



SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 | 26TH 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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“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad.” - Lk 16:25

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PASTOR'S CORNER

The main theme of this Sunday's readings is the warning that selfish and extravagant use of God's blessings, like wealth, without sharing them with the poor and the needy is a serious sin deserving eternal punishment. Today's readings stress the Covenant responsibility of the rich for the poor reminding

us of the truth that wealth without active mercy for the poor is great wickedness.

Amos, in the first reading, issues a powerful warning to those who seek wealth at the expense of the poor and who spend their time and their money on themselves. He prophesies that those rich and unsympathetic people in the Southern kingdom of Judah will be punished by God with exile because they don't care for their poor and suffering brothers in the North. The Psalm praises Yahweh, who cares for the poor. In the second reading, Paul admonishes us to "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience and gentleness" - noble goals in an age of disillusionment - rather than riches. In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us a warning, pointing to the destiny of the rich man who neglected his duty to show mercy to poor Lazarus. The rich man was punished, not for having riches, but for neglecting the Scriptures and what they taught.

God has blessed each one of us with wealth or health or special talents or social power or political influence or a combination of many blessings. The parable invites us to share what we have been given with others in various ways instead of using everything exclusively for selfish gains.

JOKE OF THE WEEK "Oh Lord, hit him again!" The parish church was badly in need of repair. So the pastor called a special meeting inside the church to raise funds. At the assembly the pastor explained the need of an emergency fund for plastering the roof and supporting pillars and the other areas which needed repair. He invited pledge of contributions. After a brief pause Mr. Murphy, the richest man in the parish, volunteered he would give 50 dollars. Just as he sat down, a hunk of plaster fell from the ceiling on the head of Mr. Murphy. He jumped up looking terribly startled and corrected himself: "I meant to say 500 dollars." The congregation stood silent and stunned. Then a lone voice cried out: "Oh Lord, hit him again!"

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA

Join the Athens Public Rosary Rally Saturday, October 15 at noon, Memorial Park. Our simple crusade will join 20,000 cities across America praying the rosary. America Needs Fatima is a special campaign to spread the message of Fatima in the United States. The goal of America Needs Fatima is to win the heart and soul of America for Mary by spreading Our Lady's Fatima message and promoting devotion to Her Immaculate Heart. Our nation is in desperate need of the saving power of the Holy Rosary. Call Louise at 715-409-1540 for more information.

THANK YOU

A special thank you to the PCCW ladies who prepared the breakfast for the Inspired by the Spirit Campaign reception and the Knights of Columbus who assisted last weekend!




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ST. ANTHONY NEWS

PCCW NEWS

PCCW meeting, Wednesday, October 5th at 7:30 pm regarding distribution of raffle tickets and planning for Fall Fest. PLEASE JUST STOP IN IF YOU CAN AND PICK UP SOME RAFFLE TICKETS TO SELL!

Mandatory meeting for all circle chairs and co-chairs following PCCW meeting regarding funerals.

IN SYMPATHY

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

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to the following:

9/25 Joseph Schreiner	9/29 Daniel Ellenbecker
9/25 Arlee Stevens	9/30 Andrea Mader
9/26 Andrew Schreiner	10/1 James Felzkowski
9/26 Karla Fink	10/1 Collin Ellenbecker
9/27 Traci Peter	

Happy Anniversary to the following:

9/26 Frank & Arlee Stevens
9/29 Leon & Mary Lou Boehm
9/29 Richard & Maxine Schreiner
10/1 Cody & Jackie Schmidt

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 17 & 18, 2022

Online:	836.00
Weekly:	3839.00
Offertory:	332.30
Catholic Life:	<u>48.00</u>
Total:	5,055.30


SCHOOL NEWS

CALENDER

Tuesday, September 27: All School Mass, 3 & 4
Tuesday, September 20: All School Mass, 5 & 6

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

BAPTISM

Congratulations to **Braxton Ruthschow** who was recently baptized. He is the son of Kenneth and Victoria Ruthschow.

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who helped make the St. Thomas outdoor breakfast event a success! We had a great turn out and lots of fun despite the rain. The generosity of volunteers and those who donated funds is very much appreciated! We plan to use the funds for youth activities at St. Thomas.

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to the following:


Happy Anniversary to the following:

10/1 BJ & Julie Venzke
10/1 Jonathon & Lisa Beran

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 18, 2022

Weekly:	585.00
Offertory:	134.00
Catholic Life:	<u>32.00</u>
Total:	751.00

<p style="text-align: center;">ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK</p> <p>Please let them know you saw their ad in our church bulletin.</p>	 <div style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-size: small;"> Serving Families Since 1874 </div> <p style="font-size: small;">(715) 842-3993 www.helke.com</p>
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DIOCESE NEWS

DOMESTIC CHURCH RETREAT OCT. 15-16

Have you and your spouse ever been on a couples' retreat? There will be a two-day Domestic Church Retreat for sacramentally married couples on Oct. 15-16 at St. John the Baptist Parish in Marshfield. For questions, or to register, go to diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/ or email region7.couple@domesticchurchfamilies.com.

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Liturgical Ministers



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022

ST. ANTHONY, ATHENS - 4:00 PM

LECTOR: Dakota Zillmer
 BODY OF CHRIST: Nicole Ellenbecker
 BLOOD OF CHRIST:
 USHERS: Group 1
 SERVERS: Daxton Diethelm
 McKenna Lepak
 SCRIP SELLER: Joanne Roll

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

ST. THOMAS, MILAN - 8:00 AM

LECTOR: Phil Literski
 USHERS: Bill Yessa
 Frank Schreiber
 SERVERS: Benno Heier
 McCormick Heier
 SCRIP SELLER: Beth Heier

ST. ANTHONY, ATHENS - 9:30 AM

LECTOR: Mark Ellenbecker
 BODY OF CHRIST: Carrie Haehlke
 BLOOD OF CHRIST: Tammy Schreiner
 Crystal Sheahan
 USHERS: Group 3
 SERVERS: Mary Lou Dalbec
 Vanessa Dalbec
 SCRIP SELLER: Sarah Schreiner

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St. Anthony is grateful for your continued support.
 Thank you!



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Tom Ellenbecker	St. Anthony Council Chair 715-581-6404
Roger Bartnik	St. Thomas Council Chair 715-257-1000

WEEKLY PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, September 27, 8:15 am, ALL SCHOOL

† Marilyn (Bartnik) Luepke - Leroy & Beth Syring

Wednesday, September 28, 8:15 am

† Frances & Pauly Orlikowski - Wally Orlikowski

Thursday, September 29, 9:00 am at A. L.

† Ralph Wozniak

Friday, September 30, 8:15 am

† Cassie Denk - Family

Saturday, October 1, 4:00 pm

† Howard Whaples - Sally Whaples

Sunday, October 2

8:00 am † Fr. Charles Hiebl

† Linda Beran - Beran Family

9:30 am † Louie Theisen - Tim & Heather Hansen

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

MON: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

TUE: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

WED: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

THU: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

FRI: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

SAT: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

SUN: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday; The Holy Guardian Angels

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF September 25, 2022

MON: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

TUE: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56

WED: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62

THU: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

FRI: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16

SAT: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

SUN: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

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