



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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March 1, 2026—Second Sunday of Lent (A)

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Every second Sunday in Lent, we hear a Gospel account of the Transfiguration of the Lord. In this event, Jesus revealed his glorified body to Peter, James, and John. The disciples' response seems rather puzzling, though: "Let us build three tents (or 'huts'): one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." It seems disciples were seeking a moment to rest in this amazing encounter and have a place—a destination—where they and others could come to see the Lord and these revered prophets. In a way, this was a first step in 'capturing' the religious experience to a specific place or a specific time so that they could come back and draw strength from it later. In a way, the disciples were asking Jesus if they could build the first church on that mountaintop site.

Our church buildings and structures are the places where heaven and earth unite. A church building is the nexus point of for the Church militant, the Church suffering, and the Church victorious, where *all* gather, singing the unending angelic hymn of *Holy, Holy, Holy is God Almighty*. (see Rev. 4:8) We hold special regard for these places where the Christian community gathers by anointing its walls, consecrating its altars, and reserving its spaces for the exclusive use of sacred rites. In many old churches, one can vaguely sense the decades of burnt incense and beeswax candles lingering in the air and on its walls. One can see the effects of generations of feet which have tread the steps or the hands which have opened the doors or the knees that have knelt on its kneelers. There is something special about our church buildings, but they do more than give shelter or simply mark the location of events in a family's or community's history. They are the places where we encounter the Glorified Body of Christ in the Eucharist and the other sacraments. Here, too, we encounter the reality of the Christian people gathered as the Mystical Body of Christ.



Church of the Transfiguration on Mt. Tabor in Israel

It turns out that the disciples did not build a church on that site the day that Jesus was transfigured before them. In fact, all the Gospel accounts tell us that they were silenced until after the Resurrection. It would be years later that the site and the memories of the day would be memorialized by an altar and church building.

Is there something we might learn from this? I wonder if the disciples still had more to learn about the resurrection before they could be ready to commemorate the sights and sounds of that amazing day with a Church or pilgrimage site? I wonder if they were halted because they were not yet in full possession of the mystery which Jesus wanted them to have a glimpse of? I wonder if Jesus thought they were getting ahead of themselves in trying to commemorate in buildings an event that had not yet fully marked their hearts and minds and souls?

Whatever the reason, the Transfiguration reminds us that our faith is more than history, buildings, institutions, politics, customs, locations, cultic practices, people, saints, visions, hopes, and dreams—as good as these things may be. The Transfiguration reminds us of the absolute centrality of Jesus Christ—the Risen Lord whom we encounter in the Eucharist—as the center and the summit of our faith! Church buildings are sacred spaces, but not an end to themselves. Our Churches memorialize the mystery of God dwelling among us. They are an inspiration towards divine worship and unity in the community of believers. But most of all, they point to Jesus.

— 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

— 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., March 2, 2026

7:30 a.m. Virgil & Bert Dietrich+

Tues., March 3, 2026

7:30 a.m. Arlene Schwartz+

Wed., March 4, 2026

—at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Joan Dreyer+

6:00 p.m. Donna Andrews+

Thurs., March 5, 2026

7:30 a.m. Florence Griesbaum+

—at Good Samaritan Home

10:00 a.m. Fr. Ireneaus+

Friday, March 6, 2026

—at St. Dominic School

8:15 a.m. Rich Rakers+

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 7, 2026

4:00 p.m. R.J. Boone+

6:30 p.m. Jeff Lair+

Sunday, March 9, 2026

8:00 a.m. Robert Genenbacher+

10:30 a.m. Parish Intentions

Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of February 28-March 6

Family Healing & Thanksgiving to God
Baumgartner Family

— 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

Amazing Grace Awards For Kindness and Grace



The Amazing GRACE Award

Presented to

This award is in recognition of the Kindness and Grace you show to others both in and out of the classroom. In doing so you have truly lived your faith and showed those around you the best version of who you are. Keep shining your light into the world and always remember to be Kind, be Compassionate, be Generous, share a Smile or a Hug, and remember God has created you for a beautiful Purpose.

