



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

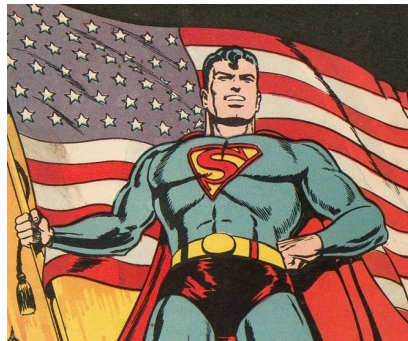
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August 23, 2026—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



"Faster than a speeding bullet... more powerful than a locomotive... able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. Look in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's SUPERMAN! Yes, Superman, strange visitor from a far-off planet, with abilities beyond that of mortal men. Superman, who can change the course of mighty rivers, bend steel in his bare hands. And who, disguised as Clark Kent, mild-mannered reporter for a great metropolitan newspaper, fights a never-ending battle for truth, justice, and the American way!"

Superman, of course, is the famous character created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Schuster in 1938 for DC Comics and has since appeared in every kind of media, films, television, and other adaptations. Superman is well-known for his feats of strength and virtue as he defends the people of Metropolis from the criminal element, and in particular his arch-nemesis, Lex Luthor.

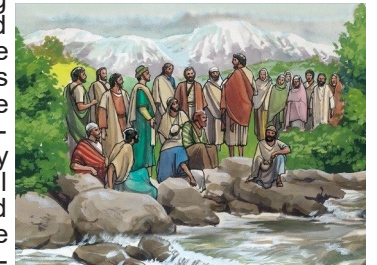
Superman was widely known for his mighty works, but protected himself and those who were close to him, by disguising himself as Clark Kent. Indeed, Superman somehow kept his "Clark Kent" identity secret from Lois Lane, who could never quite figure out why Clark was always missing when Superman was on the scene.

While Superman is a work of fiction, his resonance in contemporary culture is almost universal. His story is so compelling and interesting—the stepping off point for great dreams and fantasy of young people of every age. As we read the encounter of Jesus with his disciples at Caesarea Philippi this week, I wonder, what were they thinking?

The disciples had seen Jesus in action... healing the sick, raising the dead, calming the storm... but who did they really think he was? Was he a miracle worker? A prophet? A superhero? A flim-flam man? Who was this Jesus, really? Could they put the pieces together, or were they going to stay blinded to the truth, as Lois Lane was with respect to Superman? Jesus was daring them to think... to dream... perhaps even to make a mistake... but to be ready to make a discovery that would change the entire pathway and meaning of their relationship.

Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!" And with that, Peter announces the drama that had been building in the Gospel of Matthew, and would come to its fulfillment as Jesus begins to show how he intends to fulfill the identity of Christ and Messiah. It would be through self-sacrifice. It would be in obedience to the father. It would be by allowing himself to be captured by those who would wish to do him harm... all of the evil forces in the world converging on him... that he could vanquish them all by rising again on the Third Day. The disciples were warned not to tell others... to keep the secret for now. The forces of evil did not need to know all of this quite yet, and Jesus needed to protect his friends. He also needed them to stay with him for a bit longer that they could learn more about his mission. When the time was right, a mature witness would be more valuable than their excited, emotional, partial understanding. Peter, after all, was being built up to be the "Rock", whose faith would guide the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension, and carry forward the mission of teaching all nations.

I think that another reason why Jesus revealed his full identity at this time, was to remind his disciples that, yes, he was the Lord of the sea and skies, and of life and death itself. The disciples had witnessed this in his ministry and were aware of his extraordinary power. But, by revealing his identity as Lord and Son of the Living God, he was also revealing that not only was he with them in the moments of might and miracles, but also in those routine moments. He didn't abandon his disciples by snapping his fingers and travelling across the vast wastelands of desert in seconds. He didn't leave them alone to do important "God things" while they took the time to eat or sleep when the day was done. He didn't shower them with earthly riches, even to feed the multitudes or provide relief to the poor. He stayed with them in these quiet moments, using the goods and blessings of nature to sustain his earthly ministry. He not only blessed the common with his presence, but taught his disciples that the Lord God of the Universe immersed himself completely in their lives... even the more mundane moments that perhaps pass unnoticed to the witness of the Gospel. He was not a God of disguises and secret identities, but the Divine Presence which endures with his people in great and small moments alike.



