

March 5, 2023 - Second Sunday of Lent

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm

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

Anytime by appointment



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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

We have white smoke!! The selection for our new parish council representatives is complete. The Holy Spirit has spoken through our community last weekend and decided that our new parish council representatives are: Donna Addis, Dan Blankenship and Dr. Charles Runde. Thank you to all the parishioners, who were willing to put their name on the line for being a candidate. There will be more about the members, who will be leaving after their service of three years. More than once I have heard parishioners say that they think everyone should have the opportunity to serve on the parish council to see how everything works, all that is involved.

Thank you to everyone, who pitched in for the success of the Catholic Heart Work Camp Trivia Night. I have never played the game, but I stopped in Saturday evening after Mass to get a sandwich and watch part of the game. I am sure I made the right choice in not participating. Couldn't answer any of the questions that were asked. I stayed for the first category. Good crowd and a good time. Thank you to the people who worked for the success of the evening, and thank you for your generosity in supporting our CHWC people.

I hope you are holding strong in your Lenten resolve. It looks like attendance at the weekday 6:30 Mass has increased, or maybe that is my wishful thinking. If you aren't used to coming to a weekday Mass, I suggest you try it a couple times during Lent. You'll see that it is an excellent way to start your day!

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 Wentz, Gary Cornell, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Tammy Gebben, John W. Miller, Dustin Borries, Martha Fearday, Lizzie Westendorf, Lisa Vahling, Joseph F. Huber, Betty Jansen, Art Deters.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 6, 6:30 am: Special Intentions
 Tuesday, March 7, 6:30 am: Bernard Ruholl
 Tuesday, March 7, 7:55 am: Hank Ruholl
 Wednesday, March 8, 6:30 am: Mary Hoelscher
 Thursday, March 9, 6:30 am: Alois Foerster
 Thursday, March 9, 7:55 am: George Habing
 Friday, March 10, 6:30 am: Mary Ann Tegeler
 Friday, March 10, 7:55 am: Dolores Esker
 Saturday, March 11, 4:30 pm: Bernard Ruholl
 Sunday, March 12, 6:30 am: Pro Populo
 Sunday, March 12, 8:30 am: Anthony Schumacher
 Sunday, March 12, 10:30 am: Larry Lidy

BINGO! Knights of Columbus
Easter Ham Bingo
 March 19
 Teutopolis Banquet Hall

Doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo starts at 6:00 pm. Proceeds go to the Teutopolis 4th Degree Council of the Knights of Columbus to help support local charities.

God Bless Those Serving Our Country.
 Anthony Vahling, Cody Bushue, Shawn Zerrusen, Ali Kingery, Andrew Simmons, Jesse Koester, Justis Coventry, Braydan Bushue, Mallory Stone, Paul Schumacher, Damon Sabo.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Brunch will be held on March 12, 2023 for members and their spouses. Wives of deceased members are welcome to attend. Open bar will start at 11:30 am, with lunch beginning at 12:00 pm. Please sign up for the brunch before March 8 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, it will be \$15 per person. We will also be collecting 4th Degree dues prior to brunch.

PAPER DEPOT OPEN!
 Recyclables Accepted:
 Newspaper, Magazines, Office Paper
Proceeds to: Monastery Museum & Charities.
 Aluminum Cans-*Proceeds to: Teutopolis Youth Group*

Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life to pray for the protection of all Life at Sacred Heart in Lillyville on Monday, March 20. 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 pro-life issues are discussed.

CCW Quilt is ready to be quilted!
 The quilt will be set up in the St. Clare Hall. We will be quilting on Tuesday and Fridays from 9:00 am-noon and 1:00-4:00 pm and Wednesday from 9:00am-noon and 1:00-3:00 pm. All are welcome to stop by and quilt whenever you are available. Any questions, call Jean Habing at 217-821-3704.

