



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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August 2, 2026—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



Over the last three weeks, Jesus has taught us through the parables of Matthew 13... seed scattered on the ground, weeds growing among the wheat, treasure buried in a field, mustard seeds blossoming into a great plant, pearls of great value. These images are training us to recognize the Kingdom of God breaking into our ordinary world. Jesus uses these images to teach us that the mysteries of the Kingdom are great, but not beyond his

listeners. The Kingdom of God requires no special sense of apprehension beyond that of a farmer examining the crop in his field. In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from words and images to action. The Kingdom described in parables now takes shape in the ministry of compassion, healing, and nourishment.

Jesus withdraws to a deserted place, but the crowds follow him. These crowds were not unlike those whom Jesus encountered at the Sermon on the Mount. They would be like sheep in need of a shepherd. As at the Sermon, he looked with pity upon them, and took time to cure their illnesses. This the compassion he preached being brought forward into action. The sheep were hungry, sick, anxious, curious, lost, and hopeful. Jesus did not see their encroachment upon him as an intrusion. His ministry was not to end with the abstractions of brilliant rhetoric, storytelling, and imagery. This would be an opportunity to reveal the Kingdom as a tangible reality in their midst.

As evening arrives, the disciples were concerned. "... It is already late; dismiss the crowds so they can go... and buy food for themselves." (Mt 14:15). Their solution is practical, and has its own logic of mercy and compassion: send them away.

But Jesus answers, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." (Mt 14:16) Jesus gives both a command and a revelation. Jesus invites the disciples into his own ministry: "feed them". The people can hear the stories and parables all day long, but in the end, as my disciple and minister, you must sustain them with nourishment. They need you. You cannot stay at a safe distance away. You must become involved by feeding the hungry, strengthening the weary, and caring for the suffering, for these are also signs of the Kingdom.

Naturally, the disciples see only what they lack. "Five loaves and two fish are all we have." That is not going to feed the crowd. Once again, the implication is that the merciful thing would be to send them away.

But Jesus has them take what they have, and place it in his hands. He blesses the fish and the loaves, breaks the loaves, and gives them to the disciples who in turn give them to the crowd, after which it is discovered that all are fed... abundantly!

As we remember this miraculous day, we are being led to consider the profound unity between Word and Sacrament. The Word reveals the Kingdom of God and awakens our hunger for God. His Sacrament makes the Kingdom present by our participation in his grace. What we receive in the Eucharist is not merely *something*, but *someone*. And that *someone* is none other than the God who gathered that crowd of 5000 with his Word, led and healed them, and then finally fed them. He continues to do this today, showing us our hunger and feeding us, showing us our illness and healing us. Having been fed, having been healed, we now receive the command 'feed them yourselves'.

Our world remains crowded with hungry people. More among us have visible illnesses while others bear hidden wounds. People need not only a word of hope and an image of a heaven far away, but also the memory of a good meal and good health. Jesus provides that today in our Eucharist. He provides that today in our celebration of the Anointing of the Sick. What little we are, what little we have is offered up in humility and trust, that in the hands of Jesus we may be led to a participation in the glory of the Kingdom of God.

— 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.mass-times.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., August 3, 2026

7:30 a.m. Evelyn Dietrich+

Tues., August 4, 2026

7:30 a.m. Dawn Ulry+

Wed., August 5, 2026

6:00 p.m. Susan Bauer+

Thurs., August 6, 2026

7:30 a.m. Phillip Nicholas+

— Good Samaritan Home

10:00 a.m. Julie Maas+

Friday, August 7, 2026

No Mass

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 8, 2026

4:00 p.m. Jean Goodwin+

6:30 p.m. Parish Intentions

Sunday, August 9, 2026

8:00 a.m. Norma Hildebrand+

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

Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of August 1-7

For Those Battling Health Issues

— 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

Save the Date for Back to School Bash



Sunday, August 16th
4:00 PM-6:00 PM
St. Dominic School



4:00 Mass at St. Dominic followed by the Blessing of the Backpacks

5:00 PTO & St. Anthony Men's and Ladies' Societies are hosting a family cookout. Students can drop off school supplies to their classrooms.

M.A.G.I.C. Match Donation

Thanks so much to another generous 2025-2026 sponsor!
Jonathon and Missy Thoele

School Office Hours for August

7:30 AM — 3:30 PM
Please call the school office
at 217-224-0041
for an appointment, as needed.

