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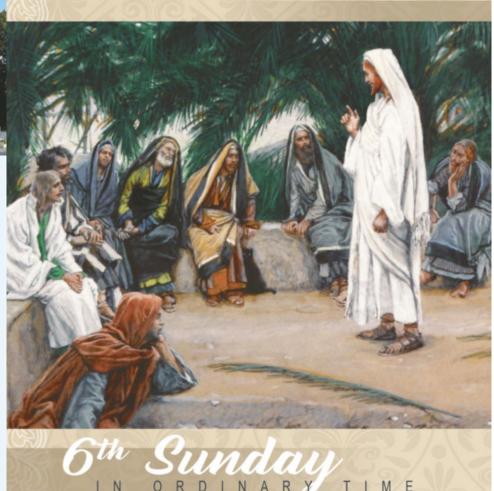
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#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm Tuesday & Thursday: 6:15-6:45pm Thursday before First Friday: 3:00-4:00pm

Anytime by appointment



"Blessed are you when people hate you,

on account of the Son of Man."- Lk 6:22

and when they exclude and insult you,

and denounce your name as evil

#### Sacrament of Matrimony:

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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.

#### From the Pastor

The parishioners of St. Francis extend our sympathies to the family of Barbara Worman, whose funeral was Wednesday, 9 February. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

On Tuesday of this week I received an affirmative letter from our bishop regarding my request for the parish to be allowed to receive a Statue of Hope with a value of \$15,500. Why write the bishop for something like this? Bishop Paprocki also gave us permission to put the Statue of Hope on an area across the street from the church (the old Society Hall) area. It will use less than half of the grassy area: 60' by 40' area. I've communicated this to you in a previous bulletin, and now that we have the approval from the diocese, more information will be coming.

The Statue of Hope is being taken care of by a group with the name: White Lily Project. It is being organized by four ladies, Angie Brumleve, Tasha Ruholl, Sarah Lucht and Laura Schumacher. Each of these ladies and their husbands have lost infants. It is the hope of this group that their efforts will help other grieving parents to attain some comfort and hope in dealing with their loss.

Other cities that have an Angel of Hope are Springfield, Olney, Breese and approximately 120 other cities in our country. The original statue was first dedicated in 1994, so this isn't a new idea.

Members of White Lily Project have met and discussed their purpose twice with the members of the parish council, and there has been very positive feedback from the council – unanimous votes. A representative from the White Lily Project will serve on the Social Concerns committee of the council so the parish can be informed of what is happening and what the WLP envisions for the future. More on the White Lily Project will be coming. For now, we have a green light to move ahead.

I don't wish to alarm you, but Ash Wednesday is on 2 March!

As you know, there is a good deal of conversation regarding the wearing of masks inside buildings, especially schools. Some communities are extremely strict in this regard, and some churches still have their pews marked off, and people must maintain social distancing in church and when receiving Holy Communion. It's all up to the bishop of the diocese. In the Belleville Diocese I think we would find a more strict observance of masking inside buildings even though we are living in the same state. "When in Rome...." There is even greater conversation or lack of it regarding people getting vaccinated. Anyone wish to talk publicly about that issue? If so, I suggest the person get their running shoes on!

If you wish to continue supporting the youth activities in the parish, like Catholic Heart Work Camp, the Teen Center, etc., then please continue using the Scrip Program, which is a win-win deal. You will be spending your funds for food, clothing, recreation, etc., and our youth will be benefit from your choosing a Scrip card to pay for those benefits. The parish is very grateful to Hank Niebrugge and his staff at his Country Financial insurance office for over a dozen years they have served the parish with Scrip cards. Today you can purchase the Scrip cards at the Teutopolis State Bank.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers:

Margaret Pruemer, Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Bill and Rosie Myers, Andrea Wernsing, Paula Spencer, Mark Roedl, Linus Willenborg, Cole Wellbaum, Kyndal Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Marilyn Zerrusen, Roddnie Deters, Tanner Pruemer, Steve Runde, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wente, Gary Cornell, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Tammy Gebben, Chad Nelson, Liz Kremer, Judy Lueken.

