



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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## January 10, 2021—The Baptism of the Lord

### A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Have you ever met anyone *famous*... perhaps receiving the opportunity to shake a hand in a reception line after a concert or performance? Perhaps having a program or baseball autographed before the big ball game? Maybe you had a chance encounter in an airport or restaurant while traveling? Of course, some people are more famous than others, and for different reasons.

I remember my first November at St. Anthony's when someone came to the sacristy to tell me that we had a Medal of Honor recipient, Colonel Roger Donlon, in the congregation that night. I learned that he was the first Medal of Honor recipient of the

Vietnam War, who received the Medal for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity, above and beyond the call of duty, while commanding a special forces unit. That evening however, he blended in with everyone else, and when I asked if anyone sitting next to him had introduced themselves to strangers or shaken his hand, nobody responded. But when he was identified, he was rightfully given a warm round of applause from those gathered that night. Interestingly, I believe it was also the same night the Oscar Meyer Wiener-mobile also appeared at St. Anthony's, which everyone identified easily and got a good laugh over. After Mass, I did take the opportunity to shake hands with both guests (our war hero and the wiener-mobile driver) and to thank them for coming and being with us.

Encountering those who are famous leaves an impression on us. We marvel at the prodigious talent they have. We honor how they stepped up in their role to change history. We identify their connection with causes and movements which are influential over all of society. We appreciate how they entertain us. For sure there may be more impactful people in our lives who will never be famous—our teachers, our parents, our mentors, our benefactors—but there is always a thrill to encounter a 'celebrated' person...a 'celebrity'...whose reputation precedes them.

The fulfillment of the Christmas Season comes with the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. In this celebration, we commemorate that the Lord who took our flesh and lived our life, did not reject the cleansing baptism of John. Our Lord did not see it as something beneath him or under his dignity, as rightfully he might have. Jesus did not need to receive a baptism for the forgiveness of sins. John knew this and protested against Jesus coming into the waters, but at the command of the Lord, John relented. Thus Jesus brought his own fame and his holiness, his reputation and celebrity into the wilderness where John was preaching and received baptism... not to be cleansed by the experience as everyone was, but to cleanse the waters of baptism themselves, that they might not only be a sign of cleansing and forgiveness, but that the Spirit itself might dwell in those waters, and everyone who receives the sign of baptism might have a sharing of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. In that encounter, all who are baptized are transformed.

The greatest power of fame and celebrity is the ability to change our lives. When we might have met a great athlete in our youth, might it have inspired better sportsmanship? When we heard a wonderful musician on the radio or on stage, might we have been inspired to imitate their craftsmanship by pulling down a guitar and working through the chords? When we meet someone who is particularly saintly, does it not inspire us to greater holiness. In the Baptism of the Lord, St. Augustine reminds us that in the Sacrament of Baptism, it is not the priest or the deacon who baptizes, but *Christ himself* who baptizes. We have a moment where we encounter Christ through sacramental signs and mysteries, but that encounter is no less real. It is this brush with 'fame' at the beginning of our Christian journey that is meant to be a memorable, watershed moment—a brush with immortality where we get to keep a piece of that by the grace by invitation of the one who made the waters themselves holy.



#### — Mass Times —

Saturday: 4:00, 6:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am  
M, Tu, Th: 7:30 am  
W (school): 8:30 am  
F (St. Vincent): 10:15 am  
Holy Days: as announced

