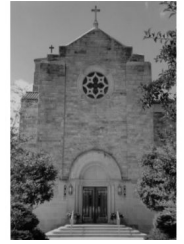


***SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA***  
***A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY***  
***2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT***  
***DECEMBER 4TH, 2016***



***Pastor: Father Tom Extejt ~ Office: 419-659-2263 or 419-659-4190 e-mail: [tjextejt@sa.noacsc.org](mailto:tjextejt@sa.noacsc.org)***  
***Deacon: Mr. James Dunn: 659-2707 e-mail: [jdunn9@woh.rr.com](mailto:jdunn9@woh.rr.com)***  
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***CCD Program Leader, Judy Schroeder : 419-659-5498 e-mail: [judyfhc@yahoo.com](mailto:judyfhc@yahoo.com)***  
***Youth Minister: Hannah Warren: 419-303-5476 e-mail: [lifeteen@sa.noacsc.org](mailto:lifeteen@sa.noacsc.org)***  
***Parish Office Hours: Monday Thru Friday ~ 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.***  
***St. Anthony Parish Website: [www.cgstanthony.org](http://www.cgstanthony.org)***  
***St. Anthony School Website: [www.stanthonyschool.info](http://www.stanthonyschool.info)***

***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	05	Monday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Deceased Members of the Koch & Ellerbrock Families}
December	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {For The Parish} <b><i>Confession, Exposition &amp; Adoration After 6:30 p.m. Mass</i></b>
December	07	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Ambrose ~ {Lawrence Siefker Family}
December	07	Wednesday	<b>4:30 p.m. Mass</b>	Vigil ~ The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ {Harold & Alice Gerten}
December	08	Thursday	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ {Deceased Members of the Hoffman & Krietemeyer Families}
December	08	Thursday	<b>7:00 p.m. Mass</b>	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ {Bernard & Mary Morman ~ Joe Morman ~ Jeanette Morman ~ {Deceased Members of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia}
December	09	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Ben Schulte Family}
December	10	Saturday	8:00 a.m. Rosary	
December	10	Saturday	<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b><i>Confession, Exposition &amp; Benediction</i></b>
December	10	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {Walter Schroeder ~ Kenny & Alma Eversole}
December	11	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {William & Mary Turnwald ~ Betty Schumacher}
December	11	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	3rd Sunday of Advent ~ {Virgil & Virginia Hoffman ~ Elmer Ellerbrock ~ Marcus Ellerbrock}

***Servers***

December	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Sue Knott
December	07	Wednesday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Garrett Langhals, Jevin Langhals, Tayte Langhals
December	08	Thursday	7:00 p.m. Mass	Renee Schroeder, Elizabeth Morman
December	10	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Hunter Sudlow, Dalton Wurth, Taylor Schroeder
December	11	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Adam Birkemeier, Abe Morman, Ethan Blankemeyer
December	11	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Tayt Birnesser, Joey Edelbrock, Cody Tabler

***Lectors***

December	07	Wednesday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Marge Tabler
December	08	Thursday	7:00 p.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder
December	10	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Aubrey Davis
December	11	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Karen Martin
December	11	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Vonda Nemire

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***Eucharistic Ministers***

December 07 Wednesday 4:30 p.m. Mass ***Volunteers Please***  
December 08 Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass ***Volunteers Please***  
December 10 Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass Norm Schnipke, Ken & Connie Kruse, Kasey Kruse, Denny Ricker  
December 11 Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Charlie Schmiesing, Sarah Schroeder, Diana Kaufman,  
Lisa Langhals, Hannah Warren  
December 11 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass Marilyn Birkemeier, Kristy Birkemeier, Beth Birkemeier,  
Dave & Christie Tabler  
December 11 Hilty Home ~ Karl & Blanche Stechschulte

***Attention ~ Hilty Home Distributors ~ The list for you of the residents at the Hilty Home to receive Holy Communion on Sunday mornings will be on the table in Father Tom's Sacristy. If you would like to call the Hilty Home to remind them to bring the residents to the chapel before you arrive, the number is 419-384-3218.***

