

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 8, 2019



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

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/

Like John the Baptist, every parent “prepares the way of the Lord” in the hearts of their children.

Advent is a good time to ask;

“Do I help or hinder my children to know Jesus?”

Mass Schedule

December 10	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {For the Parish}
December 11	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Jan Kiene}
December 12	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Our Lady of Guadalupe ~ {Maria Aguirre}
December 13	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Lucy ~ {Darren Langhals}
December 14	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
December 14	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
December 14	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {The Koch & Ellerbrock Families ~ Joe Koch ~ Shirley Maag ~ Ben & Philomena Maag ~ Harold Maag ~ Steve Morman}
December 15	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {Wilfred & Marie Niese ~ Bob Morman ~ Joe Morman ~ Wayne Stechschulte}
December 15	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {Living & Deceased Members of the Urban & Rosemary Maag Family}

Servers

December 10	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Sue Knott
December 14	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Brennen Langhals, Jevin Langhals, Hunter Sudlow
December 15	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Reed Schumacher, Rob Langhals, Roy Langhals
December 15	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Carmen Schroeder, Hannah Schroeder, Levi Schroeder

Lectors

December 14	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Geddy Davis
December 15	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Dunn
December 15	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Diana Johnson

Eucharistic Ministers

December 14	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Deb Siefker, Pat Birnesser, Lauryn Wischmeyer, Ken & Connie Kruse
December 15	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Rose Ellerbrock, Marilyn Birkemeier, Dan Maag, Faith Oglesbee, Sherri Wischmeyer
December 15	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Bruce Stephens, Cheryl Ellerbrock, Anne Schroeder, Judy Schroeder, Karl Schroeder

December Eucharistic Minister Coordinators

4:00 p.m. ~ Pat Birnesser - 931-267-2357 8:00 a.m. ~ Dan Maag - 419-659-2969
10:30 a.m. ~ Bruce Stephens

December 15 **Hilty Home ~ 419-384-3218** ~ Marge Roth ~ (List can be picked up in the Sacristy)

~ Hilty Home Residents ~

Betty Yant-Room 101; Jim Fischbach-Room 200; Ron Korte-Room 204;
Mary Jo Radabaugh-Room 206A; Marilyn Roebke-Room 214; Ruth Hohenbrink-Room 310

Ushers

December 14 Saturday **4:00 p.m. Mass** Jon Diller, Mike Recker, Tim Reimund, Aaron Siefker
December 15 Sunday **8:00 a.m. Mass** Craig Kaufman, Gib Kaufman, Bruce Schroeder, Carl Warnecke
December 15 Sunday **10:30 a.m. Mass** Dave Ellerbrock, Terry Giesige, Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst

Greeters Schedule

December 14 Saturday **4:00 p.m. Mass** M ~ Pat Birnesser J ~ Bev Baxter S ~ Tim & Alecia Reimund
December 15 Sunday **8:00 a.m. Mass** M ~ Jim & Linda Oglesbee J ~ Laura Myerholtz
S ~ Bruce & Barb Schroeder
December 15 Sunday **10:30 a.m. Mass** M ~ Karl Schroeder J ~ Dave & Janet Klinker
S ~ Duane & Beth Vorst

Parish Activities

December 08 CCD Classes @ 9:00 a.m.
December 08 Youth Mass @ 6:00 p.m.
December 11 Baptism Classes @ 7:00 p.m.
December 12 St. Anthony Penance Service @ 7:00 p.m.
December 14 That Man Is You @ 6:00 a.m.

For The Week of November 24th

Adult Sunday ~ 220 \$ 7,801.00
Children's ~ 31 22.35
7,823.35
Other Income 7,271.02
Total Income \$ 15,094.37



Total Expenses \$ 15,503.24

300 Club Winner ~December 7th ~ Nick & Ali Gilgenbach ~ Ticket #44 ~ \$100.00
Special Christmas 300 Club Drawing ~ December 7th ~ Betty Knott ~ Ticket #78 ~ \$100.00

Marriage Bans I ~ Jodi Birkemeier & Walter Rosado

"Saint of the Week" St. Juan Diego, 1474 - 1548, Patron of Indigenous People, Feast Day is December 9th. Baptized at age 50, this Indian was walking to Mass on December 9, 1531, when Mary appeared to him on Tepeyca Hill, near Mexico City. She asked him to petition the Bishop for a shrine to be built there. But the bishop asked for a sign. On December 12th, Juan returned to Tepeyca. Mary told him to pick flowers blooming atop the hill and put them in his cloak to take to the bishop. When Juan opened the cloak, the flowers fell out and the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe adorned his garment. This miraculous image is preserved in the famous Basilica in Mexico City. Juan lived out his days as a hermit near the first chapel built there. He was canonized a saint in 2002.

