

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 11, 2020



Pastor: Very Reverend David L. Ritchie, VF ~ Office: 419-659-2263 or 419-659-4190, Cell ~ 419-234-6976 e-mail: <u>davritch@aol.com</u>

Deacon James Dunn: 419-659-2707 e-mail: <u>jdunn9@woh.rr.com</u> Deacon Donald Siefker: 419-659-5891 e-mail: <u>dsiefker1@gmail.com</u>

Principal: Mrs. Nancy Dukes: 659-2103 Fax: 659-4194 e-mail: <u>dukesn@sa.noacsc.org</u>

Parish Office: Mrs. Marilyn Siefker: 419-659-2263 Office Fax: 419-659-5202 e-mail: <u>siefkem@sa.noacsc.org</u>

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: <u>www.cgstanthony.weebly.com</u>

St. Anthony School Website: <u>www.stanthonyschool.info</u>

Parish ~ <u>www.facebook.com/cgstanthony/</u>

School ~ <u>www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduaColumbusGrove/</u>

Today's gospel speaks about "unworthy wedding guests". What makes a "worthy" guest? Presence and presents are not enough.

The greatest gift we can give is support to the couple as they voyage through life together because marriage

naturally contains within it the fields of disappointment.

Think of the weddings you have attended.

Have you been a "worthy guest"?

Mass Schedule

October	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Dick Pohl}				
October	14	Wednesday		Weekday ~ {Jim & Agnes Hoffman}				
October	15	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Teresa of Jesus ~ {For the Parish}				
October	16	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Helen Hoffman ~ John Siefker}				
October	17	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary				
October	17	Saturday	3:00 - 3:30 p.m.					
October	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ {Don & Helen Schroeder ~				
Norm Maag ~ Ott, Sally & Butch Schroeder ~ Nick Schroeder}								
				Weekend Mass Streamed on Facebook Live Saturday at 4:00 p.m.)				
October	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ {Richard & Pauline Elwer ~				
				Camil, Eileen & Ed Knott ~ Sarah Stewart ~				
				Living & Deceased Members of the Leonard Kaufman Family}				
October	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ {Louis & Mary Ida Schroeder ~				
				Karl Hoffman ~ Norm Kohls ~ Virgil & Virginia Hoffman}				

				Servers				
October	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Bev Baxter				
October	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mackenzie Langhals, Derek Birkemeier, Dylan Birkemeier				
October	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Mitchell Schroeder, Cheyanne Mershman, Logan Mershman				
October	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Megan Bogart, Ryan Bogart, Luke Ellerbrock				
		5						
*******	****	*********	******	***************************************				
				Lectors				
October	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Tori Warnecke				
October	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Faith Oglesbee				
October	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Vonda Nemire				
******	*****	*********	******	******				
				Eucharistic Ministers				
October	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Ken & Connie Kruse, Rose Schnipke				
October	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Hoffman, Mary Ann Schroeder, Marilyn Siefker				
October	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Harold Gerten, Sue Schroeder, Anne Schroeder				

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

Ushers								
October	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	George Ellerbrock, Doug Roof, Don Stechschulte, Rob Verhoff				
October		Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Tom Dunlap, Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Gene Siefker				

October17Saturday4:00 p.m. MassGeorge Ellerbrock, Doug Roof, Don Stechschulte, Rob VerhoffOctober18Sunday8:00 a.m. MassTom Dunlap, Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Gene SiefkerOctober18Sunday10:30 a.m. MassDave Ellerbrock, Terry Giesige, Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst

Greeter Schedule There will be no Greeters present during the month of October.

Total Parking Lot Donations To-Date ~Initial Matching Donation ~\$ 50,000.00Matched To-Date by Parishioners ~\$ 53,684.18

300 Club Winner ~ October 10th ~ Todd & Jennifer Pingle ~ Ticket # 10 ~ \$100.00 Special 300 Club Drawing ~ October 10th ~ Larry & Charlotte Salisbury ~ Ticket #141 ~ \$150.00



The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Kathie Selhorst who died on Monday, October 5th. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Kathie into His Kingdom for eternity.

> Derek Birkemeier Dylan Birkemeier Avery Birnesser Bo Birnesser

Steven Dunbar Jared Kahle Nate Kamphaus Sarah Kamphaus Keelie Langhals

Natalie Langhals Joe Morman Levi Schroeder Hunter Sudlow

Adult Servers ~ Bev Baxter, Jerry Dickman, Harold Gerten, Alton Kiene, Sue Knott, John Koch, Dan Maag & Judy Schroeder

Thanks to all of you!!!

Attention New Servers ~ Server training for new servers will be **Saturday**, **October 17th**, 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., and **Sunday**, **October 18th**, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to serve at Mass, please feel free to come to the training sessions. Thank you!