#### — Sacrament of Reconciliation —

Saturday: 5:00-6:00 pm and  
other times by appointment

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-

Tuesday: after Mass until noon  
Except when funeral



Mass  
Intentions

#### Mon., January 11, 2021

7:30 a.m. Betty Lentz+

#### Tues., January 12, 2021

7:30 a.m. Rose Mary Benz+

#### Wed., January 13, 2021

-at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Grace Schell+

#### Thurs., January 14, 2021

4:00 p.m. Roberta & Rita Hummel+

#### Fri., January 15, 2021

7:30 a.m. Joe Mast+

#### Sat., January 16, 2021

4:00 p.m. Parish Intentions

6:30 p.m. Grace Schell+

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sun., January 17, 2021

8:00 a.m. Britni Leigh Wilson+

10:30 a.m. Terry Weills+

#### — Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

# St. Dominic School

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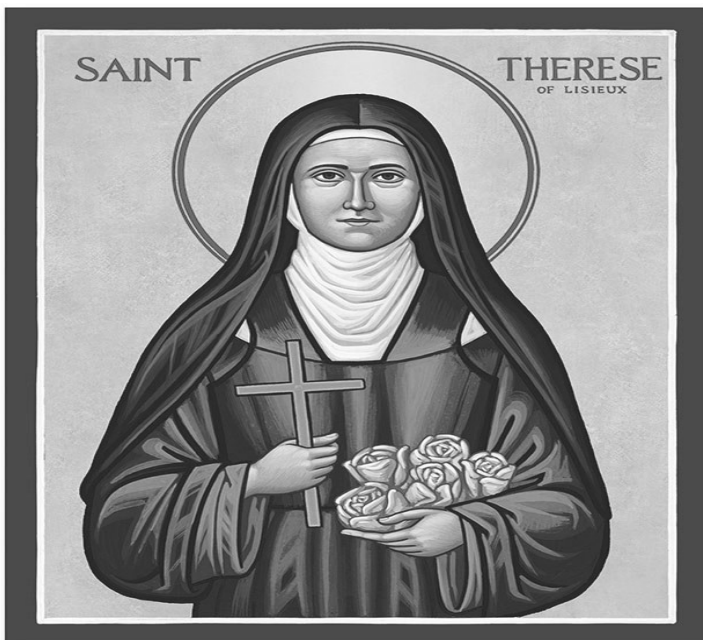
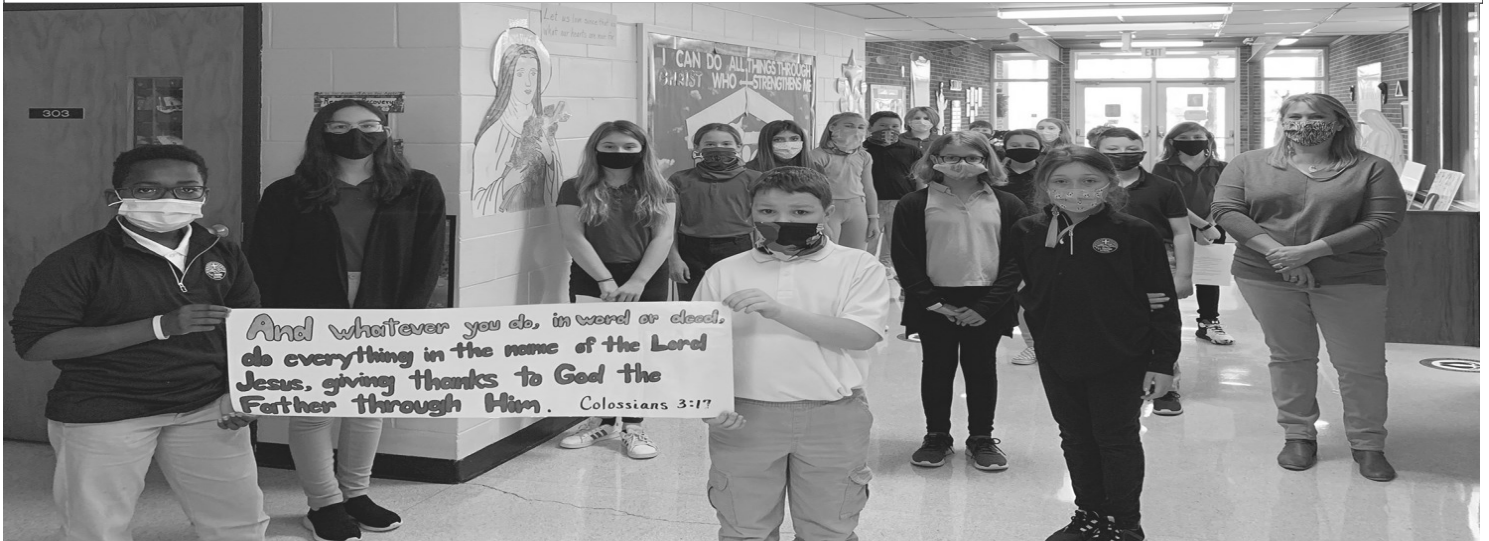
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## A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

