

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA**  
**A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**DECEMBER 22, 2019**



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

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

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***The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.”***  
***Every child is Emmanuel, reminding us “God is with us.”***  
***Children are signs of God’s continuing presence in our lives.***

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**Mass Schedule**

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Vigil ~The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Dick Schroeder ~ Darren Langhals ~ Miller & Knott Families ~ Laverne & LaDonna Siefker ~ Nathan Siefker ~ Griffin Warniment ~ Stella Warniment ~ Francis & Jean Stechschulte ~ Betty Schumacher}
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Vigil ~ The Nativity of the Lord ~ {John Meyer}
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Vigil ~ The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Norm Maag ~ Joe Koch ~ The Koch & Ellerbrock Families ~ Ryan Gerding ~ Harry & Margaret Morman ~ Jeff Morman ~ Ron Pitson ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Urban & Rosemary Maag Family ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Edward J. & Elizabeth Morman Family}
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Mass</b>	The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Daniel & Jennie Maag}
December 26	Thursday		<b>No Morning Mass</b>
December 27	Friday		<b>No Morning Mass</b>
December 28	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
December 28	Saturday	<b>3:00 – 3:30 p.m.</b>	Confessions
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Vigil ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph ~ {Darren Langhals}
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph ~ {Joe & Gladys Verhoff}
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph ~ {Walter Schroeder ~ Wilbur & Emma Becker ~ William P. Schumaker}

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**Servers**

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Hunter Sudlow, Jevin Langhals, Brennen Langhals, Grant Siefker, Nate Kamphaus
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Joe Morman, 2 Volunteers
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Nathan Dunbar, Steven Dunbar, Levi Schroeder
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass</b>	Joshua Buescher, Brandon Buescher, Abby Buescher
December 26	Thursday		<b>No Morning Mass</b>
December 27	Friday		<b>No Morning Mass</b>
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Hanna Warnecke, Zach Warnecke, Hunter Sudlow
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Gwen Langhals, Mitchell Schroeder, Levi Burkholder
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Megan Bogart, Ryan Bogart, Jared Kahle

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*Lectors*

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	<b>Special ~ Children's Mass</b>
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Marge Tabler
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Judy Schroeder
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass</b>	Roger Schroeder
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Marge Tabler
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Ron Teders
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Karl Schroeder

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*Eucharistic Ministers*

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Don Siefker, Jennifer Siefker, Maria Kaufman, Doug Langhals, Denny Ricker, Lisa Langhals – Children's Choir
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Bruce Stephens, Stephanie Moore, Kate Morman, John & Mary Kay Koch
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Don Siefker, Sarah Schroeder, Faith Oglesbee, Rose Schnipke, Diana Kaufman
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass</b>	Rose Ellerbrock, Teresa Brubaker, Bev Baxter, Pam Inbody, Deb Siefker
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Tori Warnecke, Karen Kamphaus, Rose Schnipke, Maria Kaufman, Deb Siefker
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	John & Mary Kay Koch, Diana Kaufman, Gib Kaufman, Sherri Wischmeyer
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Dave & Christie Tabler, Shirley Goedde, Bruce Stephens, Lisa Meuleman

*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.** ~ Dave Tabler

December 25 **Hilty Home ~ 419-384-3218** ~ Don Ellerbrock ~ (List can be picked up in the Sacristy)

December 29 **Hilty Home ~ 419-384-3218** ~ Pat Birnesser ~ (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*

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*Ushers*

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Gene Siefker, Tom Dunlap, Mike Kohls, Terry Giesige
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Dave Moore, Mike Morman, Andrew Morman, 1 Volunteer
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass</b>	John Siefker, 3 Volunteers
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass</b>	Joyce Seyer, 3 Volunteers
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Mike Kohls, Brent Glass, Denny Meuleman, 1 Volunteer
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Joyce Seyer, Dave Koch, Dave Kreuzberg, John Siefker
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>	Joey Warnecke, Matt McCauley, Mike Morman, Tayt Birnesser