Scrip ~ The next Scrip weekend will be **October 17th and October 18th**. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Joyce Kaufman and Anne Schroeder.

K of C ~ The K of C will be sponsoring BBQ Rib dinners on **Saturday, October 17th** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass until 7:00 p.m. Menu includes: BBQ Ribs, baked potato, applesauce and roll ~ all for \$10.00. Dine in or carry out. Presale ticket can be purchased by calling Lee Bogart at 419-659-2402 or Dan Maag at 419-659-2969. The deadline to purchase tickets is **October 13th**. Some tickets will be available at the door.

K of C ~ The K of C will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 20th,** at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement with the Rosary being recited at 7:10 p.m.

Mass Ministry Schedule Requests for November-December ~ Please give your requests for any changes by Monday **October 12th** to Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 or *ebirnesser@yahoo.com*. Thank you for serving our parish.

Youth Ministry ~ The next Youth Night will be held **Sunday, October 18th** from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the church basement. Supper will be at 6:00 p.m. with the program to follow.

Blood Drive ~ The American Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Anthony's will be held **Thursday, October 22nd** from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To make an appointment call Marge Tabler at 419-659-5190 or call the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767. You can also go online to make your appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

Walking with Purpose ~ *Walking with Purpose* will be meeting Monday evenings, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., **November 9th**, **November 16th**, **November 23rd and November 30th**. More information will be coming in future bulletins.

Purse Bingo ~ The annual Purse Bingo normally held in November is postponed to an undetermined date.

Festival Information

Sunday, October 11th ~ 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The drawing of the winning Vehicle Ticket, the Big Raffle Tickets, the Lottery Tree and Gas Cards will be held on **October 11th** at 5:00 p.m. Tickets will be available for purchase in the church basement and also in the school gym.

Cash or Car! ~ Will you be the lucky winner this year? We will again be raffling off up to \$20,000 toward the purchase of a new vehicle or \$15,000 in cash. The seller of the winning ticket for the car will also win a \$100.

Country Store ~ We will be having the Country Store and Raffle on **Sunday October 11th** in the school gym from 11:00 a.m. -4:30 p.m. with the drawings at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Kate Morman at 419-659-6085 or Lynn Downing at 419-659-5372.

Hamburger Stand ~ Hamburgers, French fires, hot dogs, beer, pop and water will be available for purchase in the church basement at 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

 $5K \sim$ St. Anthony's will be having our 5K run with sign-in beginning at 11:00 a.m. with the race being run at 1:30 p.m. Registration forms are available at the entrances of the church and also attached to the parish Facebook page.

Kiddie Tractor Pull ~ We will again be sponsoring a Kiddie Tractor Pull at our parish on **Sunday, October 11th**. The tractor pull will be held for three age groups ~ ages 4 & 5, 6 & 7 and 8 & 9 year olds, as of October 11, 2020. We will only have 30 kids per age group so we encourage you to preregister with the parish office. If spots are still available the day of the event, we will have registration at 2:30 p.m. by the pulling area (parking lot behind the church) with the Tractor Pull starting at 3:00 p.m. The entry fee is \$5.00 per child. Forms are available at the entrances of the church.

Traveling Mary Statue ~ October is the month to honor Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary. What better way to honor her than having her statue in your home for a time. If interested, contact Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 to pick up the statue.

Preschool Bible School ~ The St. Anthony's Preschool Bible School program is for any child age $3\frac{1}{2}$ (and who is fully toilet trained by September) through kindergarten. This year, starting in October, we are going to start off with Bible Bags. The Bible Bags will consist of the month's lesson(s) and crafts. The Bible Bags will be available after all the weekend Masses in the church basement this weekend, **October 10th and October 11th.**

Miscarriage and Infant Loss Memorial Mass ~ OCTOBER 18th ~ Did you or someone you love lose a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or infant death? Come receive spiritual consolation at the second annual St. Catherine's Embrace Memorial Mass. It will be held on **Sunday, October 18th at 1:30 p.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, 312 North Broad Street, Kalida**. All are welcome at this special Mass, whether your loss was recent or years ago. Those outside Putnam County are also warmly invited. If you have questions about the Mass or St. Catherine's Embrace (a new outreach ministry in Putnam County to support families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss), call or text Mary Beth Weisenburger at 419-980-8065, Ruth Gerding at 567-204-1275 or Jill Streicher at 419-796-0637.

