

– Mass Times –

4:00, 6:30 pm Saturday: Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am M. Tu. Th. F: 7:30 am W. at St. Dominic School 8:30 am Th. at Good Samaritan 10:00 am as announced Holy Days: When on vacation visit: www.masstimes.org

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

-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Tuesday: after Mass until noon



Mon., December 12, 2022 7:30 a.m. Mary Venvertloh+ Tues., December 13, 2022 7:30 a.m. Roger K. Boone+ Wed., December 14, 2022 -at St. Dominic School 8:30 a.m. Sandra Ivins+ Thurs., December 15, 2022 -at St. Dominic School 8:30 a.m. Ed & Russ Terstriep+ -at Good Samaritan 10:00 a.m. James Duesterhaus+ Fri., December 16, 2022 Kent Wellman+

6:00 p.m.. Votive Mass, Holy Eucharist

7:30 a.m.

Sat., December 17, 2022 9:00 a.m.. Votive Mass: BVM

Fourth Sunday of Advent 4:00 p.m. Robert Howell+ 6:30 p.m. Joe Grawe+ Sun., December 18, 2022 8:00 a.m. Vince Dreier+ 10:30 a.m. Parish Intentions **Perpetual Prayer Candle** for Special Intentions

Week of December 10-16 For the Homebound and those in **Nursing Homes**

> Parish Office Hours — Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:

A sure sign of the Holiday Season... St. Anthony Pancake and Sausage Breakfast weekend! We invite you to join us on Sunday from 7am to 12 noon for pancakes and the best whole-hog sausage around... \$12 for adults, \$6 for kids. Thank you to all who have made this event a smashing success!

Please make sure to sign up for an hour of adoration during our Forty Hours devotion, to take place the weekend of Friday, December 16 through Sunday, December 18. The event will begin with a Mass in

honor of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday night at 6pm, after which adoration will take place overnight until 9am with a Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Adoration will continue through the weekend, pausing for the regular weekend Masses on Saturday and Sunday, and conclude at 4pm on Sunday evening. This is a time set aside to step away from the busy-ness of the pre-Christmas season and to spend some time with our Eucharistic Lord, the Word made flesh who continues to dwell with us! We are looking for 'official adorers' to make sure that the church is never empty during this time. The signup sheet is available in the parish office during the week and we will keep a list of the available hours posted and updated on www.stanthonypadua.org.



"Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say, Rejoice! Let your patience be known to all, for the Lord it at hand! Have no anxiety, but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God. Lord, you have blessed the land and have turned away the captivity of Jacob!" (Ps 85:1, Phil 4:4-6)

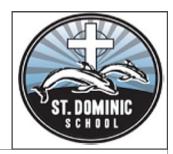
The famous introit, or "entrance song' of the Roman Liturgy sets the tone for today's celebration. We are a people awaiting the coming of the Lord to banish the darkness which confounds our senses and dulls our will to do good. But we also celebrate that the Lord has already come in history to announce that his Kingdom— a Kingdom which is not simply a future hope—is also now, here present, visible through the eyes of faith. Knowing that we live in a time of grace we need not have anxiety, but through prayer, supplication, and thanksgiving, we can speak directly to God as sons and daughters.

Our Gospel finds John the Baptist in prison. But while in prison, John hears that great signs and wonders are taking place: the blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear and the poor have the Good News proclaimed to them! These would be the signs that show us that God is revealing himself in the Messiah... the Anointed One who would pour out his Spirit upon the earth that it might be raised up.

