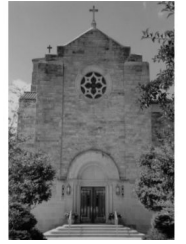


SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 1ST, 2017



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In today's gospel Jesus asked, "What is your opinion?"
Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact?
An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something.
Don't argue over or become divided by "your opinion".

Mass Schedule

October 03	Tuesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Jim & Jeanette Makley}
October 03	Tuesday		Confessions, Exposition & Adoration After Mass
October 04	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Francis of Assisi ~ {Denis & Betty Meyer}
October 05	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Claude, Gene, Bill & Joe Schumaker}
October 05	Thursday	2:00 p.m. Mass	Meadows of Ottawa ~ {For The Parish}
October 06	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Father Keith McCormack ~ Deceased Members of the Raymond & Madeleine Duval Family ~ Deceased Members of the Ralph & Beatrice Schroeder Family}
October 06	Friday		First Friday Exposition & Adoration Until Noon
October 07	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
October 07	Saturday	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Confessions, Exposition & Benediction
October 07	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Vigil~27th Sunday in Ordinary Time~{Jim Verhoff ~ Shirley Maag ~ 60th Wedding Anniversary ~ Tom & Marge Knott}
October 08	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time~{Harry, Sr. & Clara Schumacher}
October 08	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ {Miriam Hixenbaugh}

Servers

October 07	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Brandon Buescher, Joshua Buesher, Amber Carder
October 08	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Mackenzie Langhals, Madison Langhals, Paige Langhals
October 08	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Tadd Koch, Trent Koch, Landen Schroeder

Lectors

October 07	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Special
October 08	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	Dan Maag
October 08	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder

Eucharistic Ministers

October 07	Saturday	4:30 p.m. Mass	Norm Schnipke, Ken & Connie Kruse, Lisa Langhals, Erica Siefker
October 08	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Mass	John & Mary Kay Koch, Rose Ellerbrock, Doug Langhals, Faith Oglesbee
October 08	Sunday	11:00 a.m. Mass	Sue Schroeder, Pam Hummel, Anne Schroeder, Bob Maag, Shirley Goedde

October 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

October 08 **Hilty Home ~ 419-384-3218** ~ Karl & Blanche Stechschulte

~ *Hilty Home Residents* ~

*Jean Stechschulte-Room 101; Wilbert Roof-Room 105B; Agnes Friedel-Room 109;
Bill Alt-Room 121; Mary Margaret Bockrath-Room 125; Jim Fischbach-Room 201B;
Dolores Daniels-Room 209B; Virginia Landwehr-Room 211A; Angela Schulte-Room 211B;
Rita Wenger-Room 300; Cathy Ruhe-Room 306; Jeanne Schulte-Room 401*

Ushers

October 07 Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass Nick Schroeder, Aaron Siefker, Mike Recker, Tim Reimund
 October 08 Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Bruce Schroeder, Carl Warnecke, Gib Kaufman, Craig Kaufman
 October 08 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst, Ken Rieman, Dwain Schroeder

Greeter Schedule

October 07 Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass Pat Birnesser, Kathy Buescher, Dale & Denise Carder
 October 08 Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass Dan Maag, Mike & Kay Langhals, Carl & Denise Warnecke
 October 08 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass Bob & Bev Baxter, Pat & Julia Vorst, Duane & Beth Vorst

Parish Activities

For The Week of September 24th

October 02 Walking With Purpose @ 7:00 p.m.
 October 03 K of C Meeting @ 8:00 p.m.
 October 07 That Man Is You @ 6:00 a.m.

