



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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**May 10, 2026—Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)**

## A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:

I've got a collection of "newsy information" to communicate this week:



**Blessing Hospital** has a new medical records system which is causing trouble with pastors being able to reliably be informed of patient admissions to the hospital. In time the new database will be modified to allow for access similar to what we had in the past, but for now, it is going to be necessary for those who are in Blessing Hospital to call the parish to inform us that you or a loved one has been admitted. I remind parishioners that we provide the Anointing of the Sick at the hospital in emergencies and on request, and we have a reliable phone voicemail system to deliver those messages. The best bet is always to request the sacrament before it becomes an emergency late at night where it might not be easy or possible to reach a priest. This will be especially important in a couple of weeks when I am out of town for my vacation.



**"All are welcome in this place... except..."** We have posted 'no trespassing' signs at the entries to the parking lot at church in response to recent events in town where mobs of young drivers congregate in parking lots and elsewhere and cause trouble. We had a recent event as evidenced by all the tire marks on the lot, and the sheriff's office has responded that in order to allow them to take action, we need to have signs posted to allow them to come onto the property and clear uninvited guests. This, of course, is less than optimal when trying to portray an image of a "welcoming worshipping community", but I wanted to communicate what was going on and why those signs are up. I have given the sheriff permission to patrol our lots and take care of business as they see fit, while at the same time I do not expect them to have any issues with evening Mass goes on Saturday (after dark), or the dad who is teaching their kids to ride a bike on our parking lot, or the many other normal things that take place on the lot. If there is any trouble, either for invited guests being given a hard time, or for uninvited guests on our property please let me know using the parish 'emergency line' on the voicemail system. I also welcome those who see anything suspicious going on at the St. Anthony or St. Dominic campus to independently call the police or sheriff's office to keep our facilities secure and safe.



When the **Pastoral Council** met this week, it was noted that there are **more people kneeling to receive Holy Communion**, and that they found this display of piety edifying. The kneeling posture is, of course, the traditional way that Catholics received Holy Communion for centuries. In recent decades there have been contrasting and conflicting opinions about the proper posture for Holy Communion, and the US Bishops have set as a norm that the faithful typically 'process' to the communion minister, and after making a sign of reverence, typically a bow of the head or maybe the sign of the cross, receive Holy Communion on the tongue or in the hand (while standing), and then receiving from the chalice in a similar manner, if desired and opportune. Our own bishop has had what I would describe as a 'permissive' attitude about posture for Holy Communion, so long as the minimal norms are followed by all, nobody is criticized or demeaned for choosing to follow minimal norms that some might think are 'less dignified' (i.e., those who kneel should not criticize or demean those who follow the universally-applicable 'standing' norm), and that no behaviors become disruptive, ostentatious, or unsafe (we don't want people falling and unable to get up!) To those ends, and at the advice of the Council, it was suggested that we try making kneelers available to those who wish to use them to receive Holy Communion. We will make this option available for now, up the main aisle, and we will see how it goes.

I have not yet consulted with Fr. Blickhan on this, and I am going to leave it to his judgment, as well as any other visiting priest's judgment as to how to handle this at their own Masses. I don't want this to be something that divides or embarrasses people. If this becomes a problem, we are *always* 'safe' by doing no more and no less than the letter of the law (the norms) prescribed by competent authority (the US Bishops). No sign of reverence will ever be sufficient for us to show our love for our Lord in the Blessed Eucharist. So long as outward dispositions in this matter do not tempt individuals toward pride or vainglory through exaggerated external acts of piety, I see no harm in giving this a try.

There is value to uniformity of motion and posture, there is also value in this traditional form of reverence. Do not feel obligated, morally or socially, to exceed the norms, especially if kneeling for you is hard to do, or if this is simply 'not what you were taught' at school years ago. But if you would like to do so, we will welcome this as an option for Holy Communion at Mass.

