

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA**  
**A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**DECEMBER 11TH, 2016**



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

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**The question put to Jesus in today's gospel is also put to us today: "Are you the one?"**  
**Are you the one who will give guidance to the children in your life or must they look to TV sitcoms, films, videos**  
**and music lyrics for direction?**  
**Are you the one? Will you be the one?**

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**Mass Schedule**

December	12	Monday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Our Lady of Guadalupe ~ {Maria Aguirre}
December	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	St. Lucy ~ {Angela Schroeder-CRHP 3}
				<b>Confession, Exposition &amp; Adoration After 6:30 p.m. Mass</b>
December	14	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. John of the Cross ~ {For The Parish}
December	15	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday {Joe Morman}
December	16	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Harold & Alice Gerten}
December	17	Saturday	8:00 a.m. Rosary	
December	17	Saturday	<b>2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Confession, Exposition &amp; Benediction</b>
December	17	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ 4th Sunday of Advent ~ {Dan Blankemeyer ~ Walter Kleman ~ Robert Gerding ~ Rob Gerding ~ Deceased Members of the Stechschulte & Kruse Families}
December	18	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	4th Sunday of Advent ~ {Wayne Stechschulte ~ Nolan Diller ~ Elmer & Lucille Karhoff ~ Vern Karhoff ~ Laverne Siefker ~ Deceased Members of the Siefker & Youngpeter Families}
December	18	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	4th Sunday of Advent ~ {Alphonse & Angela Schroeder ~ Jim Verhoff}

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**Servers**

December	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Renee Schroeder
December	17	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Joshua Buescher, Brandon Buescher, Aaron Tabler
December	18	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Dane Schroeder, Jacob Oglesbee, Gwen Langhals
December	18	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Bryce King, Kurt Griffith, Kyle Schroeder

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**Lectors**

December	17	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Bruce Stephens
December	18	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Charlie Schmiesing
December	18	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Karl Schroeder

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**Eucharistic Ministers**

December	17	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Norm Schnipke, Teresa Brubaker, Sue McDowell, Terri Murray, Marge Tabler
December	18	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Rose Ellerbrock, Dan Maag, Kate Morman, Faith Oglesbee, Mary Ann Schroeder
December	18	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Shirley Goedde, John & Desiray Engberg, Noralu Kahle, Troy King
December	18	Hilty Home	~ Don Ellerbrock	

**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 17	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Aaron Siefker, Mike Recker, Tim Reimund, Jon Diller
December 18	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Bruce Schroeder, Carl Warnecke, Gib Kaufman, Craig Kaufman
December 18	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Dave Ellerbrock, Terry Giesige, Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst

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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 December 4th**

Sunday - Adult ~ 272	\$ 11,114.73
Children's ~ 29	<u>29.78</u>
	11,144.51
Christmas	3,050.00
Tuition	4,364.41
Christmas Flowers	935.00
Miscellaneous	<u>2,215.14</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 21,709.06</b>



**Expenses For The Week of December 4th**  
Ordinary Parish & School Expenses \$ 8,907.16

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**300 Club Winner ~ December 10th ~ Jason & Becki Koch ~ Ticket #62 ~ \$100.00**  
**Special Christmas Drawing ~ December 10th ~ Toby & Deb Donaldson ~ Ticket #148 ~ \$100.00**

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***Ian Michael, son of Travis & Mary Cartwright, was baptized last weekend here at St. Anthony's.  
May the new gift of God's Spirit be with you always.***

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**Added Shut-In** ~ Ken Karhoff is recuperating after several surgeries. If you would like to mail him a card, his address is: Ken Karhoff, 4191 Township Road 82, Findlay, Ohio, 45840.

**Corrected Address** ~ **Father Joe Kiene's** corrected address is: **700 West Maumee Street, Angola, Indiana, 46703.**

**Volunteers For Christmas Masses** ~ A sign-up sheet for servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and ushers for our Christmas Masses is on the wooden 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., Christmas Day ~ 10:00 a.m. Thanks to those who are willing to be a part of our Christmas celebrations.

**2017 Pictorial Directory** ~ Sign-up sheets to make your appointment to have your family picture taken for our 2017 Parish Pictorial, is on the table in the back of church. (Please feel free to take an appointment reminder card.)

