

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Teutopolis, Illinois

Parish Office

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Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.

Diocesan website: www.dio.org

Pat Kornfeld, Victim Assistance Coordinator..... (217) 321-1155

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. Vernon Olmer, OFM, Associate Pastor

Fr. Ken Rosswog, OFM, Associate Pastor

Fr. J. Michael Ewert, OFM, Retired (In residence)

Maria Wargolet, Director of Music Ministry

Theresa Draper, Coordinator of Music Ministry

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Bernice Matteson, Part-time Secretary

Jane Miller, Part-time Secretary

Ron Ruholl, Maintenance

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

Parish Council:

Jim Apke

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Kay McMahon

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 19, 2012



***Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you,
unless you eat the flesh
of the Son of Man
and drink his blood,
you do not have life within you.
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
has eternal life,
and I will raise him on the last day.
For my flesh is true food,
and my blood is true drink."
- Jn 6:53-55***

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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 Days Liturgy:

Eve: 7:00 pm; Day: 6:00 am, noon (summer) & 7:00 pm

From the Pastor

I'm back from a great vacation up in northern WI. My family is doing well. Mom celebrated her 85th birthday while I was home, and she's going as strong as ever. A couple people here asked me if I really made jelly while I was home. I was late for strawberry season, but my sister Karen made preserves for me. We did pick raspberries and blueberries while I was home, and I made four pints of raspberry jelly. It's kind of a family tradition since we grew our own berries while I was young.

From WI, I traveled to Indian River, MI, to visit the friars at the Cross in the Woods shrine. The shrine has what is believed to be the largest outdoor crucifix in the world. They have several smaller shrines on the property, including one to Fr. McGiveny, the founder of the Knights of Columbus. Fr. Tom Vos, a former pastor of SFA, is stationed at Indian River. While he is legally blind, he seems to be in good health otherwise. He can't read any more; but he still says Mass, does some of the cooking, and serves as the guest master for the friary.

I'll be posting some pictures to the parish Facebook site so you can see what the north looks like at this time of the year. Thank you for your prayers while I was away.

There were a couple of "thank you's" waiting in the mail when I returned. Our collection for the Catholic Home Missions raised \$1751. The mission appeal (Archbishop John Barwa from India) raised over \$3,000. The collection for Catholic Charities was almost \$8,500. Thank you for your generosity!

And speaking of generosity.... My brother, Br. Tom, continues to teach at St. Pius X Classical Academy in Nashville, TN. A number of African families from my previous parish (St. Vincent de Paul) are struggling to send their children to St. Pius for a Catholic education. Since we don't have a Catholic grade school in Teutopolis or Montrose, I ask you to consider helping some of those families with their tuition costs. (My siblings are already assisting with the tuition expenses for some children!) If you are interested, I would gladly give you more information.

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki has officially ended the use of parish Trustees throughout the Diocese of Springfield. As I understand it, Canon Law encourages the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council to be the voice of the laity in advising the pastor. We are grateful to **Terry Meyer** and to **Tina Brumleve** who have been serving as the parish Trustees.

A recent province newsletter indicated that the Provincial Minister of the newly-formed Baja Province of Mexico has been missing for several weeks. It sounds as if the friars have given up hope of finding their confrere alive. Please pray for them.

In case you missed the announcement: there is a Conference for Caregivers scheduled for Saturday, September 8, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Northfield Inn in Springfield. Check your Catholic Times for details.

Meditation

John 6:51-58

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Psalm 34:9)

We can all relate to eating. We all know what hunger feels like. We all need to eat in order to survive. But it's one thing to eat just to survive or satisfy our hunger, and it's another thing altogether to enjoy healthy, well-prepared food. It's the difference between fast food and a gourmet meal!

That's why the psalmist speaks of God's goodness as something we can taste, and talks about God's praises being always in his mouth (Psalm 34:2). It's why we hear of Wisdom preparing a banquet table full of understanding and the knowledge of God (Proverbs 9:2,5)!

These meals offer us something more than just an end to our hunger. They offer a spiritual food that will satisfy our longing for heaven itself! It's with these thoughts in mind that Jesus offers us his body and blood as true food and drink—it's the food that will bring us to everlasting life.

Many people take great care with the food they eat. They go to great lengths to make sure it's healthy, nutritious, and appetizing. And that's the way we should all care for our physical needs. But how much more important it is when it comes to our spiritual needs!

Everything we consume—whether it's the food we put into our mouths, the words that enter our ears, or the images that come into our eyes—has the potential to nourish us or sicken us. It can strengthen us or weaken us—body and soul!

