



SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 | 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Anthony

417 Caroline St, PO Box 206
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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

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Sunday - 8:00 am

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“No servant can serve two masters.”
- Lk 16:13

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Condemning the crooked business practices of the 8th century BC Jewish merchants of Judea, the prophet Amos, in the first reading, reminds the Israelites to be faithful to their Covenant with Yahweh by practicing justice and mercy as God's faithful stewards. He warns us also against making the goal of our life the gaining of money, whatever the means. In the second reading, St. Paul instructs the first century Judeo-Christians to become true stewards of the gospel of Jesus, the only mediator, by preaching the "good news" to the pagans, too, and by including them in intercessory prayers. Today's gospel story, about the crooked but resourceful manager, challenges us to use our blessings -- time, talents, health and wealth -- wisely, justly and shrewdly, so that they will serve for our good in eternity. We use our earthly wealth wisely when we spend it for our own needs in moderation and when we help the needy around us, remembering the truth that the proper use of our talents and blessings on earth for God's glory by helping others, determines our reward in heaven.

Let us remember Saint John Chrysostom's warning, "Faithfulness in little things is a big thing" and Blessed Mother Teresa's reminder, "Do little things with great love." Hence, let us not ignore doing little things, like acknowledging a favor by saying a sincere "thank you," or congratulating others for their success, or sharing in their sorrows and offering them help and support in their needs.

JOKE OF THE WEEK Trustworthy with dishonest wealth?: Abraham wanted a new suit, so he bought a nice piece of cloth and then tried to locate a tailor. The first tailor he visited looked at the cloth and measured Abraham, then told him the cloth was not enough to make a suit. Abraham was unhappy with this opinion and sought another tailor. This tailor measured Abraham, then measured the cloth, and then smiled and said, "There is enough cloth to make a pair of trousers, a coat and a vest, please come back in a week to take your suit." After a week

Abraham came to take his new suit, and saw the tailor's son wearing trousers made of the same cloth. Perplexed, he asked, "Just how could you make a full suit for me and trousers for your son, when the other tailor could not make a suit only?" "It's very simple," replied the tailor, "The other tailor has two sons."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

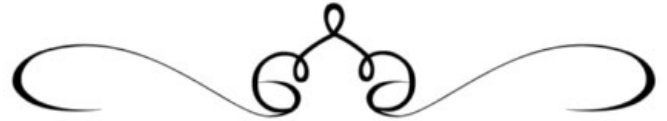
The Knights of Columbus will host bingo on September 18th at 1:00 pm in the St. Anthony school hall.

DVD BIBLE SERIES

St. Anthony is hosting another DVD bible series Wednesday's after the 8:15 am mass in church and another session on Wednesday's at the school hall starting 6:30 pm. All are welcome!

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. The retreat will start with the 8:00 am mass and will end around 1:00 or 1:30 pm. Lunch will be served.



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

The prophet Amos warns those who exploit the poor and the vulnerable will be harshly condemned by the Lord. In what ways do you defend those marginalized in our society?

Second Reading:

Paul teaches Timothy to be open, generous, and inclusive in his prayer life. How would you find this spiritual advice a challenge in your life?

Gospel:

In the parable of the dishonest steward, Jesus praises the steward for resolving his dilemma, in the end, with prudence. With his parable, Jesus teaches his disciples an important lesson on the dangers of monetary wealth. How do you avoid the trap of choosing money over God?

ST. ANTHONY NEWS

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the family and friends of **Illa Hiebl** who has recently passed away. Eternal rest grant unto Illa, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to the following:

9/18 Sharon Boeger 9/21 Beverly Braun
 9/18 Tanya Volm 9/21 Jeff Ellenbecker

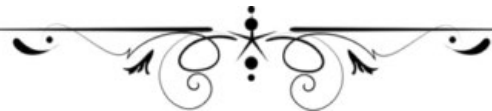
Happy Anniversary to the following:

9/22 John & Ruth Weiler
 9/23 Daniel & Juliann Ellenbecker
 9/23 Keith & Cara Zinkowich

STEWARDSHIP

September 10 & 11, 2022

Online-----	2201.00
Weekly-----	5075.00
Offertory-----	315.00
Donation-----	50.00
Catholic Life-----	48.00
Assumption-----	5.00
Meat Collection-----	5.00
Total	7,699.00



SCHOOL NEWS

CALENDER

Tuesday, September 27: All School Mass, 3 & 4
Tuesday, September 20: All School Mass, 5 & 6
Monday, October 3: Picture Day

FOCE

The Friends of Christian Education tickets are on sale now in the school offices. The Banquet will be held on October 22nd. Hope to see you there!

ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL
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ST. THOMAS NEWS

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9/20 Lana Wogernese 9/22 Marilyn Klemetson
 9/21 Larry Venzke 9/23 Geraldine Zettler

Happy Anniversary to the following:

9/24 Norman & Sharon Beran

STEWARDSHIP

September 11, 2022

Weekly-----	870.00
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Inspiration for the week

Human beings are often very clever when managing money and making a profit. Sometimes, we place so much of our sense of security in money that we lower ourselves to deceit and fraud. Our need to produce a profit can easily lead to economic injustice and exploitation. Money is necessary to conduct the business of our lives. However, it cannot become the god we serve. Being smart, savvy, and creative with financial wealth can be good. Being smart, savvy, and creative with living out our relationship with God is even better. Our hearts have to find a home somewhere. Jesus reminds us of a choice we must make: God or mammon. We need to be cautious about “selling our souls” to what cannot fully satisfy us and falling into the traps of lust, gluttony, pride, and greed. Instead, we can better direct our efforts and our talents to the management of God’s kingdom, which in the end is the only thing that matters. Any ideas on how we can use the talents and skills God gave us to make for a better world?

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Liturgical Ministers



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

LECTOR:	Joanne Roll
BODY OF CHRIST:	Shirley Daniels
BLOOD OF CHRIST:	
USHERS:	Group 2
SERVERS:	Brynn Knott Danica Knott
SCRIP SELLER:	Nicole Ellenbecker

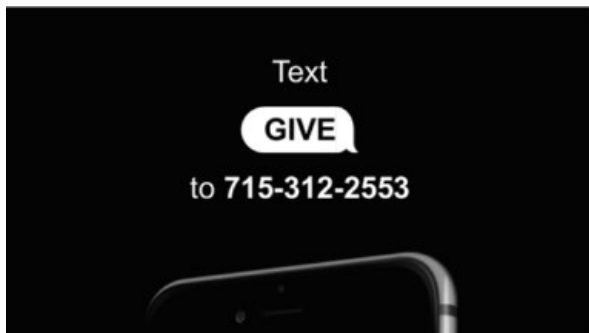
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

ST. THOMAS - MILAN - 8:00 AM

LECTOR:	Marilyn Klemetson
USHERS:	Ron Yessa Norman Beran
SERVERS:	Julie Braune Tryce Schreiner
SCRIP SELLER:	Tina Schreiner

ST. ANTHONY - ATHENS - 9:30 AM

LECTOR:	Doreen Schultz
BODY OF CHRIST:	Tammy Schreiner
BLOOD OF CHRIST:	Heather Hansen
USHERS:	Group 2
SERVER:	Grace Schreiner Volunteer
SCRIP SELLER:	Heather Krueger



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Roger Bartnik	715-257-1000 St. Thomas Council Chair

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 19, NO MASS

St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday, September 20, 8:15 am, ALL SCHOOL

Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

† Peter Albrecht - Shirley Zettler

Wednesday, September 21, 8:15 am

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Deceased Members of PCCW - PCCW

Thursday, September 22, 9:00 am at A. L.

Weekday

The Unborn-Mothers Choose Life - PCCW

Friday, September 23, 8:15 am

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

† Frances & Pauly Orlikowski - Wally Orlikowski

Saturday, September 24, 4:00 pm

Weekday

L&D Members of Sebastian & Margret Weiler & Cyril & Katherine Kreft Families - Sally Whaples

Norm & Sharon Beran Anniversary - S & N Beran

Sunday, September 25

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Migration Week

8:00 am † Allen Schreiber - Marilyn Klemetson

† Fr. Charles Hiebl - Al & Jan Brusky

9:30 am † Cassie Denk - Eye Clinic of Wisconsin

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF September 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

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