

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 21ST, 2017



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*In today's gospel Jesus prepared His disciples for His departure.
 Family life is a series of departures.
 As we mature and grow older we constantly transition from the familiar to the new unknown.
 Today Jesus assures us we are not alone in these transitions.
 "I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you."*

Mass Schedule

May 23	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Nathan Siefker}
May 24	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Lora J. Schroeder}
May 25	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
May 26	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Philip Neri ~ {Alvin Best}
May 27	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
May 27	Saturday	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Confessions, Exposition & Benediction
May 27	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ The Ascension of the Lord ~ {Alvin "Dick" Schroeder}
May 28	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	The Ascension of the Lord ~ {Wayne Stechschulte}
May 28	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	The Ascension of the Lord ~ {Deceased Members of the Robert Kohls Family}

Servers

May 23	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Dan Maag
May 24	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sue Knott
May 25	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Bev Baxter
May 26	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Rose Ellerbrock
May 27	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Brock Verhoff, Evan Sautter, Taylor Schroeder
May 28	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Cheyenne Mershman, Logan Mershman, Nate Kamphaus
May 28	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Bryce King, Kurt Griffith, Kyle Schroeder

Lectors

May 27	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Don Siefker
May 28	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Dan Maag
May 28	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder

Eucharistic Ministers

May 27	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Norm & Rose Schnipke, Bob & Bev Baxter, Terri Murray
May 28	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Amy Brinkman, Rose Ellerbrock, Gib Kaufman, Doug Langhals, Mary Ann Schroeder
May 28	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Cheryl Ellerbrock, Dave & Christie Tabler, Pam Hummel, Noralu Kahle

June Eucharistic Minister Coordinators

4:30 p.m. ~ Pat Birnesser - 931-267-2357 **8:30 a.m.** ~ Dan Maag - 419-659-2969
11:00 a.m. ~ Dave Tabler - 419-659-2620

May 28 **Hilty Home** ~ 419-384-3218 ~ Denny Ricker

Ushers

May 27 Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass George Ellerbrock, Doug Roof, Rob Verhoff, Don Stechschulte
May 28 Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Tom Dunlap, Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Gene Siefker
May 28 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass Ken Rieman, Dwain Schroeder, John Selhorst, 1 Volunteer

~ Hilty Home Residents ~

Jean Stechschulte-Room 101; Velma Pope-Room 103A; Wilbert Roof-Room 105B; Agnes Friedel-Room 109;
Jim Fischbach-Room 118; Mary Maag-Room 119; Bill Alt-Room 121; Mary Margaret Bockrath-Room 125;
Margaret Rosenbauer-Room 208B; Dolores Daniels-Room 209B; Angela Schulte-Room 211B;
Dorothy Geiger-Room 215A; Rita Wenger-Room 300; Cathy Ruhe-Room 306;
Jeanne Schulte-Room 401

Parish Calendar Items

Income For The Week of May 14th

May 24 Discipleship Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
May 30 Creative 4-H Club @ 6:00 p.m.
May 30 Adult Study @ 7:00 p.m.

Adult Contributions ~ 220 \$ 7,402.00
Children's ~ 26 20.20
7,422.20
Other Income 9,862.66
Total Income \$ 17,284.86



Total Expenses \$ 23,284.12

Total Donated Toward 21st Century Fix-Up Campaign To-Date ~241 Donors ~ \$ 193,057.81

300 Club Winner ~ May 20th ~ Steve & Sue Hermiller ~ Ticket #213 ~ \$100.00

~ Parish Activities ~

Discipleship Meeting ~ There will be a Discipleship meeting on **Wednesday, May 24th** at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Parish Pictorial Pictures ~ Those parishioners who did not order pictures, can pick up their free 8 x 10 family picture at the parish office.

Help Needed ~ St. Anthony's is in need of a volunteer willing to water the flowers around the flag pole at the Cemetery. (There will be water available at the Cemetery.) If interested, call Dan Maag at 419-659-2969. Thank you!

Scrip ~ Scrip will be available this weekend, **May 20th and May 21st**, after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Joy Stechschulte, Marge Tabler, Judy Gerten and Trina Rode.

Beef and Chicken ~ The K of C has canned beef and chicken available for your graduation party or family reunion. Please contact 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. Below are the prices of the items available.

