

Dear Parishioners,

The Responsorial Psalm this Sunday is taken from Psalm 63. We hear the words, “O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.” We repeat the phrase, “My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.” This Psalm is giving voice to the deepest yearning of our heart.

We have an insatiable desire for union, for love, a desire to be complete, happy, and at peace. The only one who can fill that seemingly infinite desire is the infinite God. Everything else falls short. Christ Jesus gave us the best way we have to begin to quench our thirst. It is Jesus, the God/man for whom our flesh pines and our souls thirst. The closest experience we have of Jesus on earth is the sacraments. The Mass, the Eucharist, is the sacrament through which we are able to hear, see, touch, smell, and taste the presence of God. The Second Vatican Council called the Eucharist the source and summit. This is what gives us the grace to continue on the road to holiness and it is the goal we pursue.

Because the Holy Mass is so important to us, the Church is vigilant in its effort to worship God in a better way. A Latin phrase, “*lex orandi, lex credendi,*” has been used for centuries to emphasize the importance of praying well. It translates to “the law of prayer is the law of belief.” In other words, as we pray so we believe. The way we pray shapes our faith.

In November 1963 the Second Vatican Council issued the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. With this document came the approval to pray the Mass in vernacular languages. The bishops then reformed the liturgical books and eventually the 1969 Missal of Paul VI was published in Latin. That Missal was translated into the vernacular languages around the world. In 2000 John Paul II created a third edition of The Roman Missal. In this Missal more ancient prayers and saints’ days were added. The national bishops’ conferences have been working to translate this edition of the Missal into vernacular languages.

During the time of this work, in 2001, the document *Liturgiam Authenticam* was published by the Holy See. This was an instruction from the Church requiring a more literal translation of the Latin. The English speaking bishops’ conferences of the world have now approved the revised English translation of the Roman Missal. This translation has been accepted or recognized by the Holy See and is to be implemented the First Sunday of Advent, 2012.

So on November 27th, this year we will be praying the Mass with the revised translation. What does this mean for us? Some of the words we say at Mass will change but the rubrics, or what we do at Mass is not changing. I see this as a great opportunity for us to take a deeper look at the core of what brings us together. We priests and Deacon Joe Emmerich plan to use the time from now until Advent to

help us all prepare for this new translation. We do this in the spirit of *lex orandi, lex credendi*. We want to pray as well as possible so that our faith may be formed as well as possible.

In our homilies the next thirteen Sundays we will talk about the meaning of the Mass, its history and its basis in Sacred Scripture. We will tell you what the changes will be and how they are different from the current translation. We hope this will inspire us all to try to worship God better and so inspire us to grow in our faith. We hope this will help us drink a little deeper of the true presence of God in the Eucharist as our flesh pines and our souls thirst for God.

I would like to add my own thanks to all the organizers and volunteers of our parish picnic. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to our parish. Thank you also to the many other people that participated in this wonderful event! Thank you for your constant support of our parish!

In Christ,

Fr. David Hoefler



Pro-Life Corner

Are you familiar with the pro-abortion slogan “Every Child a Wanted Child”? Sounds positive, right? We all agree that every child should be wanted. However, it is the implied extension of this slogan that abortion is an acceptable option for an unwanted child that is morally wrong.

Since when does anyone’s right to live depend upon someone else wanting them? To use *being wanted* by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a frightening concept. Could this logic be extended to include many other people in unwanted categories such as the sick, the elderly, or the poor?

Every child a wanted child, wanted by whom? The National Council for Adoption (NCFA) states that there are over one million couples and individuals who would like to adopt children. Many couples wait on lists for years hoping to adopt.

But, what about the babies with disabilities? According to the NCFA, babies generally do not wait long for families, regardless of medical problems. The National Down Syndrome Adoption Network reports it has over 200 families waiting to adopt children with Down Syndrome (about 90% of babies with this diagnosis are aborted). Adoption is a wonderful alternative to abortion and illustrates that every child is truly wanted.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 29, 6:30 a.m. Mass, 3:30p.m. Communion Service at Evergreen; Jim Jansen, Henry Holkenbrink, Special Intention

Tuesday, August 30, 6:30 a.m. Mass: Harold Sehi Anniversary, Charlie Jansen Anniversary, Francis C. Brumleve Anniversary

Wednesday, August 31, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Eileen Carson, Linda Koester Anniversary, J. Leonard Boos, Leo & Agnes Reiss

