

Parish Office

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Submit written bulletin notices by noon Monday.

Diocesan website: www.dio.org

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number (217) 321-1155

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr. Joe Carlos, OFM, Pastor Fr. Dat Hoang, OFM, Associate Pastor Fr. Dennis Koopman, OFM, Sr. Associate Pastor Fr. Juan Carlos Ruiz, OFM, Hispanic Ministry Dan Williams, Director of Music Ministry Anita Broom, Bookkeeper Barb Weber, Secretary Ron Ruholl, Maintenance

Religious Education:

Dan Niemerg, GS CRE: 217-961-6477 Maria Kingery, Youth Director & JH/HS CRE: 217-961-1500

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Parish Council:

Shannon Hinkle Rhonda Meyer Dennis Runde Donna Addis Dan Blankenship Dr. Charles Runde Pete Bushur Melissa Habing Monica Kremer

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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

Our parishioners extend their sympathy and condolences to two families: Anna Mae Waldhoff's and Robert Waldhoff's. The funeral for Anna Mae Waldhoff was Monday morning, and the funeral for Robert Waldhoff was Tuesday morning. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them.

Recently in the bulletin I mentioned how blessed we are here in Teutopolis, especially in terms of the talents, gifts and skills of our youth. Last week was more evidence of our blessings with the musical "Annie"! Our teenagers worked hard and presented the community a wonderful experience. They had to bring a sense of joy and pride to the members of their families: parents, siblings and grandparents. It made me proud to be a part of this community.

Our Father and Son Breakfast last Sunday was a success. Our ushers do us the service of counting the people in attendance at our weekend Masses. It's a good metric, and it's as good as the ushers are at counting! The attendance for the 8:30 Mass was 522!! The 10:30 Mass on the same day had a record low of 283, The 4:30 Vigil Mass Saturday had 448. I went over after Mass, but I had to leave right after breakfast to return for the 10:30 Mass. I'm sure the speaker did a good job. It would be good for us to find more occasions for families to come to Mass together: Mothers and Daughters, for example.

On Wednesday this past week, 24 April, we marked the end of the year for our High School Religious Education Program. We had Mass at 7 o'clock. We don't say "Thank You" often enough to the teachers and catechists who come and share their faith with our children whether the children are in primary grades or secondary grades. Thank you very much. You make an impression on our youth that will last a life time.

The Saturday, 20 April issue of the Effingham Daily News had an excellent article dealing with our local council of the Knights of Columbus, especially John Burford and Rich Walk. In the article it is stated that our council has 1,224 members and is the largest in the state, and the 11th largest council in the world!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 29, 6:30 am: Ferd & Helen Breer Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 am: Mary Jo Mette Tuesday, April 30, 7:55 am: Frank & Mary Ann Wall Wednesday, May 1, 6:30 am: Albert Ruholl Wednesday, May 1, 7:55 am: Mickey Weber Thursday, May 2, 6:30 am: Kenny Grunloh Friday, May 3, 6:30 am: Barb Hardiek Friday, May 3, 7:55 am: Norma Ruholl Saturday, May 4, 8:00 am: Randy Funneman Saturday, May 4, 4:30 pm: Pro Populo Sunday, May 5, 6:30 am: Richard & Martha Thoele Sunday, May 5, 8:30 am: Joseph H. Buscher Sunday, May 5, 10:30 am: Alice Pruemer

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Diving into the beauty of Faith has never been easier. Please join us for Adult Education classes starting Wednesday, April 17– May 29. The classes will be lead by Fr. Juan Carlos Ruiz, starting at 6:30 pm in the Sr. Ethelbert center. The classes will be approximately an hour.

The Search

What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination – a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.





God Bless Those Serving Our Country.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers: Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Andrea Wernsing, Paula Spencer, Mark Roedl, Linus Willenborg, Cole Wellbaum, Kyndal Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Tanner Pruemer, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wente, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, John W. Miller, Dustin Borries, Lizzie Westendorf, Joseph F. Huber, Betty Jansen, Art Deters, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Doug Niemerg, Mandy Schumacher, Luella Waldhoff, Kay Breer.

