

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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April 16, 2023 Second Sunday of Easter

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A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Since 2001, the Second Sunday, or 'octave' day, of Easter has been observed as "**Divine Mercy Sunday**". On this day, we reflect on the glory of God's mercy in the full light of the resurrection. God's mercy is not something we earn by way of our confessions or our Lenten disciplines or anything else taking place in us, but rather it comes when we are least deserving, least able to help ourselves, when we are otherwise lost to the darkness of our fallen nature. Divine Mercy is simply there for our asking, which demands a spiritual posture of extraordinary faith and trust in our Risen Lord— again, Mercy is neither earned nor owed to us for our works, but rather comes to us in complete humility, sincere contrition, and complete trust in the Risen Christ. From our experience of God's Mercy, we are called to share mercy with others.

The Divine Mercy visionary was St. Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), who was a simple, uneducated, Polish nun, living at about the same time and not that far from the home of a young Karol Wojtya, who would later be St. Pope John Paul II. Sr. Faustina, at the command of her spiritual director, Fr. Michał Sopoćko (1988-1975, who himself is being examined as a potential candidate for sainthood) wrote over 600 pages in her spiritual diary, recounting her journey in prayer and the responses that she received, teaching her and the world about the glory of Divine Mercy. Embedded in these writings are the devotional tools that many recognize: the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the image of Christ with streams of light pouring out of his Sacred Heart, the call to devote the Second Sunday of Easter as a uniquely-privileged day for sacramental Confession and other devout works of faith and mercy. The diary itself, widely available in English translation, is a rewarding read in and of itself, and is presently under consideration in a petition to name Faustina a "doctor of the Church".

This afternoon, we will celebrate devotions to the Divine Mercy with adoration, recitation of the divine mercy chaplet, and the availability of sacramental confessions. This event will take place at St. Anthony Church starting at 2:00 pm on Sunday, April 16.



A word about the Precious Blood... having endured the COVID-19 crisis and a tough cold-and-flu season, it is seeming appropriate to return to offering the cup containing the Precious Blood of Christ at Masses. As we return to this practice, a couple of reminders seem important to offer: 1) Each and every time I hear that we are receiving "the wine", this terminology needs to be corrected. If this were just wine, then I need to quit and get an honest job. This is not wine! It is the Precious Blood of Christ,... the sacramental presence of Jesus, the second person of the Divine Trinity. I suppose we can legitimately say that it is 'under the appearances of wine', but to think or speak of it as common wine betrays a failure in sacramental vision or faith! My job

is to correct this language anytime I hear it, and to ask others to do the same! 2) If recent years have taught us anything, it would be to be cautious of sickness and illness in public spaces. Nobody (except the priest who must 'complete the sacrifice') is obligated to receive the Precious Blood. Why do we offer it then? It is offered because it is a better sign of the fullness of Christ's sacramental presence. Nonetheless, the entire Christ is present in both species. As we note this, I urge those who are sick, immunocompromised, or perhaps even 'just not feeling well' to consider it an act of charity to refrain from drinking from the common cup. While it is a pious thought that the Precious Blood could not be a vector for disease transmission, this ignores the physical reality which Jesus fully humbles himself to participate in, that the physical properties of wine still remain, and thus the disease carrying properties common to sharing a common cup are still present. It is not a lack of faith that allows diseases to potentially be passed along, but rather a pious, perhaps even superstitious, but wrong understanding of sacramental theology. *More next week*!

