



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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**August 31, 2025 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - C**

## A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



In the time of Jesus, meals were very important, not only for the purposes of finding nourishment, but as we find this week in the Gospel, as a way to affirm and broadcast one's status within the community. We see vestiges of this behavior in formal meals which are more and more rare in our society. Sometimes we hear of the "state dinners" held at the White House or Buckingham Palace, where world leaders gather, arranged by rank (dinner hosts, followed by visiting heads of state, ambassadors, aides, etc), and we are amazed or confused

by the function of each of a half-dozen forks presented at each place-setting. Our contemporary wedding feasts and other formal social occasions have lost many of the cues and distinctions that separate and rank guests in the desire for simplicity and to limit social stratification... which is probably a good thing!

All things being equal, it would be an honor to be invited to dine with a pharisee. Jesus' invitation to such a meal would be a validation of his ministry in some ways. But the first line of the Gospel tells us that Jesus was being tested: "the people were observing him carefully." How might Jesus use this opportunity to teach?

Jesus takes this opportunity to explain some very relevant social theory which remains rooted in the all-too-human games of self-importance that we play. What is 'true honor'? One does not gain honor by jockeying for position at the table... by estimating their social 'place' and neither sitting too high or too low for that status. How embarrassing to be publicly rebuked for thinking themselves 'too high'! While there would be an affirmation of esteem by being called higher, there would also be a bit of embarrassment of remaining a bit too friendly with those who were 'beneath them'.

Jesus points to where true honor lies... it's not in social convention or in places of honor, but in doing justice. When you hold a lunch or dinner, do not invite your friends or brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." The fatal flaw in giving gifts, in giving honors, in being 'grand' in social occasions is to obligate oneself to 'the game' of being repaid. "Rather, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed you will be... you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Remember, Pharisees did believe in the resurrection, unlike the Sadducees and many others... so Jesus is intentionally calling out his host and putting him on the spot!) Might this be the paragon of rudeness, that Jesus, who is only a guest, is telling his host who should be invited to the meal? Perhaps it was, but does it not punctuate Jesus' teaching that having a place in the kingdom of heaven is not a matter of favor and privilege among the powerful and the honored, but rather the kingdom belongs to the meek and humble?



**Ministry Spotlight:** Liturgy of the Word for Children - We celebrate the Liturgy of the Word for Children at our Sunday 8am and 10:30am Masses. As the readings of the Mass are about to be proclaimed, children are sent forth to the Our Sorrowful Mother's Chapel in the church where they hear the readings from the Children's Lectionary in their own words and then engage in activities and discussion to 'break open the Word' among themselves. This is not 'Sunday School' or 'child care', but a way for our young people to encounter the Word of God according to their own abilities in the context of the Sunday liturgy. Children are welcomed from an age where they can sit and pay attention until generally about their First Communion/Confirmation age, when they should be able to join the larger community and discuss the readings with their families. For more information or to volunteer to assist with this ministry, contact the parish office (217) 222-5996.

### — Mass Times —

Saturday: 4:00, 6:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am

M, Tu, Th, at St. Anthony: 7:30 am

W. at St. Dominic 8:30 am

Th. at Good Samaritan 10:00 am

F. at St. Dominic 8:15 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  
except when a funeral is scheduled



## Mass Intentions

### Mon., September 1, 2025

7:30 a.m. Jim Holtman +

### Tues., September 2, 2025

7:30 a.m. Jean Powers +

### Wed., September 3, 2025

-at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Edward F. Benz +

### Thurs., September 4, 2025

7:30 a.m. Shirley Maas +

-at Good Samaritan

10:00 a.m. Jay & Joy Wellman +

### Friday, September 5, 2025

-at St. Dominic School

8:15 a.m. Paul Stupasky +

### Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saturday, September 6, 2025

4:00 p.m. Parish Intentions

6:30 p.m. Paul & Eadie Edwards +

### Sunday, September 7, 2025

8:00 a.m. Harold Venvertloh +

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

### Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of August 30-September 5

For all those on the  
St. Anthony Prayer Chain

### — 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

## Integrating Art To Enhance Learning About Salvation History

During the 2025-2026 school year, we will utilize our art grant funds to provide art lessons for kindergarten through eighth-grade students with Mrs. Becky Hoskins on Mondays. Students will explore the timeline of salvation history through works of art, art history, and creating their own works of art. By integrating art, it will enhance students' learning about salvation history by making complex stories more vivid, beautiful, and memorable. Works of art serve as both a primary historical source of information and a teaching tool, which helps to build critical thinking skills and create a deeper connection to the narrative story of salvation history in the Bible. Visual art, like paintings and illustrations in storybooks, make engaging in historical stories easier for learners of all ages. Instead of just reading a story, learners can interact with a visual representation of events to make sense of them.