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

Liturgy Schedule Fifth Week of Easter April 29 — May 5

Monday,	St. Catherine of Siena Adoration 1:00 pm Monday until 6:00 am Tuesday Mass at 6:30 am	
Tuesday,	St. Pius V Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am	
Wednesday,	St. Joseph the Worker Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am	
Thursday,	St. Athanasius Mass at 6:30 am	
Friday,	St. Philip St. James Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am	
Saturday,	Mass at 8:00 am & 4:30 pm	
Sunday,	Sixth Sunday of Easter Mass at 6:30, 8:30 & 10:30 am	
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Confession Schedule

Tuesday, April 30, 6:15-6:45 pm Thursday, May 2, 3:00-4:00 & 6:15-6:45 pm Saturday, May 4, 3:00-4:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday—11:45 am & 4:45 pm



Attention Homebound

Holy Communion will be brought to you on First Friday, May 3. No Communion to you on Sunday, May 5, 2024.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS & DEVOTION

May 4, 2024 Rosary—7:40 am Mass—8:00 am Mediations-8:30-8:45 am



The parishioners extend our sympathies and condolences to the families of Anna Mae Waldhoff and Robert L. Waldhoff. Eternal rest grant unto them, oh Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Stewardship of Treasure						
	4/21/24	<u>Year</u>				
241 Envelopes	\$8,490.00	\$517,930.16				
52 Online giving	\$2,025.00	\$120,451.40				
Other	<u>\$1,086.00</u>	\$ <u>45,860.85</u>				
TOTAL	\$11,601.00	\$684,242.41				
Assisi to Africa	\$165.00	\$32,341.00				

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

<u>Monday, April 29</u>

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

Tuesday, April 30

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

Wednesday, May 1

Childrens Choir, 3:45—5:00 pm

Thursday, May 2

- Franciscan Day, 7:55 am, Grade 1-6 in church
- Confessions, 3:00-4:00 pm & 6:15-6:45 pm
- Adult & Young Adult Choir, 7:00-8:30 pm
- Baptismal Prep, 7:00 pm, St. Clare hall

Saturday, May 4

Confessions, 3:00-4:00 pm

Sunday, May 5

Monastery Museum open for tours, 12:30-4:00 pm

The Teutopolis Monastery Museum

will open its 2024 season on Sunday May 5. There is a wide variety of items on display—something to interest everyone. Spend an hour or two with us. We will be open the first Sundays of each month, through November, 12:30-4:00 pm, and offer private tours by special arrangement. Contact Connie Nosbisch, 217-994-4117, for more information.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Welcome to our faith Family: Niko Robert Haskenherm Son of Jordan & Katie Jo (Ruholl) Haskenherm

Heidi Ann Koester Karly Marie Koester Daughters of Jesse & Angela (Myers) Koester

Lily Grace Deters Daughter of Justin and Allison (Vogt) Deters



MAY

- Bernard Waldhoff—85
- 5/7Chuck Hartke—80
 - Norbert Lohman—92
- 5/10Raymond Goeckner—90
- 5/18 Gene Runde—93
 - Joseph Gier—81
- 5/22Betty Schaufler—85 5/25
 - Mary Ellen Wente-81
- 5/26 Leona Willenborg—93 Lucy Uptmor—94
- 5/31 Larry Holman-82

Religious Education News



Reminder--Religion Program for children ages 3-7 during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. If you can help, please call Stephanie Rauch 217-821-1868.

May 2, Franciscan Day, Grade 1-6: Students will show the Priests appreciation for this past school year. All the students will gather in church for this celebration.

Grade 1-6 Catechists and walkers appreciation day on May 7: Teachers will meet at 8:00 am and the walkers will meet at 8:45 am in the Sr. Ethelbert Center. The students will attend Mass on May 7.

