



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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October 1, 2023 Twenty-Sixth Week of Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Parables are fictional stories that Jesus uses to make a rhetorical point. This week we hear about the two sons in Matthew 21: 28ff... one who is told to go into the vineyard. The son protests, but eventually changes his mind and goes anyway. A second son receives the command and tells his father he will go, and then never manages to show up. Jesus asks, "Which of the two sons did his father's will?" to

which the disciples reply, "the first". As an epilogue, Jesus tells them that there are prostitutes and tax collectors entering the Kingdom of God before them, citing that when the call for repentance came from John, these outcasts of society changed their lives, while others who thought themselves 'righteous' heard and did not change their minds.

As a parable it draws a very sharp line between the regretful son who changes his mind and obeys the father, versus the son who says the right thing, but fails to come through in the end. Is the world really so black and white? Of course not. But I hazard to guess that we all have some of each son at work in our lives— this is the pattern of all sin. One son dishonors the father in word, the other in deed... neither of them are honorable before the father. The are both "bad" sons. What is praised by Jesus though, is that one son has a change of mind and heart... a churchy term for that would be "metanoia"... where they turn from the dishonor of their words and repair their relationship with the father by doing the right thing.

This parable takes place several verses after Jesus encounters and curses an unfruitful fig tree (Matthew 21: 18-22). He finds the tree leafy, but barren, and so he curses it, causing the tree to immediately shrivel. He equates the tree with a lack of faith and calls his disciples to deeper, more effective prayer.

Taken together, the events and teachings of Jesus in this time as he approaches Jerusalem are intended to remind his disciples and the faithful of all ages the importance of faith in word and action. Of the two, it seems that Jesus is saying that action is the most important of the two, even if it comes when our words are jumbled and confused by sin. Action manifests faith in one's heart and demonstrates the honor one holds for the father. Of course it is best when words and actions harmonize in honor of God, but the Kingdom of God is certainly available to those who recognize when they fall in sin and error and turn to do the Father's will.

I think there is a subtext behind these readings—the two bad sons and the unfruitful fig tree—a subtext which is trying to teach us about prayer. We all know how important prayer is as a manifestation of our minds and spirits before God. The son who failed to go to the vineyard has all of the outward marks of respect and courtesy, calling his father "sir". As wonderful as all of those words were, promises, resolutions, and outward respect never substitutes for performance. Like a lush tree full of leaves, handsome to the eye, and well-established in the strength of its trunk and roots, if the tree is barren, bearing no fruit, it is liable to be cursed. In the same way, our prayer life is not an end to itself, but an invitation to go deeper into carrying out God's will in our lives. Perhaps only after many years of prayer are we able to root out sin or respond to a vocational call, but the work of prayer is an opening for the will of God to come alive in our minds and hearts. If our prayer is authentic and sincere... if it is 'fruitful'... when those decisive moments of our lives present themselves, prayer helps us to be of the 'right mind' to respond to God's will, even if slow or delayed, even if only after a period of refusal of the father's will. Prayer is important, but it is always attached to results in the Christian life. Actions will always speak louder than words in the Kingdom of God.



— 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., October 2, 2023

7:30 a.m. Arnie Matheson+

Tues., October 3, 2023

7:30 a.m. Everett Gooding, Jr.+

Wed., October 4, 2023

- at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Katie Kroeter+

Thurs., October 5, 2023

7:30 a.m. Sandy Brinkman+

-at Good Samaritan

10:30 a.m. Lois Wand+

Fri., October 6, 2023

7:30 a.m. Martha Koettters+

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat., October 7 2023

4:00 p.m. Parish Intentions

6:30 p.m. Jack Terford+

Sun., October 8, 2023

8:00 a.m. Robert Genenbacher+

10:30 a.m. Paul & Kay Smith+

Perpetual Prayer Candle

for Special Intentions

Week of Sept. 30-Oct. 6

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

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Coming Together To Worship



On Tuesday, September 26, our Quincy Catholic Schools family came together to celebrate a city-wide Mass with Bishop Paprocki, Fr. Tom, and all of the area priests. The opportunity to worship and give glory to God together touched our hearts with many Holy Moments. Our K-8 students, all dressed in their blue St. Dominic School shirts, looked awesome and actively participated throughout the Mass by singing and praying. We were all very proud of the young man carrying the cross at the front of the procession who is one of our seventh grade students—Liam Johnson, son of Mrs. Tera Smith our first grade teacher.