The world is full of things that can fill you, but God doesn't want you to settle for just quenching your thirst or satisfying your hunger. Look higher. Look to what is even better, what will give you heavenly life!

Saturate your mind with the Word of God. Let the Holy Spirit fill you with life-giving water during prayer. And above all, receive Jesus, the bread of life, in the Eucharist! Why settle for just a hamburger when you can have a heavenly feast?

"Lord Jesus, I want to drink deeply of your life. Come, Lord, and fill my hunger with your heavenly bread!"

-THE WORD AMONG US

Liturgy Schedule 20th Week in Ordinary Time August 20-26

Monday,	St. Bernard Mass at 6:30 am
Tuesday,	St. Pius X Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Wednesday,	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	St. Rose of Lima Mass at 6:30 am
Friday,	St. Bartholomew Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Saturday,	St. Louis St. Joseph Calasanz Mass at 5:30 pm
Sunday,	21st 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



Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Cathy Green, Renae Roepke, Eddie Siemer, Cheryl Ann Huber, Chris Utz, Anna Habing, Mack Kitten, Jim Koester, Tom Vonderheide

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 8/12/2012	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
318 Adult envelopes	\$8,195.00	\$54,875.00
Other	<u>\$561.00</u>	<u>\$3,497.04</u>
TOTAL	\$8,756.00	\$58,372.04
GOAL	\$9,900.00	\$69,300.00



Parish Calendar

Monday, August 20

- Religious education classes begin

Tuesday, August 21

- Mass for Grades 3 and 4
- Secular Franciscans meet, 6:00pm St. Clare, 7:00pm Church

Thursday, August 23

- Parish Council tour and cookout

Friday, August 24

- Mass for Grades 5 and 6
- Teen Center open

Saturday, August 25

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30pm

Prayer Vigil for Life

St. Elizabeth of Robinson will host the August 20th prayer vigil for life. Fr. Ndeanaefo, pastor, will be celebrant and homilist for the 6:30pm Mass. Praying the Scriptural Rosary will begin at 6:00pm. Current pro-family legislation and information on local pro-life events will be on the evening's agenda. Everyone is invited to join us in prayer for an end to abortion.

Sing Along

St. Francis Singers and Friends will be singing at Lakeland Nursing Center on Thursday, August 23 at 10:30am.



Planning Marriage

Scott Breer and Kathy Pals
Saturday, August 25, 2012
1:00 pm

RCIA sessions are being held now. We meet after the 8:45 Mass on Sunday mornings in the museum meeting room. No hassles, no pressure, no commitments—just come and check us out. Next week's session: *Eucharist: meal and sacrifice*



Homebound Ministers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, August 26th are Theresa Funneman 821-4867 and Carlene Rauch 857-6296

BIBLE STUDY Our next session will be on **Thursday, September 20th at 10:00 a.m. in St. Clare Hall.** This season's sessions are based on a series of videos: Women of Faith. We will be watching videos on the lives of Mary Magdalene, Gianna Molla, Hildegard of Bingen and Bakita. Most of these are newly canonized saints by Pope John Paul II. Join us as we watch and discuss the life and times of some awesome women.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN training will be **Monday, September 10, in Teutopolis KC Hall from 6:00-9:00 p.m.** Anyone wishing to attend this session, please call the parish office to register. The ministries invited to attend this session are the **Knights of Columbus, ushers, and men of the parish.** All are welcome but these ministries are especially invited.

Training Sessions for Protecting God's Children

The second Monday of each month. No session in Dec.

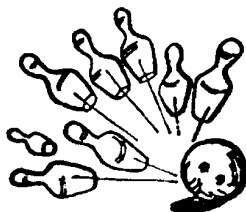
- **Sept. 10 for Knights of Columbus and Ushers**
- Oct. 8 for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Proclaimers of the Word
- Nov. 12 for CCW members
- Jan. 14 for Ministers to the Homebound and Nursing Home Singers
- Feb. 11 for Paper Depot and Museum Workers
- Mar. 11 for Pre-Cana, Parish Council and Trustees
- April 8 for Arts and Environment Committee and St. Peter's Holy Name Society

Service opportunity!

East Central/ Area 9 Special Olympics is hosting the annual Area Bowling Competition on Saturday August 25th, 2012. @ K-Bowl in Effingham.

Approximately 150 Special Olympics Athletes will be competing. Volunteers are needed to assist the ramp bowlers and help keep score. If you are not able to volunteer for the entire day, please consider volunteering for either the morning shift from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or the afternoon shift from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Approximately 30 volunteers are needed per shift. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt and lunch.