The Gospel verse makes this explicit, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon be, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." This verse, first proclaimed in the Book of Isaiah, is taken up by our Lord when preached in Nazareth, announcing his work and his mission. In the Spirit, the Messiah would present himself to those in need of God, that the world and its inhabitants not be destroyed or replaced, not banished or condemned, but renewed. It is that Holy Spirit who will perfect the ministry and prophecy of John the Baptist, not only fulfilling the work of forgiveness of sins, but granting the indwelling of Sanctifying Grace upon all who would be called sons and daughters of the Almighty. It is through the Spirit, that with the 'yes' of the Blessed Virgin Mary turned away the disobedience of a world gone astray and opened up for us a participation in the Word made Flesh, the very Body of Christ. Embracing the Spirit is an essential element of our Christmas celebration, for the Spirit reveals the glory of God.

St. Dominic School

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Come, Lord Jesus, Come!



During December, we say, "Come, Lord Jesus, come!" together at our morning meeting at school. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Jesus Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. During Mass, we sing, "Stay awake! Be ready!" We also go to confession so our hearts are full of joy at Christmas.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, December 11

7:00 a.m.—noon Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Monday, December 12

6:30 p.m. PMO Choir Christmas Concert @QND

Tuesday, December 13

9:00 a.m. Advent Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 14

8:30 a.m. School Mass

Friday, December 16

Out-of-Dress-Code Day

11:40 a.m. PTO Staff Christmas Luncheon

Monday, December 19-Monday, January 2

No School Christmas Break

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

School Resumes



St. Anthony Men's Society Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Sunday, December 11, 2022, 7 a.m.-noon



The Pancake & Sausage Breakfast sponsored by the Men's Society will be Sunday, Dec. 11th, 7 a.m.-noon. Adults \$12, Children \$6 (under 5 free). Dine in or carry out.

St. Anthony Ladies Bake Sale at the Pancake & Sausage Breakfast



The ladies of the parish will having a bake sale during the pancake & sausage breakfast. Please bring your baked items packaged ready to sell the morning of the breakfast.

St. Anthony Men's Christmas Party

Monday, December 12, 7:00 p.m.



All men of the parish are invited to the Men's Society Annual Christmas Party on December 12th at 7 pm in the parish hall. (Note that the time is different from monthly meetings.) Feel free to bring a snack to share.

Forty Hours of Devotion

Friday, December 16 through Sunday, December 18



In observance of the Eucharistic Revival Year, St. Anthony of Padua Parish is hosting the Forty Hours Devotion from Friday, December 16 through Sunday, December 18 at St. Anthony Church. We invite you to be part of this time of Eucharistic Renewal in the midst of final preparations for Christmas. The Church will be open for adoration throughout this time, pausing only for Masses. We are asking for two parties (individuals or families) to be present in the church at all times as "official adorers" and we expect to still need help to fill all of the hours. If you are willing to participate in this way, a listing of available hours will be available at www.stanthonypadua.org starting on Monday, December 12. Please call the St. Anthony Parish Office (217) 222-5996 to sign up for one of these hours. Even if you are not an 'official adorer', all are welcome to spend some time before our Eucharistic Lord.

Advent Giving Tree



It's time! The gifts will benefit Birthright this year. This is their main source of supplies for the year. Please return the items, with angels attached, by December 18th as we will be delivering everything that week. Gift bags are welcome but please no wrapping paper. Once again thank-you and God bless you for your generosity.

Christmas Cards for those in the Nursing Homes



Please remember the members of our parish who are in a nursing home this Christmas by giving them a Christmas card (or it can be a letter or a note). Receiving a card during these times is one way to bring some joy to them. They also like home-made cards/letters/photos from the school children. It means so much to them to know their parish family is thinking of them. Boxes will be in middle entrance of Church for each nursing home 1st thru the weekend of December 17th/18th. Please drop the cards/letters/photos in the boxes, and mark on each envelope the name of the resident.

Parish Data

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, December 12

7:00 p.m.

Men of the Parish **Christmas Party**

7:00 p.m.

RCIA

Tuesday, December 13

Wednesday, December 14

Thursday, December 15

Friday, December 16

Parish Office closes at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 17

4:00 p.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass (Holy Moments)

Sunday, December 18

8:00 a.m.