### — 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., May 11, 2026

7:30 a.m. Dale Schmidt+

### Tues., May 12, 2026

7:30 a.m. Rosalyn Boone+

### Wed., May 13, 2026

—at St. Dominic School

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

—8th Grade Graduation Mass

6:30 p.m. John Feeny+

D.J. Venvertloh+

### Thurs., May 14, 2026

7:30 a.m. Dawn Ulry+

—Good Samaritan Home

10:00 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher+

### Friday, May 15, 2026

—at St. Dominic School

8:15 a.m. Kenny & Virginia Dietrich+

*The Ascension of the Lord*

### Saturday, May 16, 2026

4:00 p.m. Joan Dreyer+

6:30 p.m. Albert Huber+

### Sunday, May 17, 2026

8:00 a.m. Ruth Schmelzle+

10:30 a.m. Parish Intentions

Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of May 9

Paul & Kay Smith

### — 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

## Kindergarten Leaders Teach About Modesty



During the month of May, our kindergarten leaders, along with their teacher, Mrs. Madison Chapman, are teaching our K-8 students about the Fruit of the Holy Spirit — MODESTY, and the virtue for each week, including magnificence, loyalty and patriotism. During Morning Assembly, Mrs. Chapman reads the daily Scripture reading and the reflection with a special prayer for students to repeat. We have learned that modesty allows us to seek God's glory. We don't want attention for ourselves. We want people to notice God and praise Him. Jesus wants us to have a humble heart with a gentle, quiet love for God and others.

### Mark Your Calendar

**Monday, May 11**

8:30 AM – 1:30 PM K & 8 Field Trip

**Tuesday, May 12**

6:30 PM School Board Meeting

**Wednesday, May 13—Graduation Day**

No 8:30 AM School Mass

10:00 AM Graduation Honors Ceremony

11:30 AM Grade 5 Field Trip to Vet's Home

6:30 PM Graduation Mass at St. Anthony Church

**Thursday, May 14**

8:20-(:30 AM Grade 2 Field Trip John Wood Trails

**Friday, May 15**

Out-of-Dress Code Day

8:15 AM Quiet School Mass

1:30 PM QCT on the Road

**Sunday, May 17**

10:30 AM Holy Moments Mass for K & 1

Spring cleaning over break?  
Save your treasures to donate to our PTO

## GARAGE SALE



**MAY 29, 2026**

**7AM - 12PM DROP OFF DONATED ITEMS AT ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL**  
**12PM - 6PM GARAGE SALE BEGINS**  
\*No early birds, please.\*

Free will donation sale on most items!  
All proceeds help fund events for our school year!



# Upcoming Events

## 2026 St. Anthony Woman of Distinction



Each year the pastor of each parish in the Diocese of Springfield is allowed to nominate a lady from the parish for the Woman of Distinction of Award. The recipient of the Award is announced at the Mother/Daughter Banquet each year. We are happy to announce that Lou Ann Weills is our 2026 recipient! Congratulations and thank you for all you do or our parish.



## Baby Bottle Blitz

Begins May 10th



**Baby Bottle Blitz** The kick-off for the Baby bottle Blitz will be Mother's Day, May 10th and will run through Father's day, June 14th. The baby bottles will be in the back of church on Mother's Day. Fill your bottle with spare change, paper money, and even checks! All money supports Care Net. Care Net offers free and confidential services to women, men, and their families who are dealing with an unplanned or crisis pregnancy. You may use the QR code on the basket to donate.

