



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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April 18, 2021 — Third Sunday of Easter

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



At the end of today's Gospel, Jesus says. *"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all nations, beginning in Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."*

No doubt when Jesus was speaking to his disciples, he meant "you" as being the actual, personal witnesses to his death and resurrection. But how do we understand this Gospel when we understand "you" to mean "us" in this very day and age? Perhaps the distance between us and the Lord is

such that we are nervous about affirming our status and role as 'witnesses'.

How can we be witnesses to the dying and rising of Christ? We have not seen Jesus walking around in the flesh healing the sick. We were not present at that Last Supper when he said "This is my Body" and "This is my Blood". We did not have the opportunity to put our hands in his and feel his side, that we could be transformed from unbelief into belief by an encounter with his Risen Body.

The Church explains the connection between the past and the present and the future through the process of "Tradition". Our English understanding of the word, I believe, is very loose and imprecise. We think of traditions as things that individuals and families do such as eating Thanksgiving Dinner at noon at grandma's house. While such a tradition would be a nostalgic and perhaps even wonder habitual thing to do through the years, even as the family changes, that's really not what is meant by "Tradition".

At its root, "Tradition" is a "handing over" or "handing down" of something important. The word "traitor" has a relationship to the word "tradition", in that a 'traitor' hands over state secrets or betrays confidences. In the case of Judas, he 'hands over' the Lord to the authorities for arrest. It is not simply a passing of an item from one person to another, but it is an entrusting of a "stewardship" over something special and valued. For a traitor to betray something entrusted to him as a stewardship is to break the promise of bearing responsibility for something great or valuable or rare.

And so St. Paul writes of his ministry as a 'stewardship' of the graces he has received from the revelation of Christ. Christ was revealed to him vividly when he was knocked off his horse on the road to Damascus... his life was changed forever. He had not met the Lord in his body, but heard the voice, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" (Acts 9) The impact and meaning of that encounter was defined by the years he spent in the Church in Damascus with Ananias. Indeed, after study and prayer and reflection, Paul was able to see that life-defining moment as a precious gift from God that was meant to lead him in a certain direction and engage him in a special ministry... one entrusted to him and him alone to witness to the ways the Lord had transformed his life... inside and out. He was once a persecutor of Christian followers, and now he was an apostle who could speak with the authority of the living Christ working through him.

Christ continues to speak to his people and call them to life-changing witness and ministry. What is the role of the Church? It is to be a receiver of that testimony that comes from its members and it is to be a school of discerning the voice of the living and true God among its members... *You are witnesses of these things: the dying and rising of Christ.* It is through the centuries-old witness of the Church that we first hear the Word of God as it is handed down as "Sacred Tradition" from one generation to the next. It is then through the Sacraments that our life in Christ grows, where we encounter the very living Lord in cleansing, nourishment, forgiveness, healing, and power. As our lives are gradually transformed by the sacramental mysteries, we are better able to see him at work in our lives through the eyes of faith, and thus are better able to witness to others of his power at work in our lives. It is a faith that works its way through the members of the Church according to God's plan and his providence. Our role is to be open to those moments of revelation to hear the Lord call and to receive it as a stewardship which encourages us to act in those moments of invitation so that others may come to greater faith as well.

— Mass Times —

Saturday: 4:00, 6:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am
M, Tu, Th, F: 7:30 am
W (school): 8:30 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., April 19, 2021