DONUTS
with
DAD
OR SPECIAL PERSON

Monday, October 2nd
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM

Join us on the North Lawn for a
yummy treat before school.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, September 30

6:30 p.m. Grade 4 Holy Moments Mass

Tuesday, October 3

1:00 p.m. Pastors and Principals Meeting

7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 4

8:30 a.m. School Mass

11:00 Diocesan Mission Mass—7th grade field trip

Friday, October 6

No school—Teacher In-Service Day

Sunday, October 8–Friday, October 13

10:30 a.m. Mass—Blessing for the 8th Grade

Washington D.C Class Trip



Upcoming Events

St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft/Vendor Show

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



St. Anthony Ladies Society will be holding their Fall Craft/Vendor Show on Saturday, October 7th, 9:00 a.m. –2:00 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Anthony Church. The St. Dominic School 8th graders will be holding a bake sale and the St. Anthony Quilters will be selling chances for a quilt to be given away later in the year. The St. Anthony Ladies Society will be kicking off a RADA Cutlery fundraiser at the event.

Vendors will be selling handcrafted jewelry, rosaries and memorial items, Tupperware, Pampered Chef, wooden handmade cutting boards, ceramics, wreaths, crocheted & knit hats, gloves, scarves, painted signs, lighted glass florals, handmade fabric purses, wine caddies and fabric tote bags, dog treats, t-shirts, tumblers, embroidered kitchen towels, baby blankets, jean aprons, and many more handmade items! Get a start on your holiday shopping and decorating!

There will be food, including homemade cinnamon rolls, so bring your friends, shop and have lunch!

Anyone who would like to help with set up on Thursday, Oct. 5th at 3:15 p.m. or with tear down on Saturday, Oct. 7th at 2 p.m. or help vendors carry in on Saturday morning at 7:00–8:30 a.m., your help will be greatly appreciated. We need to most help Saturday both times.

Eucharistic Minister Training and Review

September 30th & October 1st after all Masses



There will be Eucharistic Minister training after all Masses on Sept. 30 & Oct. 1 for all who would like to join the ministry of Eucharistic Minister and anyone who is serving presently as a Eucharistic Minister.

Super Server Training!

October 8th at 2:00 p.m. at Church



Super Server Training with PIZZA !! Calling all present servers and those who want to serve at mass and are eligible (must have received First Communion)...its pizza time! Please join us for a refresher and server training experience at St Anthony's Church October 8th starting at 2:00. We will train for about 1.5 to 2 hours followed by pizza! All servers are welcome and encouraged to come. Moms and dads are welcome to attend, as well. Those who would like to serve and who have received First Communion are welcome to come since this session will prepare you to serve.

Dates for your Calendar



October 28: Diocesan Eucharist Congress in Springfield
(No Saturday Masses at St. Anthony)

November 4th: Memorial Mass at 6:30 p.m.

December 3rd: St. Anthony Ladies Society Christmas Party after 10:30 a.m. Mass

December 10th: St. Anthony Men's Society Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Eucharistic Minister training after all Masses September 30th and October 1st. This will be for all who are presently a Eucharistic Minister and anyone who would like to be a Eucharistic Minister.</u>	
<u>Monday, October 2</u> 7:30-8:00 a.m.	Donuts with Dads at St. Dominic School Ladies Society Meeting
7:00 p.m. <u>Tuesday, October 3</u> 7:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Pastoral Council Surviving Divorce
<u>Wednesday, October 4</u> 11:00 a.m.	St. Dominic 7th graders attend the Mission Mass in Springfield St. Dominic PTO meeting
6:30 p.m.	
<u>Thursday, October 5</u> 6:00 p.m.	Grief Share
<u>Friday, October 6</u>	
<u>Saturday, October 7</u> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft/Vendor Show Mass Mass
4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	
<u>Sunday, October 8</u> 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Mass St. Dominic 8th grade leave for Washington, D.C.
<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 13	September 23/24	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 832.00	\$ 10,312.78
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 6,683.00	\$ 108,684.45
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,129.00
Total, September 23/24	\$ 7,515.00	\$ 137,126.23
Budget Goal (we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 169,000.00
Difference	\$ (-5,485.00)	\$ (-31,873.77)
Counters: Monday, October 2, 2023 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)		\$28,623.82 as of June 30, 2023
Debt Reduction Envelopes Thank you! —>		FY 2023-24: \$ 4,108.82
Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:		
Our Total Parish Tithe for 2022-2023: \$79,157		
Thank you for your support of St. Anthony Church and St. Dominic School!		

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., October 7 & 8, 2023				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 PM
Key Minister/	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer		Gene & Rita Goerlich	Rich Rakers
Lector	Mary Courty	George Benz	Mary Koch	Brett Shevlin
Usher	Bob Maas Dan Reichert Richard Reichert Mike Zanger	Dan Boone Ryan Boone Tom Boone George Dreyer	Jerry Dreier Rod Davis Grady Bockhold Matt Weiman	Rich Rakers Craig Schafer Rick Schafer Larry Weiman
Servers	Volunteers	Rozalyn Brass Marial Mathews	Pius IX Altar Servers	Lizzy Smith Connor Earnest
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Jr. & Jacke Dreyer	Carolyn Waterkotte	Lou Ann Weills	Todd & Tera Smith Family
Rosary Leader	Carol Vogel	Trisha Mathews	Giny Baker	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, Leon Lentz, Rosie Meyer Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2023: Gary Henderson, Sharon Holthaus, David Genenbacher, Bill Wellman, Lois Wand, Vicki Arnold, Mark Wellman, Paul Stupasky, Joanne Greving, Suzanne Willer, Rita Terstriep				

