

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA**  
**A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**APRIL 4, 2021**



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**Parish Office Hours: Monday Thru Thursday ~ 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Friday ~ 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**St. Anthony Parish Website: [www.cgstanthony.weebly.com](http://www.cgstanthony.weebly.com)**

**St. Anthony School Website: [www.stanthonyschool.info](http://www.stanthonyschool.info)**

**Parish ~ [www.facebook.com/cgstanthony/](http://www.facebook.com/cgstanthony/)**

**School ~ [www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduaColumbusGrove/](http://www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduaColumbusGrove/)**

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*“By the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit, St. Anthony’s Parish Mission is to bring the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ and His Church to our families, our neighbors and our world.”*  
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*That first Easter morning was confusing.  
 Jesus was missing and Mary Magdalene, Peter and John “did not know” what to do.  
 In family life there are confusing moments when “we don’t know” what to do.  
 Like the apostles we are Easter people when we believe and trust in each other even when all seems lost.*  
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**Mass Schedule**

April	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	<b>No Evening Mass</b>
April	07	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	<b>No Morning Mass</b>
April	08	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Thursday within the Octave of Easter ~ {Beth Schroeder}
April	09	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Friday within the Octave of Easter ~ {Joe Koch ~ The Koch & Ellerbrock Families}
April	10	Saturday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Rosary
April	10	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
April	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter ~ {Norm Maag ~ Richard & Angela Knott} (Weekend Mass Streamed on Facebook Live Saturday at 4:00 p.m.)
April	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	2nd Sunday of Easter ~ {Betty Schumacher ~ Wilfred & Marie Niese ~ Wayne Stechschulte ~ Dennis Stechschulte}
April	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	2nd Sunday of Easter ~ {Marilyn Schroeder ~ William P. Schumaker ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Morman & Schroeder Families}

**Servers**

April	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	<b>No Evening Mass</b>
April	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Brock Verhoff, Mya Verhoff, Grant Siefker
April	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Cheyenne Mershman, Logan Mershman, Valerie Morman
April	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Carmen Schroeder, Hannah Schroeder, Levi Schroeder

**Lectors**

April	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Gary Hermiller
April	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dan Maag
April	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Bruce Stephens

**Eucharistic Ministers**

April	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Marilyn Siefker, Lauryn Wischmeyer, Sherri Wischmeyer
April	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Hoffman, Marilyn Birkemeier, Rose Ellerbrock
April	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Sue Schroeder, Anne Schroeder, Jennifer Siefker

**Ushers**

April	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	George Ellerbrock, Doug Roof, Don Stechschulte, Rob Verhoff
April	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Tom Dunlap, Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Gene Siefker
April	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Dave Ellerbrock, Terry Giesige, Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst

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**Parish Activities**  
April 06 **K of C Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.**  
**Rosary @ 7:10 p.m.**  
April 12 **Creative 4-H Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.**

**For The Week of March 28th**  
Adult Sunday ~ 180 \$ 12,307.00  
Children's ~ 23 43.89  
12,350.89  
Other Income 4,120.99  
\$ 16,471.88  
Total Expenses \$ 43,460.27



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**Parker Grothaus, son of Caleb & Mara Grothaus, was baptized this past weekend here at St. Anthony's. May the new gift of the Holy Spirit be with you always!**

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**Marriage Bans II ~ Shalynn Morman & William Selhorst**  
**Marriage Bans III ~ Dana Roebke & Decker Lane**

**Best wishes to Dana & Decker who will be married on Saturday, April 10th, here at St Anthony's. May the Lord bless you both with a lifetime of happiness together!**

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**300 Club Winner ~ April 3rd ~ Gary Hermiller ~Ticket # 112~ \$100.00**

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**Parish Office ~ The parish office will be closed Monday, April 5th, in observance of Easter.**

**Divine Mercy Sunday ~ In her Diary, St. Faustina records a special promise given her by Jesus. He told her to communicate it to the whole world: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy (699). In three places in her Diary, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces: I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy (1109). Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (300). The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699). To receive the graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy. In addition, our Lord says through St. Faustina that we are to perform acts of Mercy. "Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must be also acts of Mercy" (742). For more information go on: [thedivinemercy.org](http://thedivinemercy.org).**

**St. John's in Glandorf will be having Adoration & Confessions on Sunday April 11th (Divine Mercy Sunday) at 1:00 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 p.m.**

**300 Club ~ The 300 Club will be accepting 300 Club memberships through next week. There are only a few memberships left, so please get your forms in if you are interested in being a part of the 300 Club. Thank You!**

