



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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February 26, 2023 First Sunday of Lent

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



As we enter Lent, the Church offers us the Gospel of Jesus' temptation by Satan. It's really an odd story, when you look at it, because there isn't anything that the devil could give Jesus that he didn't already have or have access to!

Bread? Jesus had multiplied bread to feed 5,000. Power and glory? Jesus would explain that his kingdom "was not of this earth" in defiance to Pilate's civil authority to condemn or acquit. Personal safety? Meaningless to one willing to humbly accept crucifixion.

Theologians explain that Jesus was like us in all ways but sin. The temptation he experienced was real, but unlike our own encounters with temptation, his will to turn back temptation would have been perfect. What might that look like for us as we struggle with human wills and intellects darkened by sin?

One might observe in the scriptures that Jesus seems rather unemotional and detached from the moment. But does Jesus draw his strength from being strictly rational like a computer or the famous "emotionless" Star Trek character, Mr. Spock? No!

Our Sunday Scriptures during this year's lent speak over and over again of Jesus' compassion. He sought the heart of the woman at the well, that she might never thirst again. He healed the man born blind—the hand of the creating God using the very dust of the earth to restore that which had been lost in one of his beloved creatures. Jesus wept at the death of Lazarus and consoled Martha and Mary.

He asked that the cup of suffering might be taken from him as he sweat blood. He frequented festive meals and gatherings, eating with the couple at Cana, celebrating Passover with his disciples, and comparing life in his kingdom to an endless feast.

Jesus was fully human in his emotional responses to the world. The difference is that he was not ruled by these feelings in the same way that we are. It is through *concupiscent desire* that we narrow our focus to ourselves and our own interests and thus become vulnerable to sin. In that vulnerability we suffer, for sin confuses us and darkens the rational powers of our being. Who are we? We don't know when we walk about in darkness. In the light we are revealed as children of the living God, trusting in his Word and power, and not in the comforts of this world. Fasting, prayer, and almsgiving presented to us in this season are intended to perfect the will and turn us away from selfish desires that blind us with the confusion of sin. By his example, Jesus leads the way! —

Rite of Election: Historically, Lent was a time of purification and conversion with and for those who are becoming Catholic through the Easter Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. This year, St. Anthony is sending four who are to be baptized at the Easter Vigil to the Cathedral today (Sunday) for enrollment by the bishop as *Catechumens*. Along with two others from other Christian communities who are being received into the church and one infant, there will be seven entering the Church this Easter!

Lenten Regulations:

The Holy Season of Lent began this year on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023, and will end just before the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023, when the Easter Triduum begins. Lent is the principal penitential season in the Church year. All the Christian faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations which follow), serious prayer, and the performance of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

Abstinence: Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fast: Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

— Mass Times —

Saturday: 4:00, 6:30 pm
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
Holy Days: as announced
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



Mass Intentions

Mon., February 27, 2023

7:30 a.m. Kenneth Dietrich+

Tues., February 28, 2023

7:30 a.m. Mick Ehrhardt+

Wed., March 1, 2023

-at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Paul & Kay Smith+

6:00 p.m. Charles Helmer+

Thurs., March 2, 2023

7:30 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher+

-at Good Samaritan

10:00 a.m. Bruce Prindle+

Fri., March 3, 2023

7:30 a.m. C.J. Mason+

Second Sunday of Lent

Sat., March 4, 2023

4:00 p.m. Joan Dreyer+

6:30 p.m. Vince Dreier+

Sun., March 5, 2023

8:00 a.m. Parish Intentions+

10:30 a.m. Robert & Rita Hummel+

**Perpetual Prayer Candle
for Special Intentions**

Week of February 25-March 3

**May Lent Renew the
Faith of our Country**

— Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

St. Dominic School

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Eighth Grade Class Sponsors Mardi Gras

One of the traditions at St. Dominic School is the Mardi Gras event sponsored by our 8th-grade class. The students learned that Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday, is a long-standing tradition and the Catholic Church marks it as the last day of Ordinary Time before the start of Lent, which is a time of fasting and repentance. Historically, the original intent of Mardi Gras has always been to indulge, within the context of Catholic morality and reason, the last day before the start of the Lenten season. At St. Dominic School, our 8th-grade class provided a service opportunity for Preschool—7th-grade students to have a little fun.



