St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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November 8, 2026—Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:

St. Paul speaks to his audience in Thessalonica, trying to allay their concerns about those who have died. The proclamation of the Resurrection of Jesus and the affirmation of life after death made a few early Christians question if loved ones who have 'fallen asleep' might have 'missed out' on that Good News. Paul offers a rousing proclamation of faith which echoes in the Church to our own day:



If we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep… we who are alive will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God will come down from heaven and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be in the Lord.

One of the most powerful parts of the Christian Funeral is the opportunity it provides for the faithful to console each other with these words, as Paul instructs his audience to do. I commend our parish on the way it celebrates funerals: the luncheons, the special care for vigil services when they are at church, the attention put into the maintenance and upkeep of the parish cemetery, the notes and outreach that the community gives to those who mourn, the ongoing work of our *GriefShare* group, and all the unseen kindnesses which our parishioners share.

The process of grieving for lost loved ones in not only a spiritual and relational trauma, but it is one that echoes in our primal being, causing confusion, anger, concern, denial… all of the righteous feelings of loss. But it is when the larger community can surround and embrace those who are disoriented in the midst of loss that greater faith can be found. Faith does not take away the reality of the loss, nor does it merely cover up 'bad' feelings with more 'acceptable' feelings. Faith helps us to realize the greatest reality of our humanity and the greatest hope for our loved ones who have passed: that they live in God now and forever.



In charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Rev. Msgr. Leo Enlow,** Pastor Emeritus of the Church of St. Peter here in Quincy. Fr.. Leo was a priest for 51 years, at St. Peter's for the last 13 years before his retirement, and notably as the pastor of St. Anthony Church in Effingham for 21 years before that. Fr. Leo was especially devoted to the work and ministry of Quincy Notre Dame High School, and as Dean of the Quincy Deanery, was instrumental at asking our Catholic Schools to work together to maintain Catholic Education in Quincy and thereby to support enrollment at QND. For me personally, Fr. Leo was a mentor and a friend, who raised me up when I was doubting my own priestly vocation. I cannot thank Fr, Leo enough as a colleague, brother, and pastor. May he rest in peace1

As this bulletin goes to press, I received word that **Rev, Msgr. Mike Kuse** has also died, following a long struggle with a brain tumor. Fr. Mike was the long-time pastor of St. Mary's/Blessed Sacrament in Quincy, also serving as Dean of the Quincy Deanery. When I was discerning my vocation, he was the Vocation Director that presented my file to the diocese for acceptance as a seminarian. A native of Quincy, he welcomed me on my first arrival to the Gem City in 2003 as a seminarian-intern. Again, I have many thanks to offer Fr. Mike that I will never be able to repay, other than ot remember him and Fr. Leo at the altar. May St, Joseph, patron of a happy death, conduct him safely into the hands of the Father.

— 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 11:30 a.m.
except when a funeral is scheduled

Mass Intentions

Mon., November 9, 2026
7:30 a.m. Bernice Peters+

Tues., November 10, 2026
7:30 a.m. Albert Huber+

Wed., November 11, 2026
-St. Dominic School
8:30 a.m. Kent Wellman+

Thurs., November 12, 2026
7:30 a.m. Terry Weills+
-Good Samaritan Home
10:00 a.m. Clarence Genenbacher+

Friday, November 13, 2026
-St. Dominic School
8:15 a.m. Donald Talken+

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday , November 14, 2026
4:00 p.m. Jean Goodwin+
6:30 p.m. Maurice Dreyer+

Sunday, November 15, 2026
8:00 a.m. Elmer Genenbacher+
10:30 a.m. Parish Intentions

Perpetual Prayer Candle
Week of November 7-13
Deceased members of the William & Clare Zanger Family
Deceased members of Dreier Family