Thursday, September 1, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Louis & Charlene Thies Family, Mary Manuel, Dorothy Pruemer, Lisa Crosson Family

Friday, September 2, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Tony Tegenkamp Anniversary, Carl Thoele, L. Marcella Niebrugge Anniversary, Nick & Marie Dust Family

Saturday, September 3, 4:30 p.m. Mass: Linda Koester, Leonard Kinkelaar Anniversary, John & Ingrid Kay Family

Sunday, September 4, 7:30, 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mass: Ray F. & Josephine Nuxoll Family, Florence Bushur, Herman & Stella Mette, Chloe Passalacqua, Russ & Mary Uptmor, Ray, Carlene, Bob & Joe Wentle, Sophie Kreke Althoff, Parishioners of St. Anthony

Calendar of Events August 20-26

Sat., Aug. 27 5:15-6p, SCRIP, pc

Sun., Aug. 28 10-11p, SCRIP, pc

Mon., Aug. 29 10a-2p, SCRIP, pc

Tues., Aug. 30 7p, Bereavement Support, pc

Wed., Aug. 31 9a-2p, SCRIP, pc

Fri., Sept. 2 10a-2p, SCRIP, pc

Dear Parishioners,

On September 1st as usual we will begin taking Mass intentions for the next calendar year. It has come to my attention that we will need to make some adjustments in the process. It is the policy of the diocese, according to canon law, that only one intention can be scheduled per Mass. There is an allowance for more than one Mass intention for two Masses each week. To be in compliance with this regulation we will begin our change of policy January 1st, 2012. There will be only one intention scheduled for each Mass after that point in time. The exception will be 8:30 Mass on Wednesdays and 6:30 Mass on Fridays. These will be the two Masses each week in which we will schedule up to 10 intentions each. Because of this change in scheduling, Mass intentions will be limited to 5 per family each year. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Fr. Hoefler

Bereavement Support Group.

St. Anthony Parish Center ~ 7 p.m.
Tuesday, August 30



Mass Servers

Weekday Masses, August 29-September 2

- 29-31 6:30 a.m. Maryann Saba/Maddi Tegeler
- 31 8:30 a.m. Will Clausius/Blake Esker
- 9/1-2 6:30 a.m. Greg Utz/Kyle Willenborg
- 9/1-2 8:30 a.m. Grade School

Weekend Masses, August 27/28

- Saturdays 4:30 p.m. Andrew, Morgan & Zachary Gardewine
- Sundays 7:30 a.m. Chandler, Nick & Patrick Martelli
- 9:15 a.m. Avery Elder/Bailey Frese/Kristin Slaughter
- 11:00 a.m. Donovan & Tierney Hammer/Avery Liss

Weekend Masses, September 3/4

- Saturdays 4:30 p.m. Allison, Madison & Mariah Bushue
- Sundays 7:30 a.m. Jay Niebrugge/Maddie Schuette/Maggie Brown
- 9:15 a.m. Samantha Brandenburger/Abby Brown, Miranda Rohlfing
- 11:00 a.m. Ty Bracey/Natalie Goeckner/Nicholas Goeckner

WEDDING BANNNS

*(III) Ryan Althoff/Kayla Tinsman
(II Brett Bennett/Jennifer Roewe*

Let us pray for all who call to God for help during their illness. May health soon be restored to them.

Deborah Alldredge
Tearia Baker
Ali Stevenson Blase
Jim Bloemer
Gerard Broecker
Ruben Bushue
Jeanette Chambers
Linda Clineff
Lisa Crosson
Alexis Didier
Andrew Dinsdale

Dustin Doedman
Celeste Dust
Doris Anne Eden
Glenn Ehrhart
Duane Feldhake
Janet Flach
Karlene Frese
Art Fuesting
Caroline Hoene
Kaitlyn Holste
Ruth Hunt

Kris Jansen
Jeaneane Jenne
Brandt Jarrett
Luke Johnson
Ingrid Kay
Thresa Kessler
Dee Kiefer
Carolyn Koerner
Amy Koester
Bill Mette
Marie McDaniel

Brian Niebrugge
Doug E Niebrugge
Gary Niemerg
Jack Nisbet
Mary Ellen O'Brien
Cathy Polarek
Ken Polarek
Esther Poterucha
Jeff Poston
Diane Rallo
Richard Rentfrow

Stan Richardson
Steve Sehy
Ron Shoffstall
Ellie Swannell
Lee Thomas
Chris Utz
Esther Walk
Craig Welch
Valentine Wentle
Michael Wheeler
Mark Worman

SEPTEMBER USHERS



Saturday 4:30 p.m.: Bart Willenborg/Ed Deters
Sunday 7:30 a.m.: Ron Althoff/Tony Weber
Sunday 9:15 a.m.: Jeff Having/J.R. Elder
Sunday 11:00 a.m.: David Emmerich/Brian Henning



Church Cleaning

Church Cleaners for September
 Cleaning our church is done Saturday mornings, **8:30-9:30**. If your name appears we need to see you and your family sharing your

God given talents. Those needing service hours are always welcome.

