

November 27, 2022 - First Sunday Of Advent

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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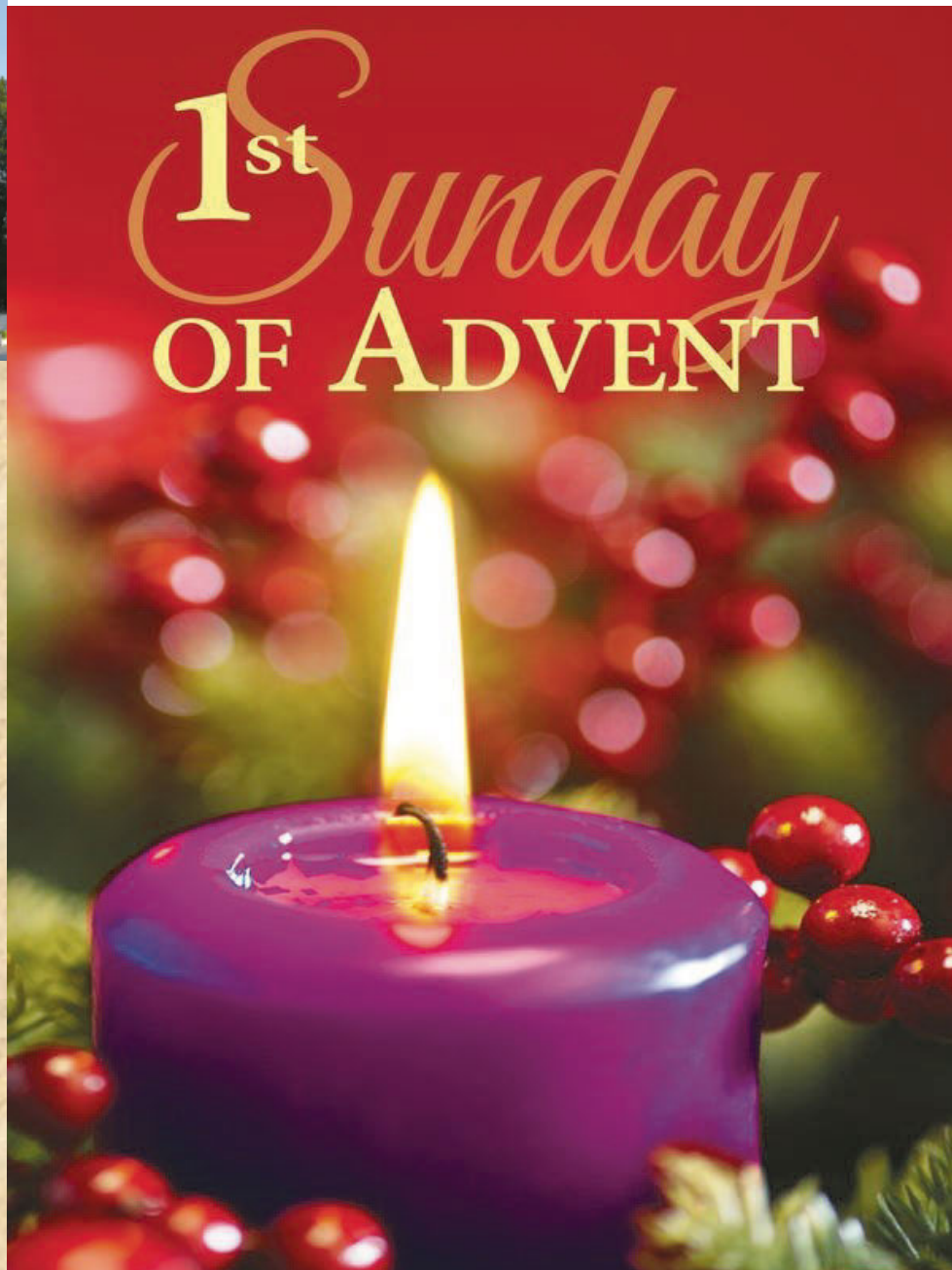
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Tuesday & Thursday: 6:15-6:45 pm

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Thursday before First Friday: 3:00-4:00 pm

Anytime by appointment



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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.

203 EAST MAIN ST., PO BOX 730, TEUTOPOLIS, IL 62467

## From the Pastor

The parishioners extend our sympathy and condolences to the family of Patricia Schultz, who was buried from St. Francis church on Friday, 18 November. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable and grateful Thanksgiving Day and weekend. We do have so much to be thankful for. And one way we show our gratitude is by our reaching out to others and sharing the blessings God has given us. You saw the giving trees near the front doors of the church when you came to Mass this weekend. I am always amazed at how many presents are near the Blessed Virgin altar on the day the gifts are due! And no one knows who shopped for and wrapped the gifts, and no one knows who is going to receive the gifts! It is all done anonymously. If anyone would like to see a picture or paint a picture of generosity, then come see the area in front of the side altar with the pile of presents! On behalf of the anonymous people, who receive the gifts, I thank you for your generous gifts. And I pray you have a wonderful Christmas. We are grateful to Lisa Siemer and Karen Pruemer and their team of workers who make this happen.

