

March 23, 2025 - The Third Sunday of Lent

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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.



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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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

As announced in last Sunday’s bulletin, the priests in the diocese met with the bishop for his annual meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday this past week. Thank you to Fr. Dennis for having the Masses on Wednesday morning.

In the same bulletin we announced the Profession of Faith of one of our parishioners, Mr. Jeremy Tomes. He was baptized in the First Christian Church in Paris, IL several years ago and has been attending Catholic Mass with his wife, Sarah. Jeremy has been part of our OCIA program, the former RCIA and his sponsor is Jeremy Deters. So at our 4:30 pm Mass this Saturday he will profess the faith with us, be confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time! Welcome to the Catholic Church!



PRO-LIFE PRAYER - Eucharistic Day of Prayer for Life on Monday, March 24th - We will begin at 9:00 am and continue through 6:00 am Tuesday. Volunteers are needed to please commit to an hour or half hour of private prayer. Please sign up on the sign-up sheets at any entrance.

We celebrate the feast of the Annunciation on March 25th, “Do not be afraid Mary, for you have found favor with God, and behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a Son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High ...” Prayer: Heavenly Father, you have made the womb of each woman a very special place. Help us to hold fast to the sanctity of this first home of humanity, remembering the wonderful mystery, that God inhabited the womb of a young woman and came forth as the Savior and deliverer of the world. May all mothers and fathers be given the grace and courage to say “yes” to life. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers:
 Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Andrea Wernsing, Art Deters, Mark Roedl, Cole Wellbaum, Kynda Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Tanner Pruemmer, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wente, Paula Spencer, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Lizzie Westendorf, Joseph F. Huber, Betty Jansen, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Doug Niemerg, Mandy Schumacher, Luella Waldhoff, Anne Weis, Ann Marie Koester, Maria D. Kingery, Allan Gillespie, Kourtney Giles, and Robert Poston.
 If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call the office at 217-961-6404.



God Bless Those Serving Our Country.
 Anthony Vahling, Shawn Zerrusen, Andrew Simmons, Jesse Koester, Justis Coventry, Braydan Bushue, Mallory Stone, Myles Stortzum, Gavin Tegeler, Avry Kreke.

Stewardship of Treasure

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TOTAL	\$13,064.00	\$599,014.80
Assisi to Africa	\$497.00	\$29,696.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 24, 6:30 am: Gene Runde
 Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 am: Jeff Buehnerkemper
 Tuesday, March 25, 7:55 am: Brian Westendorf
 Wednesday, March 26, 6:30 am: Alberta Schultz
 Wednesday, March 26, 7:55 am: Ken Hardiek
 Thursday, March 27, 6:30 am: Dolores Thoele
 Friday, March 28, 6:30 am: Anna Mae Waldhoff
 Friday, March 28, 7:55 am: Juliana Mazza family
 Saturday, March 29, 4:30 pm: Jerry Brickley
 Sunday, March 30, 6:30 am: Pro Populo
 Sunday, March 30, 8:30 am: Patricia Weber
 Sunday, March 30, 10:30 am: Verena Brumleve



Liturgy Schedule

The Third Sunday of Lent March 24— March 30

- Monday, Adoration 9:00 am Monday until 6:00 am
Tuesday
Day of Prayer for Life, 9:00 am
Mass at 6:30 am
- Tuesday, The Annunciation of the Lord
Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am
- Wednesday, Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am
- Thursday, Mass at 6:30 am
- Friday, Mass at 6:30 am & 7:55 am
- Saturday, Mass at 4:30 pm
- Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Lent**
Mass at 6:30 am, 8:30 am, & 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

- Tuesday, March 25, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Thursday, March 27, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Saturday, March 29, 3:00-4:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday—11:45 am & 4:45 pm

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, March 24

- Adoration 9:00 am Monday until 6:00 am Tuesday
- Day of Prayer for Life, 9:00 am
- Parish Book Study, 5:00-9:00 pm, Sr. Ethelbert

Tuesday, March 25

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

Wednesday, March 26

- Children's Choir, 3:45-5:00 pm
- Youth Choir, 6:00-7:00 pm

Thursday, March 27

- Quilting, 9:00 am-noon & 1:00-4:00 pm, St. Clare
- Confessions, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Adult Choir, 7:00 pm
- Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Sr. Ethelbert

Friday, March 28

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

Saturday, March 29

- Confessions, 3:00-4:00 pm

Sunday, March 30

- Children's liturgy at 8:30 & 10:30 am Mass
- Catholic Relief Services Collection at all Masses

Attention Homebound

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, March 30 are Chuck Deters 217-857-6084 and Jane Meyer 217-663-0578 .



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SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025, 8:00 - 11:00 AM

Bake sale items may be dropped off Friday between 2:00-4:30 pm or Saturday morning starting at 7:00 am.

Teutopolis Monastery Museum opening dates for 2025

12:30—4:00 pm

- April 6, 2025 * May 4, 2025
- June 1, 2025 * July 6, 2025
- August 3, 2025 * September 7, 2025
- October 5, 2025 * November 2, 2025

Religious Education News

Religious Education

Grade 1 and 2 will be leading Stations of the Cross on Monday, March 31st at 7:55 am in the Church. All are welcome to attend.

Families, be sure to keep your children working on their **Lenten promises and contributing money to their Lent Boxes.** Lent Boxes are due back on April 9th. Keep saving up!

First Communion/Confirmation paperwork for students is due to the Religious education office by April 7.



Easter Day of Fun is Saturday, April 19, 8:30-10:30 am at the Grade School Gym. The Teutopolis Civic Club will be hosting an Easter Egg hunt at 10:00 am in the mini park. Forms were sent home this week and must be returned to the church office by April 11. Drop off your child at the gym and collect at the St. Clare parking lot. Jr. High and High

School students are encouraged to sign up as helpers!

