Questions, call Peg Mihlbachler @ 844-2172.

Dear St. Francis Church: ...Thank you so much for helping us raise over \$49,000 this year during the Baby Bottle Project. You and your congregation have contributed \$3,498.07 plus towards life-saving, life-changing services for our clients. Thank you and God bless you for your support.
In His Service,
Tami Shull
Executive Director

Pictures of the "Evening of Stories and Songs" can be viewed on the website. Click on Photo Gallery.

Q. On Labor Day, we honor the worker and the role of labor in the social and economic development of our country. What does the church say about labor?

A. Labor has been the cornerstone of the social justice teaching of the Church. At the very beginning of the labor movement, Pope Leo XIII wrote an encyclical letter called *Rerum Novarum*. In it, he discusses the right to private property and the rights of workers. It was seen for many years as a masterpiece of work, bringing traditional Catholic teaching to the new problems that the Industrial Revolution brought to the workplace. In fact, this document was so significant that later popes issued encyclicals on its anniversary: Pope Pius XI wrote *Quadragesimo Anno* and John XXIII, *Pacem in Terris*. Paul VI issued *Octagesima Adveniens* while John Paul II wrote *Centesimus Annus*. Pope Benedict XVI added his voice with *Caritas in Veritate*.

These documents all furthered the teaching of the Church concerning the dignity of workers, the right to a fair wage, the importance of housing, and the need to take care of those who were in need. In 1967, Pope Paul VI wrote in *Populorum Progressio* that work "is something willed and approved by God." God gave people intelligence, sensitivity and the power of thought-tools with which to finish and perfect the work God began. Every worker is, to some extent, a creator—whether artist, craftsman, executive, laborer or farmer (#24-25).

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Summer Catholic Camp-O-Ree—All are invited for a Catholic camping experience the weekend of September 6-8 at Camp Illinek on Lake Springfield. Folks are welcome to set up camp for the weekend on Friday night and enjoy the outdoors at Camp Illinek. Saturday will feature activities that focus on various religious awards and recognitions for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, Venturing Crews, etc. Saturday evening will include Mass and formal recognition of scouts who have earned religious awards the past school year. Several adult leaders will be honored as well. For all the latest information, go to the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting website at <http://scouts.dio.org>.

Holy Humor...Going to church on Sunday doesn't make you a Christian anymore than walking into a garage makes you a car.

Living With Humility

Blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.

Luke 14:14

We probably don't invite friends to dinner hoping to be repaid. The wisdom of this parable, however, is the intimation that we are to live with a pure heart. Our actions are to flow from untainted motives. Our good deeds are not to be done to win favor, make an impression or even to receive thanks. If we are thanked, count it as a blessing, but do not expect it. Rather, we are to live with the humility that befits a child of God. Think about your actions—why you do what you do!

Here is an exercise in humility you might want to try some time. Use your imagination and throw a banquet for the crippled, blind and lame parts of yourself. Invite your doubts, your pride, your superiority and arrogance. You probably won't find any of these invited guests trying to claim the first place. Here is one last suggestion: Treat each guest with reverence. Try to discover what this invitee is to teach you.

Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr, O.S.B.
Living Faith

Cub Scout Pack 137. “Join Us Night” on Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm in the Monastery Museum Dining Room. For boys in grades 1-5. For more information contact Lorri Kastl at 343-8204.

Mark Your Calendars. The Teutopolis Park District is hosting “Movie in the Park Night” at the Teutopolis Community Park on Saturday, September 14th. 7:00 pm-hotdogs/bottled water/popcorn. **“Tangled” begins at dusk.** Admission is free! It's our way of saying “Thank You” to the Teutopolis Community, especially those who participate in our programs. Please bring lawn chairs and/or blankets!

Car Wash & Bake Sale on Saturday, September 7th. T-Town Sportsbackers, along with Doug Walk's Auto Body, is sponsoring a car wash & bake sale to raise additional funds for the T-Town Sports programs. Help keep the T-Town Sports program **STRONG**, and come out to Walk's Auto Body on Rte. 40 on Saturday, September 7th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. T-Town athletes, along with coaches and the sportsbackers, will wash your car and will have baked goods for sale. All donations will go to the T-Town sportsbackers in their continued effort to **KEEP SPORTS ALIVE** at T-Town.



Around the Area

Chicken dinners served at the Teutopolis KC Hall every Friday in September, 5:30-7:30 pm.

Parish Picnic at St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Sainte Marie will be held on September 1, 2013. Chicken and pork loin dinners will be served from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm in the parish center. Other attractions include a quilt raffle, crafts, country store, bingo, basket stand—various games and fun for all ages.

Outdoor Polka Mass on Sunday, September 8th, 1:00 pm, at the Villa Maria in Springfield. Bring your own chairs. Stay and enjoy food and beverages which will follow the Mass.

Fourth Annual Crawford County Catholics Golf Outing will be held on Sunday, September 8th, at Quail Creek Country Club Course. For more information please contact Stewart Schutte at 553-4548 or St. Elizabeth parish center at crawford_catholics@rocketmail.com or call the parish office at 544-7526.

Effingham County Fish Human Services is sponsoring a pancake and sausage breakfast on Saturday, September 14th, 6:30 to 11:00 am in the Teutopolis Monastery Museum Dining Room. On the menu: pancakes, sausage, biscuits & gravy, fruit cup, coffee, juice, water. Everyone is invited. Free will donations accepted. Proceeds benefit the Fish organization.

Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by Joe's Pizza and Pasta, will be held on Sunday, September 15th, 10:30 am—2:30 pm at the Effingham K C Hall. All proceeds will support the mission and ministries of Catholic Charities.

Special Olympics Family Festival will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2013 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at Lakeland College, Mattoon. We are in need of volunteers to make this event a success. For additional information and registration forms, please visit our website at: <http://www.consolidated.com/special-olympics-family-festival/>, or you can call 1-800-434-7633.

Catholic Charities Fall Fun Run will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2013 at 8:00 am at the Teutopolis Community Park Pavilion. Registration begins at 7:00 am. Pre-registration by September 14th—shirt guaranteed; after September 14th—shirt if available. For questions or to register, contact Catholic Charities at 217-857-1458. All proceeds will support the mission and ministries of Catholic Charities.