October 1, 2023

Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand
Albert Huber
Jim Ponsot

Bickford Cottages

Mary Gerht
Sunset
Beverly Andrews

Bradford Villa

Ruth Schmelzle

Church Cleaning Schedule for

Saturday, October 7th, 8:00 AM "GROUP D"

Joan Dietrich, Dianna Dietrich, Carmel Akins, Nita Niekamp, Jan Barnard, Mary Courty, Debbie Davis, Sharon Terwelp, Bonnie Grist, Bernice Niesen, Margie Terwelp, Joan Brinkman, Debby Boone, Katie Klauser & daughters
Thank you ladies!

2023 Life Chain-Sunday, October 1, 2:30 pm-3:30 pm

South Side of Broadway between 14th & 18th Streets, Quincy, IL Right to Life supporters will again join

with pro-lifers in hundreds of other U.S. cities in a nationwide observance of the sanctity of life at the 2023 Life Chain. Life Chain is a peaceful and respectful public witness by pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying silently for our nation and for an end to abortion. (Those not able to stand for one hour may bring lawn chairs) Please join the pro-life community in making a visual statement of pro-life solidarity. YOUR participation is crucial.

HIGH VISIBILITY—A great opportunity to impact thousands of passers-by with the pro-life message. Please stand two arm-lengths apart. Pick up your National Life Chain sign (provided by Right to Life of Adams County) at the SW corner of 16th & Broadway between 2-2:30 p.m.

If you have rented the hall and still have keys please return them right away! Thank you



Welcome
Meagan Goodwin
to our St. Anthony Parish Family!

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy

OCTOBER GROCERY ITEMS

Canned Meals, Pasta Sauce, Rice Mixes
The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities
Thank You

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is where we are filled with the Spirit of Christ in the presence of the Eucharist. Where can you do this?at the Adoration Chapel located at St. Peters. Ask a friend to join you in taking an hour or share the time slot!

Please pray about it and consider taking an hour in the Adoration Chapel. We all need to set aside time to adore Him in the quiet of the chapel.

OPEN Hours that are available are:

Tues. 2 pm; Wed. 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 11 am on the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month; Thurs. Midnight 2nd week of the month; Fri. 1 am, 11 pm; Sat. Midnight, 1 am, 2 am, 3 pm on the 1st, 5th weeks of the month, 5 pm on the 2nd week of the month.

Please call Mary Voorhis at 217 653 3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217 257 9966 with questions or to fill an hour. We always have room on our sub list also if that fits your schedule better.



EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS.

There are still tickets available for the Eucharist Congress on Saturday, October 28th in Springfield at the BOS Center.



You may order tickets online at the Diocese of Springfield website or call the parish office 222-5996 and we will send your information to them. 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. Keynote speaker: Scott Hahn, Other speakers are: Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB Order of St. Benedict, Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck Diocese of Peoria, IL; Sr. M. Karolyn Nunes, FSGM Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George

Women's Saints Study-

Women of all ages! Join us Tuesday, October 3 at 7:00 in the parish hall. Our guest speaker is Wendy Steinkamp presenting on Saint Scholastica and St Benedict. Following her presentation will be book study on Mother Angelica's guide to the Spiritual life. Please join us and invite friends! Open to all parishes. For more information, contact Kelli Lunt (217-617-5516) or Karen Weiman (217-242-5513)



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

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Come *closer* to a loving God with...

A FREE Concert at
Blessed Sacrament Church
Sun. Oct. 8th, Concert @ 6:00 pm
Sung Rosary @ 6:45 pm
1119 S 7th Quincy, IL 62301
info: 217-222-2759

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A VOICE that will amaze you.
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Donna will share songs to praise our Savior, Jesus Christ, honoring and sharing stories & songs of our mother, Mary and ending with a sung rosary. Once a professional singer/songwriter in NY's secular market, now a Lay Carmelite, Donna can be seen on Catholic TV programs and heard on stations around the world. Her amazing, beautiful and powerful voice is sure to captivate you and draw you in to prayer and praise. Her music "is a conductor that God uses to touch my soul." -C. Neisen

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Funeral Dinner Ministry: Would you like to help with Funeral Dinners or bring in a dish for a funeral dinner?? If so, please contact the Tawny Benz at 217-257-0847 or Lou Ann Weills at 217-257-9190. You may also call the parish office 217-222-5996.

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 and we will email the instructions to you.

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!



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Feast of St. Thérèse

Dr. Ben Akers & Dr. Scott Hefelfinger

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The Feast of St. Thérèse

In celebration of the feast of St. Thérèse, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger sit down to discuss the life and writings of this great saint and Doctor of the Church.

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