The religion program is always looking for volunteers. Reach out to Dan Niemerg at 217-961-6477, ext. 230.

High School:

Religion class March 26th 7:00-8:15 pm

Religion class April 2nd 7:00-8:15 pm

Religion class April 9th 7:00-8:15 pm

No classes during Holy Week.



Gina Zerrusen prayer sponsor for IK visited the class and shared a Lenten prayer, a treat, and a cross bookmark.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

April 4– CHWC trivia night

April 4-Teen center cancelled

April 11—Teen center, 7:30-10:00 pm

April 25—Teen center, 7:30-10:00 pm

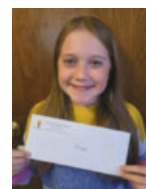


CHWC News

March Madness contest continues!

Check our St. Francis Youth Ministry Facebook page for updates. Payouts as follows...

50% donated back to CHWC, 25% to first place, 15% to second place, 7.5% to third place, and 2.5% to fourth place.



WINNERS!



CHWC Trivia Night “The Road to Kansas City”

will be held **April 4, 2025**

at the Teutopolis Banquet

Hall! Doors open at 6:00 pm.

Trivia starts at 7:00 pm! Cost is \$160/team of 8, and free snacks will be provided throughout the night. Call 217-961-1500 to reserve your table!

Lenten Regulations

- 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 60 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.
To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

SCHOLARSHIP The SDCCW (Springfield in IL Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) is pleased to recognize 2025 High School Female Graduates who exemplify our SDCCW values of Leadership, Faith and Service.

Therefore, the **SDCCW is offering four \$2,000 scholarships** to assist these young women in pursuing further education beyond high school. Please contact the parish office for more information. Application and essay are due by April 1, 2025.

BAPTISM

Prep Dates

- Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at St. Isidore
- Thursday, May 1, 2025 at St. Francis of Assisi
- Thursday, June 5, 2025 at St. Rose of Lima
- Thursday, July 10, 2025 at St. Francis of Assisi
- Tuesday, August 5, 2025 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 217-821-5663; 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.

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:
 April 5, July 5 and October 4, 2025.
 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 12, 2025, 9:00-10:30 am, St. Anthony Church in Effingham.
- Saturday, June 14, 2025 10:30 am-noon, Sr. Ethelbert, St. Francis of Assisi, Teutopolis.

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



Cemetery Clean-up

Please remove any grave blankets, flowers, statues, etc. which are not attached to headstones and which you wish to keep. Ron will be rolling the ground and cleaning up the cemetery on favorable weather days in the very near future. Thanks to your speedy attention to this matter. Let's help keep our cemetery beautiful.



White Lily Project

Angel of Hope Statue and Memorial Garden

5k & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

Saturday, May 3rd

Registration Begins at 7:00 AM

Race Begins at 8:00 AM

Join us for the 3rd Annual 5k and 1 mile run/walk to raise funds for the Angel of Hope Statue and Memorial Garden! 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 7:00 am, and the race starts at 8:00 am. All children 12 and under can register for \$5 - price will change at checkout for these youth registrations. The registration fee for participants 13 and older is \$25 until April 26th; the price will then increase to \$30. Participants can register on the morning of the event, however, we strongly encourage participants to register before the event. We plan to start the race promptly at 8:00, and to ensure that, we cannot guarantee that day-of-event registrations will receive a race timing bib. Everyone who comes to register the day of the event will still be able to register and participate in the race! White Lily Project t-shirts will be available for purchase at the 5k & 1 Mile!

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All quilters welcome!
 We will be quilting on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00-noon in the morning and from 1:00-4:00 pm in the afternoon, in the St. Clare hall. Contact Jean Habing 217-821-3704 or Rita Habing 217-343-4681.



Liturgical Ministers for March 29/30

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>6:30 am</u>	<u>8:30 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Readers	Jeannie Burrell 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	*Gary Deters Larry Esker Joe Esker Jason Huber Allen Koester Mike Hardiek	*Ryan Jansen Dan Habing Jake Habing Troy Bloemer Paul Willenborg Pat Niemerg	*Rich Niebrugge Greg Addis Tom Niebrugge Brian Ruholl Carl Waldhoff Logan Waldhoff
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Servers: please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass. Thank you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Teutopolis Banquet Hall
Friday Night Lenten Fish Fry, 5:00-7:30 pm
 fish filet, shrimp, hush puppies, baked potato, slaw and French bread. Choice of large or small, kids: choice of 3.



Lenten Series for Men – SonRise Breakfast
 Dr. Bergsma, professor and author, begins the second half of our Lenten journey by exploring the Triduum through Jewish Eyes. He outlines the four major sources used to provide a Jewish perspective of the events of Christ’s passion in the bible. He uncovers the magnitude of the discovery of the *Dead Sea Scrolls*. All men are invited this **FRIDAY** at the St. Anthony Parish Center for **SonRise Breakfast; ready after 6:10 am, VIDEO program at 6:30 am**, and concluding at 7:30 am. More info: contact the parish office.

Teutopolis Park District
 Summer Day Camp (May 28-June 24): Sign up by April 1
 Summer Tennis (May 28-June 24): Sign up by April 1

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC HEART
 WORK CAMP

Soup Fundraiser

Menu

- Chili
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Sauerkraut Soup
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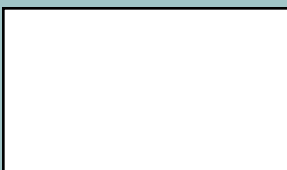
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