## Mark Your Calendar

**Monday, September 1**

No School—Labor Day

**Tuesday, September 2**

8:15 A.M. PTO Duck Derby Kick Off

7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

**Wednesday, September 3**

8:30 AM School Mass

6:30 PM Sacrament Meeting for Parents  
at St. Anthony Church

**Friday, September 5**

8:15 AM Quiet School Mass

Spirit Shirt Day

**PTO Save the Date**

**Thursday, September 18**

5:00-7:00 PM Mighty Machines Night





# Upcoming Events

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

**September 21, 2025**



Mark your calendars for the St. Anthony Men's Society Dine In or Carry Out Chicken Dinner on **Sunday, September 21st**, 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.

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

## Families of Faith

**Register now, Begins Sunday, September 7th**

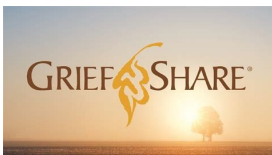


**Families of Faith starts Sunday, September 7th!**

If you are a public or homeschooling family, catechesis for your family begins Sunday, September 7th, 9:15-10:00 a.m. This year's focus is all about prayer. Please contact Hope at [hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org](mailto:hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org) or call the parish office to register.

## GriefShare

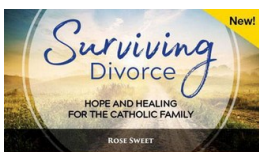
**Begins Thursday, August 14**



GriefShare returns with a new round of sessions starting August 14, 2025 at 6:00pm in St. Anthony's Parish Hall. For persons experiencing grief following the loss of a loved one... this thirteen-week program features biblical, Christ-centered information focusing on grief topics. Each session offers a video presentation featuring nationally-respected grief experts and persons sharing their stories of life after the loss of a loved one. We then have small group discussion about what was viewed and share experiences. Past participants have related the information and follow-up discussions were very helpful. The third part of GriefShare is the participants' guidebook providing opportunities for support between meetings. A GriefShare grief support group is confidential. Please join us. Questions: Call Jim Liesen 217-577-6664 or Cindy or Deacon Harry Cramer 217-224-1160.

## Surviving Divorce

**September 18th-November 24th, 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament**



St. Anthony and Blessed Sacrament are joining together to offer "Surviving Divorce" at Blessed Sacrament beginning September 8th through November 24th at 6:30 p.m. Nancy Weede will be the facilitator for this program. For more information please contact the parish office 217-222-5996.

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

**Saturday, October 4, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.**



If you are interested in being a vendor at our craft/vendor show on Saturday, October 4th, 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.

## — Parish Data —

### PARISH CALENDAR

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Monday, September 1</b>   | <b>Labor Day</b><br><b>No School</b><br><b>Parish Office Closed</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday, September 2</b><br>7:00 p.m.<br>8:15 a.m.                    | Pastoral Council Meeting<br>St. Dominic School Duck<br>Derby Kick-Off |
| <b>Wednesday, September 3</b><br>6:30 p.m.                               | Sacrament Orientation for<br>students and parents                     |
| <b>Thursday, September 4</b><br>6:00 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m.                   | Grief Share<br>Ladies Society Meeting                                 |
| <b>Friday, September 5</b>   |   |
| <b>Saturday, September 6</b><br>4:00 p.m.<br>6:00 p.m.                   | Mass<br>Mass  |
| <b>Sunday, September 7</b><br>8:00 a.m.<br>9:00-10:15 a.m.<br>10:30 a.m. | Mass<br>Families of Faith<br>Mass                                     |

**Pray with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV  
the monthly intention for September 2025:**

*Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis,  
we might experience our interdependence  
with all creatures who are loved by God and  
worthy of love and respect.*



*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).*

### WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING

| Week 8  | August 23/24        | Total Year-to-Date     |
|---|---------------------|------------------------|
| Loose Collection  | \$ 1,222.03         | \$ 6,736.98            |
| Weekly Envelopes  | \$ 10,731.00        | \$ 72,964.00           |
| Electronic Deposits   | \$ 0.00             | \$ 7,229.00            |
| <b>Total, August 23/24</b>  | <b>\$ 11,953.03</b> | <b>\$ 86,929.98</b>    |
| Budget Goal<br><i>(we need no less than this to stay out<br/>of deficit spending for the year!)</i> | \$ 13,000.00        | \$ 104,000.00          |
| Difference  | <b>(-1,046.97)</b>  | <b>(\$ -17,070.02)</b> |