Adult ~ 180	\$ 6,102.03
Children's ~ 18	<u>18.00</u>
	6,120.03
Other Income	<u>3,749.75</u>



Total Income	\$ 9,869.78
Total Expenses	\$37,669.74

Total Donated Toward 21st Century Fix-Up Campaign To-Date ~263 Donors ~ \$ 225,807.81

300 Club Winner ~ September 30th ~ Betty Hermiller ~ Ticket #34 ~ \$100.00

*Marriage Bans I ~ Steve Brown & Whitney Seyer
Marriage Bans III ~ Tony Stringfield & Laura Scoles*

*Best wishes to Laura & Tony who will be married on Saturday, October 7th, here at St. Anthony's.
May the Lord bless you both with a lifetime of happiness together!*



Taylor Ann, daughter of Justin and Michelle (Siefker) Schroeder, Henry Luke, son of John and Katie Vennekotter, and Eloise Marie, daughter of Gabe & Nicole Kruse, were baptized this past weekend here at St. Anthony's. May the new gift of the Holy Spirit be with you always.



**Happy Birthday, Father Tom!!!
October 7, 2017**

Help celebrate Fr. Tom's birthday at the St. Anthony Fall Fest on **Sunday, October 8th** after the 11:00 a.m. mass. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, water, lemonade, coffee, and of course a birthday cake provided. Bring a potluck dish to share. Enjoy a time of music, games and fellowship for the entire family with our parish family. Notify Pat Birnesser at 931-267-2357 as a count would be appreciated by **Thursday, October 5th**. Thank you!

Dear Parishioners of St. Anthony's,

I want to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, prayers, cards and gifts for my ordination. A special thanks to Father Tom and Deacon Jim for their support during my time of preparation for the diaconate. Thanks to Jean and the choir for the beautiful music for my first time assisting at Mass as a deacon. Also, thank you to the men and ladies who helped prepare and serve the delicious luncheon after the Mass and all who attended Mass and the luncheon to make the day special. I ask for your continued prayers that I may serve the members of St. Anthony Parish well. I will keep all of you in my prayers as well.

Deacon Don

"Why Do Catholics..."

Why do Catholics believe in a "personal relationship with God"? In Deutoronmy 6:5, we are told to "love the Lord, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength." Jesus repeats this command in Matthew 22:37, Mark 12:30,33 and Luke 10:27. The prologue of the Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us: "At every time and in every place, God draws close to man. He calls man to seek him, to know him, to love him with all his strength". Seeking an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ is at the core of our faith. Pope Benedict said that "Faith is above all a personal, intimate encounter with Jesus, and to experience his closeness, his friendship, his love; only in this way does one learn to know him ever more, and to love and follow him ever more. May this happen to each one of us."

From "Our Sunday Visitor" 6/30/17

Scrip ~ The next Scrip weekend will be **October 7th & 8th**. The helpers are: Ken & Connie Kruse, Ann Selhorst, Marge Tabler, Joyce Kaufman, Christie Tabler and Carla Kohls.

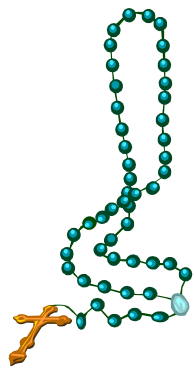
The 2017 Parish Pictorials ~ Parish Pictorials are available for pickup at the parish office, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Pictorials are also available for purchase for \$10.00. Submitted pictures for the pictorial will be returned in the next few weeks. There will be a notice in the bulletin when they arrive.

Christian Formation Classes ~ Will be held this **Sunday, October 1st** at 9:30-10:45 a.m. in the school. The next CCD classes will be held on **Sunday, October 8th**.

K of C ~ The K of C will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 3rd** at 8:00 p.m. the church hall with the Rosary being recited at 7:40 p.m.

CPR Training ~ There will be a CPR Training on **Saturday, October 28th**, in the parish hall for those wanting to learn about or be certified in CPR. For those who would like to be certified, please arrive at 8:30 a.m. For those who do not care to be certified, please arrive at 1:00 p.m. We need a count by **October 6th** to place an order for materials. Notify Pat Birnesser by phone/text 931-267-2357 or email pat@patbirnesser.com if interested or have questions.

