

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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November 26, 2023 Christ the Universal King

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Blessed Thanksgiving and welcome to family and friends who may be joining us this holiday weekend. We welcome Fr. Pawel Luczak, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle in Newton and St. Mary of the Assumption in Sainte Mare, who is visiting for the weekend and may be putting in a few appearances at Mass and around town this weekend.



At the close of the Church year, we are offered the feast of Christ the King—a twentieth century addition to the calendar that reminds us that our hope is not in politicians or politics, not in worldly power and influence, not in the science or the wisdom at our fingertips, but in the glorious reign of our Lord here and in the world to come. The history of the 20th century is a story of advances in science, technology, education, and communications, but a growing tendency to isolate and marginalize the individual human person, devaluing human life and dignity in favor of economic or political advantage that can be seized for worldly power. The long, sad legacy of war and social disorder during the 20th century into our own day finds its roots in the frightening eclipse of human respect and dignity in our supposedly-enlightened age.

The image the Church gives us is a corrective to these destructive attitudes. Our vindication comes from Jesus gloriously reigning from the cross. Our Lord demonstrates that power is made perfect in self-emptying sacrifice, in love for the neighbor, and in complete trust in a Kingdom which is not of this world. Looking upon our Lord on the cross, we are faced with a decision. Do we believe in him and the path he lays before us for a lasting peace? Is our faith strong and courageous enough, that we are ready to take up our cross and follow him? That has been the question from the Gospel of Mark which we read all during 2021. Calling to mind all of the disciple's questions, witnessing all of the healings and mighty deeds he has done, recognizing in ourselves the anxiety of the rich young man and the faith of the blind man from Jericho, experiencing the vulnerability of the woman with two small coins at the temple, and all the others.... are we ready? Are we going to follow him when he calls us?



This weekend, we have a **special collection for our parish**/ **school staff**. Each year the parish gives a small seasonal gratuity to each of our staff members—about 30 total—who work on our parish office staff, our teachers and others who work at St. Dominic School. Over the last few years, we have invited parishioners who would like to make a contribution to this fund to do so with a collection take up around Thanksgiving. A spe-

cial envelope will be available in church, and we will accept contributions through Wednesday, December 6th at the parish office. As this fund is intended for the lay employees of the parish, (Deacon Harry and I, as clergy, do not receive any proceeds from this fund.) Contributions received will be divided by a formula accounting for those who work part time and those who work full time. While your contributions are appreciated, please do not feel obligated—especially if your own situation this holiday season makes things tight for you. Further, if you wish to make a special gift or note of thanks directly to a classroom teacher or someone whose ministry has been particularly important to you, we certainly do not wish to undermine that, either. We have an exceptional team of parish and school staff bring life and vitality to St. Anthony Church and St. Dominic School each and every day of the year. Join me in applauding their outstanding efforts.



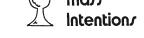
For our visitors looking ahead to be with us at Christmas... The Fourth Sunday of Advent will be our regular Sunday Schedule (4:00 & 6:30pm, 8:00 & 10:30am), and then Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24) at 4:00 & 6:30pm, and Christmas Day at Midnight and 9:00am. January 1 is not a holy day this year, but Mass for the Solemnity will be on Monday at 9:00 am.

- 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., November 27, 2023 7:30 a.m. Robert & Mary Lohman+

Tues., November 28, 20237:30 a.m.Sharon Holthaus+

Wed., November 29, 2023 -at St. Dominic School 8:30 a.m. Mary Venvertloh+

Thurs., November 30, 2023 7:30 a.m. Richard Venvertloh+ -at Good Samaritan 10:30 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher

Fri., December 1, 2023 7:30 a.m. Everett Gooding, Jr.+

First Sunday of Advent Sat., December 2, 2023 4:00 p.m. Eugene (Grover) Frericks+ 6:30 p.m. Parish Intentions Sun., December 3, 2023 8:00 a.m. Norman Schmelzle+ 10:30 a.m. Robert & Rita Hummel+

Perpetual Prayer Candle for Special Intentions Week of November 25-December 1 Bernie Weiman

 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



Heavenly Father, In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You thanks for our many blessings, especially our children. Thank You for the many gifts that we enjoy so freely from the fruit of the earth. May we be wise servants and faithful stewards with the many blessings that we have received at Your hand. May we teach our children how to take what You have given to us with a grateful heart and cheerfully give back to You a small portion of the abundance of Your grace. Please keep our hearts ever thankful towards You and give us tender compassion for those around us who are hurting or in need. May we be willing to share our portion with others and may we show forth the love of God in our lives, with a cheerful and gracious disposition. Please accept our offering of prayer and praise and thanksgiving for all that You have given to us at St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Amen.