Christian Formation Classes ~ CCD classes will be held this **Sunday, December 8th**, in the school. Doors open at 8:45 a.m. with classes beginning at 9:00 a.m. The next CCD classes will be held **Sunday, December 15th**.

That Man Is You ~ The next TMIY will be meeting on **Saturday, December 14th**, at 6:00 a.m. in the church basement. The topic is: *Friends of St. Joseph*. This is the final TMIY for our fall season.

Scrip ~ Scrip will be available this weekend, **December 7th and December 8th**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Ann Selhorst, Marge Tabler, Marilyn Siefker, Christie Tabler and Jan Eversole. Scrip will also be available next weekend, **December 14th and December 15th**. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Tammy Schroeder, Joyce Kaufman, Kay Koch, Judy Gerten and Trina Rode.

Scrip News ~ **How long will it take to get cards ordered through Scrip and on-line?** We are placing orders every week now till Christmas which means we can get these cards to you quickly.

What is the last day that we can order scrip cards to receive before Christmas? Sunday December 15th
Scrip order forms, schedules and ShopWithScrip.com retailer lists are located at the church entrances.
Scrip is also available at the parish office during office hours.

K of C ~ **The K of C will be leading the Rosary before all weekend Masses during Advent.**

2020 Calendars ~ The 2020 calendars are available at all of the entrances of the church. The calendars this year are *Feasts & Saints* and *Rejoice O' Earth*. Thank you to Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Columbus Grove Family Dentistry, Hartman Sons Funeral Home and Grove Insurance Services for covering the cost of this year's calendars!

Penance Services ~ Area Penance Services for this Advent Season are as follows:

<i>Sunday, December 8th</i>	<i>Immaculate Conception, Ottoville</i>	<i>2:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Tuesday, December 10th</i>	<i>St. Michael's, Kalida</i>	<i>4:00 & 7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wednesday, December 11th</i>	<i>St. Joseph, Ft. Jennings</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Thursday, December 12th</i>	<i>St. Anthony's, Columbus Grove</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday, December 16th</i>	<i>Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa</i>	<i>4:00 & 7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sunday, December 22nd</i>	<i>St. Charles, Lima</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>

Extra Confessions at St. Anthony's

<i>Wednesday, December 18th</i>	<i>6:00 - 7:30 p.m.</i>
<i>Friday, December 20th</i>	<i>11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday, December 23rd</i>	<i>7:00 p.m. Until All Heard</i>

Mass Ministry Schedules ~ Please notify Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 of any requests for January and February Ministry Schedules by **Monday, December 16th**. Thank you for serving our parish!

Thank You! ~ Thank you to the Communion Coordinators for making sure there are enough Distributors before Mass. This avoids confusion to see if there are enough that walk forward. Thank you everyone for checking in with the Coordinator before Mass. The Coordinator will find a replacement if they cannot be there. If on occasion there is not a Coordinator, we ask the first Distributor that checks in to please stay and make sure there are enough Distributors before Mass or ask another Distributor to do this. This will be very helpful. Thanks for all Distributors for finding a sub if you cannot be there. If you are unable to find one, please notify the Coordinator. Thank you for all you do to serve our St. Anthony Parish.

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!

Cemetery News ~ Winter will soon be here. 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.

Volunteers for Christmas Masses ~ A sign-up sheet for Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Greeters for our Christmas Masses is on the table in the back of church. The Mass times are: **Christmas Eve ~ 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.** The Mass on **Christmas Day is 10:00 a.m.** Thanks for those who are willing to be a part of our Christmas celebrations.

Containers Are Needed! ~ We are in need of containers to be used for freezing food or sending with family members after a funeral luncheon. We could use all sizes especially larger bucket type containers. If you have some to spare, put the containers on the counter in the church basement kitchen. Thank you!

Save The Date! ~ The Marriage Encounter Dinner Dance will be held on **Sunday, February 9th 2020**. The Mass is scheduled at 4:00 p.m. at the Ottawa Knights of Columbus Hall with a Dinner Dance following at 5:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the live band, the Deuces Wild. Enjoy a beautiful evening with the love of your life. For tickets contact Scott and Pam Hummel at 419-581-5862.

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.

Baptism Classes ~ The next Baptism class (required for first time parents or encouraged for new parents who have not taken the class in the past 5 years) will be held on **Wednesday, December 11th**, at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Please call Tom & Karyn Kamphaus at 419-615-8737 or the parish office at 419-659-2263 to register. The next class will be held in 2020.