- *Schedule families/groups in open sessions only.*
- *Do not add to or adjust the times shown on the schedule.*
- *For families/groups of seven (7) or more, schedule the family in two consecutive time slots.*
- *For families to receive an automated Appointment Reminder Call, simply initial in the "Call O" column.*

The Portrait Session Sign-Up Sheets will remain on the table in the back of church until Friday, **December 23rd**. The sign-up sheets will be in the church basement December 24th & December 25th. After Christmas, the sign-up sheets will only be in the back of church on weekends. After Christmas we will have online sign-up during the week. If you have any questions, call Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 or Amy Brinkman at 419-615-9239.

**Christian Formation Classes** ~ CCD Classes will be held this **Sunday, December 11th**, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., in the school. The next CCD classes will be next **Sunday, December 18th**.

**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 10th & 11th**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Gina Wurth, Shirley Goedde, Kay Koch, Anne Schroeder and Vicky Schroeder. Scrip will also be available next weekend, December 17th & 18th. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Ann Selhorst, Marge Tabler, Marilyn Siefker, Judy Gerten and Jan Eversole.

**Community Christmas Cantata** ~ The Annual Community Christmas Cantata will be held this **Sunday, December 11th** at 7:30 p.m. at the Columbus Grove Christian Church on Broadway Street in Columbus Grove. All are invited to enjoy the beautiful music celebrating Christ's birth.

**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.

**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!

**Aluminum Can Drive** ~ There will be an aluminum can drive the weekend of **January 6, 7 & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**, sponsored by the St. Anthony Athletic Boosters. 5 Angle Construction will have a trailer in the church parking lot to place cans and scrap in.

**High School Deanery Winter Fun Day** ~ Will be **December 28th-29th**. We will start at Liberty Lanes in Leipsic at 2:00 p.m. Price for that part of the day is \$10. About 4:00 p.m. we will be traveling to Kalida for food and dancing. Cost for that part of the day is \$5. At 8:00 p.m. we will start the overnight Lock In. We will be closing down at 8:00 a.m. on the 29th. The cost for the Lock In is \$3. Come join us for one or all of the events. Scholarships are available. Please call Hannah Warren at 419-303-5476, if you will be coming to any part of the day.

**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 other area 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.

**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.

**Ecumenical Christmas Concert** ~ The Carey Ecumenical Choir will present a concert of sacred Advent and Christmas music on **Sunday, December 11th** at 4:30 p.m. The concert will be held at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation located at 315 Clay Street, Carey, Ohio. The Shrine Cafeteria will be open for dinner immediately following the concert. For more information, please contact the Shrine at 419-396-7107 or visit [www.olcshrine.com](http://www.olcshrine.com) or [www.ourladyofconsolationparish.com](http://www.ourladyofconsolationparish.com).

**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.

**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.

**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.

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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 (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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**K of C Beef, Chicken & Ground Beef** ~ If you are planning to use beef, chicken or ground beef for your family parties this holiday season, consider purchasing your supplies from our K of C. Below are the prices of the items available.

	<b>Beef</b>	<b>Chicken</b>	<b>Ground Beef</b>
<b>Case of 24 cans ~ 28 ozs. ....</b>	<b>\$ 174.00</b>	<b>\$142.00</b>	<b>\$144.00</b>
<b>1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs. ....</b>	<b>88.00</b>	<b>73.00</b>	<b>74.00</b>
<b>Price Per 28 oz. Can .....</b>	<b>7.50</b>	<b>6.25</b>	<b>6.25</b>
<b>Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs. ....</b>	<b>105.00</b>	<b>90.00</b>	<b>90.00</b>
<b>1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs. ....</b>	<b>53.00</b>	<b>47.00</b>	<b>47.00</b>
<b>Price Per 14.5 oz. can .....</b>	<b>4.50</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>4.00</b>

Call Len Kruse at 419-659-5657, Gene Heitmeyer at 419-659-5574, Dave Ellerbrock at 419-659-5833 or Dan Maag at 419-659-2969 to place your order.

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**Theology On Tap** ~ St. Charles Theology on Tap is the young adult ministry for young adult Catholics (ages 21-40) meeting on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at Vino Bellissimo. Meetings include food, drink and lively discussion about things that matter to you and the Catholic faith. There are talks on Catechesis every week. If you have any questions call 419-228-7635 or email [emily@st-charles.org](mailto:emily@st-charles.org). (If an event is being held at Vino Bellissimo, they will meet at Happy Daz.)