2021 Perpetuate the Gift Appeal ~ Please consider a donation to the Perpetuate The Gift Appeal. Your gift directly assists our retired diocesan priests. After a priest retires, typically in his 70s, he is responsible for his personal expenses: medical, housing, car, clothing and food. All funds contributed between September 19th and December 31st assists our assessed parish contribution to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate The Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697 or placed in the parish collection. A gift may also be made online by selecting the Give tab at <u>www.toledodiocese.org</u>. If you would like to give a gift of stock or designate a bequest to help our retired priests, please contact Brian Doyle at 419-214-4951 or <u>bdoyle@toledodiocese.org</u>. Contribution envelopes are also available at the entrances of the church.

Delphos St. John's 108th Fall Festival ~ Dinner tickets are now on sale for the Delphos St. John's 108th Fall Festival on October 17th and October 18th. Home-cooked chicken and beef dinners with all the trimmings are \$10.00 for adults and \$7.50 for children (5th grade and younger). All tickets will be pre-sold. Carry-out only dinners will be available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. Enter the high school east parking lot by the St Vincent de Paul building. You will not need to get out of your car. The meals will be delivered to you. Dinner tickets and raffle tickets may be purchased at the Ministry Center, high school and elementary school offices, or mail your check to: St John's Festival, 201 N Pierce St, Delphos, Ohio, 45833. Specify if you want adult or student tickets and if you want Saturday or Sunday tickets. We will mail you your dinner tickets. We look forward to serving you on October 17th and October 18th.

World Mission Sunday ~ Next weekend, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and parts of Europe and the Americas, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Conscience & the Catholic Voter

"In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation."

In the current environment of extraordinary polarization and having been prompted by many Catholics of good will for guidance in this election year, I am pleased to present to you "Conscience and the Catholic Voter", a series of eight outlines with a view to the upcoming election, prepared by the Director of the Office for Life and Justice of Catholic Charities, Peter Range. These outlines are offered in a spirit of encouragement to provide insight into Catholic Social Teaching regarding issues of consequence in this year's election.

As these outlines examine the many life issues affecting the dignity of the human person in this upcoming election, we are committed to defending and protecting life in the full spectrum of areas of intense disagreement including Euthanasia, Religious Freedom, Marriage and Family, Human trafficking, Immigration, 'Prisoners, Racism Socialism and the Environment. That said, it is critical for Catholics to recall that the destruction of innocent human life through abortion is not simply one among many issues but the foundational and preeminent life issue facing our nation. "No human law can validly contradict the Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill."

In this election year, there is no doubt that we are faced with a choice between two deeply flawed candidates, and that neither party perfectly aligns with our Gospel values. As Catholics, we do not cast votes based on whether we like or dislike the personality of the candidates; we do not cast votes based on whether the candidate does or does not have the same color of skin as us; we do not cast votes based on the age or gender of the candidates; we do not cast votes based on the political party a family has or has not endorsed in the past; we do not case votes based on whether the person does or does not share our religious affiliation.

Instead, as Catholics, we need to ask ourselves which party platform, which evident actions and voting records of candidates are more closely aligned to what we hold to be true and just, and whether any of these are directly opposed to the consistent fundamental moral teachings of the Church. With the Democratic and Republican Conventions now in the rear view mirror, their candidates endorsed and their platforms published, it now falls to us to realize that, no matter whether we are affiliated with this or that political party or no party at all, it is our responsibility as Catholic citizens of our nation to exercise our civic duty to vote – for the sake of the common good of society – and that we do so with minds and hearts informed by what the Church herself teaches, not what this or that person says the Church teaches or what this or that person holds, mindful that ultimately we are called first to be citizens of heaven.

As Catholics, it is imperative that we form our consciences from the heart of the Church. I pray these outlines will aid in helping you to form your conscience through understanding Catholic teaching and I encourage you to approach these issues with prayer, charity and fidelity. Please share these outlines broadly in your parishes and schools and invite discussion using these documents. May the Lord guide us and our nation at this critical time.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas

The eight outlines from Bishop Daniel Thomas can be found on the following website: <u>www.videoawakencatholic.org/election</u>

OCTOBER 25th: VIRTUAL ST. PEREGRINE SERVICE. Join us at 2:00 p.m. via Facebook and YouTube as we pray for all those affected by cancer through the intercession of St. Peregrine. This is a virtual event that will include scripture, testimony and relic veneration. To have your intentions included, email to Susan Jenkins at <u>s.jenkins@mariasteinshrine.org</u> by October 18th.

OCTOBER 27: PATRIOTIC ROSARY. Join us at 7:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel as we pray for the future of our great nation.