#belikegrace

Holly Schell President of the #BeLikeGrace Foundation

"The Lord will fight for you, you need only to be still" exodus 14:14

On Monday, February 23, St. Dominic School awarded five students with the Amazing Grace Award to recognize students who are living a message of kindness and grace that God placed on their heart. These students have been recognized by the way they use kindness and good will to shine God's light into the world. The awards are made possible by the #BeLikeGrace Foundation. When our St. Dominic School students share God's light and grace with others, we all experience Holy Moments of KINDNESS and GRACE. When our students see ordinary moments of helping others, as an opportunity to collaborate with God, Holy Moments happen every day at St. Dominic School. During the Lent season, our school will recognize five students each week. Thanks be to God for the generosity of the #BeLikeGrace Foundation!

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, March 2

6:00 PM Provisional Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 3

1:55-2:15 PM QND Students Read to K-3

7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 4

8:30 AM School Mass

3:15 PM Faculty Meeting

Friday, March 6

Spirit Shirt Day

8:15 AM Quiet School Mass

4:30-7:00PM St. Dominic Fish Fry

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, March 11 at 1:00 PM

St. Dominic School Kindergarten Round Up



KINDERGARTEN ROUND UPS 2026-2027

BLESSED SACRAMENT

March 4, 2026
1:45 p.m.
(217) 228-1477

ST. FRANCIS

March 5, 2026
6:30 p.m.
(217) 222-4077

ST. DOMINIC

March 11, 2026
1 p.m.
(217) 224-0041

ST. PETER

March 12, 2026
5:30 p.m.
(217) 223-1120

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Upcoming Events



ST. ANTHONY PARISH • ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL

2223 St. Anthony Rd.
Quincy, IL 62305



4100 Columbus Rd.
Quincy, IL 62305



FISH FRIES

- ON THE MENU -

Catfish Plate (Whole or Fillet).....\$15.00
(includes 3 sides, drink, & dessert)

Walleye Plate.....\$15.00
(includes 3 sides, drink, & dessert)

Child's Plate.....\$8.00
(includes 1 pc. of walleye, 2 sides, drink, & dessert)

Fish Sandwich, Fries, & Drink.....\$8.00

• HOMEMADE DESSERT •

ST. DOMINIC'S FRY-DAYS

February 20
March 6
March 20

4:30pm - 7:00pm
Carry-outs available;
enter through EAST driveway

ST. ANTHONY'S FRY-DAYS

February 27
March 13
March 27

4:30pm - 7:00pm
Carry-outs available; enter
SOUTH basement entrance



St. Anthony Ladies Society will be hosting a Spring Craft/Vendor Event on Saturday, March 21, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Father Irenaeus Hall (formerly called St. Anthony hall). There will also be a bake sale and homemade cinnamon rolls as well as lunch. If you would like to help vendors carry in their items before the event or carry out afterwards please let us know. We are happy to report that all of our vendor spaces are filled? Anyone who would like to help the day of the craft show (helping in the kitchen, working at the raffle table, tearing down and resetting up the hall after the event, etc.) please contact Janet Bick (rjbick@comcast.net or 217-430-7256) or Tawny Benz (at rtbenz77@gmail.com or 217-257-0847)

Help is needed! Fish Fries

We are in need of help for the upcoming fish fries.

Ladies of the Parish We Need Your Help for Desserts
We need your help providing pies, cakes & dessert for the fish fries. Last names schedule:

A-G St. Dominic	Feb. 20	A-G St. Anthony	Mar 13
H-O St. Anthony	Feb. 27	H-O St. Dominic	Mar. 20
P-Z St. Dominic	Mar. 6	P-Z St. Anthony	Mar. 27

Please contact Jr Dreyer 217-779-0029 or Jackie Dreyer 217-222-8049.

We also will need help at each of the Fish Fries.
Help is also needed to cut up potatoes on the Thursday before each fish fry.

1:30 p.m. on the Thursday before St. Dominic fish fries.
9:00 a.m. on the Thursday before St. Anthony fish fries

Working at the parish events such as our fish fries is a great way to meet fellow parishioners and help your parish at the same time! Please use the QR code at the left to sign up or go to the St. Anthony website www.stanthonypadua.org where you will find fish fry information. Click on that and you will be able to sign up.