Need for New Mass Ministers ~ Papers will be in the pews the next 2 weekends to choose how you want to serve. Add additional comments as needed and return them in the collection basket. Please prayerfully consider how God is leading you to respond and perhaps stepping out of your comfort zone. St. Anthony Parish thanks you for placing service to God and others before your own wants and comfort. Notify Pat Birnesser by phone/text or email with any questions, unavailable dates, or if needing any changes from the last schedule at 931-267-2357 or pat@patbirnesser.com by **Monday, October 9th**, for the November-December schedule.



Rosary Rally for Peace ~ Please join the Rosary Rally at **12:00 noon Saturday, October 14th**, on the front sidewalk of St. Anthony Church to pray for peace in our nation and the world. We remember the 100th anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima and the miracle of the sun that took place on October 13, 1917, and her message of praying the rosary for peace! Please bring your rosary and lawn chair. If there is bad weather, we will meet in the church. Please call Judy Schroeder at 419-659-5498 if you have any questions. Thanks!

Julie's Legacy Walk or Fun Run ~ Join us in honoring Julie King on **Saturday, October 21st** at St. Anthony School in Columbus Grove. Join us for a 5K or 1 mile Walk or Fun Run honoring Julie's legacy of family fun and fitness. Check-in and t-shirt pickup is 9:00 a.m. with the walk/run beginning at 10:00 a.m. Registration fees are \$22.00 with a t-shirt and \$15 without a t-shirt. Children 5 and under are free. (No t-shirt.) Last date to register and receive a t-shirt is **Thursday, October 13th**. All proceeds from the Walk or Fun Run will support St. Anthony School and the Putnam County Cancer Assistance Program. For more information, visit: WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/JULIESLEGACY.

Carey Healing Mass ~ The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey will be having a healing Mass on **Friday, October 6th, at 7:00 p.m.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, individual praying and the anointing of the sick will take place after Mass. The next healing Mass is *November 3rd - 7:00 p.m.*

Amanda Vernon Concert Keynote ~ St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Findlay invites you and your family to see internationally-known recording artist Amanda Vernon in a free concert on **Monday, October 2nd** at 7:00 p.m. at the main campus of St. Michael. She will share her original music and give the faith-filled stories behind the songs. For more information, visit amandavernon.com. This concert is free and open to the public.

Quarter Auction - Fundraiser ~ St. John's Preschool in Glandorf will be sponsoring their annual Quarter Auction on **Friday, October 6th** at 7:00 p.m. at Glandorf St. John's Fellowship Hall. Featured items are from Signature Homestyles. Tickets are \$10 each or RESERVED table of 8 for \$90! For more information or tickets, call the Preschool at 419-538-6264 or Jeannie Verhoff 419-538-6255.

Toledo Symphony Orchestra ~ The Toledo Symphony Orchestra will perform at St. Michael the Archangel, Main Church, on **Thursday, October 12th** at 8:00 p.m. as part of its annual youth ministry fundraiser, IMPACT. Tickets to the concert are \$25 for adults and \$15 for students and can be purchased in-person at St. Michael the Archangel, Main Church, 750 Bright Road in Findlay. Only cash and check payment will be accepted.

Fighting Against What Harms Us... the New Drug of Pornography ~ There are three sessions planned that are to be held at Immaculate Conception Parish Center gym in Ottoville on October 4th.

1st Session is open to all junior high youth (with parent approval) this session will be at 4:00 p.m. in the gym with our junior high youth and their teachers / parent chaperones.

2nd Session is for parents, grandparents (adults only), this session will be at 5:30 p.m. This is a good opportunity to help those who protect... to protect better. It's good to trust, but sometimes we can over trust. Our kids are good, of course they are, but don't you think there is a need to know just in case?

3rd Session is for all high school youth at 7:00 p.m. This session will be preceded by a youth rally 1 hour before where they will be fed with faith, knowledge, and music from Peter Range and the Luminous Mysteries and followed with nourishment (6:00 p.m. is the gathering time in the Parish Center Main Hall).

Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. They may need your time and attention.

