



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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July 12, 2026—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



As promised, this week the readings from the Gospel of Matthew transition into a series of teachings from Jesus that tell us about the Kingdom of God. About half of these teachings come in the form of parables while the other half come from encounters that Jesus had with everyday people and situations during his ministry. Together, they form a sustained meditation on the Kingdom of God: what it is, how it arrives, how it grows, and what is asked of those who receive it.

The next three weeks are the 'agricultural' parables. Jesus uses images from farming and nature to show us the generosity of the Word. The Word of God spreads with extraordinary liberality... on rocky ground, among the thorns, along the path, and finally in the rich soil of the fields. The sower does not begin by judging the soil, but by sowing.

The seed reminds us of Is 55:10-11: *just as from the heavens the rain and snow came down and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but shall do what pleases me, achieving the end for which I sent it.*

The great consolation of this Gospel, before we examine ourselves as the soil and make a judgement on our fruitfulness, is to marvel at the generosity of God's grace. The Word comes and God's grace is visible. God is not reluctant or miserly in his giving, expecting us to have already made ourselves worthy. The sower simply goes out to sow. Where John the Baptist proclaimed a time of repentance in anticipation of the Kingdom, Jesus announces that the Kingdom is arriving in him and it is a time to celebrate, receive graciously, and to become fruitful.

As Jesus accounts for his sowing, the resulting images describe the shifting conditions of the human heart. Sometimes our hearts are like the path, hearing the Word, but never allowing it to penetrate that hardness. At times our hearts are shallow soil, receiving grace with great enthusiasm, but without depth, without root. Sometimes our hearts are thorny, where we do not reject our Lord outright, but permit overcrowding of worry, ambition, resentment, fear, or comfort in ground which is meant for seed.

Taking these themes together, we find that even when our lives seem to be governed by scarcity... there is never enough time, never enough money, never enough years in life, never enough patience, never enough strength, never enough peace... God's grace is still poured out, not because the soil has proven itself worthy, but because the master demands a fruitful harvest. Perhaps it will be only thirty-fold, but perhaps it could be sixty or one-hundred-fold? The question is not so much 'who am I?' in this parable, as much as it is 'who am I becoming?' Hardened paths can be broken up. Thorns can be cleared. Shallow soil can be cultivated. The field can and should be made ready. Looking back, perhaps John's call to 'repentance' would have been the best way to prepare the ground to receive the seed, but even now the Lord calls to receive his grace and yield a return by making the most of these days that lie before us.

This prepares us for next week's Gospel, in the parable of the weeds and the wheat. Once the seed has been sown, the field does not immediately become pure and orderly. The Kingdom grows in a mixed field. Such is the condition of the soul. Such is the condition of the Church herself. Grace and resistance appear side-by-side. We should not be despair nor be indifferent when we find weeds in the field. The harvest will come and a great separation will take place... not one that we can impatiently perform for ourselves, but one that belongs to the Lord of the harvest.

This Sunday begins more than a sequence of charming rural images. We are receiving a serious schooling in the mysteries of the Kingdom of God. God gives the Word generously, prompting it to grow within and among us, that with patience and care, he may draw back a fruitful harvest.

— 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., July 13, 2026

7:30 a.m. Susan Bauer+

Tues., July 14, 2026

7:30 a.m. Bob Maas+

Wed., July 15, 2026

6:00 p.m. Giny Baker+

Thurs., July 16, 2026

7:30 a.m. Mary Lou Anderson+

— Good Samaritan Home

10:00 a.m. Andy Veile+

Friday, July 17, 2026

TBA

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 18, 2026

4:00 p.m. Timothy Haley+

6:30 p.m. No Mass

Sunday, July 19, 2026

8:00 a.m. Kent Wellman+

10:30 a.m. Parish Intentions

4:00 p.m. Lucille Grawe+

Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of July 11-17

Favorable Weather for our Picnic

— 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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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Welcome St. Dominic School Faculty 2026 - 2027

Carol Frericks Principal



Nancy Boone Secretary



Hope Glidewell 8th Grade



Jennifer Dyer 7th Grade



Laurie Stegeman 6th Grade AM



Dawn VanCamp 6th Grade PM



Joanne Ellerman 5th Grade



Katie O'Neal 4th



Kevin Genenbacher 3rd Grade



Paige Cegas 2nd Grade



Abigail Reichert 1st Grade Madison Chapman Kindergarten



Crystal Johnson Preschool 4 Yr.



Katie Klauser Preschool 4 Yr.



Penny Weiman Preschool 3 Yr.