To volunteer or for more information call Kimberly Abell, East Central/ Area 9 Director, @ 345-2424 or e-mail at kabell@soill.org or call Greg Koester, Effingham Knights of Columbus, @ 821-7731.



Religious Education News

GRADE SCHOOL—Religion classes and church services for all grades begin on Monday, August 20... grades 5 and 6 will meet in the classrooms; grades 3 and 4 will meet in Church for a prayer service—singing practice and directions; grades 1 and 2 will meet in the classrooms. Please check the website—st.francischurch.com—under religious education to know the schedule of the daily religious education classes.

Catechists and Mass supervisors may pick up their class lists and folder (if not already having done so) from the parish office entrance on the round table. Any materials not claimed will be delivered to your classrooms or handed to you personally on your first day. God bless your teaching and ministry with the children.

Junior High – Attention Catechists---Informational meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 29 in the Rel. Ed. Office at Church. Enter by East door. Gr. 7 Catechists meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Gr. 8 catechists meet from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

HS Religious Ed:

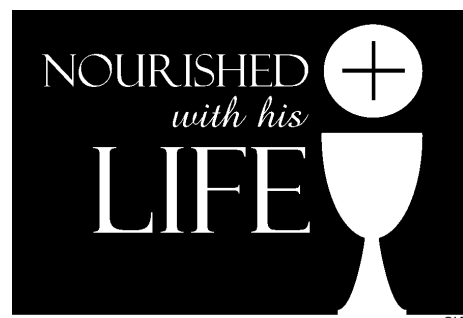
It's that time of year again! We are preparing for the upcoming religious education year. High School religious ed classes will start on September 12. Registration information will be in the mail this week. We are EXCITED to jump in to share faith with the students of the parish!

High School Catechists:

You are invited to attend a webinar called, "Teaching During a Year of Faith" on August 28 beginning at 7 pm. The webinar takes one hour and will be shown in the museum dining room. It is being presented by Joe Paprocki and looks to have a lot of great tips. Please call Lisa to sign up!

Youth Notes:

Teen Center will be open on August 24 from 7 – 10 pm for junior high students! We'll have music and games! PARENTS : We need you to help chaperon this event! Please call Lisa or Karen at 857-1500 to sign up!



That Man is You! is a 26 week interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of a man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society.

Discover

- The scriptural vision of man and the overwhelming scientific evidence that supports this vision.
- The four leadership roles that have been entrusted to men and the five personal traits necessary for fulfilling these leadership roles.
- How and why Satan always attacks the union of man and woman.
- The three main obstacles to living as authentic men and the means for overcoming them.
- The wonderful renewal God is offering to men and their families through the Church.

Program Information

- Friday Mornings
- Catholic Churches of Effingham
- St. Anthony—Parish Center
- Starting on September 7th, 2012

Schedule

- 5:45am—Breakfast
- 6:20am—Presentation
- 7:00am—Breakout Group Discussion
- 7:30am—Conclusion

Register for this **free** program online at www.thatmanisyou.org.

Attention Catholic Singles

Interested in joining an excellent Catholic singles organization? The Catholic Alumni Club International is looking to expand in the Springfield diocese. We provide a group dedicated to social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. For more information, check out the following site www.caci.org or contact Steve at valksr@yahoo.com.



Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of William Franklin Kingery whose funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Francis on August 6th. May he rest in peace.

And our sympathy & prayers to the family and friends of David Proctor, husband of Barbara Proctor and stepfather of Lauren and Rachel Geving.

First Saturday of the Month Mass and Devotion at St. Anthony Parish

During Our Lady's third apparition at Fatima she requested the following:

:"My daughter, surrounded with which ungrateful constantly through ingratitude. You, console me, and



look at my Heart the thorns with men pierce me blasphemies and at least, try to tell people that I promise to assist them at the hour of death with all graces necessary for salvation all those, who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months: Go to Confession (8 days before or after), receive Holy Communion, pray 5 decades of the rosary, and meditate on one or more of the mysteries for 15 minutes."

Beginning the first Saturday in September we will be answering our Blessed Mother's request in praying the Rosary, offering Mass and closing with 15 minutes of meditation on the mysteries of the rosary.

We will begin with the rosary at 6:10am, Mass at 6:30am and finish with guided meditations from 7:00-7:15am at St. Anthony Church. Prayer meditation cards will be available.

ALL WELCOME! Any questions please contact Tessie Kabbes 347-8784.