Sometimes lines of communication break down and they need repair. Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, "How can I make my marriage better?" If so, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a weekend program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage. For more information about our October 6 - 8th Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact our registration team: **Joe and Arlene @ 419-841-1116 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com.**

Come And See ~ The Sisters of the Precious Blood are sponsoring a *Come and See* weekend on **Friday, October 13th** through **Sunday October 15th**. You are invited to learn more about life as a member of the Precious Blood Sisters. The weekend begins with dinner on Friday at 5:00 p.m., and will conclude at noon on Sunday after Liturgy and lunch. To make your registration or if you have any questions, please contact Sister Patty Kremer at 937-609-0653 or email pkremer@cppsadmin.org. Please register by **Wednesday, October 4th**.

Separated ~ Divorced ~ Now What? ~ Receive these great blessings: healing wisdom, peace, hope, confidence, resilience. The support group will be meeting on **Tuesdays, October 3rd through December 13th**, at St. Charles Catholic Church/School Library, 2200 West Elm Street in Lima, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. For more information, call Rosalyn Liston at 419-999-4210 or at auntroro@wcoil.com.

Putnam County Right to Life ~ Will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 3rd** at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to the Kalida fire station). All are welcome.

Softball For All ~ Kalida is sponsoring a "Softball For All" game for children with special needs and their families. It will take place at Holy Name Ballpark, behind Kalida Elementary School, on **Sunday, October 8th** at 1:30 p.m. Children can be paired with a partner to help them play. Bring your own ball glove. Kindly RSVP to Bob & Joyce Buss at 419-532-3881.

Delphos St. John's 105th Fall Festival ~ Everyone is welcome to attend the Delphos St. John's 105th Fall Festival on **October 21st and 22nd** in the St. John's Cafeteria and Gymnasium. Enjoy food, games of chance and have some family fun. Home-cooked chicken and beef dinners with all the trimmings and even homemade cakes for dessert are available for \$8.50 for adults and \$6.50 for children (5th grade and younger). Carry-outs 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. Dinners in the Little Theatre will be served from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday. Enter the west door of the Elementary School Building. There is also a Children's Festival on Wednesday, October 18th for Pre-K and younger 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Kindergarten to 3rd Grade 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4th grade to 8th grade from 1:10 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and High School Students 2:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event is open to the public! You will be helping to support the mission at St. John's School. We look forward to seeing you on October 21st and 22nd!

The Franciscan Friars at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, OH ~ Are offering a special Mass for those who are expecting a child or trying to have one on the feast of St. Gerard Majella (patron saint of motherhood), **Sunday, October 8th**, at the noon Mass. All are invited to come and pray!

A "**Difficult Choice**" ~ Advocates of abortion often refer to the decision to have an abortion as a "difficult choice." Why is it a difficult choice? The reason is very simple and obvious. We all know that the unborn child is a person growing inside the mother's womb. So, of course, it is "difficult". Choosing to terminate the life of another human being is a "difficult choice". If the unborn child was not a person, what would be so difficult about choosing to end his or her life?

Is killing a cancer growing inside your body a "difficult choice". Of course not.

Dehumanizing the child is a vital strategy used by pro-abortionists to disguise the "difficult choice" that is being made. The baby is made to appear like the invading "blob of tissue"---like a cancerous growth. Why do we allow such deceit and victimization of the pre-born? Can you find a more innocent or vulnerable human being than a precious baby boy or girl inside his/her mother's womb?

A Note from Fr. Tom

DISASTER COLLECTION: Last Sunday, I said that our donation for victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma were "in the \$4000 range." I was wrong. The total is a bit over \$6000. Your generosity is overwhelming. Thank you.

Now Hurricane Maria has devastated Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands. I read a story yesterday (Tuesday) about the extreme shortages of food, water and fuel. People's suffering is getting worse and worse, especially for the sick and the elderly. It is hard for supplies to reach these islands because they are 1000+ miles away from Florida. The port of San Juan has started to function, but only in daylight hours. Other ports cannot operate yet. Planes cannot land in many places because airport navigation systems are knocked out. Communications are almost non-existent, especially in the mountains of Puerto Rico, because only 1/8 of cell phone towers are functioning.