***~ Hilty Home Residents ~***

Jean Stechschulte-Room 101; Wilbert Roof-Room 105B; Agnes Friedel-Room 109; Velma Pope-Room 117;  
Mary Maag-Room 119; Bill Alt-Room 121; Mary Margaret Bockrath-Room 125; Betty Meyer-Room 203A;  
Margaret Rosenbauer-Room 208B; Dolores Daniels-Room 209B; Angela Schulte-Room 211B;  
Beatrice Inkrott-Room 212B; Dorothy Geiger-Room 215A; Cathy Ruhe-Room 306; Jim Fischbach-Room 314

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***Ushers***

December 07 Wednesday 4:30 p.m. Mass ***Volunteers Please***  
December 08 Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass ***Volunteers Please***  
December 10 Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass Scott Hummel, Cody Wagner, Bill Roth, Nick Schroeder  
December 11 Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Dan Maag, Adam Siefker, Karl Verhoff, Dave Schroeder, Jr.  
December 11 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass Al Schroeder, Dale Schroeder, Alan Stover, Dave Moore

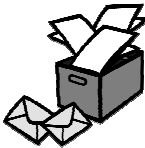
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***~ Confessions, Exposition & Benediction ~  
Saturday ~ 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.***

***Tuesday ~ Confession, Exposition & Adoration After Mass***

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***Income For The Week of November 27th***  
Sunday - Adult ~ 202 \$ 8,517.00  
Children's ~ 31 25.81  
8,542.81  
Lord's Pantry 811.00  
Tuition 3,711.00  
Miscellaneous 1,982.80  
***Total Income \$ 15,047.61***



***Expenses For The Week of November 27th***  
Ordinary Parish & School Expenses \$ 8,173.86  
Payroll ~ 11/30 17,367.70  
Payroll Taxes & 403-B 7,880.38  
Health, Vision & Dental 6,712.32  
***Total Expenses \$ 40,134.26***

***Thanks to all who donated food and money to the Lord's Pantry this Thanksgiving.  
We collected 1,015 lbs. of food and \$1,021.00 which includes a donation from our K of C.***

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***300 Club Winner ~ December 3rd ~ Betty Knott ~ Ticket #40 ~ \$100.00  
Special Christmas Drawing ~ December 3rd ~ Don & Joan Langhals ~ Ticket #31 ~ \$100.00***

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***The St. Anthony parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Angela Schroeder, who died on Thursday, November 24th. A Mass of Resurrection was celebrated for Angela on Monday, November 28th here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this very difficult time.***

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***Snow Removal ~ The parish is in need of someone to plow the parking lot and the driveways this winter. If interested, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263 before December 9th.***

***2017 Pictorial Directory ~ Sign-up sheets to make your appointment to have your family picture taken for our 2017 Parish Pictorial, will be on the table in the back of church the weekend of December 10th and December 11th.***

***Christian Formation Classes ~ CCD Classes will be held this Sunday, December 4th, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., in the school. The next CCD classes will be next Sunday, December 11th.***

***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 packet. We will publish the list after Christmas. Thank you!

***Scrip*** ~ Scrip will be available this weekend, **December 3rd & 4th**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Jan Kidd, Marge Tabler, Joyce Kaufman, Judy Gerten and Sandy Roebke. Scrip will also be available next weekend, December 10th & 11th. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Gina Wurth, Shirley Goedde, Marilyn Siefker, Anne Schroeder and Vicky Schroeder.

***K of C*** ~ The K of C will be leading the Rosary before **all** the weekend Masses during the season of Advent. This is a big undertaking. The more people that show up to help, the easier this will be. For the Advent season, please pray the Joyful mysteries. Let's do our part to prepare the way for the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

***K of C*** – Will be meeting on **Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**, at 8:00 p.m. in the church basement. **Notice** ~ members will congregate in the church basement at 7:35 p.m. and go up to the main church to recite the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament. Gentlemen bring your ladies. It may be dark outside but that is no reason to stay home, come out and join us for some fun!