Mass 9:00-10:15 a.m. Family of Faith 9:00 -10:20 a.m. Sacramental Prep

10:30 a.m.

Mass

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).

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING							
Week 23	<u>Dec. 3/4</u>		Total Year-to-Date				
Loose Collection	\$	713.00	\$	15,899.84			
Weekly Envelopes	\$	10,930.00	\$	208,577.17			
Electronic Deposits	\$	5,523.00	\$ \$	26,175.00			
Total, Dec.3/4, 2022	\$	17,166.00	\$	250,652.01			
Budget Goal (we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)	\$	13,000.00	\$	299,000.00			
Difference	\$	4,166.00		(-\$ 48,347.99)			

Counters: Monday, December 12, 2022

Bill Anderson Norma Weiman Lou Ann Weills

DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS					
Unpaid Diocesan Liabilities from FY 2020-21: (this total is updated periodically, approximately monthly, as funds are sent and posted by the Diocese of Springfield)	\$44, 549.82				
Debt Reduction Envelopes Thank you! —->	Cumulative, 12/4 \$7,967.00				

Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:

Be watching for the "Season of Stewardship" materials that will be arriving in the coming weeks. We count on your support, now more than ever, to insure we don't fall behind in our obligations and that we continue to maintain our ministries and facilities at St. Anthony Church & St. Dominic School. Thank you!

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat. & Sun., December 17 & 18							
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM			
Key Minister/	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer		Gene & Rita Goerlich	Jan Barnard			
Lector	Mark Levins	George Benz	Mary Koch	Marlene Rose			
Usher	Roger Benz Tawny Benz Jr. Dreyer Tom Grawe	Kurt Fischer Denis Hagerbaumer George Huber Elmer Maas	Mark Frericks Mike Genenbacher Gene Goerlich Jerry Grawe	Pete Pohlman Rich Rakers Craig Schafer Rick Schafer			
Servers	Volunteers	Helen Mathews Volunteer	Pius IX Altar Servers	Ava & Aubrey Wellman			
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Pat Vaughn	Ted Vahle Family	Barb Couch	Bethany Hoffman			
Rosary Leader	No Rosary due to 40 Hours Devotion	No Rosary due to 40 Hours Devotion	No Rosary due to 40 Hours Devotion	No Rosary due to 40 Hours Devotion			

In charity, please remember in your prayers: All Caregivers, The Shut-Ins of our Parish, Military Members and their families, Albert Huber, Neva Nelson, Mike Hildebrand, Tanner Scranton, Florence Griesbaum, Jackie Schieferdecker, Cathy Watson, Dennis Meyer, James Ponsot, Mary Gehrt, Winnie Huber, Gerald S. Maas, Mark Frericks

Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2022: Melvin Maas, Anthony Engels, Alta Hildebrand, Frank Baumgartner, Susan Bauer, Robert Brown, Vince Dreier, Barbara Boone, Jay Wellman, Michelle Stull, Charles Helmer, George "Butch" Goehl, Matt Smith

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy

Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand Albert Huber Paul Stupasky Jim Ponsot

Bickford Cottages

Joanne Greving Mary Gehrt

Good Samaritan Home

Bill Wellman

SUNSET

Beverly Andrews

St. Vincent

Lois Wand

Bradford Villa

Ruth Schmelzle



St. Anthony Parish welcomes Isabelle Grace Andrews daughther of

Thomas & Lauren Andrews

who was baptized December 3, 2022 into the Catholic faith.



MOVING??? If you are moving, please call the parish office 222-5996 to give us your new address. We get charged for any returned newsletters or mailings.

<u>Postage Stamp Shower for the Parish &</u> School Offices

The cost of postage stamps will be going up in January. If you so wish, while you are at the post office purchasing stamps for your Christmas cards, to pick some up for the Parish & School offices, it would be greatly appreciated. If you get some, please feel free to drop them by the Parish office or put them in the collection basket. If you will give us your name, we will see that you get credit for them for contribution report. Thank you!

Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation will begin in February for our students! Any second graders who are not enrolled in a Catholic school will have classes between Sunday Masses. Please contact Miss Glidewell at hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org for more information.

DECEMBER GROCERY ITEMS

Soup and Crackers

The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank You

PARISH OFFICE HOURS will be 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. through the end of the year except the following days: Friday, December 16th the office closes at 11:30 a.m

December 23 & 26 the office is closed.

December 27-29 the office closes at noon.

December 28 the office is closed.

Beginning January 2nd the parish office will begin new hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Matt Smith (husband of Clare Smith)
Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord,
and let Perpetual Light

shine on him.



Memorial Mass pictures and candles are in the parish office for those who still need to pick them up. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Lectors and Mass Servers for the upcoming Masses:

We are still needing <u>servers</u> for the following Masses:

Dec. 7th, 4:00 p.m.; Dec. 25, 10:30 a.m.; Dec. 31, 4:00 p.m.; We have one server for the following Masses but would appreciate another server: Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m.; Jan. 1, 10:30 a.m.

We are still needing a <u>lector</u> for the following Masses:

Dec. 7, 4:00 p.m.; Jan. 1, 8:00 a.m.

COLLECTING SOCKS & UNDERWEAR

From now until Christmas, our parish will once again be collecting new socks and underwear for the needy.



Totes will be located in the Church vestibule for drop-off. All sizes are needed for men, women, boys and girls. All donations will stay local and support our parish, school and Ladies of Charity. Thank you holy people for your generosity! Please call Dennis Holbrook with any ques-



MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

FLOWERS: In order to be published in the bulletin the donations for the flowers to decorate the church at Christmas will need to be sent in by December 11th. Thank you.

EMPOWERING GOD"S CHILDREN For more information please contact the parish office 222-5996 or email 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.

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy, December 11, 2022

Adoration Chapel at Church of St. Peter is looking for more Adorers! Hours available are:

Saturday: 11 a.m. –noon, 3-4 p.m., 5-6 p.m. on the 4th week of the month. Thank you for your consideration for taking an hour of quiet in the Adoration Chapel. Please contact Mary Voorhis 217-653-3127 or call/text Gina Wolf 217-257-9966.

Adoration for Priests There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests followed by Benediction at St. Bridgid church 706 N Main Liberty Illinois, December 18, 2022 from 3:00 to 4:00 P. M. All are invited to come and pray for your Priests.

Kof C 2023 Calendar Raffle for Charity

The Knights of Columbus has it's "2023 Calendar Raffle" in progress which helps support our catholic schools as well as other charitable causes such as Ladies of Charity and Birthright. Please consider purchasing a raffle calendar for \$25 with 365 chances to win \$24,300 in cash prizes. They make great Christmas gifts! The calendars are available at the KofC main building during business hours or by calling Mike Schlipmann at 653-9318 or John Veith at 653-0258. Thank for your consideration and support.

QUINCY GIVING BLOOD DRIVE sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Wednesday, December 14, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at Fr. McGivney Hall, 700South 36th Street. For an appt. call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org. To save 15 minutes on the day you give blood visit RedCrossBlood.org/Rapid Pass for more information. Please come and support the community and those in need by Giving the Gift of Life.

Midnight Mass Choir: If you want to sing with us at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, please come to rehearsals on Thursdays at 6 PM. We will meet December 15, and if necessary 22. We need all voices, Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass. For more information, contact Mecki at 217.779.0152, or mecki@travelhouseofquincy.com

Perpetual Prayer Candle by the Sacred Heart picture in church. The candle will burn 24 hours 7 days per week. There will be a small sign by the candle indicating the prayer intention(s) for the week as well as be posted in the bulletin. There may be more than one intention each week. The week will run Saturday through Friday. You may request prayer intentions for a week by contacting the parish office. A donation of \$10 is appreciated for each intention for a week.