



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 18TH, 2016



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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.

Mass Schedule

December 19	Monday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Father Paul Kwiatkowski}
December 20	Tuesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Alvin Best}
Confession, Exposition & Adoration After 8:00 a.m. Mass			
December 21	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {Aimee Kotecki ~ Sandy Desper}
December 21	Wednesday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Hilty Home ~ {For The Parish}
December 22	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday {Deceased Members of the Robert Kohls Family}
December 22	Thursday	2:00 p.m. Mass	Meadows of Ottawa ~ {Laverne Siefker}
December 23	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Advent Weekday ~ {William & Ethel Hoffman}
December 24	Saturday	8:00 a.m. Rosary	
December 24	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Urban Warnecke ~ Alvin "Dick" Schroeder ~ Ralph & Marie Ricker ~ Floyd Shinabery ~ Norman & Evelyn Utrup ~ Norm Kohls}
December 24	Saturday	6:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Nativity of the Lord ~ Norm Maag ~ Paul Best ~ Henry & Mary Kleman}
December 24	Saturday	10:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Alphonse & Angela Schroeder ~ Steve Morman ~ Deceased Members of the Ralph Kramer Family ~ Deceased Members of the Edward & Elizabeth Morman Family ~ Deceased Members of the Ralph & Beatrice Schroeder Family ~ Ronald Pitson ~ Virgil Heitmeyer}
December 25	Sunday	10:00 a.m. Mass	The Nativity of the Lord ~ {Hank & Bill Sehlhorst}

Servers

December 21	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sue Knott
December 22	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder
December 23	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Harold Gerten
December 24	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Garrett Langhals, Tayte Langhals, Jevin Langhals, Hunter Sudlow, Caleb Stechschulte
December 24	Saturday	6:00 p.m. Mass	Brandon Buescher, Josh Buescher, Mike Morman, Hannah Morman, Andrew Morman
December 24	Saturday	10:00 p.m. Mass	Renee Schroeder, Kirsten McCauley, Nathan Dunbar, Evan Dunbar, Garrett Nemire, Levi Schroeder, Carmen Schroeder
December 25	Sunday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Dane Schroeder, Chadd Martin

Lectors

December 24	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Special
December 24	Saturday	6:00 p.m. Mass	Aubrey Davis
December 24	Saturday	10:00 p.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder ~ Karl Schroeder
December 25	Sunday	10:00 a.m. Mass	Gary Hermiller

Eucharistic Ministers

December 24 Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass Amy Brinkman, Lisa Langhals, Don Siefker,
 Jessica Siefker, Andrea Siefker, Doug Langhals - (Choir)
 December 24 Saturday 6:00 p.m. Mass Stephanie Moore, Christie Tabler, Dave Tabler,
 Kate Morman, Beth Birkemeier
 December 24 Saturday 10:00 p.m. Mass Father Roger Schroeder, Anne Schroeder, Marilyn Hoffman,
 Sarah Schroeder, Norm Schnipke
 December 25 Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass Rose Ellerbrock, John & Mary Kay Koch,
 Mary Ann Schroeder, Terri Murray
 December 25 Hilty Home ~ Anne Duval

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

Ushers

December 24 Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass Gene Siefker, Mike Kohls, **2 Volunteers**
 December 24 Saturday 6:00 p.m. Mass Dave Moore, Jon Diller, Dave Ellerbrock, **1 Volunteer**
 December 24 Saturday 10:00 p.m. Mass Tom Dunlap, Matt McCauley, Ron Hoffman, John Siefker
 December 25 Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass Bruce Schroeder, **3 Volunteers**

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

Income For The Week of December 11th

Sunday & Holy Day Adult ~ 222	\$ 9,917.76
Children's ~ 34	<u>37.81</u>
	9,955.57
Christmas	600.00
Tuition	2,866.25
Christmas Flowers	515.00
Miscellaneous	<u>314.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 14,250.82



Expenses For The Week of December 11th

Ordinary Parish & School Expenses	\$ 8,169.28
Payroll ~ 12/15	17,116.90
Payroll Taxes & 403-B	<u>4,747.12</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 30,033.30

**300 Club Winner ~ December 17th ~ Jessica Hermiller ~ Ticket #92 ~ \$100.00
 Special Christmas Drawing ~ December 17th ~ Tom & Dorothy Mershman ~ Ticket #135 ~ \$100.00**

Christian Formation Classes ~ CCD Classes will be held this **Sunday, December 18th**, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., in the school. The next CCD classes will be next **Sunday, January 8th, 2017**.

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 17th & 18th**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Ann Selhorst, Marge Tabler, Marilyn Siefker, Judy Gerten and Jan Eversole. The next Scrip weekend will be **January 7th & 8th, 2017**. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Karen Martin, Shirley Goedde, Mary Langhals, Anne Schroeder and Trina Rode.

Eucharistic Ministers ~ Thank you for helping with the new changes at Mass. Reminders: Call for your replacement. If unable to find a substitute then call the coordinator for the month. Sign in (initial) before mass in the sacristy (at least 10 minutes before mass). Stand 1-2 steps in front of the first pew at the first "Lamb of God". Walk up the steps after the priest has received the Body & Blood of Christ himself. Bless you for your service.

