



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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## June 4, 2023 *The Most Holy Trinity*

### A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Mysteries are truths that are unknown, but not unknowable. When learning a new language, students decode letters and words to let the meaning of a text emerge. Similarly, scripture and sacred tradition teaches the faithful how to interpret clues that reveal the nature of God. The Church has distilled this understanding into statements proclaimed in our Creed and prayed in our liturgies. When we pray in

the name of the Holy Trinity, we use a privileged 'language' that invokes the very mystery of God, relational in Three Persons while unique and singular as One God.

Sacred Scripture never uses the explicit term "Trinity" to describe the relationship between Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Does this mean that the doctrinal construct of "Trinity" is a man-made teaching that is un-scriptural? Of course not. This kind of question, as any maneuver trying to reduce Christianity to a 'faith of the book', starts from an erroneous foundation which is held by many, even well-meaning Christians and Catholics. In short, Jesus established a Church, which took to itself the inspiration and authority to write the bible to preserve and conserve the authentic faith. By contrast, Jesus did not hand down the texts of Sacred Scripture in order to provide the vision and governance structure of his Church. The Church first comes into being in Christ, established as a community of faith in apostolic witness. From that faith and in that witness, we receive the sacraments and sacramentals to deepen and preserve that unity in Jesus. We recognize that the Church stands on twin pillars of Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, which is a constant work of discernment in the Spirit.

And so, while the term "Trinity" is never used in the pages of Scripture, the very earliest Christians held and remembered what Jesus taught. They remember that he taught that he and the Father were one... in a oneness that is not simply casual or causal or even consequential... but radically and totally relational. The Father and the Son share of their common Divine Being, and yet are distinctive as 'persons'. Jesus assured the Church that he was sending the Holy Spirit to be the sign and the presence of God now and always until the end of the age. The Spirit is our comforter and guide and advocate. It is a wise analysis of Sacred Scripture that we come to understand the unity of Divinity within the Holy Trinity, worshiping as the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

As Christians, when we read scriptures or study theology, it is not simply a work of memorization of facts or figures, or simply recalling the details of the stories. In my experience, the best way I can describe the intellectual work of the Church is that it is about learning to 'think with the mind of Christ'. We read Scriptures week by week at Mass that we may come to know the mind of Christ, that his words may be spoken in and through us. We recognize Christ in our journeys as we carry the Cross. We recognize the power of the Spirit working among us. It would be a lot easier to follow a 'cookbook Christianity' where everything is laid out in prosaic detail, but that's not what we have. We have a faith that is steeped in mystery, precisely because the truths are too broad to simply be contained in a words or a simple formula. Does scripture use the word 'abortion' or 'nuclear war' to condemn these indignities against the human person? Has Jesus instructed us how to use the Internet or vote? Is there Divine Revelation to reveal God's will for our individual lives? No, but we can be clear that by 'putting on the mind of Christ', each individual person, in the diversity of their created beauty and need for God can approach Sacred Scripture and receive its fruits. They do so by learning to 'read' the mysteries of the world in the light of the Tradition of the Church.

God's will for our lives is not unknown or unknowable to us, but it does take an effort to dive into the spiritual life and to think—not as the world thinks, but as Christ thinks—that we can understand with his mind and heart. This is what Trinity Sunday is here to remind us—that God reveals himself in mystery, and the work of finding his truth asks us to engage our faculties of reason and discernment with even greater acuity than what we use to understand and thrive in our contemporary, highly 'scientific' world.

***I am on Retreat this week in Peoria with the priests of the diocese. Note the weekday Mass schedule. Our regular schedule will resume 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](http://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., June 5, 2023 (Week 9 of OT)

NO Mass

Tues., June 6, 2023

No Mass

Wed., June 7, 2023

No Mass

Thurs., June 8, 2023

No Mass

-at Good Samaritan

No Mass

Fri., June 9, 2023

No Mass

*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

Sat., June 10, 2023

4:00 p.m. Katie Kroeter+

6:30 p.m. Vocations to the Priesthood

Sun., June 11, 2023

8:00 a.m. Paul & Eadie Edwards+

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

#### Perpetual Prayer Candle

for Special Intentions

Week of June 3-9

Special Intentions

#### — 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

## 2023 Annual School Fund Drive — Final Report

Thank you for your genuine stewardship and amazing support for our parish ministry, which is to provide Catholic education at our parish school — St. Dominic Catholic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Thanks so much to all of the generous parishioners and school families who participated in the 2023 St. Dominic School Annual Fund Drive. At the conclusion of the drive, we received 172 cards, which amounts to a total of \$40,000.00. We met our goal of \$40,000 along with gifts of prayer, time, and talent. Our St. Dominic School family is so grateful for your amazing generosity and support for our school.

