



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
DECEMBER 27, 2020



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St. Anthony Parish Website: www.cgstanthony.weebly.com

St. Anthony School Website: www.stanthonyschool.info

Parish ~ www.facebook.com/cgstanthony/

School ~ www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduaColumbusGrove/

The gospel today shows Mary and Joseph weren't 'perfect' parents.

*If you have ever been "amazed" and "astonished" at what came out of your child's mouth,
then you are in good company.*

*If there were times you "didn't understand" your children or felt "anxious" about their behavior
so did Mary and Joseph.*

Parenting is tough but it is also the stuff of holiness.

Mass Schedule

December 29	Tuesday		No Evening Mass
December 30	Wednesday		No Morning Mass
December 31	Thursday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God ~ {Carxl Candler}
January 01	Friday	10:00 a.m. Mass	The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God ~ {John Schroeder}
January 02	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
January 02	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
January 02	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Epiphany of the Lord ~ {Alfred Morman ~ Tom Knott ~ Wanda Kiene ~ Darren Langhals ~ John Siefker ~ Nathan Siefker ~ Special Intention ~ Harold & Alice Gerten}
January 03	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	(Weekend Mass Streamed on Facebook Live Saturday at 4:00 p.m.) The Epiphany of the Lord ~ {Elmer & Lucille Karhoff ~ Dick & Ruth Warnecke}
January 03	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	The Epiphany of the Lord ~ {Living & Deceased Members of the Neuendorf and Plumadore Families}

Servers

December 29	Tuesday		No Evening Mass
December 30	Wednesday		No Morning Mass
December 31	Thursday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Dylan Birkemeier, Derek Birkemeier, Jared Kahle
January 01	Friday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Alton Kiene, Joe Morman, Andrew Morman
January 02	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mackenzie Langhals, Derek Birkemeier, Dylan Birkemeier
January 03	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Nate Kamphaus, Sarah Kamphaus, Valerie Morman
January 03	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	A.J. Doseck, Megan Bogart, Ryan Bogart

Lectors

December 31	Thursday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Marge Tabler
January 01	Friday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Dunn
January 02	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Geddy Davis
January 03	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Faith Oglesbee
January 03	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Hanna Warnecke

Eucharistic Ministers

December 31	Thursday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Beth Birkemeier, Ken & Connie Kruse
January 01	Friday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Rose Ellerbrock, Kate Morman, Marilyn Siefker
January 02	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Beth Birkemeier, Bev Baxter, Erica Siefker
January 03	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Birkemeier, Rose Ellerbrock, Pam Inbody
January 03	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Anne Schroeder, Shirley Goedde, Harold Gerten

Hilty Home ~ No distributors will be going to the Hilty Home until further notice.

Usher

December 31	Thursday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Tom Dunlap, 3 Volunteers
January 01	Friday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Gene Siefker, 3 Volunteers
January 02	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Jon Diller, Mike Recker, Tim Reimund, Aaron Siefker
January 03	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Craig Kaufman, Gib Kaufman, Bruce Schroeder, Carl Warnecke
January 03	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Al Schroeder, Dale Schroeder, Roger Wenzinger, Dave Moore

Greeter Schedule

There will be no Greeters present during the month of January

Parish Activities

January 07 **Parish Council @ 6:30 p.m.**

For The Week of December 20th

Adult Sunday & Christmas ~ 194	\$19,879.00
Children's ~ 26	<u>70.95</u>
	19,949.95
Other Income	<u>7,709.15</u>
Total Income	\$ 27,659.10
Total Expenses	\$ 5,645.20



The Word Among Us ~ The January/February **Word Among Us** is available at the entrances of the church.

K of C ~ The K of C will be leading the Rosary before all Weekend Masses, **January 2nd and January 3rd.**

K of C ~ The K of C meeting for **January 5th** has been cancelled.

K of C Free Throw Challenge ~ The K of C Free Throw Challenge scheduled for **January 17th** has been **cancelled.**

No First Friday Devotion ~ There will be **no** First Friday devotion in January because it falls on New Years Day.

Parish Council ~The Parish Council will be meeting on **Thursday, January 7th,** at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory.

Mass Ministry Schedules ~ The Mass Ministry Schedules for January and February, 2021 are available on the table in the back of church. If you have any questions, contact Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 or ebirnesser@yahoo.com.

That Man Is You ~ **TMIY** will be meeting on **Saturday, January 16th,** at 6:00 a.m. in the church basement. The topic is ~ *Put Your Sword Into Its Sheath.*

Youth Ministry ~ The next Youth Night will be **Sunday, January 17th** from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the church basement.

Contribution Envelopes ~ The 2021 adult contribution envelopes are available in the church basement. If you are unable to find your contribution envelopes, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263.

Special Christmas Gift ~ Thanks to a very generous parishioner, copies of “*I Heard God Laugh*” by Matthew Kelly is available at the entrances of the church. *I Heard God Laugh* is a practical guide to life’s essential daily habits. Thank you so much for your generosity to our St. Anthony Parish family!