Have You Been Divorced?

A workshop, DIVORCE AND BEYOND, is being offered for anyone who has experienced divorce. This workshop is for anyone who is legally divorced regardless of religious affiliation. The workshop is to help and support people beyond the experience of divorce.

The workshop consists of eight sessions with topics that include such items as: The process of divorce, positive self image after divorce, handling stress, expressing anger and dealing with blame and guilt, children, finances, pathways to growth.

The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings beginning on September 6th. The sessions will last from 6:45pm—8:45pm. Registration is NECESSARY. The evenings will be held in the St. Clare Hall (East entrance) of St. Francis Church, Teutopolis.

You may register by calling 217-857-6404.

If you have any questions, you may call Fr. Michael at 217-857-6404.

Relics of Padre Pio

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry is hosting the relics of Padre Pio in Vandalia, IL.

Veneration dates: Tuesday, August 21 and Wednesday, August 22 from 10 am—2 pm, 5 pm—8 pm.

Two retreats with Fr. Ermelindo who lived with Padre Pio for many years will be held August 17-19. For more information: www.osmm.org or call Mariann 618-292-8039 or Ann 618-267-3876.

Erase the Stigma of Mental Illness ~ When Mental Illness Hits Home

A conference for those who journey with someone with mental illness will be held on Friday, August 24 and Saturday, August 25, 9:00 am—4:00 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL. Call 618-397-6700 or go to www.snows.org to register.

Topics include:

- A Daughter's Fight to Survive Bipolar
- The Impact of Mental Illness on our Family
- Medication & Body-Mind-Spirit Approaches
- Transitions Along the Journey
- Conversation Circles

Family Camp/Renewal Days for Family and Friends of Persons with Special Needs will be held September 29-30 at Lake Williamson Christian Center, Carlinville. For more information and a registration form, call or e-mail Elaine Vonderheide at 342-2718 or e-mail: mewv23@consolidated.net.

Mark Your Calendar

Plan to join Bishop Thomas John Paprocki at our annual Mass and prayerful rosary walk to the abortion clinic in Granite City on Saturday, October 13, 2012. Mass will be at 9:00 am at Holy Family Parish in Granite City.

Beginning Weaving Workshop

Where: Saint Mary-of-the-Woods

When: 9 am-5 pm, Sept. 8, 2012

Cost: \$100, plus \$15 for materials, lunch included. Housing available for an additional charge.

Instructor: John Salamone

Learn how to load the loom, the basics of weaving and make a project that can be completed in the workshop. You'll make four drink coasters. **To register by Aug. 31**, or for more information, contact Robyn Morton at 812-535-2932 or at rmorton@spsmw.org.

"Do not neglect good deeds and generosity. God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind." (Hebrews 13:16)

Teutopolis Park District will be offering Boot Camp and Zumba Classes!!! Boot Camp will run a 12 week session starting September 5th in the TGS Gym. Zumba will run a 6 week session in the TJHS Café starting September 5th. Classes run each Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 5:15-6:15am. Registration forms can be obtained from the TPD website: www.teutopolisparkdistrict.com. Everyone is welcome.

Pre-Labor Day Picnic at St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Sainte Marie on Sunday, September 2, 2012. Deep-fried chicken and pork loin dinners will be served in the parish center from 11:00am to 5:00pm. Other attractions include quilt raffle, crafts, country store, white elephant stand, bingo, basket stand, raffles (with \$1,000 grand prize), music, food stands and various games and fun for all ages.

Second Hand Rose News

Second Hand Rose Resale Shoppe is preparing for WINTER! Summer clearance sales will be held August 13-31. The store is open to the public Monday through Friday, 10 am to 4 pm and Saturday 10 am to 1 pm. The store will be closed Saturday, Sept. 1 through Wednesday, Sept. 5 for cleaning and restocking. When the store re-opens on Thursday, Sept. 6, the entire store will be filled with winter apparel and accessories as well as Autumn and Halloween decorations.

Donations for ALL seasons are accepted Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm and Saturday, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. For help unloading large item donations, call ahead to notify store manager. Please do not leave items of any kind outside the back door as they could be damaged due to weather or animals. Donations are tax deductible and receipts are available.

Anyone with questions or anyone interested in volunteering should contact Second Hand Rose Manager, Carrie Crippen at 857-1482.

Holy Humor...

I asked my three-year-old daughter what she liked to eat.

"Nuts," she replied.

"Great," I said, "What kind? Pecans? Walnuts? Peanuts?"

"Donuts."

(taken from Reader's Digest)