

AUGUST 7, 2022 | 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Anthony 417 Caroline St, PO Box 206 Athens, WI 54411

Tues, Wed, & Fri - 8:15 am Thursday - Athenian Living - 9:00 am Saturday - 4:00 pm Sunday - 9:30 am Confession, Saturday - 3:00 pm **St. Thomas**

Sunday - 8:00 am

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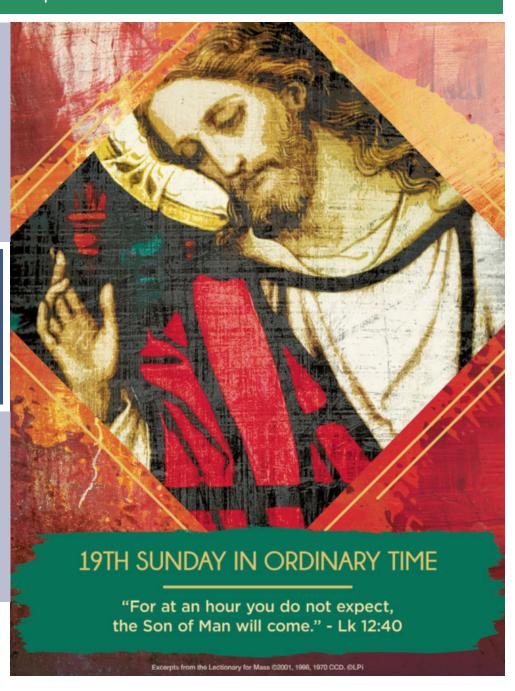
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PASTOR'S CORNER

The first reading cites the faith-filled preparedness of the ancient Hebrew slaves in Egypt before their mass exodus to the Promised Land. Their trusting faith in their God's promises gave them hope. We are told how their faith and hope resulted in their liberation. With expectant hope, the Hebrews sacrificed the first Passover lamb and ate the first ritual meal, as prescribed by their God through Moses. They awaited their imminent release and were prepared for it. Today's Psalm invites us to express our own confidence in God and to declare our trust in His Providence. In the Second Reading, taken from the last chapter of Paul's letter to the Hebrews, Paul defines faith as "the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen." He tries to bolster the faith of the Jewish Christians (the Hebrews), by appealing to the example of their ancestors, starting with Abraham, and narrating the things they had accomplished by faith. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges his disciples to trust the Father's promise to give them eternal happiness in His kingdom. But they are to be prepared at all times, because the Son of Man may come at an unexpected hour either at the moment of their death or at the end of the world. Using the masterservant parable, Jesus reminds us always to do the will of God by obeying Jesus' commandment of love, offering humble and sacrificial service to others. Using the master-thief parable Jesus warns us to be on our guard so that the thief (the devil), may not steal our treasure of divine grace by his temptations. JOKE OF THE WEEK "Who is in the Penthouse?" A holy pastor of a very large parish died and went to heaven. He was convinced that he would get the penthouse in heaven. If not him, then who, he thought, not so humbly, to himself. Instead, he was given a small tiny one bedroom apartment. Disappointed and not a little bit angry, the preacher asked St. Peter why he couldn't have the penthouse. St. Peter replied, "We have lots of pastors and preachers like you here in heaven and conveniences in your apartment surpass everything available to the rich and wealthy people on earth." "Then who is

in the penthouse?" the pastor demanded to know. "It's a lawyer," replied St. Peter. "What?! Why?!" Peter replied, "Until now, we have only one of them in heaven!"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The KOC will have a meeting at the school hall on Wednesday, August 10th at 7:30 pm.

CIRCLE OF JOY

The Circle of Joy is in need of instant oatmeal (packets), canned peaches, fruit juice, JIFFY corn bread mix, boxed pasta (NOT Mac & Cheese), rice, spaghetti, variety soups, boxed potatoes, canned chicken and tuna, pudding and jello, and deodorant. Thank you!

SCRIP

During summer, SCRIP will be sold in school IMMEDIATELY after morning Mass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, as well as weekend Masses at both St. Thomas and St. Anthony. Any other needs or questions call (715) 257-9274 and Lil or Joanne will help you out.

CONFIRMATION

This year, confirmation for St. Anthony and St. Thomas students will be held on October 8th, 4:00 pm at St. Mary's in Marathon. The required confirmation retreat is September 25th at St. Thomas, Milan. More information to come.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Please let them know you saw their ad in our church bulletin.





ST. ANTHONY NEWS

FAIR NEWS

We are in desperate need of help. There are a lot of spots still open. Please fill in where you can!

Donations needed: sliced American cheese, shredded cheddar cheese, and butter.

