

August 15, 2021 - The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

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Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm

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Anytime by appointment



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."

- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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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 the office to pre-register.

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From the Pastor

Happy feast of the Assumption. This is one of the holy days of obligation, when Catholics are obliged to attend Mass, but since it falls on a Sunday, we are already in church!! This would be the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, but instead we celebrate this feast of Mary when she was assumed into heaven, body and soul. Where she has gone, we hope to follow.

Parents, PLEASE register your child or children for our religious education program. A form is in this bulletin, or you can download it from the parish website, or pick one up in the front office. Please register before 17 August, this Tuesday. We need to know numbers for ordering books and materials. Thank you for your cooperation.

Rumors. You might have heard that our Director of Music is back. Mr. Dan Williams is back, or he soon will be. He and Sandy, Mrs. Williams, have been absent for more than a couple months, and we hope the Lord has healed him.

Another rumor is that Fr. Ken is coming to town for a visit. He was planning on coming next weekend, and he would have been available from 2:00 to 4:00 in the Sr. Ethelbert Center for those who would like to come and chat with him. This spike in Covid cases has him concerned to the point of delaying his visit for a safer time. I wish he could come for the picnic when he could visit with a large number of parishioners, but I doubt the numbers are going to turn around that quickly. He sounds good on the phone.



GOSPEL MEDITATION The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way.

They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their hearts break, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 16, 6:30: Florence Koester death anniv.
Tuesday, August 17, 6:30: Linda Hutmacher
Tuesday, August 17, 8:00: Hank Ruholl
Wednesday, August 18, 6:30: Vera Kroeger
Thursday, August 19, 6:30: Living and Deceased
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Thursday, August 19, 7:55: Roger Renschen
Friday, August 20, 6:30: Ken Will
Friday, August 20, 7:55: Hank Ruholl
Saturday, August 21, 4:30: Pro Populo
Sunday, August 22, 6:30: Martha Thoele
Sunday, August 22, 8:30: Patty Pruemer
Sunday, August 22, 10:30: Hank Ruholl



God Bless Those Serving our Country.

Anthony Vahling, Ryan Weber,
Cody Bushue, Andrew Isley,
Shawn Zerrusen, Ali Kingery,
Andrew Simmons, Justis Coventry,
Jesse Koester, Braydan Bushue,
Mallory Stone, Paul Schumacher

FOR NOTHING
WILL BE
IMPOSSIBLE
FOR GOD.

LUKE 1:37



Liturgy Schedule 20th Week in Ordinary Time August 16 - 22

Monday,	St. Stephen of Hungary Mass at 6:30 am Adoration 1:00 pm until 6:00 am Tuesday morning
Tuesday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Wednesday,	Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	St. John Eudes Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Friday,	St. Bernard Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 am
Saturday,	St. Pius X Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday,	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday, August 14 - 3:00-4:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

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



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers:

Margaret Pruemmer, Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Bill and Rosie Myers, Andrea Wernsing, Elizabeth Weidner, Paula Spencer, Mark Roedl, Linus Willenborg, Cole Wellbaum, Kyndal Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Heather Ordner, Sara Ordner, Bob Esker, Marilyn Zerrusen, Roddnie Deters, Korrie Hartke, Tanner Pruemmer, Anita Holman, Steve Runde, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Fr. Frank Folino, Bruce Weber, Nicholas Wentz, Barb Worman, Leah Newlin, Gary Cornell, Dave Pals.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call the office at 217-961-6404.

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> <u>8/8/2021</u>	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
212 Adult envelopes	\$12,618.00	\$51,868.50
65 Online giving	\$3,595.00	\$14,567.00
Other	<u>\$942.05</u>	<u>\$4,498.12</u>
TOTAL	\$17,155.05	\$70,933.62
Assisi to Africa	\$598.00	\$4,500.00

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Parish Calendar

Monday, August 16

- Adoration, 1:00 pm - 6:00 am

Tuesday, August 17

- Rosary after 8:00 am Mass
- Guitar practice, 6:00 pm, church

Wednesday, August 18

- Grade school religion starts
- JH/HS catechists mtg., 6:00 - 8:00 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center

Saturday, August 21

- Confessions, 3:00 - 4:00 pm



Planning Marriage

Scott Ruholl and Chelsey Funneman
Saturday, August 21, 2021
1:00 pm

Prayer Vigil for Life Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to celebrate our precious gift of life at St Mary in Shumway on Monday August 16. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. Michael Berndt will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm Mass. The business meeting will follow in the lower level. Refreshments will be served while current legislation and local pro-life events are discussed.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Good mothers have a way of bringing their children hope. When we fall and hurt ourselves, our mothers can help us walk the path of healing. There is hope that we will get better and the trust that we have in mom's comforting assurance allows us to move forward. Mothers know instinctively what we need and what we are capable of doing. They can be one of our biggest cheerleaders in life, and even when facing despair, can point the way to a brighter tomorrow. Our Blessed Mother does precisely that for us today. As one closest to our Lord, she cheers us on with the hope of what life will be for all of us. Although given the unique distinction of being raised in both body and soul, she nonetheless points to our true eternal destiny. Achieving this inheritance overrides any disappointment and her intercession and example inspires us to pick ourselves up when we fall. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given as we persevere even in the midst of life's challenges and failures.