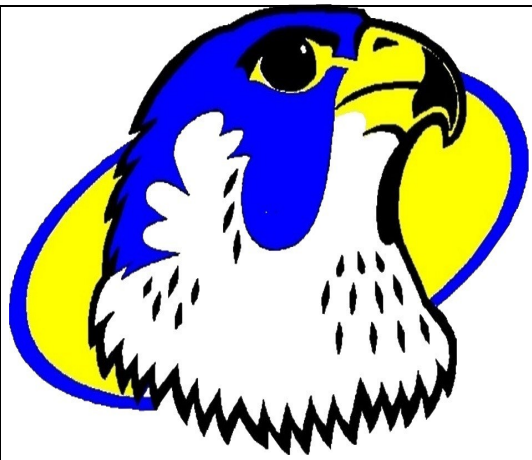
We are going to have another collection for Catholic Charities, this time for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. I hesitate to ask again, but we can't do anything about the bad timing of disasters. Let's pray that enough ports and airports are up and running soon for our donations to reach suffering people.

Incidentally, did you know that Puerto Ricans have been US citizens since 1917, and Virgin Islanders since 1927? They can't vote in Presidential elections, but they are our fellow Americans – and in most cases, our fellow Catholics.

THREE WEEKS IN THE VINEYARD: Last Sunday's Gospel was about the vineyard owner who gave a full day's pay to workers who had put in only an hour on the job. Next week's Gospel will be about the vineyard owner whose tenants refused to pay their rent at harvest time. And today's is about the two sons, one of whom was a phony who promised his father he'd work in the vineyard, but then went off and spent the day with his friends; and the other, who gave his father a bunch of bad attitude when his father asked him to work, but then felt sorry for what he had said, and went to help with the harvest.

The vineyard is a powerful Gospel symbol. Vineyard work is hard. Yet the reward is wine and celebration. It's like working for God's Kingdom. The work is tiring and sometimes frustrating. And yet there's a promise of peace in our hearts in this world, and total happiness in the next. When we hear the story of the two sons, we realize that in our lifetime, we've played both parts. Sometimes we've talked a good game before God, but then done as we pleased. And sometimes we've rebelled and repented. I believe today's parable tells us that the Kingdom and its rich rewards are for anyone who repents, even for older sons who made promises to God and haven't kept them. God's plan really is something that we can lift a glass to, isn't it?

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 top two pictures are Kindergarten Students that have been busy this fall. On the top left are students on a hay ride at Suter's Pumpkin Patch. They were listening to a presentation by Mr. Suter. On the right, Kindergarten Students are using Playdough during their class art time.

The 7th & 8th Grade Students had their Confirmation Retreat this week. Public school students joined our St Anthony Students for the Confirmation Retreat in the basement of the church this past Wednesday. Pictured are students participating in the retreat. The NET Team are a fantastic group that put on the retreat. The team that comes to us is from all over the US and Ireland. They commit to this mission for a full year to evangelizing youth around the country. Thank You Net Team for a Spiritual Encounter!

Calendar Items:

Lunch Recess

Volunteers

Week of: Oct. 2nd

Monday Pat Birnesser

Falcon Spirit Day,
Shredded Beef \$1

Tuesday Judy Schroeder

Wednesday Lisa Langhals

Thursday Cheryl Ellerbrock

Friday Fr. Tom's Birthday
Free Lunch

Mass Gr. 3



- October 2 Falcon Spirit Day, Hot Sandwich \$1
- October 6 Celebrating Fr. Tom's Birthday, Free Lunch, Sch. Picture Day
- October 9 Observe Columbus Day
- October 11 SAC Mtg. 7:00,
- October 15 Fall Family Movie in Gym
- October 17 Skyzone
- October 19 Cookie Dough Delivery, Pick-up @ 2:30 -3:30
- October 20 End of First Quarter
- October 23 Qtr. Break
- October 24 Prize Day

This Week's LIFE Skill :

Effort

For this reason, make every **effort** to supplement your faith with virtue, virtue with knowledge

2 Peter 1:5



Q: What kind of hat does Sir Lancelot wear?

A: A knight cap