



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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**September 10, 2023 Twenty-Third Week of Ordinary Time**

## A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:

"Am I my brother's keeper?" This question haunts the fourth chapter of Genesis after Cain murders his brother, Abel. Abel's blood indeed cries out, echoing through Sacred Scripture, arriving at the situation in today's Gospel. And so, "Am I my brother's keeper?" The obvious answer is, "of course!" We are responsible for our brothers and sisters, and not only for bodily safety, but also for his or her spiritual welfare. Indeed, the prophet Ezekiel reminds us that we must warn the wicked of their ways, and in doing so save not only their life, but ours as well! (Ez 33: 7-9) Paul tells us that we are to owe each other no debt, except the debt of love (cf Rom 13:8-9) Love, of course, is not a mere feeling or emotion. In its perfection, love is the desire for the ultimate good of others. How important to realize the greatest good for another is in their spiritual welfare.



Jesus impressed upon his disciples the great lengths that one should take to reconcile with wayward brothers. Matthew 18 explains: we are to tell him his fault... we gather witnesses... we involve the church... and then, if all else fails, we treat them as Gentile or tax collector, which also obligates the disciple of Christ to treat the wayward brother with love. Love does not justify rejection of the sinner, but instead calls for an intense effort to bring the wayward one back. That is the debt of love for those who themselves know the love and mercy of Almighty God. For "Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the Law." (Rom 13:10)

The Church recognizes the efforts to 'admonish the sinner' as one of the seven 'spiritual works of mercy'. Most people dislike conflict. Fewer people enjoy being corrected. It is natural to become defensive. It is hard to speak up, and doing so seems to run counter to the modern trend of not being 'judgmental'. It is sometimes hard to separate 'fraternal correction' from our own anger. But this is what we are 'on' for as followers of Christ. We are our 'brothers' keepers', and if we can save them from their faults, we win our brothers and sisters from the evil one.

This weekend we are beginning our reviews of our liturgical ministries for Sunday Mass. This week, we look at the ministry and role of Lectors—those who proclaim the Word of God at Mass.



The ministry of the Lector may seem antiquated in our day. Lectors of the past were ministers in "Minor Orders"... the preparatory stages before Holy Orders. Receiving the order of "Lector" recognized particular skills and learning that could be of service to the Church. In an age where few people learned how to read, to be raised to the Lectorate signified that the candidate was fluent in proclaiming the written word so that all could hear. All members could then be 'equal' in the community... those who could read along with those who couldn't.

So, in our contemporary age, why don't we save time and deal with the Word in a more 21st-century kind of way? We don't need to have someone read to us like we are children! We have printing presses and most everyone has a bible at home. Almost everyone knows how to read. Why not say, "your assignment for next week is to review the 18th chapter of Matthew? Do your homework and we'll talk about it next week..." sort of like a college professor would do with his class. Perhaps this would place a greater expectation on people to prepare for the next week's Mass? Maybe we could hire Morgan Freeman or James Earl Jones or Jim Obert to record the readings and include appropriate background music and sound effects to enhance the production value... and then play that back at Mass or have everyone subscribe to the Podcast instead of having it read 'live', with all of the propensity for mistakes... or people not showing up... or tripping over odd names... or not being heard because of the sound system?

There is something valuable about actually proclaiming the Word at Mass. When the Word of God is "proclaimed" (and not simply 'read') at Mass, it takes on a living quality... not in a dramatic or over-wrought presentation, not in being an academic exercise... but in being an active presence among us when we gather in worship. That active presence is expressed in ministry— a personal act of service to the community as well as an act of worship to God on part of the one who ministers. Good ministry increases faith, not only in the minister, but also in those to whom they minister. And so, when we work to do the ministry of Lector well as a community, we participate in a personal act of service and worship taking place in the Sacred Liturgy. It is the Word that reveals the meaning of the mysteries, the Sacraments, to all who are gathered.