Travel to Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, through Switzerland, and on to Milan, Padua, and Florence, with all roads leading to Rome. Fr. Tom Donovan and the Travel House of Quincy are hosting a tour departing from Quincy on May 18 and returning June 2. We will immerse ourselves in the natural beauty of the Alps, encounter the culture and wonder of historical sites and museums, indulge in culinary delights of fine dining, and we expect to greet Pope Leo XIV from St. Peter's Square at his Sunday audience. Per-person, double occupancy is \$6,398, single occupancy \$7,490. A \$500 deposit is due by March 1. For more information, contact Mecki Kosin at the Travel House of Quincy: (217) 222-0515.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MASSES
WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT

Each Wednesday during Lent (after Ash Wednesday), in addition to Mass at St. Dominic School, there will be a **6:00 pm Mass** at St. Anthony Church, with **Stations of the Cross beginning at 5:30 pm.**

The
Season
of
Lent



— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, March 2 7:00 p.m.	Ladies Society Meeting
Tuesday, March 3 7:00 p.m.	Pastoral Council
Wednesday, March 4 8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Dominic Mass at St. Anthony
Thursday, March 5 6:00 p.m. 5:30-7:00 p.m.	GriefShare Choir Practice
Friday, March 6 4:30-7:00 p.m.	Fish Fry at St. Dominic School
Saturday, March 7 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
Sunday, March 8 8:00 a.m. 9:00-10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Families of Faith Mass

Pray with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV the monthly intention for March 2026:

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING

Week 33	February 21/22	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 1,461.33	\$ 31,598.13
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 9,270.00	\$ 348,493.22
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,078.00
Total, February 21/22	\$ 10,731.33	\$ 443,526.86
Budget Goal <small>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</small>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 429,000.00
Difference	(\$ 1,818.67)	\$ 14,526.86

Money Counters : Monday, March 2, 2026
Michelle Ehrhardt Mary Courty

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., March 7 & 8, 2026

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Roger & Tawny Benz		Dan Reichert	Pat & Amanda Veile
Lector	Mary Courty	George Benz	Mary Koch	Jen Dyer
Usher	Roger Benz Tawny Benz Jr. Dreyer Tom Grawe	Jason Benz George Benz Ron Reichert Ted Vahle	Grady Bockhold Richard Foster Mike Genenbacher Gene Goerlich	David McCleary Craig Schafer Rick Schafer Larry Weiman
Servers	Volunteers	The Benz Family	Lizzy Smith Lucas Smith	Gabby Fischer Andie Kirlin
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Pat Vaughn	Ted Vahle Family	Joe Dreyer Family	Andrew Veile
Rosary Leader	Tawny Benz	Earl Boone	Giny Baker	The McCleary Family

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, Winnie Huber, Cindy Barner, Tom Ness, Jim Brinkman
Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2026:

March 1, 2026

Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand
Verne Hagstrom

Good Samaritan

Marcia Hays

Sunset Assisted Living

Richard Blickhan

Curtis Creek

Sally McCarl

Adams Pointe-

N. Adams Arbor

Rose Cherry

Mt. Sterling Health &

Rehab.

Jowanna Campos

Quincy Health Care &

Senior Living

Mary Bange

The Pictorial Directories are here!!

If you and your family had their picture taken for the directory you may pick at the parish office 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday.

**ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL PRESCHOOL
TEACHER AIDE POSITION OPENING:**

We are accepting applications for a part-time preschool teacher aide position in our Little Dolphins Pre-school Program for the 2026-2027 school year. If you are interested in serving as a preschool teacher aide from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM on school days, please contact Mrs. Carol Frericks at cfrericks@stdominicquincy.org or call the school office at 217-224-0041 for an application and the job description. St. Dominic School part-time hourly wages range from \$15.00 to \$17.00 per hour. A summary of benefits can be found at <https://dio.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Benefits-Flyer-1.pdf>.



St. Peter Lenten Mission March 8, 9, 10

“Passion & Presence: Living Your Eucharistic Identity Through the Paschal Mystery” hosted by Sister M Clementia. Begins with Adoration at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 8. Sister will begin at 7 p.m. all three nights. All are welcome.