*Greeters Schedule*

December 24	Tuesday	<b>4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass ~ Special ~ Children's Mass</b>		
December 24	Tuesday	<b>6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass ~ M ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>J ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>S ~ Volunteer</b>
December 24	Tuesday	<b>10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass ~ M ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>J ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>S ~ Marilyn Birkemeier</b>
December 25	Wednesday	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass ~ M ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>J ~ Volunteer</b>	<b>S ~ Kathy Buescher</b>
December 28	Saturday	<b>4:00 p.m. Mass M ~ Pat Birnesser</b>	<b>J ~ Eileen Martin</b>	<b>S ~ Brent &amp; Jill Glass</b>
December 29	Sunday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass M ~ Tom &amp; Dorothy Mershman</b>	<b>J ~ April Schroeder</b>	<b>S ~ Doug &amp; Mary Langhals</b>
December 29	Sunday	<b>10:30 a.m. Mass M ~ Jeff &amp; Annette Bogart</b>	<b>J ~ Lori Schroeder</b>	<b>S ~ Matt &amp; Karen McCauley</b>

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**December 22**     Parish Activities  
CCD Classes @ 9:00 a.m.

For The Week of December 15th

Adult Sunday ~ 239	\$ 10,361.21
Children's ~ 25	<u>27.31</u>
	10,388.52
Other Income	<u>6,764.80</u>
Total Income	\$ 17,153.32
Total Expenses	\$ 14,205.66



*Total Parking Lot Donations To-Date ~ \$ 5,505.00*

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*300 Club Winner ~December 21st ~ Town & Country Flowers ~ Ticket #165 ~ \$100.00  
Special Christmas 300 Club Drawing ~ December 21st ~ Shafer Pizzeria ~ Ticket #146 ~ \$100.00  
Final 300 Club Drawing ~ December 25th ~ Tom & Dorothy Mershman ~ Ticket #245 ~ \$250.00*

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*Marriage Bans III ~ Jodi Birkemeier & Walter Rosado*

*Best wishes to Jodi & Walter who will be married on Saturday, December 28th, here at St. Anthony's.  
May the Lord bless you both with a lifetime of happiness together!*



*Our St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of  
Richard "Dick" Pohl who died on Saturday, December 14th. Mass of Resurrection was celebrated  
for Dick on Wednesday, December 18th, here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of  
God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Dick into His Kingdom for eternity.*

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*"Saint of the Week"* Theodore and Theophanes died 841 and 845, respectively, Feast is December 27th. These brothers grew up near Jerusalem and became monks at the Monastery of St. Sabas. The Jerusalem patriarch ordained Theodore and sent him to exhort the emperor, a supporter of Iconoclasm, or the destruction of sacred images, to change his mind. Theodore was scourged and he and his brother were banished for a time to an island. For opposing Iconoclasm, they were banished again, then had 12 lines of iambic verse describing their iniquity cut or tattooed into their faces. The disfigured brothers were banished to Bithynia, where Theodore died. When Iconoclasm was banned, Theophanes was honored for his faithfulness and appointed Bishop of Nicaea.

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*Special Christmas Gift* ~ Thanks to a very generous parishioner, copies of "Rediscover the Saints" by Matthew Kelly, are available at the entrances of the church. *Rediscover the Saints* shares with us the lives of various saints and the examples they have given to us for our own lives. Thank you so much for your generosity to our St. Anthony Parish family.

*Scrip* ~ Scrip will be available this weekend, **December 21st and December 22nd**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Joy Stechschulte, Marge Tabler, Mary Langhals, Christie Tabler and Carla Kohls. The next Scrip weekend will be January 4th and January 5th, 2020. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Teresa Meyer, Joyce Kaufman, Vonda Nemire, Judy Gerten and Elaine Schroeder.

*Mass Ministry Schedules* ~ The Mass Ministry Schedules for January and February, 2020 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](mailto:ebirnesser@yahoo.com).

