

May 14, 2023 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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*Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.*

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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

## Our Grade 8 Graduates May 2023

Aiden Bergfeld

Kylie Blickem

Julien Blim

Kylie Borries

Carson Cornell

Mary Jane Dennis

Caleb Deters

Alyson Deters

Mathew Habing

Christopher Habing

Michael Habing

Katherine Habing

Kera Hartke

Anna Hemmen

Austin Hepner

Addison Hoene

Pearl Huber

Adrienne Koester

Megan Koester

Owen Kremer

Simon Lee

Mason Manuel

Claire Mette

Genevieve Mette

Clara Mette

Emily Meyer

Madelyn Niemerg

Aidan Niemerg

Lane Ohnesorge

Elise Pals

Eva Poston

Madison Probst

Isabella Pruemer

Riley Rhodes

Kaylee Roedl

Grant Roepke

Olivia Roley

Brooklyn Ruholl

Logan Ruholl

Ben Sandschafer

Nolan Schumacher

Marshall Stone

Ella Tarter

Hayden Tebbe

Gabriella Tegeler

Jaedyn Thoele

Eric Uthell

Blake Vahling

Juliana Wernsing

Josie Willenborg

Karson Zerrusen

## 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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**The Baby Bottle Project**, a fundraiser for the Family Life Center in Effingham, begins on Mother’s Day. Simply take a bottle provided to you at church and fill it with change or other donation and return it to church on Father’s Day. Your donations will help the Family Life Center offer pro-life services at no cost to clients, including: pregnancy tests; limited ultrasound; STI testing, treatment & risk education; baby items; and educational resources. Clients are able to participate in these programs: Prenatal Education, Post-Birth, Breastfeeding Classes, Dadz Class, Momz Class and Post Abortion Support. Sexual Risk Avoidance (abstinence) Education to area schools/ churches is also offered. Please support our local pro-life efforts. **YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!**



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**PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!**

*Directories are available to be picked up in the office from 9:00 am-4:30 pm, Monday-Friday.*



The parishioners extend our sympathies and condolences to the families of Rosella Kingery and Alice Pruemer. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday, May 15, 6:30 am: Linus Nosbisch
- Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 am: Ken Grunloh
- Wednesday, May 17, 6:30 am: Jerry & MaryAnn Zerrusen
- Thursday, May 18, 6:30 am: Clarence Beckman
- Thursday, May 18, 7:55 am: Paul & Marian Runde
- Thursday, May 18, 12:10 pm: John Sheehan
- Friday, May 19, 6:30 am: Edward Worman
- Friday, May 19, 7:55 am: Carmen Lim
- Saturday, May 20, 4:30 pm: June Zerrusen
- Sunday, May 21, 6:30 am: Herman Koester
- Sunday, May 21, 8:30 am: Vic & Tootie Deters
- Sunday, May 21, 10:30 am: Pro Populo

**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.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

MARY IS THE MOTHER WHO WATCHES OVER US, HER CHILDREN, ON OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE, OFTEN WEARY AND IN NEED, ANXIOUS THAT THE LIGHT OF HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48



**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, Tanner Pruemer, Steve Runde, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wentz, Gary Cornell, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Tammy Gebben, John W. Miller, Dustin Borries, Lizzie Westendorf, Joseph F. Huber, Betty Jansen, Art Deters, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Mickie Weber.

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

**Stewardship of Treasure**

	5/7/23	Year
228 Adult envelopes	\$8,934.00	\$458,614.74
50 Online giving	\$1,658.00	\$109,130.00
Other	<u>\$1,030.00</u>	<u>\$49,955.62</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,622.00</b>	<b>\$617,700.36</b>
Assisi to Africa	\$1,403.00	\$41,359.00

## Liturgy Schedule Sixth Week of Easter May 15—May 21

Monday,	St. Isidore Mass at 6:30 am Adoration 1:00 pm Monday until 6:00 am Tuesday
Tuesday,	Mass at 6:30 am
Wednesday,	Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	St. John I Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Saturday,	St. Bernardine of Siena Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday,	The Ascension of the Lord Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am

### Confession Schedule

Tuesday, May 16, 6:15-6:45 pm  
Thursday, May 18, 6:15-6:45 pm  
Saturday, May 20, 3:00-4:00 pm

### Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday—11:45 am & 4:45 pm



### Attention Homebound

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, May 21 are Lenora Drees 217-857-3583 and Lori Mette 217-663-0869.

### 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:

Dates are available on the diocesan website at [www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org) under marriage and family life.

Pre-Cana Day at EIU Newman Catholic Center  
500 Roosevelt Avenue, Charleston, IL

Open to all engaged couples.