### — 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., September 11, 2023

7:30 a.m. Barbara Boone +

### Tues., September 12, 2023

7:30 a.m. Susan Bauer+

### Wed., September 13, 2023

- at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Henry & Mary Gehrt+

### Thurs., September 14, 2023

7:30 a.m. Sean Glidewell +

-at Good Samaritan

10:30 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher+

### Fri., September 15, 2023

7:30 a.m. Mick Ehrhardt +

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### Sat., September 16, 2023

4:00 p.m. Norma Obert+

6:30 p.m. Parish Intentions

### Sun., September 17, 2023

8:00 a.m. Carlene Crawford+

10:30 a.m. Eric Weiman+

### Perpetual Prayer Candle for Special Intentions

Week of Sept. 9-15

The Bicardi & Jim William Family  
Success of Sanctuary Cities for the  
Unborn Efforts

### — Parish Office Hours —

**Monday-Friday**

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

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

# St. Dominic School

4100 Columbus Road — Quincy, Illinois 62305

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cfrericks@stdominicquincy.org



A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

## Fourth Grade Leaders



During the month of September, our fourth-grade class along with their teacher, Mrs. Katie O'Neal, will lead our Morning Meeting for grades K-8. Mrs. O'Neal will begin the meeting with prayer. Then, students will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance, read the daily menu, and announce the birthdays for the Birthday Cha-Cha-Cha song. This fourth-grade class will teach us about the first Catholic Sacrament of Initiation - Baptism. Throughout the school year, we will learn about all seven Catholic Sacraments and have a special celebration of the Eucharistic miracles. At the end of each Morning Meeting this month, a fourth-grade student will lead the whole school in our Bible verse theme for the year, which is John 6:51.

St. Dominic PTO of St. Anthony Parish is hosting:

## MIGHTY MACHINE NIGHT

Come explore the importance of Technology and Math in the world we live in. There will be large machinery present to explore. All are welcome! Open to the public.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH** **5:00PM-7:00PM**

Held at St. Dominic School  
4100 Columbus Road, Quincy IL

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Monday, September 11**  
School Picture Day

**Wednesday, September 13**  
8:30 a.m. School Mass  
3:15 p.m. Faculty Meeting  
6:30 p.m. School Board Meeting

**Thursday, September 14**  
4-8 p.m. Culver's Cares Night  
5-7 p.m. PTO Mighty Machines Night

**Friday, September 15**  
School Spirit Shirt Day





# Upcoming Events

## PSR and Families of Faith

**Sunday, September 10th**

PSR and Families of Faith: Faith formation classes for our K-8 public school families will begin on September 10th! A letter with registration was sent to families in July. If you did not receive the letter, please email [hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org](mailto:hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org). See you soon!

## Lector Training and Review

**Sunday, September 10th & 11th after all Masses**



There will be a short lector training after all Masses on Sept. 11 & 12 for all present and anyone who would like to be a lector.

## Mighty Machine Night at St. Dominic School

**Thursday, September 14, 5-7p.m.**



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## Save the Date! St. Anthony Men's Society Chicken Dinner

**September 17, 2023**



Mark your calendars for the St. Anthony Men's Society Dine In or Carry Out Chicken Dinner on Sunday, September 17th, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

1/4 Chicken Meal (white) \$12

1/4 Chicken Meal (dark) \$12

1/2 Chicken Meal \$16

Chicken Strips \$8

Children's Meal (wing or drumstick) \$8

All meals include 3 sides, homemade dinner rolls, dessert, and drink.

We will be taking credit cards this year but there will be a 3% convenience fee.

***Ladies of the parish we will be needing pies donated for the chicken dinner.***

## St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft/Vendor Show

**October 7th, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**



If you are interested in being a vendor at our craft/vendor show on Saturday, October 7th, at St. Anthony Parish Hall please contact Janet Bick ([rjbick@comcast.net](mailto:rjbick@comcast.net) or 217-430-7256) or Tawny Benz ([rtbenz77@gmail.com](mailto:rtbenz77@gmail.com) or 217-257-0847). Booth space (10'x10') is \$25. You may furnish your own tables or rent 8' tables for \$5 each.