Liturgy Schedule 2nd Week of Lent March 6—12

Monday,	Mass at 6:30 am Adoration 1:00 pm Monday until 6:00 am Tuesday
Tuesday,	St. Perpetua St. Felicity Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Wednesday,	St. John of God Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	St. Francis of Rome Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Saturday,	Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday,	3rd Sunday of Lent Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Tuesday, March 7, 6:15-6:45 pm
Thursday, March 9, 6:15-6:45 pm
Saturday, March 11, 3:00-4:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 10—7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday—11:45 am & 4:45 pm

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, March 6

- Adoration, 1:00 pm Monday—6:00 am Tuesday

Tuesday, March 7

- Quilting in St. Clare Hall, 9:00 am-noon & 1:00-4:00 pm
- Confessions, 6:15—6:45 pm
- Guitar practice, 6:45 pm

Wednesday, March 8

- Quilting in St. Clare Hall, 9:00 am-noon & 1:00-3:00 pm
- Children's choir, 3:45—5:00 pm
- JH/HS Religion 7:00—8:15 pm

Thursday, March 9

- Confessions, 6:15—6:45 pm
- Adult choir, 7:00—8:30 pm

Friday, March 10

- Quilting in St. Clare Hall, 9:00 am-noon & 1:00-4:00 pm
- Stations of the Cross, 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 11

- Confessions, 3:00—4:00 pm

Sunday, March 12

- 4th Degree Brunch, 11:30 am, Banquet Hall
- Parish Council hail and farewell gathering, 6:00 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 2/26/23	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
254 Adult envelopes	\$8,999.00	\$352,947.24
49 Online giving	\$1,846.00	\$83,005.00
Other	<u>\$1,129.55</u>	<u>\$37,227.12</u>
TOTAL	\$11,974.55	\$473,179.36
Assisi to Africa	\$711.00	\$34,799.00



Remember to turn your clocks
ahead one hour next
weekend, March 11/12.



FINAL CLASS

An additional Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & Bleeding Control Tactics class will be offered to parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. This class will be offered at no charge and will take approximately 90 minutes.

Class is scheduled for **March 21st at 7:00 pm**
Instructor: John Neihls, RN, EMT-Paramedic
Class will be conducted in the Sr. Ethelbert Center.
To register call or text Eric Habing at 217-821-2549.



Attention Homebound

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, March 12 are Deb Blankenship 217-663-0862 and Brenda Henry 217-857-3964 or 217-343-6242.

LENTE REGULATIONS

Lent

1. **ABSTINENCE** – Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and ALL the Fridays of Lent.

2. **FAST** – Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

3. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Religious Education News



First Reconciliation Grade 2—
 March 18, 8:30 am or 10:00 am. If your child can't make their first confession on this day, call the religious education office to make other arrangements at 217-961-6477.

Grade 1 & 2 Stations of the Cross—
 March 15, 8:00 am, the students will pray the Stations of the Cross in church. Family members are invited to the liturgy.

Lenten mission boxes should be returned the week of March 27. The mission money will be brought up during Mass on this schedule: March 30-grades 2 & 5, March 31-grades 1 & 6, and April 4-grades 3 & 4.

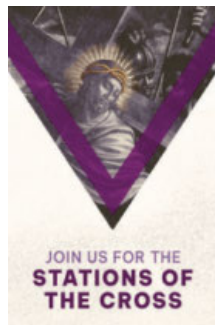
Reconciliation schedule for grades 3-6 students during Lent: Mar. 6—3K & 3S; Mar. 8—5M & 6C; Mar. 13—4E & 4M; Mar. 20—4Sa & 4Sc; Mar. 22—6H & 6R; Mar. 29—6T.

Grade 1 & 6 Seder meal in Sr. Ethelbert at 8:00 am. April 3—Grade 1; April 4—Grade 6C & 6R; April 5—6H & 6T.

Grade school trivia night at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall, April 2 at 5:00 pm. Pizza at 5:30 pm: Children's choir at 5:45 pm; Grade 1 trivia at 6:15 pm; Grade 2 trivia at 6:30 pm; Grade 3 trivia at 6:45; Grade 4 trivia at 7:00; Grade 5 at 7:15; Grade 6 trivia at 7:30 pm.