***Adult Study Class, December 6th, 7:00 p.m. in the Enrichment Center*** ~ Episode 4. FAUSTINA AND THE SPREAD OF DIVINE MERCY. The tumultuous history of Poland set the stage for a remarkable woman to become the catalyst of the main drama of the Second Greatest Story Ever Told, a drama involving the modern message of Divine Mercy and its popularity following World War II. All welcome.

***Ottawa K of C New Year's Eve Party/Fund Raiser*** ~ It is about that time to think about your plans for New Year's Eve. Do you want the chance to win \$3,000.00? Come to the Ottawa K of C on **Saturday, December 31st** at 4:30 p.m. There will be a Catholic Mass at the hall. (Open to ticket holders only.) Cocktail hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a wedding style dinner being served at 6:30 p.m. There will be snacks, open bar and a chance to win money and prizes. The cost is \$50.00 per person. Top prize is \$3,000, 2nd prize is \$1,500, 3rd prize is \$1,000, 4th prize is \$750, 5th prize is \$300. Every 10th ticket wins something. All proceeds go to the K of C Scholarship Fund. To purchase tickets, contact Pat Gerten at 419-235-1991 or Dan Niese at 419-439-0468.

***"Come to the Stable"*** ~ "Come to the Stable" Nativity display will be held this **Sunday, December 4th**, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the St. John the Baptist Parish Center, 109 N. Main St. in Glandorf. There will be a freewill offering to support Heartbeat of Lima. The event is sponsored by the Secular Franciscan Fraternity of Hancock and Putnam Counties.

***American Red Cross Blood Drive*** ~ Mark your calendars ~ St. Anthony Parish will be sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on **Tuesday, January 17th**, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Have you ever considered donating a pint of blood? You could be saving up to three lives with a single donation!

***Funeral Chairladies*** ~ We now have five women who will be sharing the responsibilities of being in charge of preparing funeral meals but we would like to have at least one more woman so that no one will have to be in charge too often. We will always work as teams of two, working only when convenient to your schedule, and have directions written down to follow. The ladies on committee serving the three month terms are all set up for the next year so we are already very organized. Please consider donating your time to this very worthwhile "Corporal Work of Mercy". Call Carolyn Maag at 419-659-5560 if you are interested in joining our team or if you have any questions.

***Funeral Committee*** ~ The Funeral Committee for the months of December through February include Donna Schroeder, (calling for desserts and salads), Rose Ellerbrock, Nancy Fortman, Lisa Langhals, Flossie Selhorst and Gretchen Staley. Thanks to all of you for your service to the parish.

***Columbus Grove Christmas Concert*** ~ There will be a Christmas Concert at Turner Hall, 210 South High Street, on **Tuesday, December 13th** at 7:00 p.m. The St. Anthony Choir along with choirs from the local Columbus Grove Churches will be performing. Refreshments will be served following the performances. They will also be accepting food or monetary donations for the Lord's Pantry.

***Contribution Envelopes*** ~ The contribution envelopes for the adults and the high school students for **2017** are on the tables in the back of church. If you are able to deliver contribution envelopes to other family members or neighbors, that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you! The contribution envelopes for our St. Anthony and CCD students will be passed out during school hours or CCD Sunday classes. If you are unable to find your envelope packet, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263.

***Columbus Grove Community Senior Lunch & Bingo*** ~ The Columbus Grove Community Senior Lunch will be held on **Tuesday, December 13th** at 11:30 a.m. at the Columbus Grove Christian Church, 105 South Broadway in Columbus Grove. The menu is: baked ham, scalloped potatoes, California blend, strawberry shortcake, coffee and water. Bingo will be played immediately following the luncheon. The lunch is sponsored by the Hilty Home of Pandora and the Columbus Grove Christian Church.