## FORMED!

Formed is a multi-media Catholic resource which St. Anthony Parish has subscribed to in order to provide all our parishioners with some of the best movies, documentaries, talks, e-books, daily programs and devotionals, and other materials available in the Church today. Some call it the "Netflix" of the Catholic Church. To sign up, go to <http://signup.formed.org>, enter our zip code 62305 and select St. Anthony Church. After entering your email address, you will have free, full access to the thousands of items which you can access on your computer, phone, Apple TV, and other devices.

# — Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<b><u>There will be lector training after all Masses September 9th and 10th. This will be for all who are presently a lector and anyone who would like to be a lector.</u></b>	
<u>Monday, September 11</u> 7:30 p.m.	Men's Society Meeting
<u>Tuesday, September 12</u> 6:30 p.m.	Surviving Divorce
<u>Wednesday, September 13</u> 6:30 p.m.	St. Dominic School Board Meeting
<u>Thursday, September 14</u> 6:00 p.m.	Grief Share
<u>Friday, September 15</u>	
<u>Saturday, September 16</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
<u>Sunday, September 17</u> 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Mass Mass Chicken Dinner in Parish Hall
<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 10	September 2/3	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 693.50	\$ 7,827.28
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 10,265.00	\$ 87,489.45
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,129.00
Total, September 2/3	\$ 10,958.50	\$ 113,445.73
Budget Goal (we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 130,000.00
Difference	\$ (-2041.50)	\$ (-16,554.27)
Counters: Monday, September 11, 2023 Diana Dietrich Anna Benz Michelle Ehrhardt		
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)		<b>\$28,623.82</b> as of June 30, 2023
Debt Reduction Envelopes Thank you! —>		FY 2023-24: \$ 3,493.82
Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:		
<b>Our Total Parish Tithe for 2022-2023: \$79,157</b>		
Thank you for your support of St. Anthony Church and St. Dominic School!		

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., September 16 & 17, 2023				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 PM
Key Minister/	Mary Courty		Dan Reichert	Rich Rakers
Lector	Janice Zanger	David Keck	Mary Koch	Marlene Rose
Usher	Tom Grawe Randy Huber Jack Kuhlman James Lohman	Ron Reichert Ted Vahle Georg Benz R.J. Boone	Matt Kasparie Mark Neisen Dan Terwelp Luke Weiman	Frank Arnold Ken Klauser Brian Koch David McCleary
Servers	Volunteers	Marial Mathews Rozalyn Brass	Addison & Luke Weiman	Zain Schutte Gabby Fischer
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Pat Vaughn	William & Ann Dixon	Mark & Bernice Neisen	David & Janice McCleary Family
Rosary Leader	Dorothy Parn	Earl Boone	Jerry & Trudy Dreier	Chris Heintz
<b>In charity, please remember in your prayers:</b> 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, Leon Lentz, Rosie Meyer <b>Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2023:</b> Gary Henderson, Sharon Holthaus, David Genenbacher, Bill Wellman, Lois Wand, Vicki Arnold, Mark Wellman, Paul Stupasky, Joanne Greving, Suzanne Willer, Rita Terstriep				

September 10, 2023

St. Anthony of Padua Church,

**Nursing Care Patients**

**IL Veterans Home**

Michael Hildebrand  
Albert Huber  
Jim Ponsot

**Bickford Cottages**

Mary Gerht  
**Sunset**  
Beverly Andrews

**Bradford Villa**  
Ruth Schmelzle

**Date Change to sign up for the Diocesan Year of the Eucharist and the 100th Anniversary of the transfer of the See city from Alton to Springfield being held Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield.** Each parish is allotted so many tickets. Please contact the parish office if you would like to reserve a ticket by **September 15th** or for more information. Tickets are free.

The Diocesan Eucharistic Congress will include nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass. For details, speaker bios, and schedule-visit [dio.org/revival-bos](http://dio.org/revival-bos).