Ottawa Knights Of Columbus ~ The Ottawa K of C is hosting their New Year's Eve Party. All proceeds go to the Ottawa Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$50.00 and include food, drinks, games and prizes. Grand prize is \$3,000. Please contact Pat Gerten with questions or to purchase tickets at 419-235-1991.

Columbus Grove Community Choir ~ Come join the fun with the annual Columbus Grove Community Choir. Practices are: December 8th and December 10th. Sunday practices are from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Tuesday night practices are from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. The concert date is **Sunday, December 15th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Columbus Grove Christian Church. **The Turner Hall Christmas Concert will be on Monday, December 16th at 7:00 p.m.**

Serra Club of Lima Area ~ Come be our guest for Mass, dinner and a talk this **Thursday, December 12th**, at 5:45 p.m. at Lima Central Catholic High School. Emily Hedrick, a Mennonite Minister will be speaking on her faith journey. The evening will be sponsored by The Serra Club of The Lima Area, which exists to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To make reservation please call Marilyn Schmerge at 567-204-4746.

Ecumenical Christmas Concert at the Shrine ~ The 48th Carey Ecumenical Christmas Concert is scheduled this **Sunday, December 8th**, at 4:30 p.m. at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay Street in Carey. This year's choir is made up of 90 singers from 19 cities throughout northwest and central Ohio. Music for this year's concert includes traditional melodies along with newly composed contemporary works based on traditional hymn texts and scripture. The Epworth Brass from Marion, along with the piano and the majestic organ of the basilica, will join forces with the chorus to fill the church with the beautiful sounds of Christmas. A free-will offering will be collected during the concert to support the on-going ministry of the choir. The Shrine Cafeteria will be open for dinner immediately following the concert and the Shrine Gift Shop will also be open.

Breakfast with Santa ~ "Breakfast with Santa" will be held at Landeck, St. John the Baptist Church basement on **Sunday, December 15th**, 9:30 – 1:00 p.m. The menu of the All-you-can-eat breakfast is: sausage, eggs, pancakes applesauce, coffee and milk. Santa will visit all the "good boys and girls" from 9:45 a.m. – Noon. Free Will Offering.

Carey Healing Mass ~ The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey will be having a healing Mass on **Friday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, individual prayer and the anointing of the sick will take place after Mass.

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.	\$ 174.00	\$ 142.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs.	88.00	73.00
Price Per 28 oz. Can	7.50	6.25
Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs.	105.00	90.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs.	53.00	47.00
Price Per 14.5 oz. can	4.50	4.00

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.

A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

This weekend's Gospel speaks to the Great Work of John the Baptist, the "Foreteller" of Jesus who came to Teach and Preach the Gospel of Repentance. The People came to John seeking Baptism and Reconciliation and even some surprise visitors were Baptized In the process. John let the people know that this Repentance and Baptism was not just a "Quick Fix" but it required a true Conversion.

Those who were Baptized were called not only to a change of Heart, but also to a lifestyle change. To accept Jesus was to become a provider for the Lowly and down-trodden and a Love for the poor. Once one was Baptized, a change for good was expected. May all of us be reminded of our own Baptismal Promises and work to "make good" on all that was promised. Sometimes we can become complacent in our lives and forget that the process of conversion is Life Long. Let us pray that we live out our Baptisms to the fullest, and Look for the day when we all meet again in Paradise.

Once more I Thank You for Your Prayers of Support and your generous gifts in memory of Dad. You have been so kind. I also thank you for your patience and understanding during my recent illness and dental issues that caused me to not be with you recently. Your support is Inspiring.

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love, Fr. David

CHRISTMAS ADDRESSES ~ 2019

It's time again to remind our parish family of those we do not often see because they live elsewhere or they are confined to their home. If you would like to send them a Christmas card or a friendly note, the addresses are listed below.