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*Penance Services ~ The area Penance Services for this Advent Season are as follows:*

<i>Sunday, December 11th</i>	<i>Immaculate Conception, Ottoville</i>	<i>2:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sunday, December 11th</i>	<i>St. Mary's, Leipsic</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday, December 12th</i>	<i>St. John's, Delphos</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Tuesday, December 13th</i>	<i>St. Michael's, Kalida</i>	<i>4:00 &amp; 7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wednesday, December 14th</i>	<i>St. Joseph, Ft. Jennings</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sunday, December 18th</i>	<i>St. Johns, Lima</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday, December 19th</i>	<i>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul, Ottawa</i>	<i>4:00 &amp; 7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wednesday, December 21st</i>	<i>St. Anthony's, Columbus Grove</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>

*Extra Confessions at St. Anthony's*

<i>Saturday, December 17th</i>	<i>2:30 - 4:00 p.m. (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)</i>
<i>Tuesday, December 20th</i>	<i>After 8:00 a.m. Mass Until All Are Heard</i> <i>(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)</i>
<i>Thursday, December 22nd</i>	<i>7:00 p.m. Until All Are Heard</i>
<i>Friday, December 23rd</i>	<i>1:00 p.m. Until All Are Heard</i>

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# A Note from Fr. Tom

**MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE:** Several weeks ago, Bishop Thomas commissioned Don Siefker as an acolyte. This is a step on the way to ordination to the diaconate, which Don will receive next September, God willing. Norm Schnipke has served as an acolyte for many years, but has chosen not to petition for ordination. What does it mean to be an acolyte? An acolyte is a man appointed as an ordinary minister of Holy Communion. Sometimes he helps with giving Holy Communion at Mass; sometimes he carries Holy Communion to the sick. His appointment is for life; it does not have to be renewed every other year, as is the case with extraordinary ministers. An acolyte assists at the altar, keeping everything (and everybody) in good order. When Blessed Pope Paul VI reformed the minor orders, he had this to say about acolytes:

“As one set aside in a special way for the service of the altar, the acolyte should learn all matters concerning public divine worship and strive to grasp their inner spiritual meaning: in that way he will be able each day to offer himself entirely to God, be an example to all by his gravity and reverence in church, and have a sincere love for the Mystical Body of Christ, the people of God, especially for the weak and the sick.”

**DECEMBER IS MARY’S MONTH:** A long time ago, they told me that May and October are Mary’s months. Now that I am older, I think that December is Mary’s month too. We celebrate her Immaculate Conception on December 8; we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12; on the weekdays before Christmas we have all those marvelous Gospel readings about Mary and Joseph, Zechariah and Elizabeth; on January 1 we have the feast of Mary, Mother of God; the Sunday after that is the Epiphany when Mary shows her Son to the visitors from the East. Mary immaculately conceived is the patroness of the United States. This teaching of the Church means that from the moment of her conception, Mary enjoyed the graces that her Son would one day bestow by His death and resurrection. This was her preparation to be the Mother of God. We celebrate this feast as a holy day of obligation. Mass on Wednesday, December 7 will be at 4:30 p.m. Masses on Thursday, December 8 will be at 8:00 a.m. (grade school attends) and at 7:00 p.m.

**LORD’S PANTRY COLLECTION:** We collected over 1,000 pounds of canned goods and paper products for the Lord’s Pantry, and about \$1000 in cash in our Thanksgiving collection. This means that the Lord’s Pantry qualifies for an additional \$400 grant from the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus. Thanks to all of you for your generosity. Thanks also to our local grain elevator for the use of their scale.

*Father Tom*

## *Christmas Addresses*

*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.  
2808 North Maryland Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46222*

*Rev. Msgr. Cleo Schmenk  
4337 Mt. Carmel Drive  
Melbourne, FL 32901-8667*

*Fr. Larry Varney  
27484 Oregon Rd., Lot 105  
Perrysburg, OH 43551*

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

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

*Father Frank Murd  
Sisters of St. Francis  
192 St. Francis Avenue, Villa 26  
Tiffin, OH 44883*