### Our Holy Hero — Saint Therese of Lisieux

During the month of January, the 5th grade class along with their teacher, Mrs. Joann Ellerman, will lead our daily morning meeting and teach us about the holy moments in the life of another Holy Hero, Saint Therese of Lisieux. Each day, we will recite the January Bible verse, "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17. We will also pray the My Novena Rose Prayer, "O Little Therese of the Child Jesus, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love. O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors I now place with confidence in your hands (mention your intentions in silence here) St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did in God's great love for me, so that I might imitate your "Little Way" each day." Saint Therese had loving role models in her family who always showed love and kindness. Therese learned to show little kindnesses to everyone. This became known as "The Little Way". Kindness in little ways leads to holy moments. We will look for little ways to make small sacrifices of love.



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 p.m. School Board Meeting

**Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. Mass with 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Leaders

6:30 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parent Mtg. for Reconciliation

**Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Holy Moments Mass with 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

No School — Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting

**Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. Mass with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Leaders

**Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

Papa John's Pizza Night







# Upcoming Events

## Postponement of January Session of Grief Share



After serious consideration we have decided to postpone the GriefShare session which was to start January 7th. We plan to reschedule later in 2021 just as soon as it is judged safe to do so. This was a hard choice as each team member knows of persons struggling with grief and that there are others who we do not know who are looking forward to this session. We want to protect our participants and our devoted team. In the meantime, please reach out to team members. Our community is blessed with a wealth of counseling services if you feel the need for help. You are also welcome to contact Deacon Harry, Cindy Cramer, Jim Liesen or other team members with questions and for resources. While we are not counselors we can give you ideas on resources that are available. Thank you.

## Yearly Contribution Statements



If you are needing a contribution statement for 2020 from St. Anthony Church please contact the parish office, 222-5996, to request a statement. These will only be printed upon request.

## First Reconciliation Meeting

Due to Covid there will not be the group meeting we usually hold but Mrs. Nytes will be communicating the information through letters and email.

**Question:** So, what is the story about the moral implications of taking the COVID-19 vaccine? Have aborted human fetal cells been used in the design and manufacture of the vaccine?

**Fr. Tom Replies:** In classic moral theology, it is considered morally illicit to participate in the evil being perpetrated by another. For instance, one would be directly contributing the crime of a person who robbed a bank, if he or she were to drive a getaway car, or otherwise enabled or encouraged the perpetrator in the commission of the crime. On the other hand, one would be contributing to the crime only indirectly if you were the mechanic replacing the tires on the car a week before the robbery. Presuming you didn't know of the intended crime, you would be innocent of blame or of any moral fault in the evil to be perpetrated.

In the case of vaccines, medicines, and even surgical procedures, we are in an age where it is becoming increasingly important to be aware of the moral implications of medical interventions. Catholics of good conscience understand that we have a duty to promote and encourage drug manufacturers to use the most ethical of means to produce their medicines, refusing to receive products produced from the use of aborted human fetal cell

lines. However, while many vaccines avoid using human cell lines for the production of 'biological products', most of the vaccines in production today have had at least some exposure to incidental testing using human cell lines. That being said, COVID-19 is a very serious disease which needs to be eradicated... a good in itself. Can we accept a vaccine or another treatment which has been generated through any level of use of unethical means? Of the vaccines which have been approved thus far, those manufactured by Pfizer and Moderna have not used cell lines derived from abortions in the manufacture of their vaccines. Both vaccines have used cell lines in incidental testing to demonstrate safety. While this is not good, it is extremely remote in its participation in the evil of abortion. Indeed, the vaccines could have been produced without the testing. There is a greater present good of promoting and protecting health produces a positive "double effect" can be cited as a sufficient intention to avoid evil and achieve a greater good. However, the Church also does recognize the right of individuals to refuse the vaccine on these grounds. This is a complicated issue which I hope to address further in the coming weeks, and also in the light of the upcoming March for Life.

# — Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Monday, January 11</u> 7:30 p.m.	Men's Society Meeting
<u>Tuesday, January 12</u> 7:00 p.m.	Finance Council Meeting
<u>Wednesday, January 13</u>	
<u>Thursday, January 14</u>	
<u>Friday, January 15</u>	
<u>Saturday, January 16</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass (Holy Moments Mass)
<u>Sunday, January 17</u> 8:00 a.m. 9:15-10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass PSR Mass
<i>As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Pt 4:10).</i>	

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING		
<u>Week 27</u>	<u>January 2/3</u>	<u>Total Year-to-Date</u>
Loose Collection	\$ 79.38	\$ 4,966.75
Weekly Envelopes	\$7,923.00	\$281,864.25
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$26,560.00
Totals	\$ 8,002.38	\$313,391.00
Budget Goal	\$13,000.00	\$351,000.00
Difference	(\$-4,997.62)	(\$ -37,609.00)
Counters: Tuesday, January 11, 2021: Wayne Steinkamp Sandy Wand Kay Koch		
DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS		
Unpaid Diocesan Liabilities from FY 2018-20: (Oct 31, 2020)		\$89,198.60
Debt Reduction Envelopes Cumulative Collected January, 2021		\$ 425.00
ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020-21		
Assessment (FY 2020-21):		\$84,218.00
Pledged as of September 1, 2020 (Reported Monthly Starting November)		\$0.00
Residual (due June 30, 2021)		TBA

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., January 16 & 17, 2021				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
<b>Key Minister/ Sacristan</b>				
<b>Lector</b>	Bill Anderson	St. Dominic students	Mike Baker	Darlene Scheuermann
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Anderson Roger Benz Tawny Benz Jr. Dreyer	George Benz RJ Boone Dan Boone Ryan Boone	Frank Baumgartner Jerry Dreier Matt Weiman Fred Witte	Craig Schafer Rick Schafer Larry Weiman
<b>Servers</b>	Andrew Steinkoenig	Noah & Adam Benz	Steven & Annie O'Dear	Aubrey & Ava Wellman
<b>Greeters/ Gift Bearers</b>				
<b>Rosary</b>	Carol Vogel	Carolyn Waterkotte	Giny Baker	Rich & Alice Rakers
<b>In charity, please remember in your prayers:</b> All Caregivers, The Shut-Ins of our Parish, Military Members and their families, Albert Huber Barbara Boone, Neva Nelson, Mike Hildebrand, Tanner Scranton, Florence Griesbaum, Susan Bauer, Jackie Schieferdecker, Marjorie Benz, Tony Engels, Paul Obert, Kathy Neuser, Sandy Brinkman, Cathy Watson, Ed Terstriep, Lynn Rakers, Dennis Meyer <b>Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2021:</b>				

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St. Anthony of Padua Church,

**Nursing Care Patients**

**IL Veterans Home**

Jim Freiburg  
Michael Hildebrand  
Albert Huber  
Paul Stupasky

**Good Samaritan Home**

Barbara Boone

**SUNSET**

Beverly Andrews

**Bickford Cottages**

Joanne Greving

**St. Dominic School has an immediate opening for a day-care worker for our Before and After Care program.** Those who are interested in applying, please contact Mrs. Carol Frericks, principal, St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 4100 Columbus Road, Quincy, IL 62305 at the school office 217-224-0041. This daycare worker position is a 10-15 hour per week position with times varying from 6:30 - 8:00 a.m. and 2:30-5:45 p.m. Duties include supervising play and homework with students before and after school in grades Preschool-8th who are enrolled in the

**Memory Tree Ornaments**

Ornaments made in memory of our deceased members of 2020 and in honor of our newly baptized members can be picked up in the vestibule. If you are a family member and you're unable to pick up the ornament please contact Debbie Davis (217-257-1971) to have the ornament mailed to you.