Invest In Kids Scholarships

You can still donate to support a tax credit scholarship. Last week Fr. Tom mentioned that we still have three students on the waiting list for scholarships. Dave Keck and Carol Frericks will help you complete the online registration to make a donation and claim a 75% Illinois state tax credit for all qualified contributions, and you can carry forward your Illinois state tax credit for up to five years. Please call the school office at 217-224-0041 to sign up to attend two brief sessions on Monday, November 27 and Monday, December 11 from 5-6 p.m. in the computer lab. Your donation to Empower Illinois for Invest In Kids will help three students receive their Invest in Kids scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday, November 22-24 No School – Thanksgiving Monday, November 27 5–6 p.m. Invest In Kids Online Registration Tuesday, November 28 6:30 p.m. Marketing Meeting 7:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting Wednesday, November 29 8:30 a.m. School Mass 3:15 p.m. Faculty Meeting Thursday, November 30 PTO Scotties Fun Night Friday, December 1 School Spirit Shirt Day



St. Anthony Men's Society Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Sunday, December 10, 7 a.m.-noon



The Pancake & Sausage Breakfast sponsored by the Men's Society will be Sunday, Dec. 10th, 7 a.m.-noon. Adults \$12, Children \$6 (under 5 free). Dine in or carry out. Advance meat orders: Sausage, Chops or Ribs 5 lbs—\$25

Cooked links 5lbs-\$30 (Precooked weight) Call orders to 217-257-2108. To guarantee your meat order, please place it from November 1st-December 1st.. Any orders after December 1st depend on availability.

Need help butchering for Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Friday, December 8, 5:00 p.m.



We will be needing help with butchering on Friday, December 8th, for the Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. Help is needed at about 5:00 p.m. Questions call Jr (217-779-0029) or Jackie Dreyer (217-222-8049).

Help is also needed the day of the breakfast.

St. Anthony Ladies Bake Sale at the Pancake & Sausage Breakfast



The ladies of the parish will having a bake sale during the pancake & sausage breakfast. Please bring your baked items packaged ready to sell either Saturday, Dec. 9th, 8:00 –11:00 a.m. or the morning of the breakfast.

St. Anthony Ladies Christmas Party

Sunday, December 3rd, after 10:30 a.m. Mass



ALL Ladies of the Parish save the date for the Ladies Christmas Party which will be held <u>Sunday, December 3rd</u> in the Parish Hall. We will begin after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please call Alice Rakers at 217-222-4798 to make your reservations. There will be a free will donation for the meal. We will be collecting items to give to residents in the Veterans Home for Christmas. Please bring one or more item unwrapped or cash to the dinner. We will also have a box set up in the back or church or you may bring items to the office during regular hours. Items could include: lotions, hand soap, hair combs or brushes, adult coloring books, word search books, 2024 wall calendar, throw blanket, liquid body wash, gripper socks/socks, snacks, seasonal wall/ door hangings, etc.

St. Anthony Men's Christmas Party

Monday, December 11, 7:00 p.m.



All men of the parish are invited to the Men's Society Annual Christmas Party on December 11th at 7 pm in the parish hall. (Note that the time is different from monthly meetings.) Feel free to bring a snack to share.