Grade 3-6 Choir will present a play to the grade 1-6 students on May 9 at 8:00 am in church. The choir will present the play to parents and other guests on May 13 at 8:00 am in church as well.

Grade 1-6 students will attend Mass on May 15. This will be the last day of religion for this school year.



Rita Habing's 1st Grade class enjoyed the lesson on Baptism. Each were given a bottle of Holy Water to keep in a special place in their homes.



Mrs Weber's 4th graders focused on sharing JOY during Lent bringing Son Shine to the community !!

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

May 12—Senior graduation Mass, 8:30 am May 12—8th Grade promotion Mass, 10:30 am



<u>Scrip card sales</u> – Scrip cards are sold at Teutopolis State Bank during regular lobby hours for your convenience!

<u>1 SPOT OPEN</u>— Our bus has one opening for our CHWC trip to Nashville June 23-28 this summer. Contact Maria for more information at 217-961-1500.

VBS NEWS

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the week of July 8th. Permission slips will be out soon!



"STORMS" to be presented by the Children's choir

Children's choir, comprised of 35 kids grades 3-6, has been busy working on a musical presentation called "Storms". This musical offers the children a remarkable experience to discover God's ever-present care in their lives. The children unpack the Bible narrative of

Jesus Calming the Storm, and realize that no matter what happens to them, Jesus is in the boat with us!!

The choir would like to share, with their church family and friends, what it takes to weather storms of your own. Our children's choir at St. Francis is an anomaly; something that is not standard or even expected at many parishes and should be celebrated!!

We will be performing for all the school children on Thursday morning, May 9. Perhaps it will inspire your young students to join this ensemble next fall.

AND, so more of their church family can attend, we will present the musical again Monday, May 13, at 7:55 am. "STORMS" is less than 30 minutes long, but in that half hour these children will convince you that no matter the storm, we are always loved and never alone.





White Lily Project

Angel of Hope Statue and Memorial Garden

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5k & 1 Mile Run/Walk

Saturday, May 4th

Registration Begins at 7:30 AM Race Begins at 8:30 AM

Join us for the 2nd Annual 5k and 1 mile run/walk to raise funds for the Angel of Hope Statue and Memorial Garden! <u>NEW</u> for this year, race timing for runners and walkers! There will also be a new race route!

The race begins at the future location of our Angel of Hope Statue and Memorial Garden, in the open lot across the street from St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, in Teutopolis. Registration begins at 7:30 AM and the race begins at 8:30 AM.

All Children 12 and under register for \$5. When using the website to sign up, the price will change at checkout for these youth registrations. The registration fee for participants 13 and older is \$25 until April 27th. The price will then increase to \$30. Participants can register the day of the event. White Lily Project t-shirts will be available for purchase at the 5k & 1 Mile! Find us on Facebook for more event details!

Sign up at: https://runsignup.com/whitelilyproject



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 under marriage and family life.

FOCCUS: Scheduled dates at St. Francis are as follows: July 6, 2024—October 5, 2024 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 15, 2024 10:30 am-12:00 pm at St. Anthony Church in Effingham. Contact Kate Pruemer, CFCP. Email her at

kpruemer@gmail.com or call or text 217-821-1840.

MINISTRY SIGN-UP MONTH

It's that time of year again...time to prepare the liturgical ministry schedules and fill religious education roles. Ministry sign-up forms will be at the entrances to the church. If you are currently serving in some liturgical capacity, the liturgy committee presumes you are willing to continue. If so, no need to fill out the form. If you are unable to continue or if you need to change the time(s) or ministry, please call the parish office at 961-6404. Also, please notify the parish office if your phone number has changed. (Especially if you just have a cell phone number.) Just remember that in order to participate in any ministry of the parish you need to have taken or be willing to take the Safe Environment online training (previously known as Protecting God's Children).

If you are currently serving in the religious education program, we presume you will continue in your particular role next year. If not, please indicate on the form. If you are interested in helping with the religious education program, please call 961-6477 (grade school) or 961-1500 (high school).