*Project Rachel* ~ Confidential help is available to anyone who is suffering from the grief of abortion. There are people with whom you can talk in confidence about your experience. Project Rachel offers lay counselors and trained clergy ready to help you find peace and healing. There is also an independent Bible Study available specifically for post-abortive women or men. If you feel ready to talk with someone and/or would prefer to explore the Bible Study, we invite you to call the confidential help line at 419-260-5811.

## A Note from Fr. Tom

**ATTENTION HOLY COMMUNION MINISTERS:** When you have finished distributing the Precious Blood, please do not place the purificator inside a chalice that has not been rinsed. The purificator becomes badly stained, and it creates extra work for our laundry person.

**CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK and NEXT:** There will be Confessions on Tuesday after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. This Saturday, December 17, one week before Christmas Eve, we will extend the usual Confession time, and there will be two priests available (Father Robert DeSloover and I). Confessions next Saturday will be heard from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Father DeSloover will be in the reconciliation room; I will be in one of the back pews. The following week, there will be Confessions after the children's Mass on Tuesday, December 20 (beginning at about 8:45 a.m.); at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 22, and at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 23. Father DeSloover will be here to help on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Confessions on Christmas Eve will be by appointment.

We will also have an Advent Penance Service on Wednesday, December 21 at 7 p.m., with six priests available.

**DAY OF PRAYER:** The Bishops of the United States have asked us to keep this Monday, December 12, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe as a day of prayer for refugees and exiles. The thousands of people fleeing ISIS or a repressive Syrian government are now living in flimsy shelters in bitter cold. People flee their homes in Mexico or countries south of there because there's no money to be made legally, gang violence is extreme, and they don't want their kids drafted into working for drug peddlers. By the time they reach our southwest border, they probably have been robbed of everything they have. Many have been robbed of their human dignity as well, especially kids who are traveling alone. And if they are caught in the United States, they are kept in jail until their hearing comes up, and then they are almost surely deported. At the very least, we can pray this prayer on Monday:

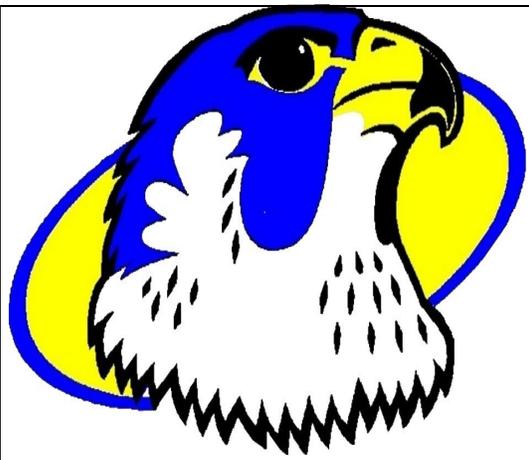
**Loving Father, remembering that the Holy Family fled violence and lived for a time as refugees, we ask that you protect all refugee families fleeing persecution, and provide them a place of safety and comfort.**

**For children who are making perilous journeys, often alone and without the protection of loved ones, we ask that you reunite them with their families and protect them from violence on the journey.**

**We pray for all migrants, that they not feel compelled to migrate but have opportunities in their homeland where they can thrive and live fully human lives.**

**Open our hearts so that we may provide hospitality for those who come in search of refuge, through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Father Tom*



# 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.



The fourth graders have been studying the six historic Native American tribes that lived in Ohio from the 1600s to the 1800s. Pairs or groups of three students selected a tribe. Then they researched and took notes on that tribe. They are constructing three-dimensional murals that reflect their research. Students progress within the groups were very organized and everyone took an active.

## Lunch Recess

### Volunteers

Week of: Dec. 11th

Monday - Kay Langhals

Tuesday - Jen Siefker

Free Homemade Subs

Wednesday - Sherry King

Christmas Program 7pm

Thursday - Lisa Langhals

Friday - Kevin Smith &

Amy Stechsulte

GFA Mass Gr. 1



## Calendar Items:

- December 13    Homemade Sub, Jr. High  
GB vs AE @ 5:00 pm H, Jr. High  
BB @ St Charles 5:00 pm
- December 14    Christmas Concert @ 7:00 pm  
Dress rehearsal @ 1:00 pm
- December 15    Jr. High BB vs St Michael's @  
5:00 pm
- December 16    GFA
- December 18    Mrs. Farthings Birthday

### 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: What did one snowman say to the other?

A: Do you smell carrots?