**Let's Market Our School ~ St. Anthony of Padua School is "a little slice of Heaven". Several staff members have made this comment after working in other schools then coming to St. Anthony's. Our students are respectful, our parish is supportive, and our parents are amazing!! If you are interested in meeting periodically, either in person or virtually, to discuss marketing possibilities and to help get the word out about the great things happening daily at St. Anthony School, please call Mrs. Nancy Dukes, Principal, at 419-659-2103, or email [dukesn@sa.noacsc.org](mailto:dukesn@sa.noacsc.org).**

**The School Advisory Council ~Will be raffling off 4 - \$500 gift card prize packages as a fundraiser for the school. Each package includes an assortment of gift cards to dining establishments in Putnam County. This raffle will take place on May 27, 2021. Tickets are available for purchase at the school office and parish office. Tickets will also be sold after all Masses beginning April 10th.**

**K of C ~ The K of C will be meeting on Tuesday, April 6th at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement with the Rosary being recited at 7:10 p.m.**

**That Man Is You ~ Will be praying the Rosary Wednesday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The next TMIY meeting will be on Saturday, April 10th, at 6:00 a.m. in the church basement. The topic is ~ The Question of Identity.**

**Aluminum Can Drive ~ St. Anthony's High Flyers will be sponsoring an aluminum can collection in the church parking lot starting Wednesday, April 7th - Sunday, April 11th. This is for ALUMINUM ONLY. All proceeds go towards the High Flyers special projects. Thanks To FIVE ANGLE CONSTRUCTION for generously providing the trailer as they have done so many years in the past. St. Anthony's School and Parish have been blessed with so many generous parishioners!**

**Scrip ~ The next Scrip weekend will be April 10th and April 11th. The helpers are: Connie & Ken Kruse, Jan Kidd, Marge Tabler, Rose Ellerbrock, Christie Tabler and Sarah Martin.**

**Creative 4-H Club ~ The Creative 4-H Club will be meeting Monday, April 12th, at 6:00 p.m. in the church basement.**

**Plastic Lids** ~ The Glandorf 4-H Club is collecting plastic lids to help purchase park benches for the Putnam County Fairgrounds. This is an ongoing project. If you are interested in helping save the lids, there will be a plastic tub for the caps on the Sycamore Street entrance and just inside the door of the back kitchen in the church hall. Thanks So Much!!!

**Mother's Day Flower Sale** ~ Enjoy some beautiful flowers this spring! We will be selling some very lovely hanging baskets and tubs again. Please complete your order form found at the church entrances and return it to the parish office or place in the collection by **Sunday, April 11**. Your flower order will be available for pick up in the church basement after the 4:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. Masses **May 8th and 9th**. Thank you for your support! Any questions, please call Judy Schroeder 419-659-5498.

**Red Cross Blood Drive** ~ At the last drive this past Tuesday, 71 units of blood were collected. We have now reached a new high. Thank You to all who came to donate especially at this crucial time as blood is always needed and some drives are not being held because of Covid. This blood drive was moved to The Church of Good Shepherd for the convenience of 'no steps' which made it so much easier for the Red Cross staff and our donors. So we have decided that we will host all our blood drives there as they have graciously offered us the use of their building. The next blood drives will be **Friday, April 30th** and **Thursday, June 3rd**. Call 1-800-BloodDrive or Marge at 419-659-5190 to schedule an appointment.

**Help needed for Vacation Bible School** ~ St. Anthony's VBS will be held the week of **Monday, June 14th - Thursday, June 17th** from 6:30-8:00 p.m. **Adult helpers are needed to help lead lessons** which include a story and activities that are all provided. Please consider this fun and rewarding ministry! Call Judy Schroeder 419-659-5498 if you can help or have any questions. Thank you!!

**Putnam County Right to Life** ~ Will be meeting on **Tuesday, April 6th**, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church basement in Kalida. All are welcome!

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## ***A Note from Deacon Don.....***

Dear St. Anthony Parishioners,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us celebrate for the Lord is truly risen. The God made man who was crucified has come back to life. It is the time to spend with family and friends whether we do it in person or virtually. The Easter bunny has filled the baskets with fun surprises, and it is time to celebrate our Lord's Resurrection. Some of my favorite Easter memories are of Mass. Walking into church and smelling all the wonderful flowers, hearing our beautiful choirs, and seeing our church transformed to honor Jesus's rising has always been a great joy to me. One of the favorite Masses throughout the entire year is Easter vigil Mass. I have truly felt the sense of community of our church during this mass. Starting outside at the fire and together sharing the light of God throughout the entire church expresses how our faith and love of God needs to be shared throughout the entire world. In recent years I was given the privilege of carrying the Easter candle to the front which I find such an honor because I know that this will be used throughout the entire year for different celebrations. Keep the fire of Easter burning throughout the year. May God bless us all this Easter!