7:30 a.m. Jerry Grist+

Tues., April 20, 2021

7:30 a.m. Katie Kroeter+

Wed., April 21, 2021

—at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Edward F. Benz+

—at St. Anthony Church

6:00 p.m. Norma Ponsot+

Thurs., April 22, 2021

7:30 a.m. Henrietta Benz+

Fri., April 23, 2021

7:30 a.m. Leonard Venvertloh+

Sat., April 24, 2021

4:00 p.m. Albert Mettemeyer+

6:30 p.m. Parish Intentions+

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sun., April 25, 2021

8:00 a.m. Bradley Hildebrand+

10:30 a.m. Richard Baker+

Noon Mary Lou Anderson+

— Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday

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

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

St. Dominic School

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

First Grade Class Experiences Holy Moments

During the month of April, our first grade class along with their teacher, Mrs. Molly Stroot, lead our daily morning meetings and teach our entire school about the gentleness of St. Francis of Assisi. This week, we learned some of his amazing quotes and how to demonstrate gentleness. Two of the quotes we learned are, "For it is in giving that we receive," and "All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle." The first grade class demonstrates this gentleness by collecting items for the animals at the Humane Society and giving those items, without expecting anything in return. Later this spring, they also plan to read books to the animals at the shelter to brighten their day. Our first grade class notice how to experience Holy Moments of gentleness, just like St. Francis of Assisi, by giving of themselves.



2021 Annual School Fund Drive Update

Thanks so much to all of our generous parishioners and school families who have participated in the 2021 St. Dominic School Annual Fund Drive! At this time, we have received **184 cards**, which amounts to a total of **\$30,305.00** along with many gifts of prayer, time, and talent. We are **well over half-way** to our goal of **\$40,000.00** by May 1st, 2021. **THANK YOU SO MUCH** for your ongoing stewardship and amazing support for our parish mission, which is to provide Catholic education at our parish school — St. Dominic Catholic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, April 17th

School Yard Cleanup Day - Earn Service Hours
6:30 p.m. Holy Moments Mass led by 1st Grade

Wednesday, April 21st

8:30 School Mass led by the 8th Grade Class

Thursday, April 22nd

PTO Family Fun Night and Papa John's Pizza Night

3rd Quarter Midterm Reports Distributed

Friday, April 23rd Teacher In-service No School

Wednesday, April 28th

8:30 School Mass led by the 7th Grade

Thursday, April 29th

Piano Recital





Upcoming Events

St. Anthony Ladies Society Drive Through Roast Beef Dinner

April 25th, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

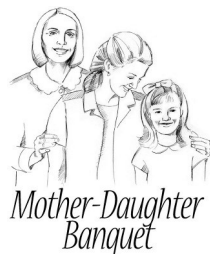


Mark your calendar for the Ladies Society Drive Through Only Roast Beef Dinner, Sunday, April 25th, 11 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Roast Beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, home made crescent rolls, and delicious dessert made by our ladies. \$12 per carryout. For more information call the parish office 217-222-5996.

A Quilt will be raffled off at the dinner for a quilt hand made by St Anthony Quilters. Chances in the bulletin this week, in the parish office, and available at the drive thru.

Mother/Daughter Banquet

Monday, May 3, at 6:00 p.m.



St. Anthony Ladies Society is having their Mother/Daughter Banquet on Monday, May 3rd, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. A donation of \$5 per person will help cover the cost of the meal. For reservations please call Alice Rakers at 217-222-4798.

First Communion & Confirmation

Sunday, May 6, Noon & 6:00 p.m.



Our third graders will receive their First Communion and Confirmation at noon on Sunday, May 6th and our 5th, 6th, and 7th graders will receive Confirmation at 6:00 p.m. that same day. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this wonderful event in their spiritual life.

Mark your calendars!!!!

2021 Junefest, Sunday, June 6th

Junefest is making some changes this year...*good changes!!* The event is turning into more of a family day and will take place on June 6th beginning with Mass at noon followed by games, entertainment, food and more!