Please prayerfully consider how you could possibly help us in some way. Take the time to look over the form. Fill it out and return it by: dropping it in the Sunday collection basket, bringing it to the parish office, or mailing it to the parish office. If you have any questions about the ministry or which ministry you would like to be a part of, contact the parish office. Thank you!!!

You are invited to join our 31 CLUB.

The 31 CLUB is 31 people committed to praying for our priests of St. Francis of Assisi and is a yearlong commitment. You will pray 12 times over the course of the year. Your day of prayer for our priests will be the same day

every month. An email will be sent daily as we encourage our priests with a short note of our prayers that we offered for them. For more information contact: Nancy Meinhart. (217) 663-2355, <u>mmeinhart@yahoo.com</u>



- Thursday, May 2, 2024 at St. Francis of Assisi
- Thursday, June 6, 2024 at St. Rose
- Thursday, July 11, 2024 at St. Francis
- Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 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.

Liturgical Ministers for May 4/5						
<u>Ministry</u>	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>		
Readers	Cari Buehnerkemper Denise Will	Lenora Drees	Jill Schumacher Jean Sehy	Carrie Copple Matt Sturgeon		
Ushers	*Tony Runde Toby McMahon Tom Buehnerkemper Brent Weichman Charles Semple Doug Smith	*Jim Niebrugge Daren Drees Robert Drees Robert Poe Mike Tipton Chris Hartke	*Alf Ruholl Kevin Schumacher Clay Zerrusen Jeff Hardiek Greg Hess Johnny Meinhart	*Hank Niebrugge Collin Niemerg Scott Copple Keith Vonderheide Jason Ruholl Denny Runde		
Servers	Danielle Probst Madison Probst Sarah Habing	Ozzie Pals Evie Pals Jack Hartke	Paisley Deters Ella Wermert Noah Imburgia	Kaitlyn Vahling Blake Vahling Emma Vahling		

Clean Linens - Jane Ordner

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today (Sunday, April 28th) is **Blue Sunday**, the National Day of Prayer for Children Who Have Been Abused & Those Who Rescue Them. You may have seen Blue and Silver Pinwheels placed around town with Diameters

throughout the month of April. Pinwheels for Prevention symbolize an effort to change the public's beliefs and behaviors regarding child abuse and neglect prevention. To learn the ways you can help prevent child abuse and neglect in our community go to <<u>https://</u>



www.crisisnurseryofeffingham.com/ways -you-can-help> . "Let's pray, educate ourselves, and volunteer until black and blue are just colors in a child's crayon box." ~St. Francis Ministries

Community Charitable Cookout!

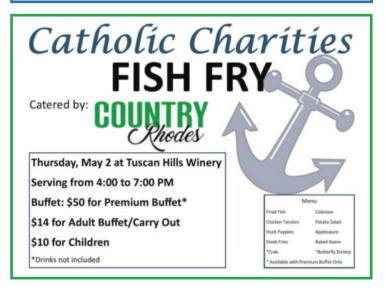
Teutopolis State Bank & Sigel Community Bank Parking Lots on Friday, May 10 11:00 am—6:00 pm Price—Donation Menu: Hamburgers, Pork Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Cookies & Drinks

All Proceeds Go To Teutopolis & Sigel Park Districts

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

Teutopolis Park District:

Tennis Clinics (May 13, 14, 16): Sign up by May 1



CATHOLIC CHARITIES PANTRY

is looking for volunteers on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for either 9:00-11:30 am and 12:30-4:30 pm. Please call 217-857-1458.

Day of Prayer for Life – Save the Date!

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming 50th annual Day of Prayer for Life to be held **Wednesday**, **June 19th**, at St Francis Church in Teutopolis. Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration will be held throughout the day. The Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop of the Spring-field Diocese, will be our honored celebrant and homilist at the 7:30 pm closing Mass.



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