Deacon Don

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## ***Alleluia, Christ Is Risen!***

Dear St. Anthony Family,

HAPPY EASTER! We have spent time this Lent looking at How we can be better Catholic Christians and doing works of Mercy as we Prayed our way to This Weekend. Even though we Celebrate Easter every year, We can't help but be Thankful that we are able to celebrate in our Church Building with our Church Community! Much of the "Last Year" we would probably like to forget, and yet we know that we have "Run the Race" and made it to "The Finish Line" with a lot learned about ourselves and each other.

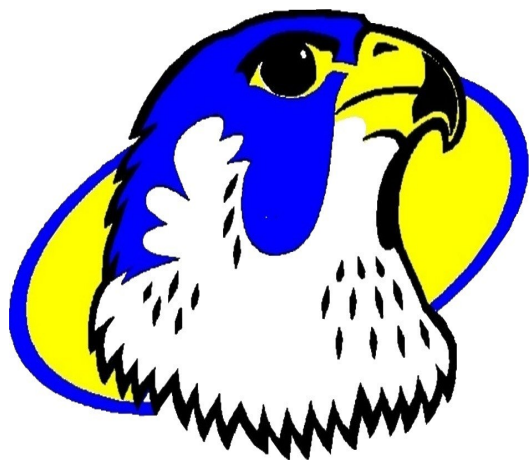
We've also learned to Trust in God even when it seems that things are falling apart. Perhaps, we find ourselves in "a better place" even though we have farther to go. I know that for me, I just wanted to get to a bit of "Normalcy". Part of that "Normalcy" is our Trust and Belief in God. As we are confronted with the Challenges of Life, we know that the only true way to happiness is through God. God, in Jesus, tells us "This is How Much I Love You" as his only begotten Son was Crucified, Died, and was Buried for Our Sakes. Today we experience that Love as Jesus rises from the Dead proving that what he promised us in Eternal Life is not just a story or a Hope; it is a REALITY!

I Pray that you enjoy this Special Time with your families and all you Love and that you make a place for Jesus at your tables and in your Hearts. May Almighty God Bless You and Keep You for Eternal Life. May you bask in His Glory and find Joy in all you do, knowing the Love of God, Family, and Friends to stand by you as you Celebrate Life, Now and Forever!

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love, Fr. David





# Saint Anthony Falcon News

Dear Heavenly Father from above,  
Look down on Saint Anthony's School  
with love.

Please guide them and teach them.

Fill them with your power  
So that in everything they do,

They will be a delight to you!

Amen.

"Jesus Christ is the reason St. Anthony of Padua School exists. He guides our staff, students, and parents to work collaboratively to strengthen the quality of our educational and spiritual community. He is the unseen but ever present teacher in our classes. He is the model of our faculty and the inspiration for our students to live Gospel values." ~ **St. Anthony School Mission Statement** ~



**MARCH GOLDEN FALCON AWARD WINNERS!**



Back Row, L to R:

- Mrs. Dukes,
- Cooper Grismore,
- Autumn Stechschulte,
- Walker Sudlow,
- Daisy Stechschulte,
- Joe Morman,
- Lylah Wilson,
- Father David



Front Row, L to R:

- Isaac Barto,
- Drew Schroeder,
- Kylie Siefker,
- Hunter Kaufman,
- Brooklyn Fuerst,
- Ella Benson,
- Peyton Dunn



**RECESS FUN!**



## Lunch/Recess Volunteers

### Week of April 4th:

- Mon. 5th: None Needed
- Tues. 6th: Courtney Schroeder
- Wed. 7th: Megan Brodwolf
- Thurs. 8th: Lisa Langhals
- Fri. 9th: Valerie Pingle  
Jenna Goubeaux



## Calendar of Events

- April 4 Happy Easter: He Is Risen!
- April 5 No School: Easter Monday
- April 6 Jeans Day: \$1 & non-perishable food
- April 8 Kindergarten Screening (8 - 2)
- April 9 Mass (Kindergarten)
- April 12 Sloppy Joe Sandwiches \$1
- April 14 Parent/Student First Communion Mtg.
- April 16 Mass (Grade 1)  
First Communion Retreat
- April 21 School Advisory Council 6:30 PM
- April 22 First Communion Rehearsal 7:00 PM
- April 23 Mass (Grade 3)

## This Week's LIFE Skill:

~Problem Solving~

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."

**Phillipians 4:13**