Choirs will begin August 25 and 26

- Children's choir, 3:30 - 4:45 pm on August 25.
- Young adult choir, 6:00 - 7:00 pm on August 25.
- Adult choir, 7:00 pm on August 26.

There will be a mini golf outing on Saturday, August 28 for those wanting to join children's choir. More details in next weeks' bulletin.

Religious Education News

Grade School Religion Program needs volunteers for the 2021-2022 school year.

If you can help between 7:15 am and 7:45 am watch children before religion starts, call the parish office. If you can teach or walk kids to church one or two days a week between 7:45 am and 8:40 am, we can use you. Please volunteer to help pass the Catholic faith to the next generation by calling the parish office.

Confirmation Pictures: Parents of fifth and sixth grade students from last school year. If you ordered a group picture and didn't get it, the pictures are on the round table by the church office.

Religious Education classes in the grade school start August 18. Please have your child to school by 7:50 am each day.

CALENDAR

August 18 – Catechist meetings in Sr. Ethelbert Center

- 6:00 pm – 7th grade Catechists
- 6:30 pm – 8th grade Catechists
- 7:00 pm – 9th grade Catechists
- 7:30 pm – 10/11/12 grade Catechists

September 1 – JH/HS Religious ed classes! Welcome back!

Attention College Students If you are going off to college this fall, please consider joining the Newman Center on your campus. Please sign up @ <http://signup.newmanconnection.com!>



God's Blessings for a safe and successful school year. Please watch out for the children.

Baptism prep class is required before baptism. Please call the office to pre-register.

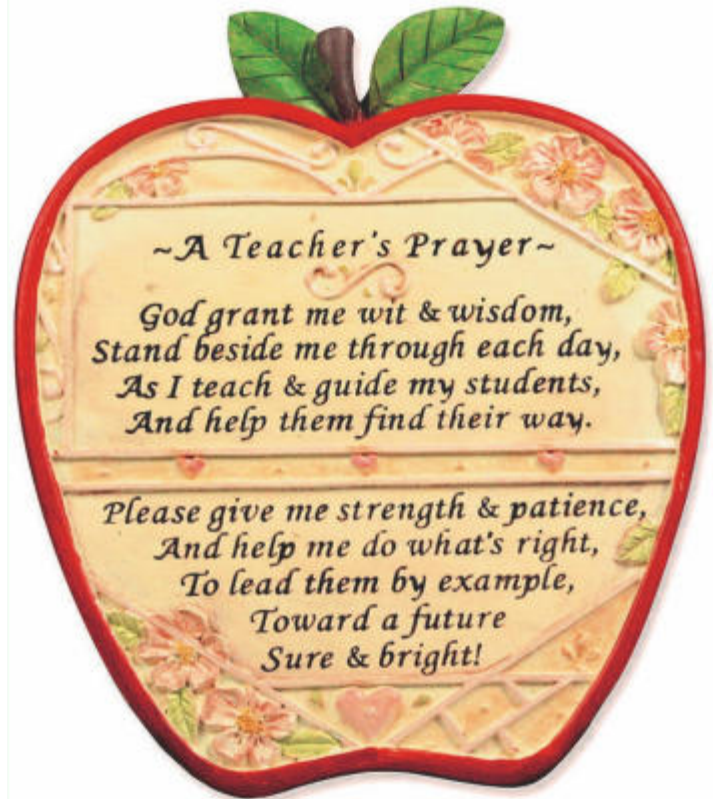


Baptism Prep Dates

- Thursday, September 2, 2021, St. Francis
- Thursday, October 7, 2021, St. Rose
- Thursday, November 4, 2021, St. Francis
- Tuesday, December 7, St. Isidore

All classes begin at 7:00 pm. To register for classes at St. Francis call 217-961-6404; at St. Rose call 217-924-4553; and at St. Isidore call 217-821-9178. All dates are subject to change.

Please Note: Baptisms will take place on the first, second and fourth weekends of each month.



Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance with the pastor.