If unable to come please call a replacement.

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| <i>Raddatz, Cathy</i> | <i>Rentfrow, Tom/Lori</i> |
| <i>Ragland, Julie</i> | <i>Repking, Richard/Linda</i> |
| <i>Rallo, Nicholas/Diane</i> | <i>Repking, Scott/Jaclyn</i> |
| <i>Rawlings, Theresa</i> | <i>Rexroat, Arnold/Cathy</i> |
| <i>Reed, Brandon/Ashley</i> | <i>Rexroat, Tim/Kipp</i> |
| <i>Reiss, Mark/Jenny</i> | <i>Reynolds, Duane/Marsha</i> |
| <i>Reiss, Paul</i> | <i>Rhodes, Dick/Donna</i> |
| <i>Rentfrow, Bev</i> | <i>Rhodes, Robert/Jernice</i> |

YEARBOOKS ARE IN!

St. Anthony High School graduates (Class of 2011) who ordered yearbooks can stop by the high school office to pick them up during school hours, 7:30-3:30.

SAMBA (St. Anthony Music Boosters Association) will meet September 6, 2011 at Joe's Pizza in Effingham for dinner and a meeting. Anybody is welcome to attend!



Sacred Heart Church will be offering a Protecting God's Children workshop Tuesday, August 30 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Please contact Kate Pruemmer at 347-7177 to register.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM begins Sunday, September 11

All 4 & 5 year olds are invited to join the Children's Liturgy each Sunday during 9:15 Mass. No reservations are needed. Adults are needed to teach/assist. Please call Nancy Bushur at 342-4479 if you are interested. Thank you to Cindy Hoene and Conny Mitchell for their time, talent and treasures over the past two years. With their help, we were able to reignite the program for the children of St. Anthony.



**AlumNite 2011: A Century of Class
 October 8 at St. Anthony High School**

AlumNite is just over a month away! RSVP's are due September 2. Please be sure to return your RSVP card or purchase tickets online www.stanthony.com/ourschools/alumni/ to let us know if you are able to attend. Thanks to all those who have responded! It's going to be a great crowd!

There are still volunteer spots available. For more information and a full list of requests, visit the website or follow us on Facebook by searching for St. Anthony AlumNite.



FROM THE CHOIR LOFT

It's time for choir rehearsal to begin for the coming year. All choirs will begin after Labor Day. No previous music experience is required, just a love of the Lord in song

Adult Choir is open to any parish member from high school through adult. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-8:30pm in the choir loft and sing twice a month at Mass.

Bell Choir is open to any parish member. Rehearsal is in the church from 5:30-6:30 pm on Tuesday. The ability to read music or count is helpful, but not necessary. If you find singing not to your music taste, but enjoy music, this might be the choir for you. The Bell choir rings the Mass monthly.

Intermediate Choir is open to all parish students in grade 3-5. Practice is in church weekly on Wednesday from 3-4pm. The choir sings weekly at the Thursday school Mass and once monthly at a weekend Mass.

Men's Choir is open to all men of the parish. Rehearsals are Thursday evening from 6:15-7:15pm downstairs at the piano. The men sing at Mass once a month.

Pueri Cantores Choir is a special occasion choir open to parish members who are in 4th grade through high school. Rehearsals are Friday after school from 3-4pm in church. The choir attends a day long festival in February and sing once monthly at Mass.

Starting Dates

Bell Choir	Sept. 6, 5:30pm	Church
Intermed. Choir	Sept. 7, 3:00pm	Church
Adult Choir	Sept. 7, 7:30pm	Choir Loft
Men's Choir	Sept. 8, 6:15pm	Church Piano
Pueri Cantores	Sept., 9, 3:00p,	Church

If you find choir not convenient for you, but you would like to be a Cantor, your voice would be greatly appreciated. Pianists and organists are greatly needed! This important ministry needs you. Please consider stepping forward and sharing your talents. Please contact Barb at the parish center at 347-7129 or email bkonrad@stanthony.com if you have any questions about the St. Anthony Music Ministry program.