MARCH GROCERY ITEMS

Toilet Paper, Laundry & Dish Detergents
The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities
Thank You



St. Anthony Parish welcomes

Eliana Faye Musolino

daughter of

Joshua and Stephanie Schwartz Musolino

who was baptized February 22, 2026
into the Catholic faith.



St. Anthony Cemetery We have been very fortunate to have had wonderful volunteers mowing and trimming our cemetery through the years. It has been very difficult to find volunteers in the past couple of years. As spring and summer are quickly approaching we have had to make the decision to hire someone to do the mowing and trimming of the cemetery to keep it looking nice.

If you are interested in placing a bid for the mowing and trimming of the cemetery providing your own equipment you may send your bid to the parish office by **March 20, 2026**. For questions please call the parish office at 217-222-5996.

Trusting Jesus in a Wild World will be the theme for this year's **St. Anthony Vacation Bible School**. Mark your calendars for June 22, 23, 24! More information will be sent out later.

St. Anthony Vacation Bible School will be needing new coordinators in 2027. If you are interested and want to know more, now is the time to volunteer to work with the present coordinator! Please call Penny Weiman at 217-430-0391 for more infor-

CURSILLO ULTREYA Date: March 7, 2026

Location: St. Francis Solanus Hall (North Side of Church)

Time: After the 4:30 Mass at St. Francis. Social time until 6 o'clock. Meal served at 6.

NOTE: Meat will be provided with a free-will offering. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert.

Quincy Catholic Charities is announcing their annual fundraising event . **Murder at the Disco!** Dinner and entertainment on Saturday March 14 from 5-10 PM. Town and Country Inn and Suites. Buy your tickets with the QR code below or at CC.DIO.ORG



Choir Practice Schedule For Good Friday and Easter Vigil

If you are interested in singing with our choir on Good Friday, April 3, and Easter Vigil, April 4, please Mecki Kosin at her work 217.222.0515 – or email Mecki@travelhouseofquincy.com or on her cell 217.779.0152

MARCH “GROUP A” CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE March 3, Tuesday, 6:00 PM—Marlene Rose, Margie Grawe, Dorothy Haley, Samantha Haley, Joy Jurrens, Kay Koch, Joann Witte, Ann Zimmerman, Carlene Orton, Cindy Deters, Shelly Steinkamp, Jane Lamm, Katie Danker, Rhonda Long, Vicky Campen, Sharon Dieker **THANK YOU LADIES!**



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, March 1, 2026

Attention All Women of the Parish You are invited to The Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women's Spring Gathering on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at St Thomas Parish in Camp Point IL. 7:45 am-8:15 am: Registration; Cost \$10
Theme: "Building Catholic Culture" featured speaker Father Scott Snider; Tri-Parishes Pastor
8:15 am: Mass followed by Adoration and the rosary
10:00 am: Light Breakfast, program and speaker, lunch and FUN. Ends approximately 2:30pm
Please register so we know how many for lunch. You can register by using the QRC or use the sign-up sheet at church.
Questions, contact Susan Asher QDCCW, President 217-653-5074.

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 and a registration form will be sent to you or emailed to you.

Illinois Pro-Life March (formerly the Illinois March for Life) the biggest & best pro-life event in Illinois.

When: Thursday, Mar. 19, 2026; Rally at 1 PM; March at 2 PM

Where: The Lincoln Statue in front of the Illinois Capitol Building, 401 S 2nd St. Springfield, IL 62701

Why: To celebrate, defend, and speak out for LIFE!

Keynote speakers: Joshua Mercer and Kramer Soderberg
Right to Life of Adams County is sponsoring a chartered motor-coach to travel to Springfield. Cost—FREE! (bring your own sack lunch) Call/text Jake Reed for more information & reservation 217- 577-1555 Board bus at 9:00 at Town & County Inn and Suites, 110 N. 54th. Please join with your fellow Adams County Pro-Lifers for this important event!

EQUIP: Quincy Holy Family Fest. Saturday, March 7th, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at Quincy Notre Dame. For more information or to register use the QR code or got to quincyholysfamilyfest.com.



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