St. Anthony Church Picnic, Saturday, July 17th

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Monday, April 19</u>	
<u>Tuesday, April 20</u> 7:00 p.m.	Finance Council Meeting
<u>Wednesday, April 21</u> 6:00 p.m.	Mass
<u>Thursday, April 22</u> 6:00 p.m.	Grief Share
<u>Friday, April 23</u>	
<u>Saturday, April 24</u> 4:00 p.m.	Mass
6:30 p.m.	Mass
<u>Sunday, April 25</u> 8:00 a.m.	Mass
9:15-10:15 a.m.	PSR
10:30 a.m.	Mass
Noon	Mass (outdoors if weather permits)
<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		
Week 41	April 10/11	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 326.00	\$ 8,446.10
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 10,380.00	\$427,629.73
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$40,230.00
Totals	\$10,706.00	\$476,305.83
Budget Goal	\$13,000.00	\$533,000.00
Difference	(-\$2,294.00)	(\$ -56,694.17)
Counters: Monday, April 19, 2021: Wayne Steinkamp Sandy Wand Kay Koch		
DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS		
Unpaid Diocesan Liabilities from FY 2018-20:		-calculating- (this has not been updated recently)
Debt Reduction Envelopes Cumulative Collected April, 2021		\$ 1,270.00
ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020-21		
Assessment (FY 2020-21):		\$84,218.00
Pledged as of February 1, 2021 (Reported irregularly by the diocese)		\$14,894.00
Residual (due June 30, 2021)		\$69,324.00

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., April 24 & 25

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/ Sacristan				
Lector	Bill Anderson	Janet Bick	Michelle Kasparie	Janice E. Pohlman
Usher	Bill Anderson Jr. Dreyer Richard Reichert Mike Zanger	Elmer Maas Jay Peter Ron Reichert Ted Vahle	Ken Peter Dan Terwelp Matt Weiman	Pete Pohlman Rich Rakers Norman Rodriguez Jeremy Rose
Servers	Brennan & Ryan Venvertloh	Ethan Rose	St. Pius IX Servers	Aubrey & Ava Wellman
Greeters/ Gift Bearers				
Rosary Leader	Pat Holbrook	Trisha Mathews	Steve jansen	Chris Heintz

In charity, please remember in your prayers: 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, Tony Engels, Kathy Neuser, Cathy Watson, Dennis Meyer, Jesica Huber, Mark Neisen, Bernice Neisen, James Ponsot, Kent Wellman, Mark Frericks, Connie Schutte

Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2021: Mryon Koch, Jim Freiburg, Sandy Brinkman, Ruth Deters, Margie Benz

Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand
Albert Huber
Paul Stupasky

Good Samaritan Home

Barbara Boone

SUNSET

Beverly Andrews
James Ponsot

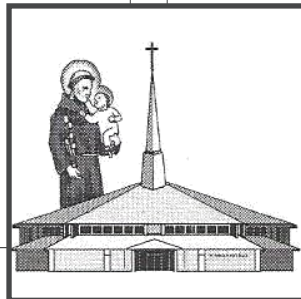
Bickford Cottages

Joanne Greving

Fr. Tom and St. Anthony Church will soon return to celebrating Mass at a local nursing home each week. We are looking at having Mass at 10am on Thursdays at Good Samaritan Home. It would be helpful to have volunteers available to assist with the setup of Mass and the transport of residents each week when this ministry resumes in the coming months. Those interested in helping are encouraged to call the parish office: 222-5996.

Quincy Catholic Charities has a full-time opening with excellent benefits for an Area Director.

Duties include supervision of the Intact Family Services program, counseling and community services programs. Serves a liaison with local Advisory Board, United Way, local communities being served and with the administrative office of the Agency. Qualifications include a Master's Degree in a Social Service related field and five years of management or supervisory experience; LCPC or LCSW preferred. Please send



Need volunteers to help mow St. Anthony campus

You will need to use your own lawn mower. For more information or to volunteer please contact the parish office 222-5996.

Moving? If you are moving, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 to give us your new address. We get charged for any returned newsletters, contribution envelopes, or mailings.