Gobble Gobble! The members of our Holy Name Society had a Turkey Bingo evening on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November. What a crowd! We are blessed to have the Knights of Columbus Hall since the crowd would not have fit in the Grade School auditorium. I asked Kevin Koester how many people were there, and he said they counted 380 people playing bingo and about 30 workers. It takes a large number of people to make it all happen. Thank you for pitching in.

Looking down the road a little, we have a holy day of obligation coming, the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8<sup>th</sup>. We will have a vigil Mass on the 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and 3 Masses on the 8<sup>th</sup>. We are going to have a Parish Penance Service on Tuesday, 20 December. It was originally scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup>, but Effingham High School will be playing our Wooden Shoes that night here in Teutopolis. If we had a Penance Service on the 13<sup>th</sup>, I suspect there wouldn't be very many people present! The Penance Service is at 7:00 p.m.

As I mentioned before, if you would like to make a donation to the Archdiocese for the Military Services and missed the collection we had at our Masses on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, then just place your donation in an envelope marked: AMS. If you are donating by way of a check, please make your check out to the parish, with AMS in the memo section, and we will send it off to the office in Washington, DC. They really need our help.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 28, 6:30 am: Marilyn Meyer  
 Tuesday, November 29, 6:30 am: Jerry & Mary Ann  
 Zerrusen  
 Tuesday, November 29, 7:55 am: Sue Borries  
 Wednesday, December 30, 6:30 am: Jerry & Mary Ann  
 Zerrusen  
 Thursday, December 1, 7:00 am: Ken Grunloh  
 Thursday, December 1, 9:00 am: Hank Ruholl  
 Friday, December 2, 6:30 am: Anita Holman  
 Friday, December 2, 7:55 am: Linda Hutmacher  
 Saturday, December 3, 4:30 pm: Karen Waldhoff  
 Sunday, December 4, 6:30 am: Brian Austin  
 Sunday, December 4, 8:30 am: Pro Populo  
 Sunday, December 4, 10:30 am: Dory Thoele

### PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please remember in your prayers:*

Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Bill & Rosie Myers, Andrea Wernsing, Paula Spencer, Mark Roedl, Linus Willenborg, Cole Wellbaum, Kyndal Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Marilyn Zerrusen, Tanner Pruemer, Steve Runde, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wente, Gary Cornell, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Tammy Gebben, Chad Nelson, John W. Miller, Dustin Borries, Martha Fearday, Lizzie Westendorf, Lisa Vahling, Ray Lohman.

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

### Substitute teachers needed

for Wednesday night  
 religious education  
 classes!

Please call Maria at  
 217-961-1500.

to set up a training session if you are  
 interested in being on the list.

### SUBMITTED PHOTOS

If you submitted a photo for the directory,  
 please stop by the office to pick up.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am—4:30 pm

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Welcome to our faith Family:*

Grady James Westrich  
 Son of Alec & Kayla (Walk) Westrich

Paisley Rose McMullen-Westendorf  
 Daughter of  
 Austin & Callie McMullen-Westendorf

Anna Clare Powell  
 Daughter of Derek & Linda (Runde) Powell



## Liturgy Schedule 1st Week of Advent November 28—December 4

Monday,	Mass at 6:30 am Adoration 1:00 pm Monday until 6:00 am Tuesday
Tuesday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Wednesday,	St. Andrew Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Saturday,	St. Francis Xavier Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday,	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> <b>Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am</b>

### Confession Schedule

Tuesday, November 29—6:15-6:45 pm  
Thursday, December 1—3:00-4:00 pm & 6:15-6:45 pm  
Saturday, December 3—3:00-4:00 pm

### Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Friday—11:45 am & 4:45 pm

**Donations for Flowers** We are accepting donations for flowers for Christmas and special occasions during 2023. Please put your donation in an envelope marked “FLOWERS”, and place it in the collection basket, or drop it off at the parish office. If the donation is being made in memory of a loved one, please note this on the envelope also.



**Giving Trees** Our Giving Trees will be up by Thanksgiving. If you would like to give a gift to someone in a nursing home or group home in the Effingham area, please be sure to get your tag from the Giving Trees located at the church entrances! Wrapped Giving Tree gifts, (each with the tag taped to the front), are due back into

church by December 13 and can be stacked in front of Mary’s altar. Thanks for brightening the Christmas season for those who need you!