## St. Dominic PTO Garage Sale

Friday, May 29th



If you'll be doing some Spring Cleaning over break, save your treasures and donate them to our PTO Garage Sale on May 29th! This event is a great fundraiser for our PTO and allows us to do many fun activities for our school family! We accept items ranging from clothes, books, furniture, toys, home decor...whatever clean items you need out of the house, we'd love them! You can drop off items the day of the event. Most items will be free will donation, but our PTO will price larger items that are donated. If you have clothes to donate and would love to help save us some time organizing, you can sort your clothing by size, which would be so helpful for us! :)  
**Drop Off-7 am-noon on May 29. Sale is Noon-6 pm**  
We appreciate your support! -St. Dominic PTO

## Junefest

Saturday, June 6




Come join us at Junefest, Saturday, June 6th at St. Dominic School. The evening begins with Mass at 4 pm in the school followed by the opening ceremony at 5 pm. There will be food, drinks, entertainment, and games. New this year will be the Foam DJ Party from 5:30-7:30 pm for all ages! with a DJ afterwards. Basket Raffle, Cash Raffle, Bingo, Cornhole Tournament, Silent Auction, Football Toss, Kiddieland and more. **Please click on the QR code to the left or go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AA9A828A7F85-63677176-junefest> to sign up to help.** Raffle Tickets: Each parish family has an envelope in the back of church with raffle tickets and a letter on how you may help make Junefest a huge success. Please pick up your envelope in order that save money and not have to mail these.



# — Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
<u>Monday, May 11</u> 7:30 p.m.	Men's Society Meeting
<u>Tuesday, May 12</u> 6:30 p.m.	School Board Meeting
<u>Wednesday, May 13</u> 10:00 a.m.  6:30 p.m.	St. Dominic 8th Grade Honors Ceremony St. Dominic 8th Grade Graduation Mass
<u>Thursday, May 14</u> 7:00 p.m.	Finance Council Meeting
<u>Friday, May 15</u>	
<u>Saturday, May 16</u> 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
<u>Sunday, May 17</u> 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Mass (Holy Moments)

<p><b>Pray with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV the monthly intention for May 2026:</b></p> <p><b>Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to not wasting food, and to insure that everyone has access to quality food.</b></p>	
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WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING		
Week 43	May 2/3	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 1,044.25	\$ 42,446.68
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 11,330.00	\$ 458,883.22
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 73,990.00
<b>Total, May 2/3</b>	<b>\$ 12,374.25</b>	<b>\$ 588,678.31</b>
<b>Budget Goal</b> <small>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</small>	<b>\$ 13,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 559,000.00</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$ 635.75)</b>	<b>\$ 29,668.31</b>

**Money Counters : Monday, May 11, 2026**  
Nancy Speckhart   Melanie Longenecker   Jan Obert

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., May 16 & 17, 2026

	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	
<b>Lector</b>	Mark Levins	David Keck	Mike Baker	Jen Dyer
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Anderson Tom Grawe Jack Kuhlman Mike Zanger	Joe Dreyer Chris Ehrhardt Christopher Ehrhardt Denis Hagerbaumer	Jerry Dreier Mark Neisen Dan Reichert Dan Terwelp	Ken Klauser Brian Koch David McCleary Craig Schafer
<b>Servers</b>	Sam Fischer Volunteer	The Benz Family	Pius IX Altar Servers	Alex & Alaina Wellman
<b>Greeters/ Gift Bearers</b>	Pat Vaughn	Elmer & Jeanne Maas	Todd & Tera Smith Family	Clint & Elise Sutter Family
<b>Rosary Leader</b>	Roger & Tawny Benz	Earl Boone	Jerry & Trudy Dreier	Chris Heintz

**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:**

May 10, 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

**Everybody Wins Mega Raffle!**

**Support our schools!** The *Everybody Wins* Mega Raffle is the ONLY fundraiser that supports ALL K-12 Catholic education in Quincy. To keep our schools strong, **we need YOU - our parish family** - to help us sell tickets! As a way of saying thanks, for every 5 tickets you sell, you'll be entered to win \$4,000 in tuition credit or \$3,000 cash. Every ticket sold makes a difference—let's make this year a success! Tickets are available in the parish office, school office, or at the front entrance of QND. [www.QuincyMegaRaffle.org](http://www.QuincyMegaRaffle.org) Make sure that you check the box for St. Dominic School to receive the \$10.