The donations that were made "In memory of" or "In Honor of" are listed below:

Mary and LeRoy Venvertloh	Katie Kroeter
Leroy and Mary Venvertloh	Bernie and Eric Weiman
Doyle Equipment Neighbor	Katie Kroeter
Robert Brown	Walter Welchert
Tom and Dorothy Winking	Karen Holtschlag
Paul and Kay Smith	Noah and Adam Kasparie
Henry Gehrt and Francis Gehrt	Rose Ann Liesen
Emma Gallagher	Doris J. Moore
LeRoy Vaughn	Monte Longenecker
Henry and Francis Gehrt	Thomas Mock
Clarence and Evelyn Genenbacher	Frericks Family
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Disseler	Richard and Dolores Obert
Diane (Peter) Russell	Ron Vogel
Mary Wellman	Rose Ann Liesen
D.J. Venvertloh and Dave Genenbacher	R. Shawn Foster
Henry and Francis Gehrt	Rita Hildebrand
Aiden and Lyla Powell	Jim and Barb Pettit
Don Wittland	D.J. Venvertloh

*We also received many gifts of prayer as well as time and talent.*

**Thanks to all who participated!**



# Upcoming Events

## Junefest

**June 3rd, 4:00 p.m.-Midnight**



Junefest will be held at St. Dominic School beginning with Mass at 4:00 p.m. at St. Dominic School (No 4 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony this day. The 6:30 p.m. Mass will be held on Sunday, June 4th at St. Anthony.) Junefest will begin immediately following Mass with food, drinks, games, Youth talent performances, Live Band "Hearsay" 7:30-11:30, raffle (\$2000 in cash prizes), 50/50, Silent Auction (will end at 11 p.m.), basket raffle, and more. There will be a Game Town for Kids (\$10 wristbands) featuring crafts, Volleyball, Gaga Ball, Ring Toss, Plinko, Wall Ball, Train Ride and more. Other featured events will be BINGO, Poker, Chuck-a-Luck, Bag Long Toss 50', Dunk Booth, Football Toss, Basketball Shoot, and Fast Pitch Game.

**Please** make sure to return your Junefest envelope to the parish office or put in the collection basket. Also please do not forget your bingo, silent auction and basket raffle items. They can be dropped off in the back of church or the parish office.

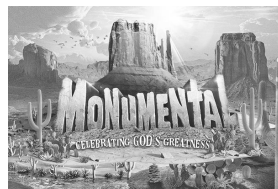
## HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES OF ST. ANTHONY PARISH



We would like to honor our St. Anthony Parish high school and college 2023 graduates by placing their names, high school and college or university you are graduating from and degree in the bulletin. We have the names of our parishioners who will be graduating from QND but want to include ALL graduates. Please either drop your information in the collection or call the parish office (217-222-5996) by May 28 to be included in the June 4th bulletin

## 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.

## St. Anthony Church Picnic

**Saturday, July 15, 5:00 p.m.-Midnight**

The St. Anthony Picnic will begin after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. (There will be no 6:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday but instead it will be on Sunday, July 16th, at 6:30 p.m). Come and enjoy food and drinks, Live music by "Southern Rail" (7:30-11:30 p.m.), Bingo in air condition, country store, Kiddieland with crafts, games, basket raffle, Silent Auction, Raffle (\$2,000) in cash prizes, and fun for the whole family!

## — Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Monday, June 5</u> 7:00 p.m.	Ladies Society Meeting
<u>Tuesday, June 6</u>	
<u>Wednesday, June 7</u>	
<u>Thursday, June 8</u>	
<u>Friday, June 9</u>	
<u>Saturday, June 10</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
<u>Sunday, June 11</u> 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30-8:00 p.m.	Mass Mass Vacation Bible School
<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 48	May 27/28	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 771.00	\$ 37,438.28
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 7,841.00	\$ 457,773.29
Electronic Deposits	\$ 6,013.00	\$ 61,688.00
<b>Total, May 27/28</b>	<b>\$ 14,625.00</b>	<b>\$ 571,524.57</b>
<b>Budget Goal</b> <small>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</small>	<b>\$ 13,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 624,000.00</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$1,625.00)</b>	<b>(-\$ 67,100.43)</b>
Counters: Monday, June 5, 2023 Diana Dietrich Anna Benz Craig Kroeter		
DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS		
Unpaid Diocesan Liabilities from FY 2020-21: <small>(this total is updated periodically, approximately monthly, as funds are sent and posted by the Diocese of Springfield)</small>	<b>\$30,158.82</b>	
Debt Reduction Envelopes <i>Thank you! —&gt;</i>	Cumulative, 5/28 \$24,982	
Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:		
<p>Thank you for your support of St. Anthony Church and St. Dominic School!</p> <p>Contribution Statements (for tax purposes) are available on request at the parish office. Please call (217) 222-5996.</p>		

### Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., June 10 & 11

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 PM
<b>Key Minister/</b>	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer	Gene & Rita Goerlich	Rich Rakers	
<b>Lector</b>	Kathy Gehrt	Angie Dean	Mary Koch	Kim Peters
<b>Usher</b>	Roger Benz Tawny Benz Tom Grawe Dan Reichert	Jerry Dreier Rod Davis Luke Weiman Matt Weiman	Frank Arnold Diane Dittmer Greg Dittmer Mark Wellman	RJ Boone Dan Boone Ryan Boone Tom Boone
<b>Servers</b>	Volunteers	The Benz Family	Abraham & Gus Venvertloh	Madison McCleary Volunteer
<b>Greeters/ Gift Bearers</b>	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer	Earl & Debbie Boone	Dan & Sharon Terwelp	Greg & Diane Dittmen
<b>Rosary Leader</b>	Tawny Benz	Melanie Longenecker	Mary Koch	Rich & Alice Rakers

**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, Lois Wand, Vicki Arnold

**Nursing Care Patients**

**IL Veterans Home**

Michael Hildebrand  
Albert Huber  
Paul Stupasky  
Jim Ponsot

**Bickford Cottages**

Joanne Greving  
Rita Terstriep  
Mary Gerht

**Bradford Villa**

Ruth Schmelzle

**SUNSET**

Beverly Andrews

**Teacher Opening at St. Dominic School**

*Would you enjoy sharing our Catholic faith and love for learning with children?*

St. Dominic School is accepting applications for a **part-time PE teacher** for the 2023-2024 school year. Qualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License. Responsibilities include teaching Pre-school through 8<sup>th</sup> grade PE classes two days per week on Tuesdays and Thursdays 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 the school office at 217-224-0041.



**Ladies of the Parish** don't forget that we have our Ladies Society Meeting on Monday, June 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. If you haven't joined us before please come and bring a friend and enjoy fellowship with us and find out about the numerous things we do for our parish.



St. Anthony Parish welcomes  
**Leo Wayne Greenwell**  
daughter of  
**Joshua & Kaleena Greenwell**  
who was baptized May 21, 2023  
into the Catholic faith.

**JUNE GROCERY ITEMS**

Corn, Green Beans, Pork & Beans  
**The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities**  
Thank You

**Blessed Sacrament Parish is looking for a Director of Faith Formation.** Send resume to [tmeyer@dio.org](mailto:tmeyer@dio.org)

The Ladies of Charity Blanket Project are in need of king or queen size flat sheets. These may be brought to the St. Anthony Parish office.

**WE ARE IN NEED OF SACRISTANS!** Sacristans ready the sacristy as well as the materials and items needed for Mass. After Mass, they help clean the sacred vessels and assist with securing the church building. They let the office know when consumable supplies need to be ordered. Sacristans are schedule by the month and choose the Mass that they would like to be scheduled for. We need more for every Mass but especially 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. For more information or to volunteer please call the parish office 217-222-5996.

**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. For more information please contact the parish office 217-222-

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

**The Roman Catholic Cemetery Association** is looking for seasonal grounds help. If interested please talk to the Superintendent at Calvary Cemetery (217) 223-3390.

**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

**EMPOWER ILLINOIS** scholarship program: Donate to students, receive a 75% Illinois tax credit. 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.**

## St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy, June 4, 2023

**Teacher Aide Opening-St. Peter School** Applicants should have experience working with young children. Responsibilities include working one on one with children, assisting the teacher with instructions and supervision. Send a cover letter, resume and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, St. Peter School, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.

**Quincy Notre Dame** has the following job opening for the 2023-24 school year:

\*Full-Time English/Language Arts Teacher

Qualified candidates should send a cover letter, resume and two letters of reference to Mark McDowell, QND Principal, at [mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org](mailto:mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org).

**St. Francis Solanus Parish will hold its annual Parish Picnic** on Saturday June 10, 5:00 p.m. to Midnight. The picnic will host a variety of food and beverages, live music, cash raffle, silent auction, basket raffle, dunk tank, kids' games, train ride, bounce houses and more. The Heidelberg Band will play from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and The Gentlemen will take the stage from 7:30 p.m.-11:30p.m. We hope to see you there!

### **White House Men's and Women's Annual Retreat** **Seeking God**

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted (quiet place) and I will give you rest" Mark 6:31.

Join the Men of our Parish signing up for the 2023 Annual SILENT Retreat at the White House Retreat Center in St. Louis: starting Monday, September 25, 12:00 PM ending Thursday, September 28, 12:00 PM. The retreat experience at the White House is a powerful one. RE-CHARGE YOUR SPIRITUAL BATTERIES: No one plans to push God aside, but sometimes in the craziness of life that is what happens. Ask any man or woman who has ever made a retreat at the White House and they will volunteer that "NEVER HAVE THEY BEEN MORE AT PEACE WITH THEIR SOUL AND THEIR GOD." Call or email your name and phone # for your reservation NOW. John Venegoni at 217-430-2234 [jvenegoni6808@comcast.net](mailto:jvenegoni6808@comcast.net). Deadline is August 10, 2023.

THE WOMEN'S WHITE HOUSE ANNUAL SILENT RETREAT STARTS Monday, October 2 rd ending Thursday, October 5. Call or email your name and phone # for your reservation NOW. Debra Schulte at 217-430-5144 [dschulte2424@gmail.com](mailto:dschulte2424@gmail.com) Deadline is August 12, 2023.