### God Bless Those Serving our Country.

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

## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

### Monday, November 28

- Adoration, 1:00 pm Monday—6:00 am Tuesday
- OCIA, 7:00—8:15 pm, Sr. Ethelbert center

### Tuesday, November 29

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

### Wednesday, November 30

- Children’s choir, 3:45—5:00 pm

### Thursday, December 1

- Confessions, 3:00—4:00 pm & 6:15—6:45 pm
- Youth & Adult Choir, 6:30—8:30 pm

### Saturday, December 3

- Confessions, 3:00—4:00 pm

## Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 11/13/22	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
248 Adult envelopes	\$11,072.50	\$189,291.00
52 Online giving	\$1,801.00	\$48,055.00
Other	<u>\$1,295.37</u>	<u>\$19,485.96</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,168.87</b>	<b>\$256,831.96</b>
Assisi to Africa	\$2,088.00	\$19,276.00



### Attention Homebound

Holy Communion will be brought to you on First Friday, December 2. No Communion to you on Sunday, December 4.

## Happy December Birthday

- 12/3 Mark Koester (81)
- 12/15 Roger Niebrugge (81)
- 12/18 Shirley Funneman (88)
- 12/18 Jeanette Westendorf (88)
- 12/20 Lawrence Buhnerkempe (83)
- 12/26 Nancy Pals (81)
- 12/27 Donald Beckman (84)
- 12/30 Alice Koester (83)



### PAPER DEPOT OPEN!

Recyclables Accepted:  
Newspaper,  
Magazines, Office Paper  
*Proceeds to the Monastery Museum  
and Charities.*



Aluminum Cans— *Proceeds to Teutopolis Youth Group*

## Religious Education News

**Immaculate Conception**, Thursday, December 8, all school Mass.

**Reconciliation schedule** in church, 7:50 am for grade 3-6: 4Sc & 6R November 28; 6H & 6T November 30.

**Christmas Shoeboxes**—grade 1 & 2 students filled shoeboxes for the needy children. The cost of shipping the shoeboxes is \$10 per box. Anyone wishing to help pay for the shipping, please mark the envelope “Christmas Shoeboxes”.

**Grade 3 Christmas Store**—Students will bring in items to be sold as Christmas gifts by December 2. Grade 1-6 students will be able to purchase gifts for family members in the Sr. Ethelbert center. Schedule: December 6-Gr. 1 & 5, December 7-Gr. 4 & 6, December 9-Gr. 2 & 3. Proceeds will go to the missions.

**Religion teachers & Mass walkers Christmas party**, Tuesday, December 13, Sr. Ethelbert center. Teachers-8:00 am and walkers –8:45 am.

**All school Mass**, Tuesday, December 13.

**Grade 1 & 2 Christmas play:**

Students will perform in church on Wednesday, December 14 at 8:00 am. Parents and relatives are invited.



Turkey bingo was a huge success last Sunday night. Many families and parishioners came out to have a good night of wholesome fun. There were over 400 people in attendance. The men's sodality would like to give a special thanks to all of the many volunteer workers. Also to the sponsors McMahan Meats, Old Macs, Walmart, Designs Unlimited, coaches Chet Reeder, Dave Prumer and the basketball team. A great big thank you to the Teutopolis banquet hall and very importantly to the Men's Sodality's beautiful wives.

We could not put on this great event without the sponsors and all the volunteers. Again, thank you all and we are looking forward to seeing everyone next year!

**Book of Eternal Life** St. Francis parish began the practice years ago of having a “Book of Life” placed by the Blessed Virgin Mary’s altar in church for parishioners to write the names of loved ones who have been called from this life. Writing the name of your departed loved one(s) in the book of life is an expression of faith that you believe your loved one is among the number of saints marching into heaven.

**Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers.**

Please consider donating your time. 217-857-1458

## YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Nov. 30 – Religion class 7:00-8:15 pm

Dec. 2 – Teen center open 7:00-10:00 pm

Dec. 7 – Religious Ed (meet in church for Mass!)

Dec. 14 – Religion class 7:00-8:15 pm

Dec. 16 – Teen center open 7:00-10:00 pm (Ugly Christmas Sweater night)

Dec. 21 – Religion class 7:00-8:15 pm



**St Francis CHWC 2023** is fundraising for their trip to Louisville, KY June 11-16. We will have several fundraisers during the upcoming Advent season...

\*Scrip sales – This is a great way to buy the gift cards you need for Christmas. These are sold at Teutopolis State Bank during lobby

hours and will also be sold at the Kountry Kitchen on Saturday mornings. See the bulletin insert for more information!