**Protecting God's Children Online** During the current state of Covid-19, Protecting God's Children can be completed ONLINE. This is a ONE TIME certification. Who needs to participate? Anyone age 18 years or older who volunteers or is involved in a ministry. This includes Ushers, Lectors, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, PSR teachers and volunteers and any St. Anthony school parent that volunteers in the classroom, library, cafeteria, or drives for a field trip and other various ministries. Contact the parish office or email [bulletin@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:bulletin@stanthonypadua.org) for more information.

**2021 Calendars are in!**

Please feel free to take one for your family.

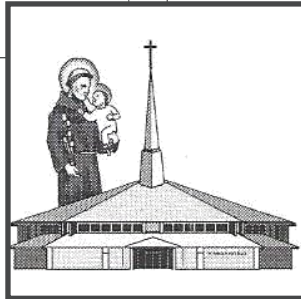
**JANUARY GROCERY ITEMS:**

Dish Detergent, Toilet Paper, & Laundry Detergent

The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities  
Thank you!



Thank you to the decorating committee for making our church so beautiful for our Christmas celebration and Christmas season. Your gift of time and talent are appreciated.



A volunteer to be **Team Leader for a Funeral Dinner Team.** For more information contact Tawny Benz 222-5996. Responsibilities include setting the menu, shop for supplies, and call volunteers. Tawny or Bonnie Grist will work side by side with anyone interested.

**We need your help in updating the prayer list in the bulletin.** If your family member is on the prayer list in the bulletin and is ready to be removed from the list or if you have a family member that needs to be added please let the office know.

**Connect with St. Dominic School. Anytime.**

**Anywhere!** St. Dominic School is launching a new mobile app that helps students, parents, and community members know what is happening at school, right from their phones. We know that families are using smartphones as a primary means to communicate. That's why we've created an app that is custom-built for mobile. On the app, you can find documents, contact information for staff, and event information. Stay up-to-date with access to events, documents, and news from school, and student stories. You can download the app for free on both Google Play or with the Apple App Store.

Download for Android: <https://bit.ly/3IHj7Ng>

Download for iPhone: <https://apple.co/39ArKqr>

**Protecting God's Children ONLINE:** During the Covid-19, you have the opportunity to complete this one time training online. For more information please contact the parish office 222-5996 or email [bulletin@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:bulletin@stanthonypadua.org) and we will email the instructions to you.



# Safe Environment Program

TO REPORT ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR BY CLERGY— EVEN IF IT IS IN THE PAST—INDIVIDUALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CALL THE DIOCESAN CHILD ABUSE REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION NUMBER (217)321-1155.

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**Butterfly Support ministers are available to help prep-plan funerals.** This is particularly helpful if you do not have immediate family or family close by. You may contact a minister directly or call the office (222-5996). The Butterfly Support minister will provide copies of your plan to share with others including your funeral home of choice. We are very thankful for our Butterfly Ministers who are willing to provide this additional valuable service.

### **AUTOMATIC DONATIONS to the CHURCH**

This might be a good time to consider making your monthly donation to the church through "DONATIONS". This can be done through the parish office. This is the perfect way NOT to forget to make that monthly contribution. The transfer is done on the last Friday of each month.

### **A Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

**A Respect Life Memorial Drive** (in place of our annual Memorial Walk & Service) will be held Sunday, January 24th. Everyone should meet at 1:15 p.m. at the St. Peter parking lot, 25th & Maine, to be ready to begin the drive at 1:30 p.m. The route will go west on Maine to 4th, north on 4th to Broadway, east on Broadway to 48th, south on 48th to Maine and then west on Maine to St. Peter. Pro-life flags will be provided to the first 50 vehicles. Please feel free to place additional POSITIVE PRO-LIFE messages on your vehicles. Take advantage of this great opportunity to speak out for life!

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who advertises on our bulletin.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for a service please take a look at those who are supporting our parish by advertising on the bulletin cover.

**GENE GRAWFUND** Don't forget to purchase your gift cards at the Gene Grawe fund. The Grawe Fund office is located in St. Peter's Church Lobby and is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 am to 5 pm. Thursday 7:30 am to 7 pm and Saturday 9-1.