— On **May 20th at 8:35 AM**, the Early Bird winner of the will be announced. The overall Mega Raffle Drawing will be announced on **May 29th at 8:35 AM** from QND. Announcements will be made via live stream on the QCS and QND Facebook pages. We encourage all interested parties to like and follow both pages. The Mega Raffle is over halfway done and Early Bird tickets need to be in QND's Foundation office by **4pm May 8th to be eligible for the Early Bird**. Let's have a sell out of all 4,000 tickets!!

**If you or a family member is admitted to Blessing Hospital** make sure you tell them when you register for any procedure not only that you are Catholic, but that you belong to St. Anthony Church. They have a new computer system and that information did not transfer. This allows everyone to better care for your spiritual needs while in the hospital. When priests visit the hospital they pull a list and will be able to see any of their parishioners who are hospitalized so they can make sure to visit them. This can only happen if you list St. Anthony as your parish.



**To all the volunteer who keep St. Anthony running,**  
we **thank you** and an **important question:**  
**Are you compliant with Safe Environment?**

Per the U.S. Bishops, each parish is required to insure all volunteers are **knowledgeable and compliant** with the Safe Environment policies. It is critical that you check your status now. We are audited in May and need to be compliant. If you are not up to date, the steps needed. To check you status and get up to date, go to Catholic Mutual Group's website at [springfieldil.cmgconnect.org/](http://springfieldil.cmgconnect.org/) and click **Sign In**. (If you don't have an account yet, fill out the fields under **Register for a New Account.**) Once logged in, your dashboard will show the required training. Click **Start** to begin. Next print, complete, and email the DCFS CANTS Form to [safeenvironment@dio.org](mailto:safeenvironment@dio.org). You can also get a copy of this form from the parish office. Finally, submit your background check information. Once you account is certified by the Diocese (this may take up to 2 weeks), you will receive an email from [webmaster@cmgconnect.org](mailto:webmaster@cmgconnect.org).

You may get an email from us to let you know if your background check has expired but please follow the steps above to check yourself. For any questions or help you may email Janet at [bulletin@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:bulletin@stanthonypadua.org) or call the parish office on Tuesday or Friday, 8 am-1 pm. Janet will also help you on those days if you don't have access to a computer or need help. Just let her know you are coming into the office ahead of time.

***Thank you to everyone who has been taking care of making sure their background check, etc. has been updated. If you have time please email [bulletin@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:bulletin@stanthonypadua.org)***

**Everyone Loves a Parish Picnic** June 13, 2026. 5:00-Midnight, at **St. Francis School/Church** property and St. Francis Parish Center (inside)  
Outside and Inside Food BINGO  
50/50 Cash & Basket Raffle, Beer & Wine, Dunk Tank Silent Auction Kiddie Korner, Bounce House, Train Ride, Games and Prizes, Live Music by Heidelberg Band and Violet Hill



**MAY GROCERY ITEMS**  
**Laundry Detergent & Dish 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**

## St. Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy, May 10, 2026

**St. Mary School in Mt. Sterling, a PreK-8 Catholic School, is seeking a PRINCIPAL.** For more detailed information including salary range, benefits, required qualifications, school information, and how to apply, please reach out to the Pastor, Fr. Aaron Kuhn at [ahuhn@smseagle.org](mailto:ahuhn@smseagle.org). Interested candidates will need to submit an application package by May 20.

 **Needing help in several ministries** We are in need of volunteers in several ministries here at St. Anthony. If you would be interested in sharing of your time and talent in any of these please contact the parish office for more information 217-222-5996.  
Leading Rosary, Ushers (especially 4 p.m. Mass), and Money counters (Monday mornings).



**High School and College Students who will be graduating this spring** We would like to publish the names of all of our St. Anthony 2026 High School and College Graduates in the church bulletin on May 31st. Please send your name, high school or college you are graduating from. Please send this information to [bulletin@stanthonypadua.org](mailto:bulletin@stanthonypadua.org) or call the parish office 217-222-5996 by Sunday, May 24. You have worked hard and we would like to acknowledge that hard work.

### **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.



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