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES Happy Birthday to the following:

8/9 Richard Dahl

8/11 Shelia Kraft

8/9 Michael Marhol

Happy Anniversary to the following:

8/7 Steven & Nicole Ellenbecker 8/12 Jim & Sarah Bittner

STEWARDSHIP

July 30 & 31, 2022

Total	4,763.00
Meat Collection	<u>325.00</u>
Offertory	235.00
Weekly	2549.00
Online	1654.00

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LIGHTER SIDE

One-Liners

An elderly woman was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. When she put the heavy package on the counter, the postal clerk asked, "Is there anything breakable in here?" "Just the Ten Commandments," the lady replied.

When Napoleon claimed that he would destroy the Church, Pope Pius VII is said to have responded, "Oh, you silly little man. You're trying to do what seventeen centuries of priests and bishops have tried and failed to do!"

When a friend commented, "The Eucharist: such a nice symbol, right?" Flannery O'Connor reportedly replied, "Well, if it's just a symbol, to hell with it!"

Pope John XXIII, when asked how many people work at the Vatican, replied, "About half of them."

St. Teresa of Avila, upon slipping and falling into a mud puddle, reportedly stood up and cried to the heavens, "If this is how you treat your friends, then it's no wonder you have so few of them!"

ST. THOMAS NEWS

CCD NEWS

Registration for CCD is now open. Children going into 1st grade-confirmation are welcome to join! Registration packets can be found at the church entrance or contact Lisa 715-305-8334, for more information. Please register by August 24th. The first class of 2022/2023 will be held on the evening of Wednesday September 7th.

PCCW MEETING

The PCCW will meet on Tuesday, August 9th at 7:00 pm. Hostess is Marilyn Klemetson.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

St. Thomas will be hosting an outdoor pancake and sausage breakfast on August 28th after 8:00 AM mass. Food will be served until 12:00. There will be fun activities for the kids including a bounce house. Donations for the event will be accepted at the back of church. There are also sign up sheets there for those interested in helping on the day of the event. All are welcome to join!

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES Happy Birthday to the following:

8/11 Florence Jahnke 8/11 Rodney Ellenbecker

STEWARDSHIP July 31, 2022

Total	1,105.00
Mission Coop	<u>140.00</u>
Offertory	95.00
Weekly	870.00

DIOCESE NEWS

Chris Stefanick to speak on Living Joy -Wednesday, August 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Chris Stefanick, an internationally-known speaker and author, will speak virtually on Wednesday, August 24th from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. Would you like to claim the joy and the life you were made for? Based upon evidence, experience and common sense, internationally-known Chris Stefanick will present simple Rules to help you rediscover and live joy every day. Cost is \$10 per person and those who register will receive Chris's new book, "Living Joy" for free. To download brochure register and/or visit diolc.org/witness-joy. You are invited to join with other parishioners, or with family from the comfort of your own home.

Liturgical Ministers

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022

LECTOR: Dakota Zillmer
BODY OF CHRIST: Shirley Daniels

BLOOD OF CHRIST:

USHERS: Group 2

SERVERS: Ceilah Schreiner

Terah Schreiner

SCRIP SELLER: Joanne Roll

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022 ST. THOMAS - MILAN - 8:00 AM

LECTOR: Phil Literski USHERS: Jon Beran

Jon Beran Norman Beran

SERVERS: McCormick Heier

Macy Beran

SCRIP SELLER: Beth Heier

ST. ANTHONY - ATHENS - 9:30 AM

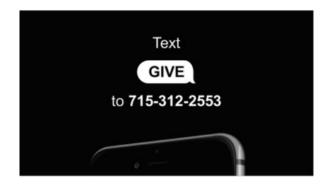
LECTOR: Mark Weiler BODY OF CHRIST: Tim Hansen

BLOOD OF CHRIST:

USHERS: Group 2 SERVER: Mason Belter

Volunteer

SCRIP SELLER: Tamara Schreiner



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 8, NO MASS

St. Dominic, Priest

Tuesday, August 9, 8:15 am

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr † Frances & Pauly Orlikowski - Wally Orlikowski

Wednesday, August 10, 8:15 am

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr Fr. Graham (si) - PCCW

Thursday, August 11, 9:00 am at A. L.

St. Clare, Virgin
† Mary Denk - Chris Makula

Friday, August 12, 8:15 am

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious † Ethel & Nick Schommer

Saturday, August 13, 4:00 pm

Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs † Hattie Ellenbecker - Glen & Agnes Paul

Sunday, August 14

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am † Rosalind Kramer & Madeline Schreiber - Marilyn Klemetson

9:30 am L&D Members of Schreiner & Beran Families - S & N Beran

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF August 7, 2022

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/ls 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



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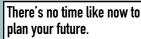
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