Stations of the Cross Fridays of Lent at 7:00 pm

March 10—Jesus Speaks
 March 17—Life Teen Stations of the Cross (HS)
 March 24—Silhouette Stations (JH)
 March 31—Friars
 April 7—Good Friday-Stations
 Type of Stations and presenters subject to change.



A Special Thanks

The CCW officers would like to thank all of the ladies who attended the dessert night! We had LOTS of wonderful desserts to try and the top 3 winners were Margo McMahan, Darlene Buehnerkemper, and Denise Weichman.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Mar 8 – Religious education classes 7:00—8:15 pm
 Mar 15 – Religious education classes 7:00—8:15 pm
 Mar 17 – HS Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
 Mar 17 – Teen center open 7:30—10:00 pm
 Mar 22 – Religious education classes 7:00—8:15 pm
 Mar 24 – JH Silhouette Stations 7:00 pm
 Mar 29 – Religious education classes 7:00—8:15 pm



CHWC NEWS



CHWC Trivia night – What an amazing night! Our big winners of the night were “Better Late Than Never” in 3rd place, “Dominant Genes” in 2nd place, and “Trivial Pursuits” won 1st place. We

raised over \$11,000 for our St. Francis Catholic Heart Workcamp Trip! A BIG THANK YOU especially to McMahon Meats, Teutopolis State Bank, Crossroads Bank, and the Teutopolis Banquet Hall for helping us with the night. We also have the best group of chaperones, parents, and kids giving their time to help make this trip happen! Thanks to everyone who made the night a success!

CHWC Campers/Parents - The next meeting is scheduled for March 13 at 7:00 pm in the Sr. Ethelbert dining room. We will be talking about camp paperwork and voting on T-shirts! See ya there!



Service hours –Your junior high and high school students were asked at the beginning of the year to complete 20 hours of service during the school year and **Lent is a perfect time to fulfill that goal!** We will be talking about it

during religion. Please help with our goal by talking to your student about how they may like to volunteer at church or contribute to the community! Blue service forms can be turned in anytime but are due April 26th!

This annual event for kids ages 4-12 will be held April 8 from 8:30-10:30 am. We will have a craft, snack, games for kids and an Easter egg hunt. Registration details will be out soon!

Spring 40 Days for Life is February 22-April 2 - Let us join people of faith across our nation to pray and fast for an end to abortion, to close abortion centers and to restore respect for all human life. Please decide now how you and your family might offer some of your Lenten prayer and sacrifice for the end of abortion. For more info or daily devotionals from the international prayer campaign, go to 40daysforlife.com. If interested in praying at an abortion facility in Fairview Heights, Granite City, Champaign or Springfield, click on "Location" and search for the vigil site.

Support Life in Illinois-1 day March

Springfield March for Life will be March 21, beginning with 10:00 am Mass at Sangamon Auditorium celebrated by Bishop Paprocki. The rally and speakers at the capitol building will begin at noon. Seats on a Bales bus are limited so text now. TEXT 217-663-2056 Diann Ruholl, by March 6. We will be leaving the Effingham K of C hall at 7:30 am, bring a sack lunch, return at 5:00 pm. Cost is \$20 and a package of Pampers to help Family Life Center.



What to Give Up:

A Lenten Reflection

Give up complaining—focus on gratitude.
 Give up pessimism—become an optimist.
 Give up harsh judgments—think kindly thoughts.

Give up worry—trust Divine Providence.

- Give up discouragement—be full of hope.
- Give up bitterness—turn to forgiveness.
- Give up hatred—return good for evil.
- Give up negativism—be positive.
- Give up anger—be more patient.
- Give up pettiness—become mature.
- Give up gloom—enjoy the beauty that is all around you.
- Give up jealousy—pray for trust.
- Give up gossiping—control your tongue.
- Give up sin—turn to virtue.
- Give up giving up—hang in there!

Invitation to join an In-person book study during Lent—NO FEE!