— Parish Office Hours —
Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

St. Dominic School

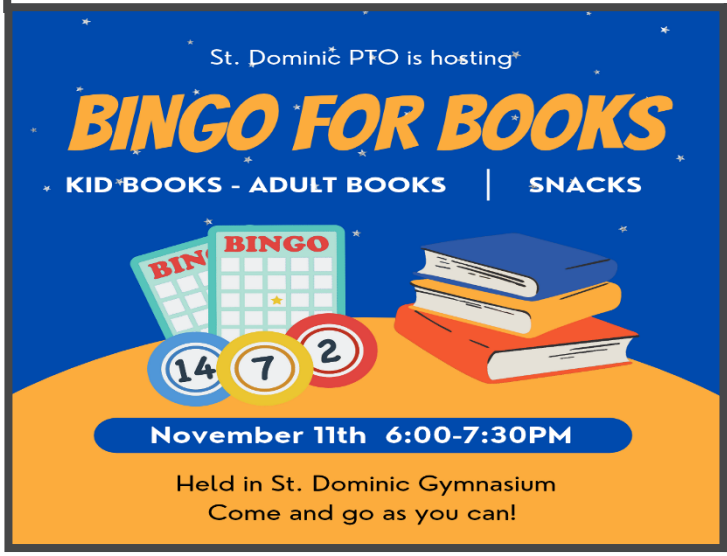
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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Fifth Grade Leaders Teach Devotion to the Holy Souls in Purgatory



During the month of November at Morning Assembly, our fifth-grade leaders along with their teacher, Mrs. Joann Ellerman, will teach our kindergarten through eighth-grade students to pray for the monthly devotion of our Catholic Church, which is the Holy Souls in Purgatory. We will be reminded that the Holy Souls are those who died in a state of grace, which means with no unconfessed mortal sins on their souls. They undergo purification in purgatory so they may join God forever in heaven. Our prayers can shorten the Holy Souls' time of purification. Can you imagine the joy of arriving in heaven and being welcomed by those who were helped to get there by your prayers? Our fifth-grade class also provides a lesson each week on the virtue of that week, including respect, loyalty, patriotism, and prayerfulness.



Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 9
8:20 AM 8th Grade Retreat at St. Anthony
Tuesday, November 10
6:30 PM School Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 11
8:30 AM School Mass
1:30 PM Veterans' Day Program
6:00-7:30 PM PTO Bingo for Books
Thursday, November 12
3;00-4:00 PM Brownies
Friday, November 13
Spirit Shirt Day
8:15 AM Quiet School Mass

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, November 9
7:30 p.m. — Men's Society Meeting
QCS 8th grade Retreat

Tuesday, November 10
6:30 p.m. — St. Dominic School Board

Wednesday, November 11
8:30 a.m. — Mass at St. Dominic
1:30 p.m. — St. Dominic School Veteran's Day Program
6:00-7:30 p.m. — OCIA
6:00-7:30 p.m. — St. Dominic Bingo for Books

Thursday, November 12
6:00 p.m. — GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays"

Friday, November 13

Saturday, November 14
4:00 p.m. — Mass
6:30 p.m. — Mass

Sunday, November 15
8:00 a.m. — Mass
9-10 a.m. — Families of Faith
9:15 a.m. — Eucharistic Ministry Training
10:30 a.m. — Mass

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

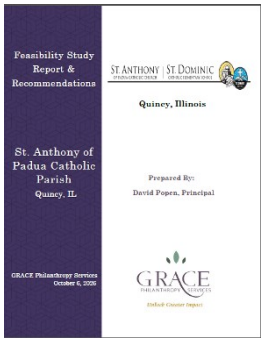
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING

Week 18	Oct. 31/Nov. 1	Total Year-to-Date
Loose Collection	$ 975.25	$ 16,451.66
Weekly Envelopes	$ 10,780.00	$ 183,262.14
Electronic Deposits	$ 7,800.00	$ 31,679.00
Total, Oct. 31/Nov. 1	**$ 19,555.25**	**$ 231,392.80**
Budget Goal *(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)*	$ 13,000.00	$ 234,000.00
Difference	**$ 6,555.25**	**($ - 2,607.20)**

Money Counters : Monday, November 9, 2026
Dana Lugering Jack Kuhlman

Centennial Campaign:



See the results of our recent Feasibility Study for our upcoming Capital Campaign. Thank you for all who provided survey answers and interviews!