*Contribution Envelopes* ~ The 2020 adult and high school contribution envelopes are available on the tables in the back of church. If you are unable to find your contribution envelopes, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263.

*Christian Formation Classes* ~ CCD classes will be held this **Sunday, December 22nd**, 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, January 5th, 2020**.

*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!

*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!



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***Diocese of Toledo Safe Environment Program in Full Compliance with USCCB Norms*** ~ Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that, for the fiscal year 2018-2019, the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church, please report the abuse to your local police department, Child Protection Services, and Mr. Frank DiLallo, Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator. Mr. DiLallo can be reached at 419- 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

## ***A Note from Father David.....***

Dear St. Anthony Family,

MERRY CHRISTMAS!! Yes I know it's not Christmas yet, but if I wait till next week, it will be after The Baby Jesus has been born! On behalf of myself and all the Staff of St. Anthony Parish and School, I wish All of You the Peace and Joy that comes from experiencing The Birth of Our Lord. This week's Gospel tells the story of how The Birth of Jesus Christ came about. Of course, we all know it was a wild story that required the Understanding and Faith of Joseph to cooperate in The Lord's Work after experiencing The Angel of The Lord. It must have been hard for Joseph to accept what he was told, and yet his Faith allowed him to believe that God had prepared him to be the "Earthly Father" of Jesus. As he awoke from his dream, Joseph did as The Angel of The Lord told him, and he took his wife into his home.

The story of the birth of Jesus and all the possibilities that come with it become the means for our Salvation and the fulfillment of all our dreams. My Prayer for You is that this week you find yourself with those you Love, Celebrating The Baby Jesus and enjoying all God's Good Blessings of Our Faith, Our Families, and Our Friends.

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 Mission Statement ~



K-2 students participated in Christmas activities recently in Phys. Ed. class. One of the activities required students to gather random PE equipment & make a snowman.

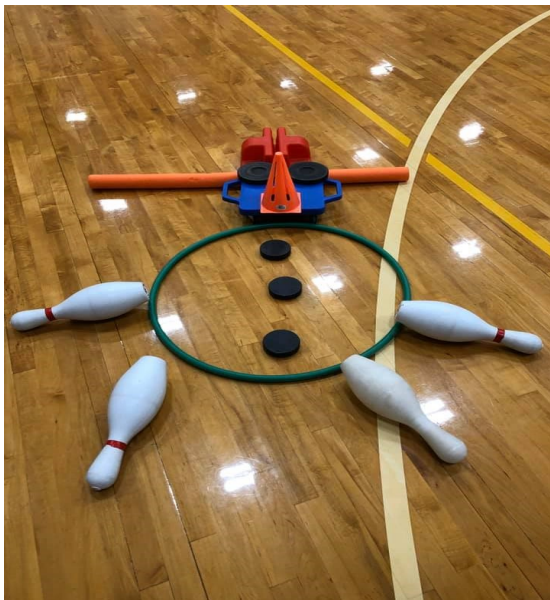


## K of C Free Throw Contest

Sunday, January 19th 12:30 pm

St. Anthony Gymnasium

Open to all children ages 9 - 14



### Lunch Recess Volunteers

#### Week of January 6 - 10, 2020

- Mon. 6th: Alison Laubenthal
- Tues. 7th: Cindy Stechschulte
- Wed. 8th: Megan Brodwolf
- Thurs. 9th: April Schroeder
- Fri. 10th: Valerie Pingle; Sarah Barto

### Upcoming Events:

- Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 No School ~ Christmas Break
- January 6 School Resumes  
Falcon Spirit Day; Hot Dogs \$1
- January 8 School Advisory Council 6:30 PM
- January 10 Mass (Grade 8); Report Cards
- January 13 - 17 Grade 2 to "Begin to Swim"
- January 17 Mass (Grade 7)
- January 20 **NO SCHOOL: MLK Holiday**
- January 23 Lunch with the Leaders
- January 24 Mass (Grade 6)
- Breakfast for Lunch: FREE!**
- High Flyers Meeting 2:45 - 4:15

### 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