Marriage Requirements If you have your wedding scheduled at St. Francis, you will be required to attend the following for preparation:

Pre-Cana workshops offered in the Effingham area:

- St. Francis, Teutopolis, January 30, 2022. Call 217-961-6404 to register.
- St. Mary, St. Marie, March 12, 2022. Call 618-455-3155 to register.

Additional dates are available on the diocesan website at www.dio.org under vocation services, marriage and family life.

FOCCUS: Scheduled dates at St. Francis are as follows:

- October 2, 2021
- January 8, 2022
- April 2, 2022

All sessions begin after 4:30 pm Mass in St. Clare hall. To register call 217-961-6404.

Upcoming NFP Classes

- Saturday, September 11th, 10:00-11:30 am, Sr. Ethelbert Center
 - Saturday, October 16th, 2021 9:00-10:30am on WebEx
 - Saturday, January 15th, 2022 9:30-11:00am on WebEx
- To register for an NFP class on the Creighton Model Fertility Care System, contact Kate Pruemer, CFCP. Email her at kpruemer@gmail.com or call or text 217-821-1840.



Saturday, September 18th 2:00 pm - 11:30 pm.

New this year, instead of our traditional chicken dinner, there will be an outdoor picnic style dinner option! This entire experience will take place outside on the picnic grounds. Seating will be available on concrete sections of our picnic grounds, and outside dinner lines will be open from 2:00-6:30 pm. Dinner options will include a choice of a hotdog, hamburger, porkburger, or ribeye sandwich picnic dinner, with a choice of two sides (home made mac and cheese, applesauce, cole slaw, or home made chips, all individually packaged), a homemade dessert, and choice of tea or lemonade! Enjoy the beautiful fall day (we hope!), live music, and the sights and sounds of our picnic, all while dining with your friends and family!

New this year will be an area for Jr. High kids.... stay tuned for details!

Returning this year is the golf ball drop, live auction, our traditional raffle, bingo, kid's games, food stands, beer stand, hamburger stand (with addition of ribeye sandwiches!), cake walk, country crafts, and more of your favorites! To the ladies of the parish, we will ask for cakes and cookies for this year, so more to come on this! A huge THANK YOU in advance!

A doubles pickleball tourney will be held the morning of the picnic! Register a team today for our parish picnic doubles pickleball tourney! Registration forms can be found at the parish office entrance or can be found on our parish Facebook.

7:00-8:30 pm Golf ball drop and live auction! Don't miss this! Listing of auction items coming soon!

The music line-up for picnic day is as follows:

3:00-4:00 pm: CCR II Guitar Group

5:00-7:00 pm: Thunder Road

8:30-11:30 pm: Southern Comfort

CCW and Men's Holy Name

WE'VE ONLY HEARD FROM 50% OF YOU:

We greatly appreciate those of you who have paid your dues, but if you have not paid your sodality dues, please do so as soon as you're able. Your parish sodality dues are used to assist with picnic expenses, various program expenses and assistance throughout our parish community.

But, unfortunately we have only had approximately **50%** of our parishioners pay their men's and ladies' sodality dues.

If you haven't paid, then please do so immediately by following either method below.

It's very simple to pay, either:

1. Go to www.stfrancischurch.com and click on "Sodality Dues" and follow instructions; OR
2. Mail or drop off your form and check in the weekly collection. (If you've misplaced your form and need a replacement; there are extra forms placed in the entrance of church.)

We appreciate your prompt attention to this, as both sodalities are working hard to finish up the dues collection process before we begin planning future festivities. We would prefer not to have to contact those unpaid or have to go door-to-door, so your prompt attention to this would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you from Your Men's and Ladies' Sodalities

IT'S BACK! Teutopolis for Tomorrow is hosting another Garage Band Night on **Saturday, August 21, 2021 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.** Walk or ride around T-Town while making stops along the way to listen to local musicians! There will be tip buckets at each site with half of the tips going to the bands and the other half going to Teutopolis for Tomorrow. There will be a food truck at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall Pavilion. Contact Gina Willenborg at 217-821-7922. Musical stops will be announced soon.