Face Painting and Fish Pond are Fun!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, February 28

1:30-2:00 p.m. QND Students Read to K-3 Students

Wednesday, March 1

8:30 a.m. School Mass

3:15 Faculty Meeting

Thursday, March 2

Diocesan Educational Review/State Recognition

Friday, March 3

Spirit Shirt Day

4:30-7:00 Fish Fry @ St. Anthony Church

Monday—Friday, March 6—10

Spring Break - No School

Wednesday, March 8

1:00-6:00 p.m. Bill Hays Memorial Blood Drive

SAVE THE DATE—Kindergarten Roundup

Wednesday, March 15 1:00-2:30 p.m.



Upcoming Events

St. Dominic and St. Anthony Fish Fries

4:30-7:00 p.m.



Mark your calendar for the upcoming St. Anthony/St. Dominic Lenten Fish Fries.

St. Dominic: March 10, March 24 **St. Anthony:** March 3, March 17, March 31

Catfish Plate (Whole or Fillet) includes 3 sides, drink & dessert\$14

Walleye Plate (includes 3 sides, drink & dessert).....\$14

Child's Plate (includes 1 pc of walleye, 2 sides, drink & dessert).....\$ 8

Fish Sandwich, Fries & Drink\$ 8

Homemade Dessert

Carry outs available: St. Dominic enter through EAST driveway

St. Anthony enter SOUTH basement entrance

Ladies of the Parish We Need Your Help for Desserts

We need your help providing pies, cakes & dessert for the fish fries. Last names schedule:

H-O St. Anthony March 3

H-O St. Dominic March 24

P-Z St. Dominic March 10

P-Z St. Anthony March 31

A-G St. Anthony March 17

St. Anthony Ladies Society Spring Craft/Vendor Event

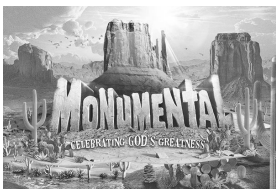
Mar. 25, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.



St. Anthony Ladies Society will be hosting a Spring Craft/Vendor Event on Saturday, March 25, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Father Irenaeus Hall (formerly called St. Anthony hall). If you would like to help vendors carry in their items before the event or carry out afterwards please let us know. We are also taking vendor registrations at this time. Anyone wanting more information contact Janet Bick or Tawny Benz at the parish office 217-222-5996 or email rjbick@comcast.net or rtbenz77@gmail.com.

St. Anthony of Padua Vacation Bible School

June 11, 12, 13 5:30-8 p.m.



Mark your calendars: **St. Anthony of Padua Vacation Bible School 2023**

Come and join us to celebrate God's greatness. This year at St. Anthony's we will have a meal to begin our evenings. Each meal is kid friendly so we hope they come with a "monumental" appetite each night! This VBS program is a wonderful way to help your children explore God's Word in new ways and learn that they can trust Jesus throughout their lives. The **FREE program** is for students going into preschool, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. Our older students are always welcome to come back and help.

Save the Dates:

June 3rd: June Fest

July 15th: St. Anthony Picnic

Bill Hays Memorial Blood Drive

March 8, 1:00-6:00 p.m.



The Bill Hays Memorial Blood Drive will be held on Wed., March 8th, 1:00-6:00 p.m. at St. Dominic School. Mark your calendars and watch for more information on how to sign up.

Prayer for Our Country

Dear God, bless our country, the United States of America. Keep our country in the Christian faith. Keep our country and all the peoples living in justice. Keep the young people of this great land, noble, brave, loyal and true. Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of God, under your very special title of the Immaculate Conception you are the patroness of the United States of America. Pray to your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and with that special power you have, O Mary, by being always perfectly sinless, bring everyone in our country to Jesus Christ. Amen