- Parish Data -

PARIS	H CALENDAR	WEEKL	Y Pai	RISH OFFER	ING	
		Week 21]	Nov.18/19	Tot	al Year-to-Date
Monday, November 27 6:30 p.m.	Butterfly Ministry	Loose Collection	\$	790.00	\$	15,346.78
		Weekly Envelopes	\$	11,685.00	\$	179,220.79
Tuesday, November 28 6:30 p.m.	St. Dominic Marketing Meeting	Electronic Deposits	\$	0.00	\$	30,155.00
7:00 p.m.	Finance Council	Total, Nov. 18/19	\$	12,475.00	\$	224,722.57
Wednesday, November 29		Budget Goal (we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)	\$	13,000.00	\$	273,000.00
Thursday, November 30 6:00-7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice for Midnight Mass	Difference	\$	(-525.00)	\$	(-48,244.43)
Friday. December 1 Saturday, December 2		Counters: Monday, Nove Dana Lugering		,	y Kocł	n
4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass	DEBT/	DEBT/ACCRUED DEFICITS			
<u>Sunday, December 3</u> 8:00 a.m. 9:00-10:15 10:30 a.m.	Mass Families of Faith Mass	Unpaid Diocesan Liab from FY 2020-21: (this periodically, as funds are sent and account by the Diocese of Springfi	0-21: (this total is updated are sent and posted to our as of October 3, 2023			
After 10:30 Mass	Ladies Society Christmas Party	Debt Reduction Envelopes Thank you!>			FY 2023-24: \$ 6,711.82	
		Parish Community Tithe (PCT) News:				
	gift, use it to serve one another as d's varied grace (1 Pt 4:10).	CONTRACTOR	ons, w Credit stude	er helping wit /hich provide before the er nts qualified sed scholarsh	a 75% nd of 2 for ne	6 Illinois Tax 2023. arly \$10,000
Pari	sh Ministry Schedule - Sat.	& Sun., December 2	2 & 3	3, 2023		

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 p.m.	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 PM
Key Minister/	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer		Gene & Rita Goerlich	Rich Rakers
Lector	Bill Anderson	Mike Hummel	Mike Baker	Jowana Campos
Usher	Tom Grawe Randy Huber Jack Kuhlman James Lohman	George Huber Elmer Maas Ron Reichert Ted Vahle	Anthony Haley Mike Hummel Matt Kasparie Mark Neisen	Ken Klauser Brian Koch David McCleary Rich Rakers
Servers	Volunteers	Rozalyn Brass Marial Mathews	Addison & Luke Weiman	Pius IX Altar Servers
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Mary Koch	RJ & Marilyn Boone	Gene & Rita Goerlich	Ken & Jean Klauser
Rosary Leader	Carol Vogel	Melanie Longenecker	Giny Baker	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, Connie Deters, Cindy Barner, Leon Lentz, Rosie Meyer, Norma Hildebrand 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, Mark Frericks, Janis Foreman

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Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home Michael Hildebrand Albert Huber Jim Ponsot Verne Hagstrom

Bickford Cottages Mary Gerht

<u>Sunset</u> Beverly Andrews

Bradford Villa Ruth Schmelzle <u>St. Vincent</u> Fr. Irenaeus Kimminau

You are invited! Fr. Kolbe Wolniakowski, OSB, a Benedictine Monk and Priest of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, will offer an Advent Parish Mission at St. Peter Catholic Church in Quincy, IL from Sunday, December 3-Tuesday, December 5. This Parish Mission will focus on the Eucharist as part of our National Eucharistic Revival. His Parish Mission will begin with the homily during all Masses on Sunday, December 3 and will continue with Parish Mission Conferences at 6:30pm on both December 4 and 5. Fr. Kolbe's Sunday homily will be recorded and posted to our Parish social media accounts if you are unable to attend for Mass. We hope to see you!

<u>ADVENT GIVING TREE</u> It's time! The Advent Giving Tree will be in church next weekend, November 18 & 19. The gifts will benefit Birthright this year. This is their main source of

supplies for the year. Please return the items, with tag you take off the tree attached, by <u>December</u> <u>17th</u> as we will be delivering everything that week. Gift bags and wrapping the gifts is optional. There will be a large wrapped box for baby care items such as diaper, wipes, etc. Once again thank-you and God bless you for your generosity.

<u>COLLECTING SOCKS & UNDERWEAR</u> From now until Christmas, our parish will once again be collecting new socks and underwear for the needy.

socks and underwear for the needy. Totes will be located in the Church vestibule for drop-off. All sizes are needed for men, women, boys and girls. All donations will stay local and support our parish, school and Ladies of Charity. Thank you holy people for your generosity! Please call Deacon Dennis Holbrook with any questions, 217-257-

MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: In order to be published in the bulletin, the donations for the flowers to decorate the church at Christmas will need to be sent in by December 12th. Thank you.