\*St. Louis Cardinal calendars – These will be sold from now until Christmas. \$17 each.

\*Our annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in St. Clare Hall. Call or text Maria with questions 217-961-1500.

## MUSIC MINISTRY



*Add your talents to a choir this Christmas season! Please join—we need more singers!*

We are preparing for an Advent Mosaic Concert, Sunday, December 11 at 2:00 pm. You won't want to miss this exciting presentation. If you attended our Spring concert “An Afternoon of Joy”, you heard what a great success it was. Attend on December 11 and bring a friend. You will be energized for the coming of our Savior!

**November rehearsal schedule (note changes)**

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - No Youth Choir

Thursday, Dec. 1 - Adult & youth choirs, 6:30-8:30 pm

Children's choir will remain the same in November, Wednesdays after school, 3:45-5:00 pm.

**2023 calendars** are available for pickup at all the church entrances.



**Please Help:** Grade 1 and 2 students filled shoeboxes for the needy children. The shipping on the shoeboxes is \$10.00 per box. The religion program is asking for donations to pay for the shipping. Please mark the envelope “Operation Christmas Child,” if you can help. Thank you.

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**Liturgical Ministers for December 3/4**

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
<b>Readers</b>	Sr. Sandra Sudkamp Jamie Habing	Pat Wentz	Shannon Hinkle Monica Kremer	Dick Hawickhorst Patty Ruholl
<b>Ushers</b>	*Glenn Waldhoff Tim Ordner Larry Habing Toby McMahon Scott Brumleve Dave Tegeler	*Mike Tipton Allen Koester Steve Mette Dave Runde Joe Runde Chris Hartke	*Steve Witges Dennis Gillespie Todd Voelker Mark Probst Cory Wermert Gerald Witges	*Denny Runde Dan Beckman Brian Ruholl Russ Deters Greg Addis Jeff Thoele
<b>Servers</b>	Julien Smothers Xavier Smothers Michael Habing	Abigail Wortman Kaleb Buenker Jack Hartke	Bennett Thompson Henry Thompson Mason Thompson	Mick Niebrugge Luke Niebrugge Jackson Meyer

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# Upcoming EVENTS

**A Walk Through Christmas Past & Present**  
 Get into the Spirit of Christmas by coming to the 2022 St. Isidore CCW Christmas Walk Sunday, December 4, 2022  
 Holiday home tours, 1:00—4:30 pm  
 Eric & Emily Brummer, Joe & Hilarie Repking, Eric & Lexi Niemerg and Todd & Kelly Schmidt. In addition, the Immaculate Conception Hall in Dieterich will have all kinds of nostalgic Christmas décor, refreshments, raffle items and chance to win a handmade Christmas quilt. Walk proceeds go to the Mattoon Deanery Seminarians & proceeds from quilt go to Operation Santa (a military organization). Tickets: Adults \$10, 8-12 years \$5  
 Immaculate Conception hall 12:30-5:30 pm with raffle drawings at 5:00 pm




All the men of the parish are invited to join others on Friday mornings for a new year of **SonRise** featuring a program from That Man Is You. The theme is “Thy Kingdom Come” and includes presentations by TEN impressive Catholic speakers.  
 Each week is unique. Whether you can attend every week, or just occasionally, you’ll fit right in.  
 Join us Friday mornings. SonRise Men’s Breakfast is held every Friday at 6:30 am in the Parish Center at St. Anthony’s. Breakfast starts at 6:10 am and program at 6:30 am followed by discussion and prayer. We will make sure to have you out by 7:30 am. The content and the fellowship can be truly transformational! For more information, contact the parish office or Dan Woods, 217-821-1495 or danwoodsface@gmail.com. Learn more at tmiy.org.

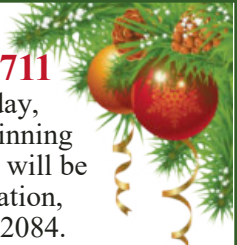
**Baptism Prep Dates**

- Tuesday, December 6, St. Isidore
- Thursday, January 5, St. Francis

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 third weekends of each month.



**The Teutopolis Catholic Daughters of the Americas #1711** is having their Christmas party on Monday, December 5 at the Kountry Kitchen beginning at 5:30 pm. Please plan to attend as this will be an important meeting. For more information, please call Regent Susan Vogt 217-663-2084.



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three IN-PERSON weekend experiences are listed below. Sign up now! For more information or to apply go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.  
 December 2-4, 2022—Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters, MO  
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 March 17-19, 2023—Villa Maria Retreat, Springfield, IL



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