Money Counters : Tuesday, September 2, 2025  
Dana Lugering Jack Kuhlman

### Suggested Tithing Chart

| Per hour | Per year  | 2% per week | 4% per week | 6% per week | 8% per week | 10% per week | 12% per week |
|----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| \$15     | \$30,000  | \$12        | \$24        | \$36        | \$48        | \$60         | \$72         |
| \$20     | \$40,000  | \$16        | \$32        | \$48        | \$64        | \$80         | \$96         |
| \$25     | \$50,000  | \$20        | \$40        | \$60        | \$80        | \$100        | \$120        |
| \$30     | \$60,000  | \$24        | \$48        | \$72        | \$96        | \$120        | \$144        |
| \$35     | \$70,000  | \$28        | \$56        | \$84        | \$112       | \$140        | \$168        |
| \$40     | \$80,000  | \$32        | \$64        | \$96        | \$138       | \$160        | \$192        |
| \$45     | \$90,000  | \$36        | \$72        | \$108       | \$144       | \$180        | \$216        |
| \$50     | \$100,000 | \$40        | \$80        | \$120       | \$160       | \$200        | \$240        |

*Approximated based on 40 hour-work week and 2,000 hour work-year.  
Thank you for reviewing and considering your parish tithe each year.*

### Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., September 6 & 7, 2025

|                                   | Saturday, 4:00 PM  | Saturday, 6:30 PM                                     | Sunday, 8:00 AM  | Sunday, 10:30 AM   |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Key Minister/</b>              | Roger & Tawny Benz                                       |   | Dan Reichert   | Pat & Amanda Veile   |
| <b>Lector</b>                     | Janice Zanger  | Dave Keck   | Carol Frericks   | Marlene Rose   |
| <b>Usher</b>                      | Bill Anderson<br>Tom Grawe<br>Randy Huber<br>Mike Zanger | Dan Boone<br>Ryan Boone<br>Tom Boone<br>George Dreyer | Anthony Haley<br>Mike Hummel<br>Matt Kasparie<br>Mark Neisen | Diane Dittmer<br>Greg Dittmer<br>Ken Klauser<br>Brian Koch |
| <b>Servers</b>                    | Volunteers   | The Benz Family                                       | Jesse Adams<br>Zain Schutte                                  | Alex Wellman<br>Connor Earnest                             |
| <b>Greeters/<br/>Gift Bearers</b> | Pat Vaughn   | William & Anne Dixon                                  | Bob & Dorothy Haley  | David & Janice McCleary<br>Family                          |
| <b>Rosary Leader</b>              | Mike Zanger  | Melanie Longenecker                                   | Mary Koch  | Alice Rakers   |

**In charity, please remember in your prayers:** All Caregivers, The Shut-Ins of our Parish, Military Members and their families,  
Mike Hildebrand, Jackie Schieferdecker, Dennis Meyer, James Ponsot, Winnie Huber, Cindy Barner, Tom Ness  
**Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2025:** Eric Fischer, Dorothy Parn, Ruth Schmelzle, Rich Rakers,  
Roselyn Boone, Bob Maas, Mary Gehrt, Brother Earl Benz, Annette Goehl, James Ponsot

**Nursing Care Patients**

**IL Veterans Home**

Michael Hildebrand  
Verne Hagstrom  
**Good Samaritan**  
Marcia Hays  
Dick Wand

**Sunset Assisted Living**

Richard Blickhan

**Adams Pointe-  
N. Adams Arbor**

Rose Cherry  
**Mt. Sterling Health &  
Rehab.**  
Jowanna Campos



**Have you been married 50+ years? Time to celebrate!**

On September 21 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, all couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend a special Mass honoring their marriage vocation! The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. A reception will follow after Mass. Please register for the Mass by going to [dio.org/events](http://dio.org/events) and clicking on the Sept 21st Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted last year. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you did not do so last year. Any questions? Call Ruth Staab at 217-698-8500.



**The Quincy Catholic Crusader**

boys basketball program is looking for a head coach for our 8th-grade team. If anyone is interested, please reach out

to either QND coach Greg Altmix (217-430-9878) or Crusader Athletic Director Eric Orne-  
[athletics@quincynotredame.org](mailto:athletics@quincynotredame.org)



**Experience the Men's Leadership Summit in Edwardsville** Join men from across the diocese on Saturday, October 18th at St. Boniface Church in Edwardsville (110 N Buchanan St) for a Men's Leadership Summit featuring John Edwards, host of Just a Guy in the Pew. The purpose of this summit is to bring **single and married men** together to support one another, get inspired by their faith, gain or enhance leadership skills, and discuss best practices in men's ministry. John is a dynamic, inspirational speaker and spiritual leader. His background and down-to-earth, practical approach appeals to sons, fathers, brothers, and friends who are Just a guy in the pew and to those interested in men's ministry. Visit the [Men's Leadership Summit event page](#) to watch the John's powerful story and to register. Cost is \$30 which includes materials and a catered lunch. Questions? Contact Gracie at (217) 321-1124, or email [gortiz@dio.org](mailto:gortiz@dio.org). More information is on the flyer in the back of church.