Parish Council Election ~ The biographies of the candidates for Parish Council will be in the December 31st-January 1st bulletin with the election being held on **January 7th and 8th**. If there are any parishioners who would like to vote in the election but will be gone that weekend, you can come into the parish office and vote prior to the actual election weekend. Ballots will be available. The first Parish Council meeting for the New Year will be Tuesday, January 10, 2017.

K of C 4th Degree ~ Gentlemen, it is time to get dressed up in your tuxedos and chapeaus (fancy hats). Plan to meet in the church basement at 9:30 p.m. on December 24th for the 10:00 p.m. Mass. Your presence adds an extra level to the Christmas celebration. Thanks!

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.

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

<i>Sunday, December 18th</i>	<i>St. Johns, Lima</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Monday, December 19th</i>	<i>Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa</i>	<i>4:00 & 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>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>

Aluminum Can Drive ~ There will be an aluminum can drive the weekend of **January 6, 7 & 8th, 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.

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.

Engaged Couple Workshop ~ This workshop for engaged couples is in two parts: Living a Joy-Filled Marriage, which approaches "life Skills" through an emphasis on virtue, and God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage which discusses the sacramentality of marriage. For more information on the workshop along with dates and locations in the area, go to www.jfntoledo.eventbrite.com.

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.

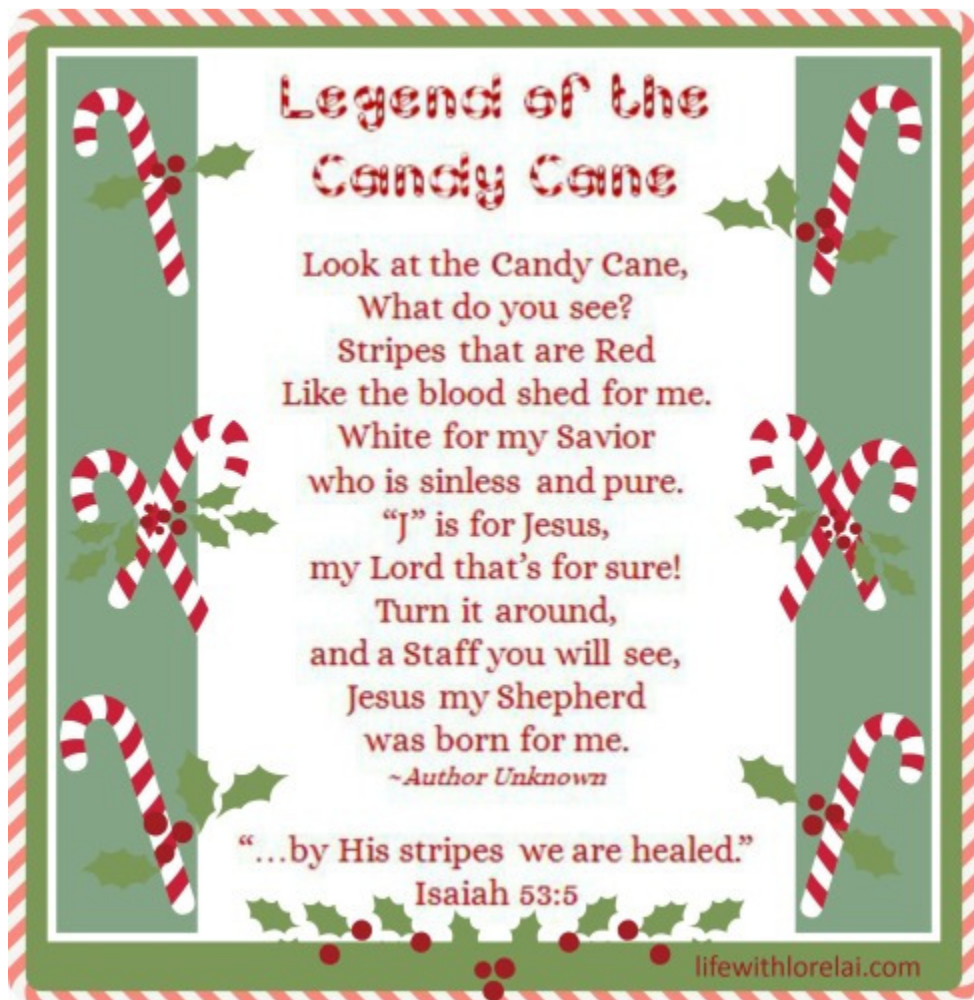
	Beef	Chicken	Ground Beef
Case of 24 cans ~ 28 ozs.	\$ 174.00	\$142.00	\$144.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs.	88.00	73.00	74.00
Price Per 28 oz. Can	7.50	6.25	6.25
Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs.	105.00	90.00	90.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs.	53.00	47.00	47.00
Price Per 14.5 oz. can	4.50	4.00	4.00

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.