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

Vacation Bible School News ~ Kids, you will have fun and learn some great things when you join us for our Catholic Kids Camp! It runs from **Monday, June 5th through Friday, June 9th** from 9:00-12:00 p.m. in our Family Life Center. This year's program, entitled, *Tracking Mary: Mysteries & Messages*, features the Queen of Heaven Express – a special holy train traveling to the faraway places around the globe visited by Our Blessed Mother: Lourdes, Fatima, Guadalupe, England and Ireland. You will discover how Mary brings us closer to Jesus through the power of the Rosary. Mysteries and Messages are revealed at each stop. The program focuses on Catholic identity and teaches the Bible from the Catholic perspective. It introduces saints as faith heroes and heroines while encouraging family prayer through a daily Rosary. You will enjoy skits, activities and games. Creative, easy-to-make crafts reflect each day's theme and are fun to make. Plus, you will get to sing and dance to some very lively songs!

All kids, age 4 through those going into the sixth grade are invited to attend. Registration forms will be going home with the school students and are also located at the church entrances. Please complete your form and return it to the school office, parish office, or put it into the collection. (Registration forms will be accepted up through June.) Thank you! Please call Judy Schroeder at 659-5498 if you have any questions.

From Parish Council ~

1) Parent Survey: We have received 20 Parent Surveys back out of the 177 sent out. The Parish would like to know how we can help the parents in the Faith Formation of their children; what is working well and how we can improve. Please complete with your comments and return the surveys by the end of May. Thank you for all you do for your family.

2) Like some other area parishes, St Anthony will implement an opportunity for young children to bring up their offering to place in a basket. Fr. Tom will announce this immediately before the ushers take up the collection. He will greet the children as they bring up their offering. The children will then return to their seats with their family. This will begin on June 3rd.

3) We would like to identify parishioners who are trained in CPR in case there is a need during Mass or other parish activities. Please notify Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 or pat@patbirnesser.com with your information.

K of C Essay Winners ~ The St. Anthony 5th, 6th and 7th graders were given the opportunity to win scholarship money by submitting an essay on topics of their faith. This year's winners are: Nathan Kamphaus, Andrew Morman, Mackenzie Langhals, Gwen Langhals and Hannah Morman. Thanks to all who participated in this contest.

Missing a Jacket? ~ A black, Eddie Bauer, extra large jacket is in the church basement. If you are missing a jacket, check it out.

Life Teen ~ The National Catholic Youth Conference, NCYC, will be held in Indianapolis this November. Letters were sent out to the families of those who will be in high school next fall. If your teen is interested in going, or would like more details, please contact Hannah Warren at 419-303-5476.

Y.E.S. – Youth Elect Service – June 8-10

The 2017 Y.E.S. project will be held at Ottawa Elementary School this year beginning Thursday, June 8 at 5:30 p.m. Current 8th grade students through graduating seniors are encouraged to join us for this weekend service retreat. Be ready to meet teens from throughout the St. George Deanery, have some fun, grow in faith and be the hands and feet of Christ in your community. Something new this year will include the availability of the YMCA and entertainment on Friday! This 3-day retreat experience will close with 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 10th at Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul Parish. Registration forms are available from Hannah Warren and in church. Forms are due by May 26th so bring your friends and help us meet our goal and be part of the fun!

Y.E.S. Work Sites Needed

On June 9th and June 10th the teens & adults from the St. George Deanery are volunteering to help people throughout Putnam County with various jobs around their homes as they participate in the annual Youth Elect Service weekend retreat. If you would like a team of youth and adults to help with jobs around your home, please contact Hannah Warren at 419-303-5476. This includes anything from mulching, to washing your car, or just some spring cleaning in the house or yard!

Y.E.S. Crew Leaders Needed

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join our adult crew leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 8-10th at Ottawa Elementary School. Adult crew leaders and assistant crew leaders need to be current college freshman, up to retirees! Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with the Young Church of Today! For questions or to sign up as a crew leader, please contact Hannah Warren at 419-303-5476.

Annual Diocesan Homeschooling Mass ~ Are you a Catholic homeschooling family in the Toledo diocese? Then please join us at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 6th**, at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo for our **13th Annual Diocesan Homeschooling Mass**. The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo, will be celebrating our Mass. It's a wonderful evening of prayer, fellowship, food and fun! Please bring a finger-food dish to share for the reception immediately following the Mass. If you have a student who will be graduating 8th grade or a graduating high school senior, and would like your graduate to participate in the ceremony after the Mass, please email Lisa-Ann Brickner at oyc81@yahoo.com by **May 26th**. **We can't wait to see you there!!**

Rosaries To Spare ~ If anyone has extra Rosaries they would like to donate to the missions, feel free to drop them off at the parish office. We will include them with the Rosaries being made during the Rosary Guild meetings. Thank you!