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

#### **Stewardship of Treasure** Total Fiscal Sunday 2/6/2022 Year \$315,997.32 209 Adult envelopes \$7,333.00 56 Online giving \$2,526.00 \$83,573.00 Other \$854.50 \$25,394.66 TOTAL \$10,713.50 \$424,964.98 Assisi to Africa \$899.00 \$30,055.00

**Prayer Vigil for Life** Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to celebrate the Sanctity of Life at St Mary of the Assumption in Neoga on Monday, February 21. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. Sunder Ery will be the celebrant for the 6:30 pm Mass. The business meeting will follow in the parish hall. Refreshments will be served while current legislation and local pro-life events are discussed.

Palms for Burning Please bring your old palms to church from now through February 28th. Place them in the basket in front of Mary's altar. They will be burned and the ashes will be used on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, February 14, 6:30 am: Dan and Cathy Esker Tuesday, February 15, 6:30 am: Karen Waldhoff Tuesday, February 15, 7:55 am: George Habing Wednesday, February 16, 6:30 am: Vera Kroeger Thursday, February 17, 6:30 am: Celeste Pruemer Thursday, February 17, 7:55 am: Jim Esker Friday, February 18, 6:30 am: Clarence Beckman Friday, February 18, 7:55 am: Myrna Haskenherm Saturday, February 19, 4:30 pm: Don Brumleve Sunday, February 20, 6:30 am: Pro Populo Sunday, February 20, 8:30 am: Patty Pruemer Sunday, February 20, 10:30 am: Connie Rieman

## Liturgy Schedule 6th Week in Ordinary Time February 14 - 20

Monday, St. Valentine

St. Cyril, St. Monk, St. Methodius

Mass at 6:30 am

Adoration 1:00 pm until 6:00 am

Tuesday morning

Tuesday, Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am

Wednesday, Mass at 6:30 am

Thursday, The Seven Holy Founders of the

Servite Order

Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am

Friday, Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am

Saturday, Mass at 4:30 pm

Sunday, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am

#### **Confession Schedule**

Tuesday, February 15 - 6:15-6:45 pm Thursday, February 17 - 6:15-6:45 pm Saturday, February 19 - 3:00-4:00 pm

#### **Liturgy of the Hours with Friars**

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

**Cemetery Collection** This weekend, February 12/13, is the collection for the care and upkeep of our cemetery. Expenses are increasing. Ongoing projects include:

- Continual pouring of pre-poured pads.
- Continual tree removal in the old section.
- Upgrading the old section with pre-poured pads at the church expense.
- Maintenance and oiling of the roadways.
- Drainage improvement.

We take pride in keeping this sacred ground beautiful for our loved ones who have fallen asleep. Thank you for your donation.



#### **Farish Calendar**

#### Monday, February 14

- Adoration, 1:00 pm-6:00 am Tuesday
- RCIA, 7:00-8:15 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center

#### Tuesday, February 15

- Confessions, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Guitar practice, 6:45 pm

#### Wednesday, February 16

- Children's choir, 3:30-4:45 pm
- Young adult choir, 6:00 pm
- JH/HS religion, 7:00 pm
- Eucharist bible study, 4:00-5:30 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center

#### Thursday, February 17

- Confessions, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Adult choir, 7:00 pm

#### Friday, February 18

• JH Valentine dance, 7:30-10:00 pm, grade school gym

#### Saturday, February 19

• Confessions, 3:00-4:00 pm

#### Sunday, February 20

• Secular Franciscans, 1:00 pm, church & St. Clare



#### **Planning Marriage**

Jared Pruemer and Karli Isley Saturday, February 19, 2022 1:00 pm



#### **Homebound Ministry**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, February 20th are Lenora Drees 217-857-3583 and Lori Mette 217-663-0869.