- 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



Mon., April 17, 2023 7:30 a.m. Jay Wellman+

Tues., April 18, 20237:30 a.m.Vincent DreierWed., April 19, 2023-at St. Dominic School8:30 a.m.Elmo, Marge, Patrick,
& Chris McClain+6:00 p.m.Francis Gehrt+Thurs., April 20, 20237:30 a.m.Pete & Janice Pohlman
-at Good Samaritan10:30 a.m.Barb Boone+Fri., April 21, 20237:30 a.m.Edward F. Benz+

Second Sunday of Easter Sat. April 22, 2023 4:00 p.m. Albert Mettemeyer+ 6:30 p.m. Parish Intentions

Sun., April 23, 2023

8:00 a.m. Dolly Genenbacher+ 10:30 a.m. Paul & Kay Smith+ Robert "Pete" & Janice E. Pohlman Perpetual Prayer Candle for Special Intentions Week of April 15-21 For those received into the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil

> - Parish Office Hours -Monday-Friday

St. Dominic School

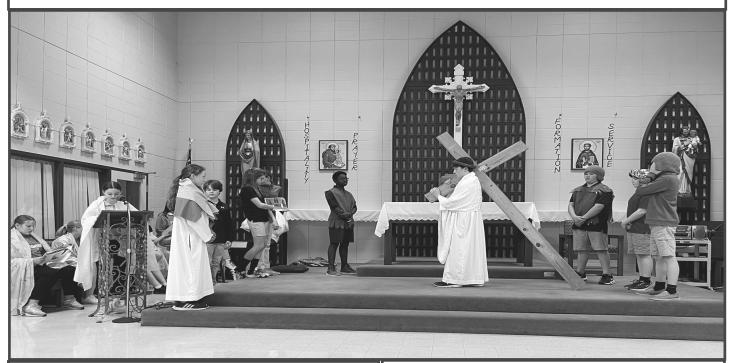
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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Holy Week Stations of the Cross

During Holy Week, our 7th grade students provided a re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross from Mary's perspective for all of our Kindergarten through 8th grade students. The students were reminded of God's awesome gifts of love and mercy. When we returned to school we celebrated that Jesus Christ has risen. Our students celebrated the good news of the Resurrection with Jesus Christ's victory over sin and death for us all. Jesus has filled our hearts, lives, and school with joy as we begin this great season of Easter. Everyone at school gave cards to their Lenten Prayer Buddy to share God's love with them. Alleluia!



2023 Annual School Fund Drive Update

Thanks so much to all of our generous parishioners and school families who have participated in the 2023 St. Dominic School Annual Fund Drive! As of April 10, 2023, we have received 152 pledge cards, which amounts to a total of \$29,003.00 and is 73% of our goal of \$40,000 along with gifts of prayer, time, and talent. Some of the gifts have been given in honor or memory of a special intention. All special intentions will be listed in a bulletin at the end of May. THANK YOU SO MUCH for your genuine stewardship and amazing support of our parish mission to provide Catholic education at our parish school — St. Dominic Catholic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, where Holy Moments happen every day.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, April 16 9:00-10:15 a.m. Families of Faith @ St. Anthony Monday, April 17 8:45a.m.-2:00p.m. 5th-8th Olympic Day at QND Tuesday, April 18 7:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting Wednesday, April 19 8:30 a.m. School Mass 3:15 p.m. ELA Teachers Meeting @ St. Francis Friday, April 21 Spirit and Logo Shirt Day Saturday, April 22 6:30 p.m. Holy Moments Mass—1st Grade Sunday, April 23 11 a.m.-1:00p.m. Roast Beef Dinner



Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 16th



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR Please plan to join us on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Anthony Church. 2:00 p.m. will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Rosary. 3:00 p.m. Recitation of the divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction. 3:30 p.m. Refreshments in the Quilt Room. Come join us!

St. Anthony Ladies Society Roast Beef Dinner

Sunday, April 23, 11 a.m-1 p.m.



St. Anthony Ladies Society Roast Beef Dinner will be *eat in or carry out* on Sunday, April 23rd, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The menu will be roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, cole slaw, homemade rolls, and homemade dessert. \$14 per plate. For carry outs enter the SOUTH entrance basement door. Help is needed on Saturday and Sunday. Please call the parish office 217-222-5996 if you are able to help. Will also need help on Friday evening to slice the beef.

Everyone is invited!

May 7th, 9-10:15 a.m.

Sunday, May 7, after 10:30 a.m. Mass

June 11, 12, 13

5:30-8 p.m.



Families of Faith for adults will be having their last meeting on May 7th, 9-10:15 a.m. in the parish hall.