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
Monday, August 3 7:00 p.m.	Ladies Society Meeting
Tuesday, August 4 7:00 p.m.	Pastoral Council Meeting
Wednesday, August 5 6:00 p.m.	Mass
Thursday, August 6 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Kindergarten Camp PreSchool Orientation
Friday, August 7	
Usher Training after All Masses	
Saturday, August 8 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
Sunday, July 9 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Mass
Pray with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV the monthly intention for August 2026: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.	



WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING							
Week 3	July 25/26	Total Year-to-Date					
Loose Collection	\$ 1,081.00	\$ 3,096.15					
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 9,219.00	\$ 43,054.00					
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00					
Total, July 25/26	\$ 10,300.00	\$ 46,150.15					
Budget Goal <i>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</i>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 52,000.00					
Difference	(\$ - 2,700.00)	(\$ - 5,849.15)					
Missionary Appeal: \$3,724.75 — THANK YOU! Money Counters : Monday, August 3, 2026 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., August 8 & 9, 2026				
	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer		Gene & Rita Goerlich	
Lector	Mark Levins	David Keck	Mary Koch	Deb Woodworth
Usher	Bill Anderson Jr. Dreyer Tom Grawe Jack Kuhlman	Tom Boone Geroge Dreyer Joe Dreyer Chris Ehrhardt	Anthony Haley Mike Hummel Matt kasparie Mark Neisen	Diane Dittmer Greg Dittmer Rick Schafer Larry Weiman
Servers	Morgan Venvertloh Volunteer	The Mathews family	Luke Weiman Lucas Smith	Sam Fischer Andi Kirlin
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Jr. & Jackie Dreyer	Elmer & Jeanne Maas	Lou Ann Weills	Tom & Deb Woodworth
Rosary Leader	Mike Zanger	The Mathews Family	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, Jim Brinkman Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2026: Mary Ward, Giny Baker, Elsie Nieders				



Upcoming Events

DO YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN BEING AN USHER?

Whether you've served as an usher for many years, or would like to become a first-time Usher, please join us for a training session!

AUG. 8 & 9 | **St. Anthony Church**
AFTER EACH MASS

- Training will include updated duties for all current and new ushers.
- Donuts and coffee will be provided at each training session.
- Safe environment training assistance will also be available, if needed.



WHAT DOES AN USHER DO?

Ushers are ministers of hospitality for our parishioners and guests in the church and during Mass. Besides assisting people to seats, they help take up the collection, distribute bulletins, and walk through the church afterwards to assist with cleanup and perhaps even light maintenance.

We especially appreciate those ushers who are prepared and trained as first responders in case of sudden illness or other safety emergencies.

*IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND ONE OF THE TRAINING SESSIONS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO DEACON HARRY AT 217-224-1160

Super Server Training with PIZZA! Led by Deacon Harry

CALLING ALL CURRENT SERVERS AND THOSE WHO WANT TO LEARN TO SERVE AT MASS!



St. Anthony Church

August 23rd, 2026 | 2:00pm start | 1.5-2 hours of training + pizza party!

- 4th grade and up!
- Prepare for church and school Mass.
- Parents warmly welcomed.
- Children who are newly confirmed are encouraged to join.
- Thanks to parents & supporters who help servers make it to their scheduled Mass times.

Please call St. Anthony Parish Office to sign up: 217-222-5996

Thank you and Blessings, Deacon Harry

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

GriefShare®

GriefShare Returns



NEW SESSIONS BEGINNING THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026 AT 6:00 PM
ST. ANTHONY PARISH HALL- QUILT ROOM



For persons experiencing grief following the loss of a loved one. GriefShare is a thirteen-week, biblical, Christ-centered program addressing grief topics.

Includes:

- Video presentations with nationally respected grief experts and personal stories
- Small group discussion
- Participant guidebook for support between meetings

This program is confidential.
Please join us.

Questions: Jim Liesen: 217-577-6664
Cindy or Deacon Harry Cramer: 217-224-1160

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



A gift card holder was found at the St. Anthony Picnic during clean up! If you lost a holder with several gift cards inside, please call the church office at 217-222-5996 to identify what cards they are! Thanks!