AmazonSmile ~ AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support St. Anthony's every time you shop on Amazon using an internet browser on your desktop or laptop computer, your mobile phone or your tablet, at no cost to you or to St. Anthony's. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com with the added bonus that Amazon will donate .5% of the purchase price to St. Anthony's.

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Then you can place your order as you normally would. The next time you place your Amazon order at smile.amazon.com, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Columbus Grove, will automatically show up. Amazon will remember your selection and from that time on, every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation to St. Anthony's. **You also can pay for your order with Amazon Scrip which also helps St. Anthony's.** If you have any questions, call Harold Gerten at 419-659-5914 or the parish office at 419-659-2263.



A Note from Fr. Tom

JOSEPH THE DREAMER: As a carpenter, Joseph was no doubt a very practical-minded man. He had to know the properties of different kinds of wood. He had to keep supplies in stock like nails and glue. His tools had to be well maintained. He had to meet deadlines. He had to know who was a credit-worthy customer, and who should be made to pay cash up front. This practical-minded man, however, has visions of angels in his dreams. The first angel tells him, “Joseph, son of David, have no fear about taking Mary your wife into your home.” The second message is, “Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt...” The third angel tells him to go back to the land of Israel, “for those who sought the Child’s life are dead.” A final angel then warns him to stay out of the jurisdiction of Herod’s son, and go to Galilee instead.

The messages of the angels are to say the least, impractical. How is he to believe that the child is conceived of the Holy Spirit? How can he set himself up in his trade in Egypt where he knows no one and doesn’t speak the language? Once he is in business again, how practical is it to go back to Israel – and then change to Plan “B” and start over again in a strange town? Joseph may be a practical-minded businessman, but he is also a man of faith who searches for God’s will and humbly submits to it. In this last week of Advent, as we consider the preparation for Jesus made by Zechariah and Elizabeth, and by Mary and Joseph, let’s ask ourselves if we look for God’s will and then follow it. Or are we too practical to do that?

PENANCE SERVICE AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS: Our parish Penance Service is this Wednesday, December 21st at 7 p.m. We are expecting six priests from the St. George Deanery (Putnam County parishes) to help us celebrate God’s pardon and peace.

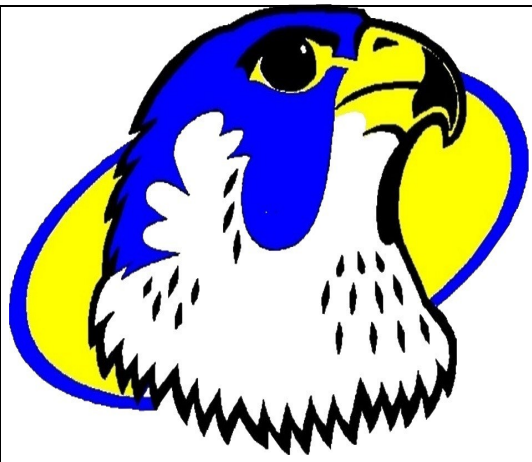
Other Penance Services this week include Lima St. John on Sunday (today) at 3 p.m., and Ottawa SS. Peter and Paul on Monday, December 19 at 4 and 7 p.m.

We will also have Confessions on Tuesday after the children’s Mass from approximately 8:45 a.m. until all are heard. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during this time. There will also be Confessions on Thursday evening, starting at 7 p.m. until all area heard, and on Friday at 1 p.m. until all are heard. Two priests will be available on Thursday and Friday. On Christmas Eve, Confessions will be available by appointment.

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS: We will celebrate the Lord’s birth at four Masses: 4:00, 6:00 and 10:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve, and at 10:00 a.m. on Christmas morning.

And a further note: Since New Year’s falls on a Sunday, we will follow the regular Sunday schedule: 4:30 p.m. on New Year’s Eve; 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on New Year’s Day.

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.



Career Day sponsored by High Flyers

The top left and right are students pictured in their Career Outfits for Career Day. Students were encouraged to come to school dressed suitable for the occupation they want to be when they grow up.

Annual Christmas Concert

Below left and right are pictures taken at the Christmas Concert this past week. All students participated with singing, instrumental or speaking parts. Parents, grandparents, relatives and friends attended the afternoon rehearsal and evening performance. Thanks to all students for a delightful performance and to everyone that attended for your support.



Lunch Recess

Volunteers

Week of: Dec. 18th



Monday - Lisa langhals,

April Schroeder, &

Elizabeth Sudlow-
Teacher Christmas Lunch

Tuesday - None Needed

Early Dismissal @ 12:45

Wednesday - No School

Thursday - No School

Friday - No School

Calendar Items:

- December 19 Staff Christmas Lunch
- December 20 All School Mass
- Early Dismissal @ 12:45
- End of Second Quarter
- Jr. High GB @ Ada @ 5:00 PM
- Dec. 21-Jan 3 No School Christmas Break
- December 27 Jr. High GB @ Kalida @ 5:00 PM
- December 31 Mrs. Selhorst Birthday
- January 2 Jr. High GB @ Glandorf @ 5:00 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: What does Mrs. Clause say to Santa when she sees clouds?

A: Looks like rain, dear?