— 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., August 24, 2026

7:30 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher+

Tues., August 25, 2026

7:30 a.m. Leo Dietrich+

Wed., August 26, 2026

8:30 a.m. Gerald Maas+

Thurs., August 27, 2026

7:30 a.m. Bill Koch+

— Good Samaritan Home

10:00 a.m. Russ Terstriep+

Friday, August 28, 2026

8:15 a.m. Mark Sherwood+

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 29, 2026

4:00 p.m. Jean Goodwin+

6:30 p.m. Mick & Joe Ehrhardt+

Sunday, August 30, 2026

8:00 a.m. Parish Intentions

10:30 a.m. Paul & Edith Edwards+

Perpetual Prayer Candle

Week of August 22-28

Mark Frericks & April Rohn

— Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Welcome Back to School 2026-2027



On Sunday, August 16, our annual Back to School Mass provided many blessing for the new school year. Families gathered together for Sunday Mass at 4:00 PM in St. Dominic School. During the closing of the Mass celebration, Fr. Tom provided blessings for the students and their backpacks. He blessed the teachers with wisdom, patience, and strength to guide students, acknowledging the Holy Spirit as the source of all these gifts. Fr. Tom led the entire St. Dominic School family as we all recited the Bible verse, John 16:33, for the first time together this year. Our PTO and Parish provided food and fun photo options. On Tuesday, August 18, our teachers were so happy to welcome our K-8 students back to school for the 2026-2027 school year, wearing their new Bible verse t-shirts.



Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, August 23

2:00-4:00 PM Super Server Training at St. Anthony

Tuesday, August 25

7:00 PM Discipleship Meeting

Wednesday, August 26

8:30 AM School Mass

3:15 PM Faculty Meeting

6:00 PM PTO Meeting

Thursday, August 27

6:30 - 7:30 PM St. Dominic Curriculum Night

Friday, August 28 - Dress Down Day

8:15 AM School Mass

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, August 24
6:30 p.m. Butterfly Ministry Meeting

Tuesday, August 25
6:30 p.m. Discipleship Meeting

Wednesday, August 26
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Dominic
6:00 p.m. PTO Meeting

Thursday, August 27
6:00 p.m. GriefShare
6:00-7:30 p.m. Curriculum Night at St. Dominic

Friday, August 28
8:15 a.m. Mass at St. Dominic

Saturday, August 29
4:00 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 30
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:30 a.m. Mass
2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Fall Sip & Socialize at Pointe D'Vine

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 7	August 15/16	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	\$ 830.00	\$ 5,579.65
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 8,420.00	\$ 72,580.00
Electronic Deposits	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,279.00
Total, August 15/16	\$ 9,250.00	\$ 86,438.65
Budget Goal <i>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</i>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 91,000.00
Difference	(\$ -3,750.00)	(\$ - 4,561.35)

Money Counters : Monday, August 24, 2026
Carol Vogel Michelle Ehrhardt Rita Goerlich

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 20 & 30, 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	Janice Zanger	Angie Dean	Jim Obert	Kim Peters
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	Sam Fischer Volunteer	The Mathews Family	Zain & Kolbie Schutte	Pius IX Altar Servers
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Pat Vaughn	Earl & Debbie Boone	Mike Baker	Dale & Jennifer Hilgenbrinck
Rosary Leader	Volunteer	The Mathews Family	Mary Koch	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

Fall Sip and Socialize

AUG. 30 & SEPT. 13
2-5 P.M.

REGISTER AND BE ENTERED TO WIN A BOTTLE OF WINE!

Invite friends and family!
All are welcome!

Pointe D'Vine
276 Hwy 57

Live music by
Stonehill Band

CALL OR TEXT TERA AT 573-719-1272 WITH QUESTIONS!