Cash or Car! ~ With the success we had last year and the many positive comments, we will again be raffling off up to \$20,000 toward the purchase of a new vehicle or \$15,000 in cash at the parish festival this year. The advantage of this approach has been that the winner can purchase any new vehicle of any color. It also gives the winner the option of taking cash and not having the hassle of selling the vehicle. H&K Chevrolet from Continental has again offered to showcase their new vehicles for our festival. Ticket will be sold every weekend now through festival day. Points of contact for purchasing tickets are Mike Birkemeier at 419-659-2954 or Harold Gerten at 419-659-5914. Tickets can also be purchased at the parish office. If you can help sell tickets before and after weekend Masses, please contact Mark Edelbrock at 419-659-2269.

Festival Workers' List ~The 2017 Festival is right around the corner! If you would like to change your festival job or the time you work, please contact Dee Griffith at 419-646-3449. Also if you know you will be out of town, please contact her so she can take you off the list for this year. She will need to be notified of any changes by **June 22nd**. Thank you for your support of our festival each year. It takes all of us to make this annual event a success.

Cemetery Flowers ~ If flowers are put on the graves of our loved ones, be sure to put their name on the back of the flower arrangement so that if the flowers are blown off, they can be returned to their rightful place.

~ *Non-Parish Activities* ~

It is that time of year! ~ It is warming up and people are beginning to plant their gardens! A recent assessment in Putnam County shows that very few people eat the recommended 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables each day. Sometimes, the cost of fresh produce is a barrier to eating healthy foods. The "*Plant an Extra Row*" program is a great way to help those who have difficulty buying the more expensive fresh produce. The idea is simple! Encourage gardeners to "plant an extra row" of some type of vegetable (or fruit!) and distribute the proceeds. It can be an organized distribution, or something a bit more "casual". Is there a "champion" in your congregation that is just looking for some way to help? Regardless of how the program is implemented, it is a great way to improve the access to fresh fruits and vegetables! For more information, fliers are on the bulletin boards of the entrances of the church. If you have any questions, call Joan Kline at the Putnam County Health Department at 419-523-5608, ext. 239.

Italy, Slovenia & Austria ~ Vicki Doty and Jerry Bunn are organizing a trip to Italy, Slovenia, and Austria for April, 2018. The trip will begin in Milan, Italy for 3 nights and include a day trip to Lake Como for a boat cruise, plus a day trip to Turin, home of the 2006 winter Olympics. Then it's on to Venice for 2 nights with a gondola ride. We then head to Trieste, Italy for lunch on our way to Ljubljana, Slovenia (the Hidden gem of Eastern Europe). While in Ljubljana we will do a day trip to Lake Bled for a boat cruise to Bled Island and a tour of the castle. Finally it's on to Vienna, Austria for 2 nights including a visit to the Schonbrunn Palace. Dates are April 9-19, 2018. The cost is \$3,745 which includes, air, land transportation, all breakfasts, dinners, tips. For more information check out the link: www.explorica.com/Bunn-2723. If you have any other questions, call Jerry Bunn at 419-659-5702.

Putnam County Library Annual Book Sale ~ The Friends of the Putnam County District Library, will be holding their Annual Used Book Sale on June 6th and 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the East 4th Street Gym, in Ottawa. Items for sale ~ hardback and paperback books for all ages plus music CD's, DVD's, books on tape, videos, records, electronics, attic treasures and more. Proceeds benefit all the Putnam County Libraries.

Putnam County Hospice Volunteers ~ Putnam County Hospice is seeking volunteers to offer companionship to patients, respite to the caregivers, assistance with administrative tasks, as well as assistance with special events and fundraising projects. Following training and orientation, volunteers can choose their area of involvement. For more information, please contact Kathy Rellinger, Putnam County Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, at 419-523-4449 or krellinger@pchh.net.

Putnam County Council on Aging Starts Medical Equipment Loan Closet ~ Has a hospital stay, recent injury or just coming of age as a senior presented a need for medical equipment? If so, the Council on Aging has a Medical Equipment Loan Closet with an assortment of new and used durable medical equipment on hand to lend to those in need for a few days, a few weeks or a few months at no charge. The only eligibility is that you must be a Putnam County resident, age 60 and better. Example of items available to loan include wheelchairs, walkers, canes, reachers, grab bars, tub chairs, incontinence products, nutritional supplements and so much more.

In order to keep the Loan Closet full, the Council relies on generous donations from the community. Our supply of items constantly changes depending on the needs of older adults as well as donations received. The Council will accept most small medical equipment as long as it is in good repair. For more information on how to borrow an item from the Loan Closet or to donate an item, please call 419-523-4121 or toll-free 1-800-589-8508.

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. (If an event is being held at Vino Bellissimo, they will meet at Happy Daz.