2021 "EVERYBODY WINS" MEGA RAFFLE TICKET SALES HAVE

BEGUN: Tickets for the 2021 "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle can now be purchased from nearly 1,000 QCES & QND families. In addition to purchasing Mega Raffle tickets from Quincy Catholic schools' families, they can also be purchased online at QuincyMegaRaffle.org. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold at \$100 per ticket, and the first 4,000 tickets turned in to the QND Foundation office will be entered in the drawing. The Grand Prize is \$100,000; 2nd Prize is \$20,000; and Third Prize is \$10,000. There will be 42 cash prizes awarded in all, totaling \$169,500.

NEW THIS YEAR – There will be one "Super-Early Bird" Drawing for \$25,000 cash.

The "Super-Early Bird" Drawing will be held on Friday, May 14, on Y101 Radio at 8:10 a.m. Both ticket purchasers and sellers will have their names entered into this drawing. To be eligible for the "Super-Early Bird" Drawing, tickets must be purchased and returned to the QND Foundation office by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 30. In addition to the "Super-Early Bird" Drawing on Friday, May 14th, there will be six "Fantastic Friday Early Bird" Drawings. Two \$500 cash prizes will be awarded on May 21, May 28, and June 4. The winners will be announced live on Y101 at 8:10 a.m. The remaining 35 "Mega Drawing" cash prizes, including the

top three prizes mentioned above, will take place at the St. Francis Parish Picnic on Saturday, June 12, starting at 7 p.m. Proceeds from the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle are shared equally between the QCES and QND Foundations, and provide increased tuition assistance for QCES K – 8 students, as well as additional tuition assistance and technology upgrades for QND students. Quincy's five Catholic schools will also benefit from the \$40,000 "Ticket Give Back" program. The purchasers of Mega Raffle

tickets can choose if they want \$10 of their ticket to be given to one school or divided equally among two or more schools. All ticket sales are final and non-refundable. You need not be present to win. For more information about the 2021 "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle, or to purchase a ticket, please visit QuincyMegaRaffle.org, or contact Paul Rittorf, Executive Director of the QCES Foundation, at (217) 779-3157 or Kurt Stuckman, Executive Director of the Quincy Notre Dame Foundation, at (217) 224-2598.

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 and we will email the instructions to you.

Blessed Sacrament will be hosting the Protecting God's Children Program on Tuesday, April 20th and Monday, May 17 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. All sessions will be held in the Leo Amen Room (cafeteria) of Blessed Sacrament School, 1117 South 7th Street. Access to the school is via the alley (South) side entrance. Due to COVID – 19 restrictions it is absolutely necessary for anyone wishing to attend one of these sessions to call 217-222-2759 (parish office) to reserve a seat.



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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The St. Francis Parish Picnic will be held this year on Saturday, June 12th from 5:00-12:00. Live music will be presented from the Heidelberg German Band and Blacktop South. The Quincy Notre Dame Mega Raffle Drawing will also take place. Come on out with your friends and family.

APRIL GROCERY ITEMS:
Toilet Paper & Shampoo
The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities
Thank you!

WELCOME! Whether you are a longtime resident or newly arrived to the parish, we thank God for you. If you are not registered or if your information has changed, please let us know by returning the information below either by placing it in the collection basket, dropping off at the parish office, calling or emailing the parish office 222-5996, secretary@stanthonypadua.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

St. Francis Solanus is looking for the following positions for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year:

- Preschool Aide
- 3rd Grade Teacher
- Intervention Specialist
- Cook (part-time)

If you are interested in one of the positions mentioned, please contact Lori Shepard at St. Francis Solanus School, 217-222-4077, or email resume, references, and cover letter to lshepard@stfrancissolanus.com

Job Opening -St. Peter School is accepting applications for teacher aide positions for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants should have experience in working with young children. Responsibilities include working one on one with children, assisting the classroom teacher with instruction and supervision.

St. Peter School is accepting applications for a teaching position for the 2021-2022 school year. Qualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License. Responsibilities will include teaching students in grades K-8 in science, technology, engineering and math. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.