Scrip ~ The next scrip weekend will be **January 2nd and January 3rd.** The helpers are Connie and Ken Kruse, Teresa Meyer, Joyce Kaufman, Vonda Nemire, Anne Schroeder, and Sarah Martin.

Christmas Flower Fund ~ If you would like to make a donation to our Christmas Flower Fund in memory of your deceased loved ones, feel free to put their names on the envelope you will find in your contribution envelope packet. We will publish the list after Christmas. Thank you!

2021 Calendars ~ The 2021 calendars are available at all of the entrances of the church. The calendars this year are Feast & Saints and Rejoice O’ Earth. Thank you to Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Columbus Grove Dentistry, Hartman Sons Funeral Home and Grove Insurance Services for covering the cost of this year’s calendars!

Donations Needed ~ One of our many St. Anthony's volunteers has been sending sympathy cards to parish families for almost 30 years. She has also been sending get well cards to parishioners and that's why she needs your help to notify her when someone in your family or a friend is ill. Joann's phone number is 419-659-5232. The Altar Rosary thanks Joann for her dedication to this project and helps to support her by furnishing postage. Could you also support her by donating "**Sympathy, Get Well or Thinking of You**" cards that you no longer need? Just drop them off in the marked box in the church hall kitchen. We will get them to Joann. Thank you!

Cemetery News ~ Any special flowers or special items that you would like to preserve for next spring may need to be removed from the graves of your loved ones. Grave blankets for the winter are permitted. It is suggested to be sure to remove the grave blankets mid to late March so the grass is not damaged in the spring. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Dan Maag at 419-659-2969.

Red Cross Blood Drive ~ The Church of the Good Shephard will be hosting a blood drive on **Thursday, December 31st**, from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. This is a "Leaders Saves Lives" drive sponsored by a high school student. **St. Anthony's** next blood drive will be **Friday, January 29th**, from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Please call 1-800 Blood Drive to schedule an appointment at either of these locations. **THANKS TO ALL THE GENEROUS DONORS!**

Bibles ~ Do you need a special gift, for that special occasion, for that special person? Consider giving them the gift that will keep on giving ~ The American Bible-Catholic Family Life Edition. We have bibles in white or navy. We also have special wedding bibles. The cost is \$30.00. If interested, contact the parish office at 419-659-2263.

K of C Beef & Chicken ~ If you are planning to use beef or chicken for your family parties, consider purchasing your supplies from our K of C. Below are the prices of the items available.

	<u>Beef</u>	<u>Chicken</u>
Case of 24 cans ~ 28 ozs.	\$ 179.00	\$ 145.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs.	92.00	75.00
Price Per 28 oz. Can	8.00	6.50
Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs.	109.00	94.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs.	56.00	49.00
Price Per 14.5 oz. can	5.00	4.25

Call Gene Heitmeyer at 419-659-5574, Dave Ellerbrock at 419-659-5833, Dan Maag at 419-659-2969, Gary Hermiller at 419-642-2645 or Len Kaufman at 419-659-6153 to place your order.

AmazonSmile ~ AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support St. Anthony's every time you shop on Amazon using an internet browser on your desktop or laptop computer, your mobile phone or your tablet, at no cost to you or to St. Anthony's. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as *Amazon.com* with the added bonus that Amazon will donate .5% of the purchase price to St. Anthony's.

1. Go to smile.amazon.com
2. Click on "Your Account"
3. Click on "Change Your Charity"
4. Type in "St. Anthony of Padua Parish"
5. Look for St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Columbus Grove, OH and click on our name.
6. Click on "Select"

Then you can place your order as you normally would. The next time you place your Amazon order at smile.amazon.com, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Columbus Grove, will automatically show up. Amazon will remember your selection and from that time on, every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation to St. Anthony's. *You also can pay for your order with Amazon Scrip which also helps St. Anthony's.*

"The real question today is not when human life begins, but what is the value of human life?"

Edmund Burke

March for Life ~ The Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Respect Life Ministry is sponsoring a bus trip for the March for Life in Washington D.C. The bus picks up from Port Clinton and Sandusky, Ohio on Thursday, January 28, 2021, and returns home Saturday, January 30, 2021. For more information see registration forms which are available at the entrances of the church.

A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

I pray that All of you had a good Christmas shared with Your Loved ones. Even though we have had a difficult year, Jesus was still born in a Manger in order to "Change The World" and deliver us from Our Sins. We are charged with continuing Christmas in Our Hearts and in how we live our lives serving one another as Jesus taught us.

This weekend we celebrate The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Our Gospel tells the story of taking Jesus to Jerusalem for the custom of having him dedicated in The Temple. They Meet Simeon who was overjoyed at seeing Jesus, knowing that He had seen "The Christ" who came to save The World.

Many thanks to everyone who made our Christmas Celebrations so beautiful. We are so Blessed in Our Parish to have so many Good People who work so hard for all of us to enjoy a wonderful experience of Faith, Family and Friends.

A personal Thanks to All of You who sent Cards, Goodies and Gifts this Christmas. Know that you are All Appreciated for your Kindness.

CORRECTION: THE WEBSITE FOR "FORMED"
IS: <http://www.formed.org/signup> and not .com as I previously noted.

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love, Fr. David