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

*Sister Rita Rogier  
3124 Corduroy Road, Apt. #19  
Oregon, OH 43616*

*Sister Louann Roof  
4960 Salem Avenue #3501  
Dayton, Ohio 45416*

*Sister Rosalie Kastner  
4960 Salem Avenue, #2102  
Dayton, OH 45416*

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

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

*Father Gary Walters  
St. Mary's Parish  
85 South Sandusky Street  
Tiffin, OH 44883*

*Sister Gemma Fenbert  
200 St. Francis Avenue  
Tiffin, Ohio 44883*

### *HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME RESIDENTS*

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

*..... Mary Maag  
.....Cathy Ruhe  
..... Bill Alt  
..... Wilbert Roof  
..... Betty Meyer  
..... Agnes Friedel  
..... Jean Stechschulte  
..... Velma Pope*

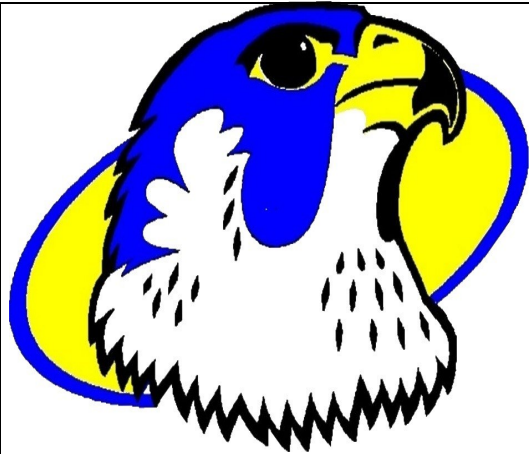
*The Meadows of Kalida  
P.O. Box 388  
Kalida, Ohio 45853*

*..... Leroy & Mary Fischer  
..... Othmar Schroeder  
..... Mary Ida Schroeder  
..... Pauline Osterhage  
..... Kay Kohls  
..... Agnes Hoffman  
..... Pat Donaldson*

*Jan Kiene..... Putnam Heritage, 1380 North Locust Street, Room 86, Ottawa, OH 45875  
Ethel Kissell ..... 112 Liberty Street, Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830  
Rita Maag ..... The Meadows of Ottawa, 147 Putnam Parkway Drive, Ottawa, Ohio, 45875  
Leona Moore.....309 Gove Street, Columbus Grove, Ohio, 45830  
LaDonna Siefker..... The Meadows of Ottawa, 147 Putnam Parkway Drive, Ottawa, Ohio, 45875  
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.



Boys Basketball season started last Tuesday against LB. Go Falcons. Above is a picture of the eighth grade team before their game.

The repairs to the exterior of the school are almost complete after two weeks of hard work. We should be warmer and dryer now. You can see at the right the widows being sealed and some roof work.



On the right teachers and students enjoyed a visit this past Wednesday from Mrs. Bonnell and her new son Jace.

Congratulations to the second grade last Thursday night. They all had their First Reconciliation with their parents. Following reconciliation everyone celebrated in the basement with cookies and punch.



## Lunch Recess

### Volunteers

Week of: Dec. 4th

Monday - Pat Birnesser

Falcon Spirit Day

Tuesday - Jenny Pingle

Wednesday - Cindy

Stechschulte

Thursday - Cheryl Ellerbrock

Friday - Angie Eversole&

Amy Stechschulte



## Calendar Items:

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|-------------|---|
| December 5  | Falcon Spirit Day, Hot BBQ<br>Pork Sandwich                   |
| December 6  | Gr. 3-8 Penance Services,<br>St Nick                          |
| December 8  | Immaculate Conception All<br>School Mass                      |
| December 8  | High Flyers Trip to Hilty Home                                |
| December 9  | Jr. High & Jr. High CCD Culture<br>Project 1:00 until 2:25 pm |
| December 14 | Christmas Concert @ 7:00 pm<br>Dress rehearsal @ 1:00 pm      |

### This Week’s LIFE Skill :

#### Caring

Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but everyone for those of

others. Phil 2: 3-4



Q: Where do snowmen keep their money?

A: In the snow bank.