Led by Pati Jansen and Sr. Jane Boos, SSND.
 Book: 'Becoming an Ordinary Mystic' by Fr. Albert Haase, OFM. ISBN: 978-0-8308-4657-3 (print), 978-0-8308-7057-8 (digital). Thursdays, March 16—May 18, 2023, 1:00 –2:30 pm every two weeks. St. Anthony Parish Hall, Effingham; participants purchase their own book. To register by March 10, 2023; call 217-622-4997 or email pati@jansenfam.com or jboosnd@gmail.com.

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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:

- St. Mary, St. Marie, March 11, 2023.
 Call 618-455-3155 to register.

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

FOCCUS: Scheduled dates at St. Francis are as follows:
 April 1, 2023 — July 1, 2023 — October 7, 2023.
 All sessions begin after 4:30 pm Mass in St. Clare hall.
 To register call 217-961-6404.

Upcoming Natural Family Planning Classes

- Saturday, April 15, 2023, 8:30-10:00 am at St. Francis of Assisi Church.
- Saturday, June 17, 2023, 9:00-10:30 pm at St. Anthony Church.

To register contact Kate Pruemmer, CFCP. Email her at kpruemmer@gmail.com or call or text 217-821-1840.



On March 11 during 4:30 pm Mass, Alaina Martin will continue the initiation process of becoming a Catholic. Father Joe will pray over her in preparation of Alaina receiving the sacraments of initiation on Holy Saturday. She is the daughter of Nicholas & Ashley Martin.



BAPTISM

Baptism Prep Dates

- Tuesday, April 4, St. Isidore
- Thursday, May 4, St. Francis
- Thursday, June 1, St. Rose
- Thursday, July 6, 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.



Liturgical Ministers for March 11/12

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Readers	Dan Niemerg Kent Probst	Jane Pruemer	Monica Kremer Jill Schumacher	Cathy Thoele Marty Siemer
Ushers	*Scott Brumleve Chris Deters Glen Waldhoff Aaron Stortzum Jerry M. Runde Todd Probst	*Joe Esker Larry Esker Dave Probst Gary Deters Allen Koester Mike Hardiek	*Ryan Jansen Dan Habing Jake Habing Troy Bloemer Paul Willenborg Todd Voelker	*Rich Niebrugge Greg Addis Collin Niemerg Brian Ruholl Tom Niebrugge Tom Schabbing
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Upcoming EVENTS

The Springfield in Illinois Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW female high school senior leadership scholarship)—FOUR \$1,500 scholarships! Please contact your parish office for applications. A typed application, essay and two letters of recommendation are required.

Catholic Charities is offering free tax preparation for qualified individuals in our service area from February 1 to March 31, 2023. Information can be dropped off Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Clients must meet income eligibility requirements. The income limit is \$60,000 or less per family. Please contact Catholic Charities at 217-857-1458 for additional information and a list of items/information that must be dropped off.



De Colores Spring Weekends—Say yes to a 3 day beautiful experience at camp Walter Scott. If you're busy, don't know which end is up, distant from Jesus, but want His peace, tired of the rat race, need a break, looking to refresh, rest, renew? So many in our area have found a treasure in De Colores. It's your turn!
Men's weekend, March 16-19; Lay leader, Scott Kastl
217-343-8206 knightsrk2009@gmail.com
Women's weekend, March 23-26; Lay leader, Carol Toney
217-821-7607 caroltoney52@gmail.com

Teutopolis Knights of Columbus

Every Tuesday!
5:00—7:30 pm
Hamburger/Cheeseburger with French fries or wings.

Teutopolis Park District
Gr. 3 & 4 instructional volleyball (Mar. 25-Apr.1): Sign up continues
Gr. 5 & 6 volleyball (Mar. 18-May 6): Sign up continues (late fee applies)
Baseball/softball: Sign up continues (late fee applies)

Teutopolis Community Blood Drive
Sponsored by Teutopolis High School
The blood drive will be held at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 12:30—5:30 pm.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next **IN-PERSON** weekend experience is listed below. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.
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