No outside food or beverage allowed
Adults only please

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

Family & Friends CPR Class

St. Anthony Parish Hall Basement
Sunday, September 27th at 2PM

Registration required: Call 217-222-5996

- 🕒 Approximately 2 hours
- 🆓 Free for all parishioners
- 👤 Limited to 15 participants
- 💛 Taught by 2 American Heart Association Instructors

Certification Cards not issued- This is not an approved class for workplace certification.

The Giving Tree

Looking to bless a teacher at St. Dominic?

Each teacher has some needed items on our giving tree. Grab an apple or two, purchase the item(s) and bring back to church by August 23rd. It is sure to bring joy to our classrooms! Thank you!

August 23, 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



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!

Cafeteria Position Openings at St. Dominic School for the 2026-2027 School Year

Would you like to join our school family as a part-time cafeteria worker to help us prepare and serve food for our students? We are accepting applications for the part-time head cook position and the part-time cafeteria assistant cook position in our school cafeteria for the 2026-2027 school year. If you are interested in managing and preparing food for our school lunch program, 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>.

The St. Francis Card Party (normally held the first Thursday in September) has been changed to SEPTEMBER 10TH. This change is made due to the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention which will be held at St. Anthony Parish on the first Thursday of September this year.

There will be an **Hour of Adoration** followed by Benediction at St. Joseph Church 400 South Lane St. Palmyra MO. August 16, 2026 from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. all are invited to come and pray for your Priests.

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.



St. Anthony Parish welcomes
Clare Marie Sutter
daughter of
Clint and Elise Obert Sutter
who was baptized August 16, 2026
into the Catholic faith.



Comstock Castle Ovens and Stove for sale

The parish has these for sale at the price of \$500 each. We wanted to make them available to our parishioners before we advertise to the public. If you are interested please contact

the parish office at 217-222-5996.

AUGUST GROCERY ITEMS
Cereal & Liquid Dishwashing Soap
The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities
Thank You



Would you be like to spend 30 minutes with our Lord? Every Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration takes place at St. Anthony Church. **We are in desperate need of someone to fill the 9:30-10:00 a.m. time slot!** If you would be able to fill this time please let the office know 217-222-5996. You could even share it with a friend and rotate

If you or a loved one is hospitalized-Please call the parish office if you or a loved one goes to the hospital, even if it is for a short stay? Blessing Hospital, because of it's new computer system, cannot tell clergy who from their parishes or congregations is in the hospital. Secondly, if you are going to be a patient at the hospital, please tell the hospital staff that you are a Catholic and your place of worship is St. Anthony parish. The hospital personnel do not always ask the question and the faith information did not transfer over when patient records were transferred to the new system.

Great River TEC is having a night of worship concert with Seth Menne August 30, 2026. Meet and Greet starts at 5pm and Concert will be 6p-7:30p at QU North Campus. Free Will Donation accepted but not required. If you could share this post of attachment anywhere you think kids and parishioners might see it most. 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



Is your marriage ready for a boost?

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! Perhaps consider a weekend away as a present for your spouse. For more information or to apply, go to www.me.org, or call Terry and Eric Engholm, 314-649-7317. The following upcoming weekend experiences are available.

10/9/2026 - 10/11/2026, Springfield, IL
12/4/2026 - 12/6/2026, St. Peters, MO

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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QND Friday Night Lights Cheer Camp

The QND Cheerleaders are hosting a fall camp for PreK through 8th grade. PreK-4th grade camp will be held on September 4th from 5:30-8:00 at QND. Camp includes t-shirt, pizza and admission to the game. Campers will perform at half time of the football game. New this year - 5th-8th grade clinic will be held on August 29th from 1:30-3:30 at the CAC. 5th-8th grade campers will cheer the first half of the football game with the varsity cheerleaders and perform at halftime on September 4th. Camp/Clinic are \$35.

Use the link to register by August 31st to guarantee t-shirt size. Walk ins are welcome. Questions contact QNDCheer@QuincyNotreDame.org
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf3vmzybzmJQEDc8IDQSAJoC-yw9ttiATcjYUPW0YHhg4Sepw/viewform?usp=sharing&oid=109085444657587530770>

SAINTS

Feast of Saint Monica

Dr. Tim Gray & Dr. John Sehorn

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Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.

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