Have you been married 50+ years? Time to celebrate! On October 4 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 and clicking on the Oct 4 Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted in the last two years. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you have not done so in past years. Any questions? Call Ruth Staab at 217-698-8500.

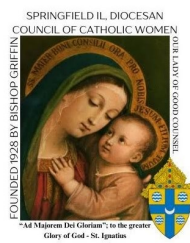
Western Catholic Union is holding a raffle to benefit the Fr. Tolton Augustine Shrine

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



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!



Ladies Don't Forget To Register for the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 97th Annual Convention 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 register SOON



Welcome

Greg & Tina Fisk

Ron & Pam Eftink

Adam & Daryle Hightower and children: Leo, Brooks, Hampton, Emmitt, & Ivy

Part Time or Full Time: Maintenance for School & Parish St Peter School and Church are looking for a self-driven candidate with experience in maintenance. This position will work primarily M-F for the School and Church performing inside and outside maintenance. The key focus of the role will be to work with all the staff to create a safe and welcoming Parish. Hourly wage can range from \$15- \$20 hourly or based on experience. Paid time off and great benefits are available. For more information on benefits please visit the Diocese of Springfield website or contact Kristi Smith, 217-222-3155. **Ready to Apply** - email cover letter and resume to k.smith@cospq.org.

Bake for Birthright Birthright will once again have a booth at the K of C Barbeque on Aug. 14-16. We are asking for each Catholic Church in Adams County to participate by donating baked goods for the Bake Sale. **St. Anthony's day to donate is Fri., Aug. 14th.** Items may be brought to the booth at the K of C grounds or on Aug. 14th or brought to St. Anthony parish office between 8 am and noon. Please put your name, parish and phone number on your items to be eligible for a chance to win a Handmade Quilt or a Dining Out Package. Thank you as always for your support.



St. Thomas Church Ice Cream Social, Camp Point, IL Sunday, August 16, 4-7 p.m. Maid Rites, Hot Dogs, Chips, Drinks, Homemade Desserts and Homemade Ice Cream! Free will offering. Advanced orders-1 gal. homemade ice cream \$25. Call Pat 217-740-2140 or the parish office 217-593-6685. Handicap Accessible & Air Conditioned.



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**

Part Time Cook Position St. Francis Solanus School invites applications for a part time cook position starting September 12, 2025. The successful candidate will assist the Cafeteria Coordinator in preparing lunches for students and staff. Prior experience in food service is desirable. Completion of a brief food handler training is required. The scheduled hours are 8:00am-1:30pm, with an hourly rate of \$15. per hour. The selected candidate must pass a Springfield Diocese background check, including fingerprints, and an online safe environment before beginning work. Interested applicants may submit a resume to Julie Radel, Principal: jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

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.

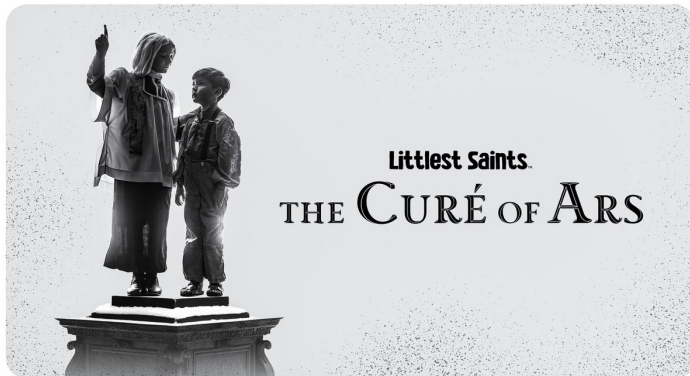
Part Time Fifth through Eighth Grade Academic Intervention Teacher St. Francis School

Bachelors or masters degree in education, with experience at one or more of these upper grade levels, Illinois Professional Educator License preferred; Strong background in literature, writing, English, and/or math; Knowledge of the Orton-Gillingham approach to literacy is desired; This person should have experience working with students with diverse learning needs. Experience in special education would be ideal. This person will work with learners one-to-one or in a small group. This person would be coordinating Intervention Plans, similar to 504 Plans, for students.

24 hours per week, flexible schedule, \$25. per hour. Interested people should contact Julie Radel, Principal, St. Francis Solanus School, 1720 College Avenue, Quincy, Illinois.



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