**Area Wide Mass at QND Gym:** All are welcome to attend the Area Wide Mass on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 9:30 am in the QND gym. Staff and students from the 4 Catholic grade schools in Quincy, St. Mary's in Mt. Sterling and QND will gather with family and friends to celebrate the Eucharist and the gift of Catholic education with Bishop Paprocki.

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



Welcome  
**Alex & Kelsey Terwel  
Owen & Parker**  
to St. Anthony Parish Family!

**Great River Quest** Inviting all 13-15 year olds! Great River Quest has a retreat happening on Dec 12-13, 2025(6p -6p). It's a fast paced 24 hour retreat aimed at helping youth to examine their relationship to God, self, and others in their lives. You get to make new friends and get to know the ones you come with better, all while having lots of fun! Please contact Caroline Wiewel 217-430-6086/  
[questcoordinator@greatrivertec.org](mailto:questcoordinator@greatrivertec.org) for questions or fill out an app online at [www.greatrivertec.org/quest](http://www.greatrivertec.org/quest)



**Church Cleaning Schedule for Thursday ,  
September 4th, 4:30 PM "GROUP C:** Jackie Dreyer, Theresa Bockhold, Joyce Hildebrand, Betty Kasparie, Dana Wittler, Carol Vogel, Lou Ann Weills, Penny Weiman & girls, Pat Steinkamp, Cindy Cramer, Julie Reichert, Julie Peter & girls, Bea Hermsmeier, Anna Benz, Anna Dixon, Yvonne Campbell, Olivia Powell, Michelle Deege, & Marilyn Boone  
*Thank you Ladies!*

**Do you feel the call to serve your parish by helping with weekend liturgy?** Have you thought about serving as an usher, lector, Eucharistic minister, Mass server, greeter, Rosary leader, or sacristan? Please think about how you may serve and give it prayerful consideration. If you are interested or would like more information please call us in the parish office 217-222-5996 and we will be glad to help you.



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



**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**



**Welcome to all visitors to St. Anthony Parish!**

If you are searching for a place to call home please consider becoming a member of our parish family. It is very simple to sign up. Just call the parish office (217-222-5996) and indicate that you would like to join our parish

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** New Members are Welcome to join us! Prayer Shawl will meet, Wed., Sept. 17th at 1 p.m. in the quilt room across from the parish office. If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, sew, or tie fleece please join us in making shawls for those who are ill, homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes, military or just need to know that the St. Anthony church family is thinking of them and praying for them in their time of need.

We meet monthly Sept.-May. Some people prefer to make shawls at home. Before work is begun we pray that God will bless our work. Each shawl is blessed by Father Tom and a prayer and greeting is attached.

If you know of someone who would benefit from a prayer shawl contact the parish office with the name, phone number and address. We will deliver or you may pick one up to deliver personally. If you have any questions please call Jan Barnard at 217-224-7487.



Celebrate with us...

**Blessed Sacrament Troop 1  
Centennial Celebration**

**Schedule of Events**

3:00pm - Open House  
4:00pm - Celebration Mass  
5:30pm - Celebration Dinner  
7:00pm - Program and Closing Campfire

\$20 per person if attending dinner,  
\$10 for children 10 & younger.

Please RSVP by 9-5-2025

email: troop1quincyl@gmail.com

phone: Kelly Baker (217) 779-5302

9 - 20 - 2025

Machinists Lodge - Quincy Illinois

2929 N 5th St, Quincy, IL 62305



**PLEASE join us for Quincy's Second Annual National Day of  
Remembrance for Aborted Children Memorial Service.**

**Event:** National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

**When:** Saturday, September 13, 2024, 1:00 pm

**Where:** Knights of Columbus grounds, outdoors near the entrance to the main building, 700 S. 36th Street, Quincy

Sponsored by: Right to Life of Adams County

Please bring a lawn chair. More Info: Jean Cook, 430-6967



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**Mother Teresa: No Greater Love**

Mother Teresa: No Greater Love is a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times: Mother Teresa of Calcutta. This film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today.

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