A Note from Fr. Tom

FOOD FOR THE POOR: Father Richard Paul Lewandowski will be at our parish next Saturday and Sunday to speak about the mission of Food for the Poor. He is a priest of the Diocese of Worcester, Massachusetts, and assists Food for The Poor in raising awareness and direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Fr. Lewandowski was ordained in 1974, and his ministries have included serving as an associate pastor and pastor in many parishes, and in campus ministry. He is a licensed mental health counselor and writes children's books. In addition to his ministry with Food for the Poor, he serves at St. Richard's Parish, Sterling, MA, at nursing facilities in Cambridge, MA, and counsels first responders and combat veterans. Please be generous in supporting this appeal.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: Another successful school year has come to a conclusion at St. Anthony. The second grade students received First Reconciliation and First Communion, and have gotten a solid grounding in both those sacraments. Grades six and seven have gotten Confirmation preparation under way. (The big day will be Saturday, March 24, 2018 at Rosary Cathedral.) Grade eight has taken the big step out the door of Saint Anthony School with diplomas firmly clutched in their hands. I'm sure they will have a positive impact on Columbus Grove High School, and that they will remain solidly rooted in their parish. Other grades have taken other steps, increasing their knowledge of history and math, as well as knowledge of the Bible and of Church teachings. Congratulations to Mr. Hummel, to the teachers, to the school auxiliary staff, and to the parents for a job well done.

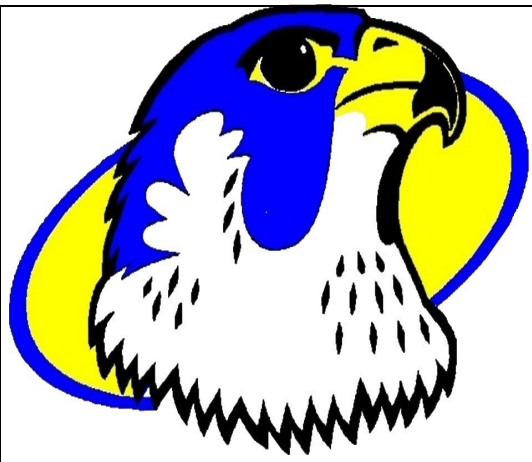
Congratulations as well to our CCD teachers and parents, and thanks to Judy Schroeder who coordinated the program. It was good to work with you, and to see our CCD students at Mass.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will take place from June 5 to 9 (Monday through Friday). It's a fun way for children to learn more about their faith, mostly in a non-classroom setting. I think it is a good supplement to the Diocese of Toledo religion curriculum that we follow in both St. Anthony School and in CCD. Registration forms are at all the entrances.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: As Jesus continues to speak at the Last Supper, He tells His disciples about the gift of the Holy Spirit. He refers to the Holy Spirit as the Paraclete (our translation says "Advocate"). In those days, a Paraclete was like a defense attorney, but more. A Paraclete stood by you when you were in trouble, to console and advise you. The first two readings show us how the Holy Spirit was at work. Philip takes the Gospel message to Samaria, where people were hostile to anyone coming from Jerusalem. His God-given success was both unexpected and overwhelming. Clearly the Holy Spirit gave Philip the right words to say. And then the Samaritans are receptive to Peter and John who lay hands on them and give them the gift of the Holy Spirit. (It sounds to me like they were the first bishops to go around confirming people.)

Then in his first letter, Peter has a word for us today. He tells us to be always ready to explain our faith and our hope, but to do it "with gentleness and reverence." How well equipped are you and I to share our faith with people who ask questions? Do we ask God to help us give our answer "with gentleness and reverence", rather than come down on people like a ton of bricks?

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 Children's Festival was last Friday.

Our students at St Anthony School had a great time. We are all so thankful for the Support of our Parish Community each and every day. Thanks to all of the volunteers and the ladies that organized and planned the event. Many thanks to the sponsors of donations and prizes, for without your continued support we would not be able to schedule this year after year. We are truly blessed to have the love, assistance and prayers of St. Anthony Parish.

Lunch Recess

Volunteers



Week of: May 21,
2017

Schools Out for Summer! May 22

Teacher Work Day

Thanks to all of the Recess
Volunteers this school year.
You have been great. We
appreciate your time and
help.

June 5—9

Vacation Bible School in the
1st floor of the school.

Calendar Items:

This Week's LIFE Skill :

Sense of Humor

A joyful heart is the health of
the body, but a depressed
spirit dries up the bones.

Proverbs 22:17



Q: What did the grouchy trumpet say to the trumpeter?

A: Don't give me any of your Lip!