Saturday, June 24, 2023 9:00 am—4:00 pm,  
call 217-348-0188 to register.

\$50 per couple to cover lunch and expenses of the day.

**FOCCUS:** Scheduled dates at St. Francis are as follows:  
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, June 17, 2023 9:00-10:30 am at St. Anthony Church.

To register contact Kate Pruemer, CFPC. Email her at [kpruemer@gmail.com](mailto:kpruemer@gmail.com) or call or text 217-821-1840.

## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

### Monday, May 15

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

### Tuesday, May 16

- There will be *no* 7:55 am Mass
- Monastery Museum Meeting, 1:30 pm
- Confessions, 6:15—6:45 pm
- Guitar practice, 6:45 pm

### Wednesday, May 17

- Franciscan Day, grades 3-6 in church, priest appreciation
- Children's choir party, 3:45—5:00 pm, St. Clare

### Thursday, May 18

- 55+ lunch following the 12:10 pm Mass
- Confessions, 6:15—6:45 pm
- Adult Choir practice, 7:00—8:30 pm
- Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Sr. Ethelbert

### Friday, May 19

- All school closing Mass, last day of school

### Saturday, May 20

- Confessions, 3:00—4:00 pm

### Sunday, May 21

- Special collection, Catholic Communication Campaign
- Senior Mass, 8:30 am, followed by brunch
- Secular Franciscans, 1:00—5:00 pm, church and St. Clare

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Welcome to our faith Family:*

Kallen James Esker  
Son of Erik & Samantha (Kirby) Esker

Emersyn Grace McConnell  
Daughter of Thomas & Jackie (Feldhake) McConnell

Jacklyn Grace Pals  
Daughter of Andrew & Stephanie (Ruholl) Pals



### Baptism Prep Dates

- Thursday, June 1, St. Rose
- Thursday, July 6, St. Francis
- Tuesday, August 1, St. Isidore
- Thursday, September 7, St. Francis
- Thursday, October 5, St. Rose
- Thursday, November 2, St. Francis
- Tuesday, December 5, 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 third weekends of each month.

## Religious Education News



**Grade 6 students will tour the Museum, Mausoleum, and the Teen Center in May.** Here is the schedule: May 15—6C Museum, 6H Mausoleum, 6R Teen Center; May 16—6T Museum, 6C Mausoleum, 6H Teen Center.

**Tuesday, May 16 there will be no 8:00 am Mass.** Grades 3 & 4 will have a prayer service in the church.

**Franciscan Day is May 17 at 8:00 am in church.** Students will give the priests thank you cards they have made. The children's choir will put on a short play. Grade 6 students will answer trivia questions about the priests. Volunteer students will be recognized.

**All school Mass will be May 19** for the closing of the religion program for this school year.

### Presentation of “The Tale of Three Trees”



We will sing “The Tale of Three Trees” Wednesday, May 17 at 7:55 am for grades 3-6. Parents and other relatives are welcome to attend. The presentation will be approximately 15 minutes. After the presentation the children will participate in Priest Appreciation Day in the church. They will be finding out more about the Friars who lead them in worship each week.

### Mother’s Day Jesus Loves Me cards



### YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

May 21—Senior graduation Mass/brunch, 8:30 am  
 June 11-16—CHWC trip to Louisville, Kentucky  
 July 10-14—Vacation Bible School



We are looking to add substitute teachers and helpers for next year. Please let me know if you would like to be a part of our Wednesday night program!

### Senior parents

Letters were sent out inviting your families to Senior Mass and brunch on May 21. Graduates should wear their graduation gown, without the cap and should be seated in the front pews by 8:15 am. Please RSVP by May 11 if you are attending the Senior brunch in the Sr. Ethelbert center after Mass.



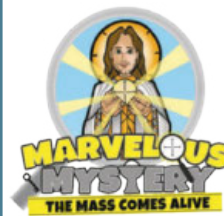
### CHWC NEWS

*There are 3 spots open for our trip this summer, June 11-16. Call Maria to sign up, 217-961-1500.*

### CHWC Campers/Parents


The next meeting is tentatively set for May 22 at 7:00 pm in the Sr. Ethelbert center. I will be handing out t-shirts, water bottles, supplies, and we will be discussing what to pack. This will be our last meeting before we leave! Call, email, or text if you have any questions.

### VBS INFORMATION – Join us for Vacation Bible School this summer July 10-14 as we present the “Marvelous Mystery – The Mass Comes Alive” for the Year of the Eucharist! Registration papers will be sent home with the grade 1-6 religious education students during religion class. The form is also available on the parish website or at the entrance to the parish office. Registration deadline is June 1!