Deacon Dennis Holbrook will be doing a presentation on the Sign of the Cross. All members of the parish are welcome to attend.

St. Anthony Ladies Society Mother/Daughter Banquet

Mother-Daughter

St. Anthony Ladies Society is having their Mother/Daughter Banquet on Sunday, May 7th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. Free will offering. For reservations please call Alice Rakers at 217-222-4798.

St. Anthony of Padua Vacation Bible School



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.

Mark your calendar!! June 3rd: June Fest

July 15th: St. Anthony Picnic

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		WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING			
		Week 41	<u>April 8 &9</u>	Total Year-to-Date	
Monday, April 17		Loose Collection	\$ 1,000.	00 \$ 32,149.27	
6:30 p.m.	We Care	Weekly Envelopes	\$ 10,125.0	00 \$ 399,282.29	
Tuesday, April <u>18</u> 7:00 p.m	Finance Council Meeting	Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.	00 \$ 49,662.00	
7:00 p.m.	Meeting	Total, April 8& 9	\$ 11,125.0	00 \$ 481,093.56	
<u>Wednesday, April 19</u> 11:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Merry Widows meet at Sprouts Mass	Budget Goal (we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the yearl)	\$ 13,000.	.00 \$ 533,000.00	
6:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Meeting	Difference	(-\$1,875.0	00) (-\$ 51,906.44)	
<u>Thursday, April 20</u>		Counters: Monday, April Diana Dietrich A		Kroeter	
Friday, April 21		DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS			
<u>Saturday, April 22</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass (Holy Moments)	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	
Sunday. April 16 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m1:00 p.m.	Mass Mass St. Anthony Ladies Roast Beef Dinner	Debt Reduction Envelo Thank	opes k you! —>	Cumulative, 4/9 \$15,729.00	
		Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:			
			you for your supp nurch and St. Dor		
As each one has received	d a gift, use it to serve one another as	Contribution Statements (for tax purposes) are available on request at the parish office. Please call (217) 222-5996.			

good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Pt 4:10).

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., April 22 & 23						
	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	Tawny Benz	George Benz	Mike Baker	Debra Woodworth		
Usher	Randy Huber Jack Kuhlman James Lohman Bob Maas	Kurt Fischer Denis Hagerbaumer George Huber Elmer Maas	Mike Genenbacher Gene Goerlich Jerry Grawe Anthony Haley	Ken Klauser Brian Koch David McCleary Pete Pohlman		
Servers	Volunteers	The Benz Family	Pius IX Altar Servers	Calvin Breckenkamp Volunteers		
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Pat Vaughn	Carolyn Waterkotte	Joe Dreyer Family	Daren & Andrea Sims Family		
Rosary Leader	Carol Vogel	Melanie Longenecker	Giny Baker	Janice E. Pohlman		

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, David Genenbacher,

Bill Wellman, Vicki Arnold

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IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand

Albert Huber

Paul Stupasky

Jim Ponsot

St. Vincent

Lois Wand

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy

QUINCY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

The Mega Raffle is Back!

This could be YOUR year to win MEGA MONEY! The "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle is back, and tickets are on sale now. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold for your chance to win \$100,000, \$25,000, \$15,000, or 37 more cash prizes. Proceeds benefit the QCES Foundation, QND Foundation, and Quincy's five Catholic Schools. More information, including how to get your tickets, can be found at <u>QuincyMegaRaffle.org</u>. We have tickets in the parish office for sale.

<u>St. Anthony's Prayer Shawl Ministry</u> will be meeting on Wednesday, April 19th at 6:30 p.m.in the Quilt Room. If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, or tie fleece please considering joining us. Some volunteers meet several times a year or some make them at home. If you are interested in this important ministry which brings healing and comfort to those in their time of need. If you know of someone who would benefit from a prayer shawl please call the parish office (217-222-5996) New members are always welcome to join us. Call Jan Barnard if you have any questions 217-224-7487.