Keynote:  
Dr. Scott Hahn



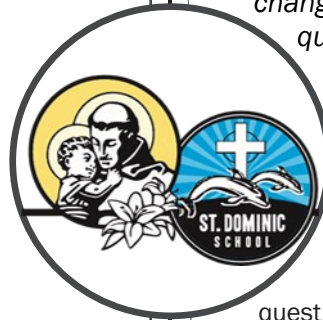
Sr. M. Karolyn Nunes, FSGM  
Sisters of St. Francis of the  
Matryst. St. George



Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB  
Order of St. Benedict



Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck  
Diocese of Peoria, IL



**SEPTEMBER GROCERY ITEMS**  
**Toilet Paper & Laundry Detergent**  
**The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities**  
**Thank You**



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Rita Terstriep**  
Eternal Rest Grant to her O Lord,  
and let Perpetual Light



St. Anthony Parish welcomes  
**Griffin Scott Thoele**  
son of  
**Jonathan and Melissa (Maddox) Thoele**  
who was baptized September 3, 2023  
into the Catholic faith.

**Parish Registration** If you are new to St. Anthony Church or have been coming for a while, please register with our parish. Registering is important to ensure you will receive infrequent emails from the parish email and envelopes to support our parish. It is also important to establish your parish should you be asked to be a godparent or sponsor for Confirmation. Many parishes require a letter from your parish stating that you are registered, contributing, and regularly attending Mass. Please contact our office or place a note in the collection basket with your name and contact information. We will then send you a registration form by mail or email. join us and get involved with our St. Anthony Parish.

**HOSPITAL MINISTRY** Lay Eucharistic Ministers are asked to consider expanding their ministry by providing Holy Eucharist to Catholic patients at Blessing Hospital. Eucharistic Ministers usually volunteer monthly for at least two shifts (about 2 hours each). They visit patients, pray with them, distribute communion and make priest referrals for those in need. *Our requirements have recently changed and a Covid vaccination is no longer required for volunteers at Blessing Hospital.* If you are interested in learning more, please contact your pastor or call Prudence Bickhaus Martin at Blessing Volunteer Services, 223-8400, ext. 6825.

**Butterfly Support ministers are available to help pre-plan funerals.** They have already had a request. This is particularly helpful if you do not have immediate family or family close by. You may contact a minister directly or call the office (222-5996). The Butterfly Support minister will provide copies of your plan to share with others including your funeral home of choice. We are very thankful for our Butterfly Ministers who are willing to provide this additional valuable service.

**CHURCH KEYS** If you have rented the hall or the quilt room for an event and still have the keys please return them to the parish office. If you are not able to get them here between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. you may deposit them in the white box on the outside of the parish hall. There are many outstanding keys and we do need to have them returned.



**Rosary Ministry:** The Rosary is said publicly before all Masses and we are in need of people to be leaders. Contact Rich & Alice Rak-ers if interested 217-222-4798.



## Safe Environment Program

To report all 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) 321-1156**

## St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy, September 10, 2023

**Quincy Discount Travel: Experience Italy!!! Florence, Assisi, Rome** with Father John Doctor and Dr. Padraic Rohan, June 9-20, 2024. Join us for more details, wine and cheese on Wednesday, September 13th at 5:30 p.m. Contact Jennifer to RSVP. Call 217-228-1122 or email [jennifer@4discounttravel.com](mailto:jennifer@4discounttravel.com)

**Perpetual Prayer Candle** We have a 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.

**EMPOWER ILLINOIS** scholarship program: Donate for students in need, 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.



Thank you to everyone who advertises on our bulletin. Please support these businesses when you can.

### YOU CAN HELP MAKE QUINCY A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE UNBORN

A new grassroots effort is underway to limit abortion at the local level. The federal "Comstock Act" prohibits mailing and receiving abortion-inducing drugs and paraphernalia. A proposed ordinance would call for the lawful enforcement of the Comstock Act in Quincy, thus making our city a safer-haven for the unborn. Because of Quincy's location on the Missouri border, our community is vulnerable to possible efforts on part of the abortion industry to establish clinics or even deploy a mobile



abortion van. Let's tell them "not in our town!" **Right to Life of Adams County's** website has more information about this ordinance, contact information for your public officials, and a link to an online petition: <https://rtlac.org>

Petition signers do not have to be residents of Quincy to support a safe haven for unborn babies. Petitions will also be available at Church this week and next. Spread the word and thank you for your support!

**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.



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### Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows by Kimberly Hahn

Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, is a convert to the Catholic Faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for her to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

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