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Join us May 18, 2023 for the 55 Plus gathering following the 12:10 pm Mass in St. Clare hall. Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and 7-layer salad. Feel free to bring a dish or dessert to share. RSVP by calling 217-961-6404.




**PRAY FOR PEACE!** Thank you for praying the Rosary together prior to each weekend Mass, with the intention of peace in Ukraine and throughout the whole world! A special thanks to all the volunteers who have faithfully signed up to lead the Rosary, and for all who say yes when contacted to help out! We are in need of more volunteers who are willing to be contacted when no one has signed up, especially prior to 10:30 am Mass. If you are willing to be contacted when no one has signed up, please call or text Angie Esker at 217-259-2495. Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us!



**LADIES OF THE PARISH**  
*The CCW will be hosting 2 upcoming events that you won't want to miss!!*

**SAVE THE DATES**  
**October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fall Fun Day/Golf Cart Ride**  
**December 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas Concert in St. Louis**

**Keep an eye on future bulletins for additional information!!**



**El Shaddai Homes** is a long-term residential home for pregnant women and their babies opening soon in Effingham. This Christian ministry will provide live-in support, parenting education, life skills, counseling, post birth after care, and resource referrals. An existing 19 bedroom living facility is currently being renovated to house 10-12 women along with “house parents” who will live on-site 24/7. To learn more about the ministry, visit their Facebook page El Shaddai.

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**Effingham Catholic Charities—Capital Campaign**



**The Agape Project—Providing Help, Creating Hope**

In Christianity, **agape** is the highest form of love, a transcendent sacrificial love that persists regardless of circumstances.

**Goal of the Agape Project Capital Campaign**  
 The Agape Project seeks to raise \$600,000 over the next several months to secure the funds necessary to meet the identified capital needs of Effingham Catholic Charities.

**Achieving this goal will enable us to:**


- Repair the parking lot to provide safe parking and walkways outside our building.
- Replace the HVAC system to provide cost-efficient heat in the cold winters, and air conditioning in the summer.
- Renovate the onsite food pantry at our facility in order to provide a more dignified and spacious environment for our clients.

**Multiple Ways to Give**

- Call the Effingham Catholic Charities 217-857-1458.
- Mail a check to Effingham Catholic Charities 1502 E Fayette Ave., Teutopolis, IL 62467.
- Give online at <https://cc.dio.org/events/agape-project>.
- Scan the QR code on social media posts under Catholic Charities, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.
- We also can accept stock, securities, real estate, insurance and planned gifts.

**Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum** will be available on the first Sunday of each month. The Museum, located behind St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, IL, is housed on the second floor in the former Franciscan Novitiate building. An elevator is available for visitors who have difficulty with stairs. A collection of articles used by the early pioneers of the area and the Franciscan Friars can be viewed.

Admission fee is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. The Museum is open on the first Sunday of the month now thru November from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m., except holidays. For more information go to the parish website: [www.stfrancischurch.com](http://www.stfrancischurch.com) or to the town website at [www.Teutopolis.com](http://www.Teutopolis.com) and click on “Our Community”; or call (217) 961-6404 ext. 236.



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 Magazines, Office Paper

*Proceeds to: Monastery Museum & Charities.*  
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**Liturgical Ministers for May 20/21**

<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 Denise Will	Lenora Drees	Jill Schumacher Jean Sehy	Carrie Copple Matt Sturgeon
<b>Ushers</b>	*Doug Smith Toby McMahon Tom Buehnerkemper Brent Weichman Charles Semple Tony Runde	*Jim Niebrugge Daren Drees Robert Drees Robert Poe Mike Tipton Chris Hartke	*Greg Hess Kevin Schumacher Pat Niemerg Jeff Hardiek Alf Ruholl Johnny Meinhart	*Tom Vahling Collin Niemerg Scott Copple Kyle Jansen Hank Niebrugge Denny Runde
<b>Servers</b>	Anna Probst Jacob Probst Sam Probst	Xavier Schumacher Meriel Schumacher Lexi or Addison Hoene	Mitch Bergfeld Aiden Bergfeld Henry Thompson Mason Thompson	Korynn Westendorf Logan Westendorf Brianna Westendorf

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**Teutopolis Knights of Columbus**



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

**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**



**Everyone is welcome to attend the Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life** to pray for the protection of all Life at St. Aloysius Church in Bishop Creek on Monday, May 15. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. Fr. Frank Folino 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.

Teutopolis for Tomorrow  
*Presents*  
**Golf Cart  
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**Showtime: Starts at Dusk**

**\*Food Trucks at 5 PM**  
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**\* No Outside Food or Drink Allowed \***

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- August 4-6, 2023—St. Peters, MO
- September 29-October 1, 2023—St. Peters, MO

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