2011 Fundraising Calendar Update

Congratulations to the following winner:

August 19, 2011 drawing for **\$50 - Chandra Niemerg**

Stop by the Parish Center to purchase your ticket. There are still 3-\$500 drawings, 1-\$2,000 Scrip Card Drawing and 18-\$50 drawings left this year!

Preschool Openings Available

St. Anthony Pups Preschool still has openings in the 4 year old afternoon class. Class time is M-W-F 12:15 p.m.-3:15 p.m. If you are interested please contact the grade school office, 347-0419, for additional information. Registration forms can also be found at www.stanthony.com

Pre Cana

...is being hosted by St. Anthony Church Sunday, September 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To register call 347-7129. Sacred Heart will host a class Saturday, September 17. Register online at www.dio.org/familylife.

God is Calling You!

God is calling you to a **DeColores** weekend on Thursday evening and ending at noon on Sunday. This weekend leads to a closer relationship with Jesus and a renewal of faith. Share inspiring talks, the Eucharist, the Way of the Cross, etc. You will enrich your faith and have fun with new friends. There is no charge for the weekend; a free will offering will be made at the end.

The Men's Weekend is October 20-23 with leader Bob Ferguson

The Women's Weekend is October 27-30 with leader Susan Vogt.

For more information contact Jerry/Susan Vogt 217-844-2321 or Tom/Patti Jansen 618-238-4339.



School Sisters of Notre Dame 150th Anniversary

A celebration is being planned for the 150th Anniversary of the School Sisters of Notre Dame on October 9, 2011. There will be a 10:30 Mass at St. Francis Church, a sit-down meal and an open house at Teutopolis K of C Hall. Former nuns stationed at the motherhouse in St. Louis and elsewhere will be in attendance. A bus trip to St. Louis to visit the Notre Dame Mother house and their homes for the elderly and retired sisters is being planned for October 20. More information regarding all the celebrations can be found in the bulletin insert his week.

RCIA

RCIA classes are open to all those who wish to inquire into the Catholic faith. Classes at St. Anthony Parish begin in September. If you, or someone you know, would like more information about RCIA or would like to attend to begin this process please call Sister Alicia at the parish office, 217-347-7129.

PSR—Parish School of Religion

Letters and registration forms for the 2011-12 classes have been mailed. Your prompt response is greatly appreciated. If anyone did not receive a form and requires one, call the parish office, 347-7129.

PARENTS of 7th Grade Public School Students we have a **2-year Confirmation program** in the PSR. If your child will be a candidate for Confirmation in the 8th grade, 2012-13, be sure he/she is attending religion classes this year as well as next year.



Sunday Communion Ministers are needed to bring Eucharist to those confined to their homes on the second, third, fourth and fifth Sunday of each month. Please contact Sr. Jane Marie at 347-7129 if you are willing to help this much needed ministry.



Effingham County Vision 2020 will hold its next Community Celebration of Excellence Breakfast Wednesday, October 19 at the **St. Anthony High School Enlow Center**.

As part of the Educational spoke, Effingham County Vision 2020 is seeking \$250 donations for the Effingham County Promise Fund.

For each \$250 donation, \$200 is placed into the Promise Fund which is a student scholarship program.

Since St. Anthony High School has the privilege of hosting the Community of Excellence Breakfast this fall, we are encouraging your donation to the Promise Fund to support scholarship opportunities for St. Anthony High School students.

With your donation, you will also receive recognition in one EDN Vision 2020 page, your name on promotional flyers for the breakfast, & 2 tickets to the Breakfast on October 19.

If interested in donating to the Promise Fund, please contact the Effingham Chamber of Commerce at 217-342-4147 or Carrie Koenig at 217-342-6969.

Thank you for supporting scholarship opportunities for St. Anthony High School students!