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Monday, February 27</u> 6:30 p.m.	Butterfly Ministry
<u>Tuesday, February 28</u>	
<u>Wednesday, March 1</u> 6:00 p.m. Following 6:00 p.m. Mass	Mass The Bible and Church Fathers
<u>Thursday, March 2</u> 9:00 a.m. 6:00 -8:00 p.m.	Peeling potatoes in parish hall Grief Share
<u>Friday, March 3</u> 4:30-7:00 p.m.	St. Anthony School Fish Fry
<u>Saturday, March 4</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
<u>Sunday, March 5</u> 8:00 a.m. 9:00-10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Family of Faith 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 34</u>	<u>Feb. 18/19</u>	<u>Total Year-to-Date</u>
Loose Collection	\$ 971.00	\$ 25,661.63
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 8,025.00	\$ 327,325.29
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 37,686.00
Total, Feb. 18/19	\$ 8,996.00	\$ 390,672.92
Budget Goal <i>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</i>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 442,000.00
Difference	(-\$4,004.00)	(-\$ 51,327.08)

Counters: Monday, February 27, 2023
Diana Dietrich Anna Benz Craig Kroeter

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)	\$38,192.82
Debt Reduction Envelopes Thank you! —>	Cumulative, 2/19 \$13,353.00

Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:

Thank you for your support of
St. Anthony Church and St. Dominic School!

Contribution Statements (for tax purposes) are available on request
at the parish office. Please call (217) 222-5996.

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., March 4 & 5				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Mary Courty		Dan Reichert	Rich Rakers
Lector	Mary Koch	Angie Dean	Michelle Kasparie	Marlene Rose
Usher	Roger Benz Tawny Benz Jr. Dreyer Tom Grawe	George Dreyer Joe Dreyer Chris Ehrhardt Christopher Ehrhardt	Rod Davis Grady Bockhold Richard Foster Mark Frericks	Frank Arnold Diane Dittmer Greg Dittmer Mark Wellman
Servers	Volunteers	Helen Mathews Rozalyn Brass	Pius IX Altar Servers	Gabby Fischer Volunteer
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Dorothy Parn	Elmer & Jeanne Maas	Logan & Kaleena Gentry	Andrew Veile
Rosary Leader	Tawny Benz	Earl Boone	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, 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, Connie Deters, Cindy Barner

Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2023: Gary Henderson, Sharon Holthaus

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St. Anthony of Padua Church,

Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand
Albert Huber
Paul Stupasky
Jim Ponsot

Bickford Cottages

Joanne Greving

SUNSET

Beverly Andrews
Ruth Schmelzle

Good Samaritan Home

Bill Wellman

St. Vincent

Lois Wand

Mark your Calendars to help with cutting up potatoes the Thursday mornings before the St. Anthony fish fries beginning at 9:00 a.m. Many hands make light work.

Choir for Easter Vigil: If you want to help us sing for Good Friday and Easter Vigil, please come to the following rehearsals at church: Thursday, March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6 at 6 PM. For more information, please contact Mecki Kosin, mecki@travelhouseofquincy.com, 217.779.0152

HELP NEEDED Help is needed for cleaning church. Four different groups meet once a month (3 times a year) on a Thursday evening or Saturday morning. Contact Jackie at 217-222-8049 if interested.

You are Invited to attend St Anthony's Butterfly Support Ministry meeting which will meet will Monday, Feb. 27 at 6:30pm in the parish center. Light refreshments will be served. Anyone interested in serving on this important team who supports families having lost a loved one by assisting with funeral planning and arranging for other assistance, is welcome to come and sit in the meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting but you are interested in the team please feel free to contact Deacon Harry 217 224-2160. Thank You!

If you have attended a Cursillo weekend and would like to receive information about Cursillo including updates on weekend candidate lists, please contact Carol Vogel at csv01@yahoo.com with your email address. She will put you on the email list to receive information. If you have not attended a Cursillo weekend and would like more information you may contact Carol, Fr. Tom, Deacon Harry or someone who had attended a weekend. 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.



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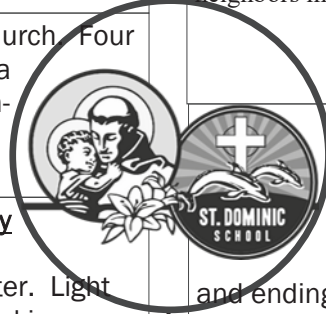
March, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Charities in our diocese has a rich history of providing vital services and hope to God's people in need. Throughout its long 97-year history, Catholic Charities has remained open as staff and volunteers serve on the front lines to bring relief and advocate for the poor, sick, hungry, and weary every day. Because of your continued prayers and generosity, thousands of people every year receive help with basic needs such as food, clothing, medicine, rent, utilities and dental care as well as professional services in social work, counseling, guardianship and legal assistance. They are treated with dignity and respect and provided a path to hope and healing. Catholic Charities is able to continue these services through the ongoing generosity of people like you - donors, staff, volunteers, board members, and organizations coming together to support the mission.