Nan Wood Music



— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
Monday, July 13 7:30 p.m.	Men's Society Meeting
Tuesday, July 14 7:00 p.m.	Joint Council (Pastoral, Finance, Discipleship, St. Dominic School Board) Meeting at St. Dominic
Wednesday, July 15 11:00 a.m.	Merry Widows lunch at Sprouts
4:00 p.m.	Picnic Set Up
6:00 p.m.	Mass
Thursday, July 16	
Friday, July 17	
Saturday, July 18 4:00 p.m.	Mass
5- Midnight	St. Anthony Picnic
Sunday, July 19 8:00 a.m.	Mass
8:00 a.m.	Picnic Tear Down
10:30 a.m.	Mass
4:00 p.m.	Mass
Pray with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV the monthly intention for July 2026: Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.	
	

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING							
Week 1	July 4/5	Total Year-to-Date					
Loose Collection	\$ 649.00	\$ 649.00					
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 10,550.00	\$ 10,550.00					
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00					
Total, July 4/5	\$ 11,199.00	\$ 11,199.00					
Budget Goal <i>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</i>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00					
Difference	(\$ - 1,801.00)	(\$ - 1,801.00)					
Money Counters : Monday, July 13, 2026 Bill Anderson Lou Ann Weills							
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., July 18 & 19, 2026				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Sunday, 4:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Roger & Tawny Benz		Dan Reichert	
Lector	Janice Zanger	George Benz	Michelle Kasparie	Marlene Rose
Usher	Roger Benz Tawny Benz Jack Kuhlman Mike Zanger	Jason Benz George Benz Dan Boone Ryan Boone	Richard Foster Mike Genenbacher Gene Goerlich Jerry Grawe	Ken Klauser Brian Koch David McCleary Craig Schafer
Servers	Zain & Kolbie Schutte	The Mathews Family	Luke Weiman Lucas Smith	Pius IX Altar Servers
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Mary Koch	Earl & Debbie Boone	Kay Lentz	The McCleary Family
Rosary Leader	Roger & Tawny Benz	The Mathews Family	Steve Jansen	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: Mary Ward, Giny Baker, Elsie Nieders				



Upcoming Events

We need helping hands for Families of Faith

(PSR)



- Faith-filled formation program for families.
- Sundays between the 8 am and 10:30 am masses.
- If you are not currently a Catholic school family, contact Hope to sign up!
- If you can be a helper for Families of Faith, contact Hope!
- Starts Sunday, September 13 – runs throughout the school year.

Contact Hope Glidewell-
hglidewell@stdominicquincy.org



ADORATION on TUESDAYS Would anyone be interested in spending 30 minutes with our Lord on Tuesdays, 9:30-10:00 a.m.? Would anyone be interested in being a substitute for Adoration on Tuesday mornings? Please contact the parish office at 217-222-5996.

LIVE MUSIC:
TODD & THE TREBLEMAKERS
7:30pm - 11:30pm

RAFFLE
\$2,000 IN CASH PRIZES!

ST. ANTHONY PICNIC

Saturday, July 18, 2026

4:00pm Mass *(join us!)*
Picnic: 5:00pm to 11:30pm

St. Anthony Church
2223 St. Anthony Road • Quincy, IL

Air-conditioned Bingo • Country Store
Kiddieland with Crafts, Games, and Rides

BASKET RAFFLE

SILENT AUCTION

GREAT FOOD AND DRINKS!

Come join us for food and fun with the whole family!

Please pick up your Picnic Information/Raffle Envelope in the back of church. Mark your calendar for set up on July 15th at 4 p.m. and tear down is July 19th at 8 a.m.



Summer Challenges to Strengthen Your Connections!

Summer Family Adventure Challenge

Commit to one family adventure together each month of June, July, and August!

- Be entered to win a \$40 TCBY gift card!



Summer Date Night Challenge

Through Simple Connection Commit to one date each month of June, July, and August,

- Be entered to win a \$40 gift certificate to the Gene Grawe Fund!



You can sign up for one or BOTH challenges this summer! Use the QR codes or the links to see all the details for each challenge! Call or text Tera at 573-719-1272 with questions.

JOIN US TO

PRAY & PLAY

AT ST. ANTHONY CHURCH PLAYGROUND THIS SUMMER!

WE WILL HAVE A SHORT BIBLE LESSON AND PLAYTIME RIGHT AFTER. BRING ANY SNACKS AND DRINKS YOUR CHILDREN NEED.

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 9:00 AM IN THE SUMMER STARTING JUNE 3RD. NO RSVP NEEDED. ALL ARE WELCOME!

July 12, 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

Adoration for our Priests There will be an hour of Adoration followed by Benediction at St. Brigid Church, 706 N. Main Liberty Il. July 19, 2026, from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. all are invited to come and pray for your Priests.