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS	(8/14/11)	YTD (since 7/1/11)	Last Year
Received (Goal \$34,990)	\$20,390 <i>06/30/12</i>	\$ 252,250 <i>06/30/11</i>	\$ 212,861 <i>06/30/10</i>
Year Totals	\$1,819,500	\$1,653,511	\$1,1714,509
Scholarships	\$1,148	\$ 5,031	
Haiti Parish	\$ 187	\$ 2,724	
ACSA Assessment	\$ 89,029		
Catholic Times Assessment	\$ 18,157		

....Thank You Parishioners! For your involvement, for your ideas, for your offerings. Did you know that last week Fr. Ery earned his driver's license! Our thanks to Lawrence Carie, who gave his time and expertise to teach and educate Fr. Ery. Now we are asking if anyone has an idle vehicle which they no longer are using and could loan to the parish for Fr. Ery to use while he is here. If you do, please call Charlie at 347-7129. Finally, you might know, but we are happy to

inform you that Robin Westendorf has temporarily assumed the duties of the parish secretary. Please call her for your scheduling needs, and she may be calling you for your help!

FAMILY CAMP/RENEWAL DAYS

...for family and friends of persons with special needs will be Sept. 24-25 at Lake Williamson Christian Center in Carlinville. Cost is \$85 per adult, families of 3 or more \$77 per adult, children 6-11 \$50, children under 5 are free. Cost includes overnight lodging, 3 meals and all activities. Registration forms are available from Elaine Vonderheide ~ email mewv23@mediacombb.net, call 342-2718, or call the Office for Social Concerns 217-698-8500, ext. 167.

SPRINGFIELD DIOCESE VOCATION SUPPORT BANQUET

The Effingham Knights of Columbus will be hosting a banquet on Sunday, October 9 to support Vocations in the Springfield Diocese. The evening will begin with a 3:30 P.M. Mass by Bishop Paprocki at Sacred Heart Church with a Social Hour and Banquet to follow at our Council facility. Keynote speaker will be Bishop Paprocki. Proceeds from the banquet will be used to support and promote Vocations in the Springfield Diocese. Tickets are \$30 each and are available at St. Anthony and Sacred Heart Parish offices. They are also available from Robert Walker 821-6176 or Richard Feldhake 342-6985.

Evening on Dorothy Day

Come enjoy dinner and a talk on Dorothy Day at Chiara Center in Springfield, Thursday September 8 at 6pm. The speaker is Brian Terrell from Chicago. Brian was associate editor of The Catholic Worker while Dorothy Day was the publisher. Call 217-523-0901 with questions or reservations. \$20 per person or \$35 per couple.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER FOR OUR SCHOOLS

Sylvan Learning is making a 5% donation to St. Anthony Church for any St. Anthony Student that enrolls in one of their programs by August 31. They want to make this year more successful for our students by offering programs ranging from math and reading all the way to ACT Preparation. They now have an office located at 1301 W. Evergreen in Effingham. For more information please call 342-0204.

St. Mary of the Assumption Picnic

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish in Sainte Marie is holding their annual Pre-Labor Day Picnic Sunday, September 4, 2011. A chicken/pork loin dinner will be served from 11-5. Other attractions include raffles, stands, and games for all. On Saturday, Sept. 3 at 1pm a concert featuring former Ste. Marie resident, Dorothy Helregel Marhious will be held. Dorothy sang opera in Chicago and New York before settling in Los Angeles where she continues to sing and teach. Tickets are Adults \$10, Students \$5, and are available at Ste. Marie and Newton banks or from the Sainte Marie Foundation, PO Box 186, Ste. Marie, IL 62459. Proceeds will benefit the Foundation House's South Garden Landscaping.

Talk about Vocations with your family

Mattoon K of C Fall Festival

Come to the Mattoon Knights of Columbus Fall Festival 5K, Race the Cross on September 18, 2011. The 1 Mile Fun Run will start promptly at noon. The cost is \$10 for early registration and \$15 for late registration. All pre-registered entrants under 12 will be given a participation medal. The 10K and 5K run will begin at 12:15 and feature chip timing for fast and accurate results. Cost for the timed races is \$21 for early registration and \$26 for late registration. Packet pickup will be available on Saturday September 17, 2011 from 6:30 to 7:30 at the K of C Hall. Race day registration will be from 10:00-11:30 am in the K of C Hall. Packet pickup is available on race day from 10:00 until 11:45. Awards will be given to the overall male and female runners in the timed races and to the top three runners in each age group. A special "bragging rights" traveling trophy will be awarded to the group or organization with the most participating members. New this year is a special Knights of Columbus Council Division. A traveling trophy will be awarded to the largest council participating in all of the running and walking events. All paid participants in the timed races will receive a coupon for a free drink and hamburger. See <http://www.mattoonkofc.org> or contact Duane Deters at 310-4161 for more information.