Our *Lady of The Pine Retreat Center* ~ Are you looking for a respite from the pandemic, the politics, the news reports? Come away for a day at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center in Fremont, Ohio. Self-guided day retreats are available from 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. on any of the following dates: **October 12th, October 28th, and November 20th.** The cost of each day is \$13/person/day, with use of all amenities available (labyrinth, meditation deck, library, chapel, grotto, walking paths, sitting rooms, reflection benches, art room, etc.). Lunch is available for an additional \$10.00; reservations must be made ahead of time. Come by yourself or bring a friend or your spouse. Allow the peacefulness of our holy grounds to restore your spirit. If these dates do not work for you and you would enjoy a day away, call the retreat center to arrange a different time (419-332-6522). Visit <u>www.pinesretreat.org</u> for a full list of amenities.

ATTENTION ALL ST. ANTHONY COUPLES! FROM FR. DAVID ~ I would like to start an Engaged Couples Conference here at St. Anthony to serve those who prefer a local One-Day Event for those doing their Marriage Prep at St. Anthony and serving the immediate area. This Conference would start at 9am on a Saturday and end with the 4:00pm Mass and includes Lunch. Coffee and Rolls would be served as we begin followed by some "Ice Breakers and other Games" along with Talks and discussions about Topics such as Finance, Communication, Faith Issues, and other topics of interest to those to be married. We will also hear from our "Older Couples" with tips on "Keeping it together All These Years". I ran this type of Conference in Toledo and have all the pieces that go together to make a great experience for our couples. The only other thing I need is YOU!! If you think you might be interested in being a part of this Ministry Please give me a call at 419-234-6976 or Email Me at <u>davritch@aol.com</u>. It's a great way to meet people and a rewarding ministry to be a part of. Thanks, Fr. David

A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

This week's Gospel offers another Parable about a King that Invited guests to a Feast to serve them the Best of Foods and provide a wonderful Banquet. The King ordered his servants to summon the guests which gave all kinds of excuses why they couldn't attend. Another attempt was made to gather the guests who then mistreated the servants and killed them. The King and his soldiers were enraged and destroyed the Murderers and Burned their city.

The King then Ordered his Servants to go into the streets and gather whoever they could and invite them to "The Feast". The Hall was full and as the King went to meet his guests, he noticed a man that was not dressed properly and had him bound and thrown into the Darkness.

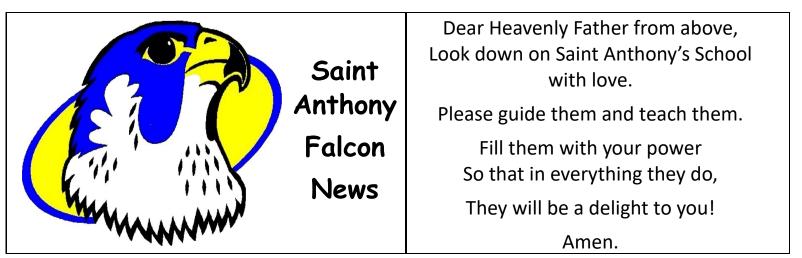
So what has all of this got to do with Jesus? First, At the beginning of This Gospel, It is said that "The Kingdom of Heaven, is Likened to this Parable." Jesus openly invites Us to join him in The Kingdom of Heaven, and yet many are too busy or don't find His Invitation Important enough to attend to The "Feast."

God has called Our Names since the day we were born. He has waited patiently and offered us the Way to Eternal Life and yet we too are sometimes afraid to commit to putting Him First above All Else. The Man "Thrown into the Darkness" was only thrown into the Night because he came to the Banquet "Unprepared." Hopefully we will be prepared and ready when he comes. "May we never be Blind or Deaf to Our Lord's Calling and work each day to be the People that God Calls Us to Be.

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love, Fr. David

(SIDE NOTE) PLEASE GET ALL CCD REGISTRATIONS TURNED IN SO THAT WE CAN ARRANGE FOR THE START UP OF OUR CCD PROGRAM.



"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 Oct. 12th - 16th:

<u>Week of Oct. 12th - 16th:</u>				
Mon.	12th:	Alison Laubenthal	Octob	
Tues.	13th:	Jenny Pingle	Octob	
Wed.	14th:	Lisa Langhals		
Thurs.	. 15th :	Katie Vennekotter		
Fri.	16th	Jenna Goubeaux April Schroeder	Octob	
			Noven	

Upcoming Events:				
October	14	School Advisory Council 6:30 PM		
October	16	Mass (Grade 2)		
		Movie/Popcorn Fundraiser Prize		
October	23	Mass (Grade 1)		
		End of 1st Quarter		
October	26	Quarter Break: No School!		
October	29	Lunch w/ the Leaders (if chosen)		
October	30	Mass (Grade 8)		
		Golden Falcon Awards		
		Report Cards Go Home		
October	31	Happy Halloween!		
November	1	All Saints Day!		

This Week's LIFE Skill :

Curiosity

"For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and selfcontrol."

2 Timothy 1: 7