<u>Quincy Catholic Charities Banding Together</u> at the Dock, 1021 Bonansinga Drive on April 30th, noon-5:00 p.m. There will be food, music, raffle and dunk tank. All proceeds go to Quincy Catholic Charities.

St. Anthony Parish welcomes Cooper Scott Kirlin son of Ryne and Kayln Kirlin APTISM who was baptized April 8, 2023 into the Catholic faith.

<u>Transitions of Western Illinois is hiring!</u> For rewarding career opportunities helping people who have developmental or mental disabilities, check out our website at <u>www.twi.org</u>. Currently recruiting a 'jack-of-all-trades' to work in our maintenance department: competitive pay, outstanding benefits, full-time position, and a great work environment await you in this position!

APRIL GROCERY ITEMS Toilet Paper, Shampoo The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities 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.



Wishing a Happy and Blessed 60th Wedding Anniversary to

Bickford Cottages

Joanne Greving

SUNSET

Beverly Andrews

Bradford Villa

Ruth Schmelzle

Robert "Pete" and Janice E. Pohlman



Teacher Opening at St. Dominic School

Nursing Care Patients

Would you enjoy sharing our Catholic faith and love for learning with children? St. Dominic

School is accepting applications for a seventh-grade teaching position for the 2023-2024 school year. Qualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License. Responsibilities include teaching a seventh-grade homeroom class in language arts and religion, and 6th-7th-8th-grade Math according to the philosophy of St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish and the Diocese of Springfield. Qualified and enthusiastic applicants should send a

cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Carol Frericks, Principal, St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 4100 Columbus Road, Quincy, IL 62305 or call 217-224-0041.

Ladies of Charity Spiritual Retreat: Please join us for an afternoon of solidarity as we reflect on our roots and plan our way forward as Ladies of Charity on Sunday, April 30th, 1-3 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church Gathering Space. RSVP requested but not required. Call Brenda Ehrhardt at 217-258-8832.

<u>Blessed Sacrament Parish</u> is having a pancake sausage breakfast on Sunday April 16, 8 am to 12:00 noon. \$8 adults, \$6 children (6-12, \$25 family.

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Did you know that Quincy Catholic Charities is more than a food pantry? In addition to our food pantry we have a mobile food pantry that delivers a 2-week supply of food to rural communities of the diocese in Adams, Brown and Pike Counties. We also provide professional counseling services for individuals, premarital, marital and families, intact family services to mitigate further child abuse and neglect and a MedAssist program to assist individuals with immediate medication cost/co-pays. The program targets individuals who have no, or limited prescription drug coverage. Since July of 2022, we have helped 178 individuals with medication assistance.

St. Joseph Church Spaghetti Dinner will be held Sunday,April 16th. Serving will be 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.Carry outs will be available following 9AM MassFree Will Offering-Spaghetti, Bread, Salad, Desserts &Drink50/50 Drawing

Mark your calendar: St. Francis Church will be holding their Parish Picnic on Saturday, June 10, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. –Midnight.

Quincy Notre Dame is looking for a full-time German/ <u>Civics teacher</u> for the 2023-24 school year. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter, resume and 2 letters of reference to Mark McDowell, Principal, at <u>mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org</u> on or by Friday, April 7, 2023.

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. <u>Blessed Sacrament</u> Kitchen Manager <u>St. Dominic</u> 7th Grade Homeroom/6-7-8 Math <u>St. Peter</u> Preschool Teacher for 3 yr olds; 6th Grade Teacher; 7th/8th Grade Science/7th Grade Reading & Religion; Teacher Aides

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.

Fathers, Sons, and Young Men Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, April 29 Sponsored by Quincy Knights of Columbus Council 583. Mass and Breakfast to be held at St. Anthony Church and Hall 8:00 a.m. Following the Mass, Complete Buffet Breakfast \$15 per person Keynote Speaker, Father Mark Schulte: Men of Faith Send Reservations and Registration Fee by April 22 to Roch Schulte 3802 N. 12th Street Quincy, IL 62305 Checks Payable to K of C, please mark envelope: Prayer Breakfast