We *love* because he first *loved* us! 1 John 4:19

#### **Liturgical Ministers for February 19/20**

Ministry	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	8:30 am	<u>10:30 am</u>
Readers	Kristin Probst Mona Vahling	Cindy Esker	Phil Hartke Kathy Hartke	Maranda Martin Theresa Bushur
Ushers	*John Bushur Dave Bloemer Jeremy Niebrugge Eric Habing Dylan Bloemer Joe Zerrusen	*Charlie Kroeger Daren Drees Robert Poe Jim Esker, Jr. Jared Runde Chris Hartke	*Bernie Hartke Art Deters Mick Deters Larry Funneman Chris Zerrusen Marcus Sheehan	*Doug Runde Larry Hardiek Jake Pals Bill Martin, Jr. Hank Niebrugge Tom Vahling
Servers	Devon Probst Danielle Probst Madison Probst	Anthony Roley Olivia Roley Ella Tarter	Derek Niemerg Lucas Niemerg Kelsey Niemerg	Barrett Meyer Kendall Meyer Emily Meyer

#### **Clean Linens - Janet Probst**

#### **Religious Education News**



Substitute teachers and Mass walkers are needed for the religious education program, 7:45 - 8:40 am. One day a week would be helpful. If you can volunteer, please call 217-961-6477.

**Grade 2 First Reconciliation:** The First Reconciliation and prayer service for grade 2 students is scheduled for March 19, 2022 at either 8:45 or 10:00 am in church. Please bring your baptismal candle to the service.

**Ash Wednesday:** We will have a prayer service with Communion and ashes for all the students in church at 8:00 am on March 2, 2022.

President's Day: February 21, 2022—No School

Grade 3-6 Report Cards: Religion Teachers will be filling out report sheets soon. The report sheets will be sent home to parents the week of March 14. Please sign and return.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

February 16–Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm February 18-Junior High Valentines Dance, 7:30-10:00 pm February 23–Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm

#### Newman Breakfast - 2022

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Newman Breakfast a success. We served 600 meals! The very generous donations from KC members was greatly appreciated! Also, a big thank you to the businesses that supplied and donated items, and those who volunteered their time or brought items for the raffle and country store. Thanks again for supporting this great cause!

2022 Newman Breakfast Chairmen Dean and Cindy Kremer Tim and Linda Hemmen Kathy Hartke – Country Store / Raffle Coordinator

St. Thomas School presents the 3rd annual Trivia **Night & Live Auction** on Saturday, February 19, 2022, at 6:30 pm, at the St. Thomas Parish Center in Newton. Cost is \$160 per team of 8 adults over age 21. There will be fun trivia questions, silent & live auction, games, food, and more!! For more information contact Jill Bierman or Lori Smith at 618-783-3517.

Soup Supper and Day of Prayer will be held on Sunday, February 27th, 4:00-7:00 pm at St. Aloysius church/ parish center, Bishop Creek. Serving chili, chicken noodle, sauerkraut soup, hot dogs, ham sandwich, homemade desserts, and drinks. Carry-outs available. Gallons of soup available after 6:00 pm.



Catholic Heart Work Camp group is having another round of fundraising for our summer trip to Michigan. The Super bowl square fundraiser concludes this weekend with \$100 payout after the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, \$200 after the 2<sup>nd</sup>,

\$300 after the  $3^{rd}$ , and \$400 after the  $4^{th}$  quarter. Thanks for supporting CHWC!



**Important Scrip Sales Announcement:** 

Teutopolis State Bank will now be selling Scrip cards for the Catholic Heart Work Camp group, effective February 9th. Cards will be sold in the lobby (Monday – Thursday 8:00-

4:00, Friday 8:00-5:00, and Saturdays 8:00-12:00). Teutopolis location only! We thank them for helping us!



Thank you to Niebrugge Financial for their Whank years of dedication to the Catholic Heart Work Camp program!

The Junior High Valentines Dance will be held from 7:30-10:00 pm on February 18th in the TGS gym. DJ Langston Jack-

son will be playing music for this event. Admission will be \$5 per student. Snacks and drinks will be provided! Permission slips will be handed out during religion class and are also available at school. We need a few more chaperones for this event. Please contact Maria at 217-961-1500, if you can help!