St. Anthony of Padua Church,



DECEMBER GROCERY ITEMS Soup & Crackers The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank You

Join our PTO in this season of Thanksgiving by showing gratitude to those who make a huge difference in our children's lives...our teachers! Our teachers at St. Dominic School are truly some of the best! We've created a "Thank a Teacher" effort where you can help support one or more teachers by purchasing an item(s) off of their Amazon Wishlist. These items will help students have a fun year and allow our teachers to get supplies they need for their classrooms. You can find their lists on the attached Excel sheet or on their Teacher Pages on our school website here: www.stdominicquincy.org/ page/teacher-pages

<u>Women's Saints Study</u> Women of all ages: Join us <u>Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00pm</u> in the St Francis Parish Hall for our monthly Women's Saints Study. Featured this month is St Mother Teresa of Calcutta

presented by Anne Meyer. Bring a friend! Women's Saints Study is open to all parishes. For more information, contact Karen Weiman (217-242-5513) or Kelli Lunt (217-617-1566)

Blessed Sacrament Parish 4th Annual Men's <u>Conference</u> Sponsored by the Blessed Sacrament Men's Group, this year's Men's Conference if Friday, December 1st in the Gathering

Space. The cost is \$10 and includes a meal, drinks, fellowship, and speakers from the Parish. The focus of this year's event is "The Holy Spirit". The meal is served beginning at 5:15 p.m and the program runs from 6-9 p.m. Limited space is available, so if interested please call the Blessed Sacrament parish office 217-222-2759 on Monday to RSVP.

ROSARY BEFORE MASS LEADERS NEEDED: Did

you know that we say the Rosary together before every weekend Mass here at St. Anthony? When we pray the rosary before Mass, doing a whole set of mysteries, the prayer can slow us down, calm our hearts, and enable us to rest in God's presence. It draws us deeper to God. When we pray the Rosary before Mass we have a leader. We are in need of more leaders for all Mass times. If you feel called to this ministry please contact Alice Rakers at 217 222-4798 or call the parish office at 217-222-5996.



Safe Environment Program

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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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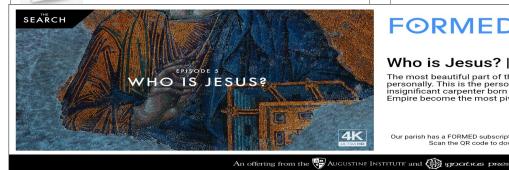


Christmas Cards for those in Nursing Homes Please remember the members of our parish who are in a nursing home this Christmas by giving them a Christmas card (or it can be a letter or a note). Receiving a card during these times is one way to bring some joy to

them. They also like home-made cards/letters/photos from the school children. It means so much to them to know their parish family is thinking of them. Boxes will be in middle entrance of Church for each nursing home December 3rd thru the weekend of December 16/17th. Please drop the cards/letters/photos in the boxes, and mark on each envelope the name of the resident.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Holiday Bazaar will be Sat., Dec. 2nd, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Knights of Columbus, 700 S. 36th Street. Breakfast & Lunch available, bake sale of homemade goodies, gift card raffle, guilt raffle and live entertainment from our parishioners. Multiple vendors selling homemade items, floral arrangements, grave blankets, etc. Come and finish your shopping!

THANK Thank you to everyone who advertises on YOU our bulletin. Please support these business-



DECEMBER "GROUP B" CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE Saturday, December 9 at 8:00 AM

(note this month we are cleaning the 2nd Saturday) Tawny Benz, Trudy Dreier, Peggy Deverger, Rita Goerlich, Debie Henthorn, Ann Wilson, Kathye Niekamp, Kim Stupavsky, Kristine Doane, Carrie Potter, Janet Bick, Kay THANK YOU LADIES! Lentz

St. Anthony Ladies Society are having a RADA Cutlery Fundraiser through December 12th. You may shop online by logging into RADA Cutlery Fundraising Store. You will get a screen that is "What Fundraising Group Do You Want to Support?" Only type in the 62305 Zip Code box. (Do not fill in any of the other boxes.) Click Search. The next screen will show St. Anthony Ladies Society, Quincy IL at the top. Click on that you and you will be ready to shop. You can order and pay online and your order will be shipped directly to you. If you would rather shop from a catalog and have us send in your order for you please contact Janet Bick, 217-430-7256 or rjbick@comcast.net or Tawny Benz 217-257-0847 or rtbenz77@gmail.com or pick up a catalog in the back of church. We will also have catalogs at the Ladies Christmas Party and at the bake sale table at the pancake and sausage breakfast.

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