*Fr. Joe Kiene, O.F.M.
700 West Maumee Street
Angola, Indiana 46703*

*Father Thomas Oedy
4150 Starr Avenue
Oregon, Ohio 43616-2444*

*Father Gary Walters
85 South Sandusky Street
Tiffin, OH 44883*

*Fr. Dan Zak
1855 Albon Road
Holland, OH 43528*

*Father Robert Kurber
12204 Manado Street
Orlando, FL 32837-6735*

*Sister Rita Rogier
1105 Amherst Place
Dayton, OH 45406-5031*

*Sister Louann Roof
4960 Salem Avenue #2501
Dayton, Ohio 45416*

*Father Thoms Extejt
2248 Charlotte Drive
Toledo, OH 43613*

*Father Charles Obinwa
P.O. Box 68
Ft. Jennings, Ohio 45844-0068*

*Father Norbert Howe
165 North Seriff Drive
Lima, OH 45807*

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

*Hilty Memorial Home
P. O. Box 359
Pandora, Ohio 45877*

..... Marilyn Roebke

*The Meadows of Kalida
P.O. Box 388
Kalida, Ohio 45853*

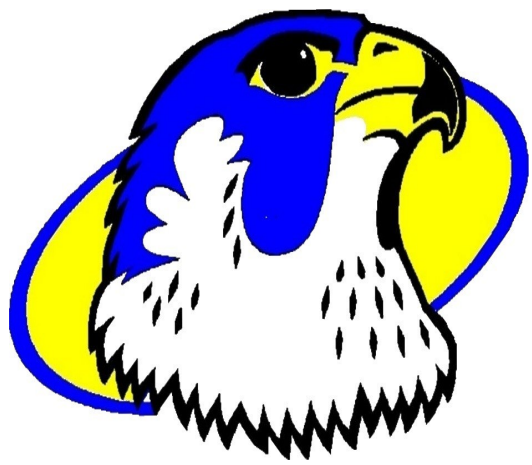
*..... Dick Pohl
..... Othmar Schroeder
..... Agnes Hoffman
..... Pauline Osterhage
..... Kay Kohls
..... Helen Hoffman
..... Rose Mary McCrate
..... Esther Halker
..... Dolly Blankemeyer*

*The Meadows of Ottawa
147 Putnam Parkway Drive
Ottawa, Ohio 45875*

*..... Rudy Schroeder
..... Jerry Fortman
..... Dolores Meyer*

*Karen Maag.....15880 Road 13, Columbus Grove, Ohio, 45830
Jerry Goedde.....205 Selhorst Drive, Apt. A-6, Ottawa, Ohio, 45875
Pat Lane.....P.O. Box 56, 606-B Buckeye Drive, Kalida, Ohio, 45853
Elmer & Armella Kerner.....12245 Road O. Ottawa, Ohio, 45875
Evelyn Wyant.....Putnam Heritage, 1380 North Locust Street, Room 86, Ottawa, OH, 45875
Margaret Stechschulte 10990 State Route 12, Columbus Grove, Ohio, 45830
Eugene Maag..... 8366 Road Z, Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830
Leona Moore..... 309 Gove Street, Columbus Grove, Ohio, 45830
Paula Stechschulte..... 8135 Road P-7, Columbus Grove, Ohio, 45830*

If there is someone else from our parish that should be included, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263 and we will include them in the next bulletin. Thank you!



Saint Anthony Falcon News

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

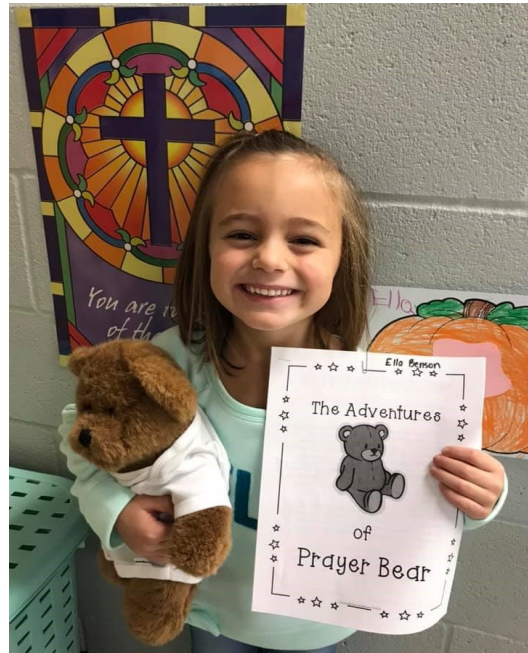
Please guide them and teach them.

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 Mission Statement ~



Lunch Recess Volunteers

Week of December 9—13, 2019

- Mon. 9th: Lisa Langhals
- Tues. 10th: Jenny Pingle
- Wed. 11th: Mallory Siefker
- Thurs. 12th: April Schroeder
- Fri. 13th: Jill Meyer; Julie Herron

Upcoming Events:

- December 9 Christmas socks/hat \$1; Jeans \$1
- December 10 FREE Parent Guild Sub Lunch ~
Sub sandwich, chips, applesauce, cookie, milk
- December 13 Mass (Grade 2)
- December 16 Christmas sweater/shirt \$1; Jeans \$1
- December 19 St. Anthony Christmas Program ~
Dress Rehearsal 1:00; Evening Performance 7:00
- December 20 Mass (Grade 1)
Golden Falcon Awards
End of the Second Quarter
Early Dismissal 12:45
- Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 No School ~ Christmas Break

This Week's LIFE Skill :

~CARING~

"One who is gracious to a poor man lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his good deed."

Proverbs 19:17

2nd Week of Advent

PEACE