#### **God Bless Those Serving our Country.**

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

**FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE Cupid's Carnival is coming!** Sunday, February 20th, 3:00-5:00 pm

**Teutopolis Banquet Hall** 

~Dancing under the Big Top~

Ticket sales are this weekend after 4:30, 8:30, and 10:30 Masses in St Clare hall and will continue until February 19th. NO SALES on dance day. Tickets will be sold through the week in the Religious ed office from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Father-daughter pairs are \$30 and \$5 for each additional daughter. Proceeds from dance will benefit our parish teen center.

\*\*DONATIONS NEEDED: The father-daughter dance committee is in need of new or lightly-used stuffed animals. Please place them in St Clare hall in the box provided. Thank you in advance! Questions call 217-821-8017.

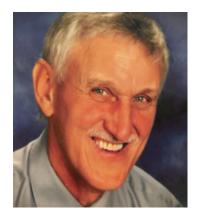


## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH 2022 PARISH COUNCIL NOMINEES

Election will be held next weekend at all Masses.
Three vacancies to be filled.



Hello, my name is Greg Bergfeld. I have been a member of St. Francis Church all my life. I married Renee Brummer in 2004, and together we are raising our 4 boys: Collin - 16, Mitch - 14, Aiden - 13, Ryan - 6. I am employed at South Central FS, and raise livestock and grain farm.



My name is Dave Bloemer. I was born and raised in Green Creek. I married Judy Kreke in 1975 and have been a member of Saint Francis ever since. We have four married children and nine wonderful grandkids. I am retired from working in the maintenance department at Effingham County. I enjoy family, hunting, and pickleball! I am an usher at Saint Francis.



Shannon Hinkle married into the St. Francis Church family upon her marriage to Mike Hinkle in 1985. She recently retired from a 34-year career in education where she shared her time with high school students, first as an English teacher then a Guidance Counselor, but always a musical theatre director. She enjoys being a church lector, playing golf, sharing time with her family, most especially her five grandchildren, and traveling with her husband. A highlight of being a part of the Teutopolis community is having been given the chance to write and director the historical play for the Teutopolis Terquasquicentennial event in 2014.



Rhonda Meyer was born and raised in Teutopolis. She has been a member of St. Francis Church since birth. She is married to Jon Meyer and they have 4 children; Caleb, Kendall, Emily and Addisyn.

Rhonda is the Vice President, Compliance Officer and a loan officer for the bank. She is a graduate of Teutopolis High School, Lake Land College and Eastern Illinois University.

During her free time, she enjoys walking, golfing, and most importantly spending time with family and friends. She also enjoys volunteering for community events and organizations. Rhonda enjoys working at Teutopolis State Bank because of all the unique customers that walk through the doors. It is very fulfilling making everyone's dreams come true by providing different lending options. The employees of the bank also make it an enjoyable environment.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve the St. Francis Parish if elected.



My name is Eric Roley. I live in Teutopolis. I am originally from Stewardson but moved to Teutopolis in 2000. I joined St Francis church in 2001. My wife, Karen (Kroeger), grew up here and we have 2 children, Anthony and Olivia. I work in Altamont in sales and I coach girls 7th grade basketball at Teutopolis Junior High. I also run the basketball program for the Teutopolis Park District.



Hello, my name is Dennis Runde. I have been a member of St. Francis of Assisi church all of my life. I am married to Kim (Walk) Runde and we have 4 daughters: Audrey (11), Alayna (8), Annalee (7), and Avalynn (2). I have owned Runde Remodeling for the last year and a half. If selected for the parish council, I look forward to the partnership with other council members as we work to continue to grow the church.



Hi my name is Kathy Wellbaum. I have 4 children and 3 grandchildren. I am a lifelong resident of Teutopolis and St Francis of Assisi Parish. I am employed as secretary of J B Esker & Sons.



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