Liturgical Ministers for August 21/22

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Readers	Mona Vahling Jim Quatman	Cindy Esker	Angie Esker Jerry Brummer	Marty Siemer Stacey Ruholl
Ushers	*Bill Runde Aaron Stortzum Dave Bloemer John Bushur Chris Deters Ron Probst	*Daren Drees Robert Drees Jim Esker, Jr. Gary Deters Mark Willenborg	*Rich Hartke Mick Deters Steve Witges Brent McMahon Chris Zerrusen Gerald Witges	*Brad Koester Scott Copple Jason Ruholl Doug Runde Dave Habing Tom Schabbing
Servers	Maddie Zane Abby Zane Lauren Heuerman	Anthony Roley Olivia Roley Ross Deters	Bennett Thompson Henry Thompson Mason Thompson	Joey Ruholl Allie Ruholl Derek Schmidt

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Area Events

All are welcome to attend the showing of the newly-released film **Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton** at the St. Aloysius Parish Center on Tuesday, August 17 at 7:00 pm. Bottled water will be available. Please bring your own snacks and drinks. Come to be inspired by this one man who lived his one life for Our Lady.

St. Anthony Parish Picnic is August 14th/15th at St. Anthony High School. Saturday 5:00 pm - midnight/ Sunday noon to midnight. Outdoor Mass on Saturday at 4:30 pm. Sunday dinner will be served 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. There will also be games for all ages, raffles and a golf ball drop.

Catholic Charities Celebrity Bartending Challenge on August 20, 6:00 - 11:00 pm at the Teutopolis Banquet hall. The bartender teams are:

- Shear Designs and Foxy Styles, 6:00 - 7:15 pm;
- Dan Hecht Chevrolet Toyota and Roy Schmidt Honda, 7:15 - 8:30 pm;
- KCH Mechanical, Inc. and Merz Heating and Air Conditioning, 8:30 - 9:45 pm;
- Dieterich Bank and Teutopolis State Bank, 9:45 - 11:00 pm.

These teams will be working together to raise money for the programs of Catholic Charities.

The event includes live music by:

- Randy Kemme and Jenni Dittamore, 6:15 pm;
- Lauren Siemer, 7:30 pm;
- Flight 50, 9:00 pm.

Food will be available for purchase from Country Rhodes Catering.

St. Clare Catholic Church in Altamont will be hosting a pork chop drive-up dinner on Sunday, August 22 from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm or until pork chops are gone. Menu includes butterfly pork chop sandwich or pork burger, chips, baked beans, pickle spear, and chocolate chip cookies. The cost of the meal is \$7.00. This replaces their annual breakfast. There will also be a pie sale. The address of the church is 216 N. 9th St.

St. Mary's Ste. Marie will host their Pre-Labor Day Picnic on Saturday, September 4, from 3:00 - 9:00 pm. Enjoy a Ste. Marie style chicken meal, serving from 3:00 - 7:00 pm. There will be refreshments, bingo, games, raffle, a basket stand, and a quilt stand.

Catholic Charities Spaghetti Lunch, drive thru only, sponsored by Joe's Pizza & Pasta, Sunday, September 12, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm at the Effingham Event Center. \$8.00 per meal. Tickets available at Catholic Charities, Joe's Pizza & Pasta, from any Catholic Charities Advisory Board Member, Catholic Charities Staff, and at the door. All proceeds support the mission and ministries of Catholic Charities. For more information contact Catholic Charities at 217-857-1458.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is like the end of a summer holiday – it's full of freshness, new beginnings, hope, and the start of another season. Our next **IN-PERSON** Encounter will be held the weekend of September 24-26, 2021, at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel in St. Peters, Missouri. We will have in place all the needed precautions to provide a safe environment for participants. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

Onward, Without Fear! A Christian Event Join us Saturday, September 25, 2021, St. Anthony Parish Center, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Doors open at 8:00 am (coffee and donuts provided). Social hour to follow. Guest speaker – Patty Schneier will share with us:
-- her journey of discovery, repentance, and renewal ;
-- ways to incorporate prayer into your everyday life;
-- tips for spreading the "Good News" every day;
-- practical tools to dispel the darkness and live in the light. \$15/person (includes lunch). RSVP required by September 15, 2021 Any questions, call or text Tom Purcell at 217-821-7077.



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Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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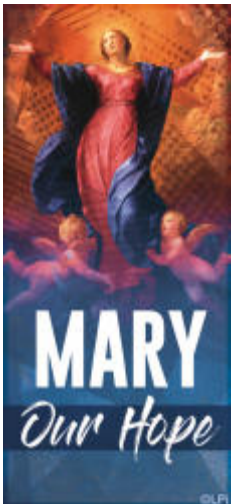
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Sharing the Gospel



Mary understood God's power. She loved and respected God. Everything Mary had belonged to God. He was happy to share good things with her. God deserves your respect and your love, too. When you are humble like Mary, God will do amazing things through you.

Prayer

God, help me to be humble like Mary.

Mission for the Week

Mary was a humble girl, and God chose her to be Jesus' mother. David was a humble shepherd, and God chose him to be a great king. Name one other humble person in the Bible that God lifted up and used powerfully.

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