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Charities to ensure God's love and mercy is extended to all of his children. During the weekend of March 4/ 5, 2023, the annual collection for Catholic Charities will again be held in our deaneries. This year, I challenge you to continue to support Catholic Charities as they continue to be the hands and feet of Jesus to our neighbors in need.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois



" Our Journey of Faith" Lenten Retreat

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women to attend our annual Lenten Retreat at Villa Maria in Springfield beginning at 9:00 am on Tues., March 28th and ending at noon on Wed. March 29th. Kim Paden, retreat master, will take us on "our journey of faith". She is the Chair of the Spirituality Commission for the National Council of Catholic Women and writes periodically for The Catholic Post, the newspaper for the Catholic Diocese of Peoria. What a wonderful time for spiritual presentations, prayer, Holy Mass, Confession, fellowship and much more. Bring your sister, your mom, your friend. All are welcome! Registration forms with cost and further information is available in the parish office.

Ladies of the Parish mark your calendars for the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women meeting on Wed., Mar. 22, at Blessed Sacrament Church. The day will begin with Mass at 8:00 am and go until about 2:00 pm.

FEBRUARY GROCERY ITEMS

Tuna and Macaroni & Cheese

The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank 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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St. Peter Adoration Chapel needs Adorers as follows:

Tues.: 9-10 am the 2nd, 4th, of the month; 10-11 am on the 1st, 3rd, 5th of the month, noon-12 pm; 1-2 pm, 2-3 pm, 4-5pm, 6-7 pm, 11 pm-midnight

Wed.: 1-2 am, 3-4 am, 4-5 am-7-8 am, 8-9 am

Thurs.: 10-11 am **Fri.:** 9-10 am

Sat.: 3-4 pm on the 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th week of the month
5-6 pm on the 4th week of the month

Please call Mary Voorhis 217-653-3127 or call or text Gina Wolf 217-257-9966 if you would like to fill an hour or be on the sub list.

Ladies of St. Francis Card Party March 2, 2023

Lunch menu: Spaghetti with Homemade Meat Sauce; Salad; Garlic Bread; Drink and Dessert

\$10 includes lunch and chance for a door prize. 11-3 pm. Doors open at 10:30 am in St. Francis Parish Hall. Raffle tickets for prizes and 50/50 available. Quilt chances too!! Call Pat Winking 217-257-0416 at least 4 days before the party if possible. Only one member of your group needs to call each month to reserve your table! Come join the fun!

Future Card Party dates April 13th and May 4th

MARCH "GROUP A" CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

March 2nd, THURSDAY, AT 6:00 PM

Marlene Rose, Margie Grawe, Dorothy Haley, Samantha Haley, Joy Jurrens, Kay Koch, Joann Witte, Ann Zimmerman, Sally McCarl, Carlene Orton, Ann Soebbing, Cindy Deters, Shelly Steinkamp, Jane Lamm, Katie Danker, Rhonda Long, Vicky Campen, Sharon Dieker, Vicki Wittland. THANK YOU LADIES!

Join the QCES Team

Our elementary schools are looking for individuals to round out our teams. To learn more about these positions, please contact the school offices.

Blessed Sacrament Kitchen Manager

St. Dominic

Preschool Teacher ; 7th Grade Homeroom/6-7-8 Math

St. Peter

6th Grade Teacher

7th/8th Grade Science/7th Grade Reading & Religion

Technology/Marketing Coordinator

Maintenance for School & Parish

QND Job Opening Quincy Notre Dame High School is seeking a **Head Girls Tennis Coach** for the 2023-24 school year. To receive full consideration, submit a cover letter, resume, and 2 letters of recommendation, on or before Friday, March 17, 2023, to Bill Connell, Athletic Director, 1400 S. 11th Street, Quincy, IL 62301, or email bconnell@qndhs.org.