Mass Intentions for 2027: On Monday, July 6 we 'opened our books' for **Mass intentions in 2027**. These 'intentions' are for the deceased who are often mentioned during at Mass, "for whom this Mass is offered". It is customary make an offering of \$10 for a Mass intention. If there is a request for specific dates, we take them on a 'first-come first-served' basis. Finally, we do ask that for major Holy Days (Christmas, Easter) that a particular intention or family only appear once every third year, in order to make these dates accessible to others who might want to choose that date. When we schedule an intention, it is with the understanding that our schedule can and does change on occasion, and when a date cannot be honored (because Mass is not being celebrated or it is being re-scheduled), we will do our best to accommodate other dates and choices... please be patient and cooperative with our parish staff when that need arises. Each Sunday and Holy Day a "Mass for the People", for all the living and deceased of the parish is celebrated, which calls to mind all of the faithful in the parish. Further questions can be directed to the parish office (217) 222-5996.

Western Catholic Union is holding a

raffle to benefit the

Fr. Tolton Augustine Shrine

Fr. Tolton Augustine Shrine Raffle

Tickets are \$50 each with only 100 tickets being sold. Grand Prize is \$2000 along with (5) \$100 consolation prizes to be given away. Drawing will be held on September 4, 2026. For ticket information contact Kelly Cook at the WCU Office Phone: 217-222-6354

Email: kcook@wculife.org



Early-bird DISCOUNT Registration for the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 97th Annual Convention ends July 20th! Get your registration forms in by July 20th to take advantage of the early discount! All other registrations must be in by August 15th . Quincy, IL Forms are in the parish office or back of Church. Space is LIMITED, so registered SOON

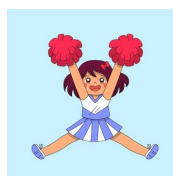
"Biking for Babies, an organization forming young adults into missionary disciples for Life and raising funds and awareness for pregnancy centers, will journey into Quincy on Friday, July 17. All are welcome to attend their mission event at Blessed Sacrament Parish on Friday, July 17 at 5:30 PM as this team, riding from Rochester, MN, to St. Louis, MO, in just six days, shares about their unique approach to renewing a culture of life, starting with supporting real women in need and ending with hearts completely transformed. This event includes Mass and a free BBQ. If you cannot make it in time for mass, feel free to come about 6:15pm for the barbecue and to meet the bikers.



For more information about the event, contact Vicki Wittland at 217-316-9936. For more information about the mission, visit [bikingforbabies.com](https://give.bikingforbabies.com/event/2026missionary/). If you'd like to donate to the mission, visit:

<https://give.bikingforbabies.com/event/2026missionary/>. "

Prayer Shawl Ministry meetings will be cancelled until further notice.



QND Cheerleading Camp The QND Cheerleaders will be hosting their annual summer camp for preschool-8th graders July 27-30. Come learn cheers, dances, and stunts and have some fun with your friends. Use the link to complete the google form to register. Please register by July 10th to guarantee a t-shirt.

<https://forms.gle/LD8NbgYhGy7jg6Yr8>



St. Joseph Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 12 from 4pm - 10 pm. Come and enjoy our homemade ice cream. There will be sandwiches, desserts, kids' games, BINGO and raffles. Come and share in an evening of fun. St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy, IL 62305



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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Did you know? Quincy Notre Dame High School has open enrollment! If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about becoming part of the Raider family, we'd love to help. Visit our website to learn more or email admissions@quincynotredame.org to schedule a personal tour. We look forward to showing all that QND has to offer!



JULY GROCERY ITEMS

Canned Vegetables,
except Green Bean

The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank

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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An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Thank you to everyone who advertises in our bulletin!

4th Annual Hog N' Dog Raffle

QND Football Hog N Dog
July 18 2026 • Drawing Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: K of C 700 S 36th Quincy IL
Only 600 tickets sold. Item drawn in following order:

1 - 1/2 Hog - Processing included	5 - TriStar - TT-15 Trap Single Shot TSA 34" 12ga shotgun
2 - Eagle Rare 10 Year Bourbon	6 - Van Winkle Special Reserve 12 Year Lot "B" Bourbon
3 - 1/2 Hog - Processing included	7 - Browning Citori 825 20" 12 ga Over and Under Shotgun
4 - Weller Blue Label Full Proof Bourbon	8 - Pulsar X020 Thermal Rifle Scope
	9 - \$1,000 Cash Prize; must be present to win

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN \$1,000 CASH • ALL STATE AND FEDERAL FIREARMS LAWS APPLY • MUST BE 21 TO WIN BOURBON
TICKETS \$50 PER TICKET • CASH OR CHECK

Do you have your tickets yet???

Reach out to any QND Football player or coach to get yours today!!!

Shouldn't we go

DIRECTLY TO GOD

with our prayers?

WHAT CATHOLICS believe