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., November 14 & 15, 2026

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Roger & Tawny Benz		Dan Reichert	
Lector	Tina Fisk	Janet Bick	Mike Hummel	Deb Woodworth
Usher	Lead: Bill Anderson Tom Grawe Tom Boone Cindy Cramer	Lead: Jay Johnson George Dreyer Joe Dreyer Edward Benz	Lead: Mike Hummel Jerry Grawe Gene Goerlich Anthony Haley	Lead: Diane Dittmer Greg Dittmer Craig Schafer Frank Arnold
Servers	Timmy Obert Volunteer	Rozalyn Brass Madison Rivera	Lucas Klauser Jesse Adams	Alex & Andrew Wellman
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Dana Lugering Family	Carolyn Waterkotte	Dan & Sharon Terwelp	Ken & Jean Klauser
Rosary Leader	Carol Vogel	Earl Boone	Steve Jansen	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, Erika Jurrens Hutchison
Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2026: Mary Ward, Giny Baker, Elsie Nieders, Joan Dietrich

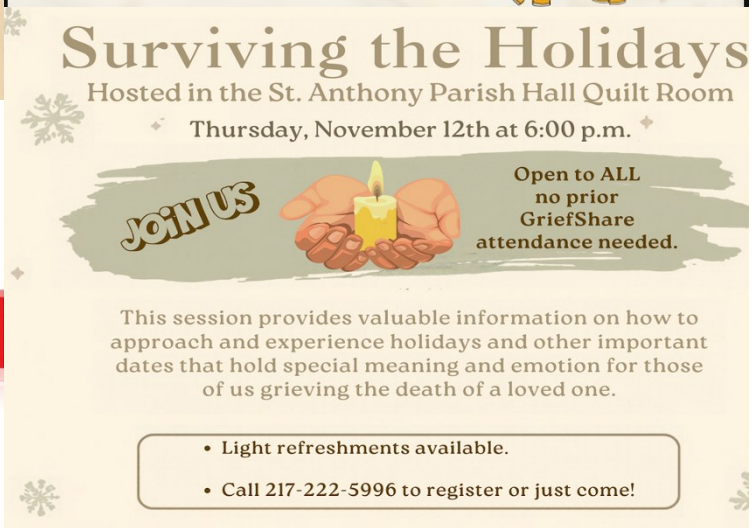
Upcoming Events







Illinois' new physician-assisted suicide law took effect on September 12, 2026. Now more than ever, Illinoisans need clear information, compassionate alternatives, and practical support. The 2026 Ground Zero Tour will equip individuals, families, and communities with the truth and resources they need.





St. Anthony Ladies Christmas Party

ALL Ladies of the Parish save the date for the Ladies Christmas Party which will be held ***Sunday, December 6th*** in the Parish Hall. We will begin after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please call Alice Rakers at 217-653-2445 to make your reservations. The Ladies Society will be providing fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy. We are asking that all attending bring a side dish and/or a dessert. This year we will be helping a parish family with some financial needs and will be taking up a free-will donation for them at the dinner.

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

Substitute Teacher Position Opening at St. Dominic School

Would you enjoy sharing your Catholic faith and love for learning with children?

St. Dominic School is in need of a full-time substitute teacher in First Grade for the second semester from January 4 through May 21, 2027. Qualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License. Responsibilities include teaching according to the philosophy of St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish and the Diocese of Springfield. Qualified and enthusiastic applicants should contact Mrs. Carol Frericks, Principal, by email at cfrericks@stdominicquincy.org, or call the school office at 217-224-0041.

We help families.
We support teachers.

The QCES Foundation's Annual Campaign is underway! We provide tuition assistance for families in need and teacher grants at all four Quincy Catholic elementary schools. Watch your mailbox **in the coming days** for our campaign letter. Your gift helps families afford a Catholic education and gives teachers more opportunities to bring learning to life. Thank you for your support!



Choir Practice Schedule For Christmas Eve Midnight Mass

If you are interested in singing with our choir at Midnight on Christmas Eve, December 24, please come to all rehearsals. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 5:30 – 7 PM at Church. Dates for the rehearsals are: November 5, 12, 19, and December 3, 10, 17 I really need you to be at ALL rehearsals, as we will sing some of our music a-cappella (no accompaniment). For more information, please call me at work 217.222.0515 – or on my cell 217.779.0152, or send me an email: **Mecki@travelhouseofquincy.com**
See you in church, wow, Christmas is just around the corner....



You Are Invited!! St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish will present their annual Veterans Day celebration on Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026 beginning at 1:30 in the school gym. The program will also celebrate "America 250", the 250th anniversary of the United States Declaration of Independence. Please join us as we honor all Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

Pastoral Council Nominations & Voting

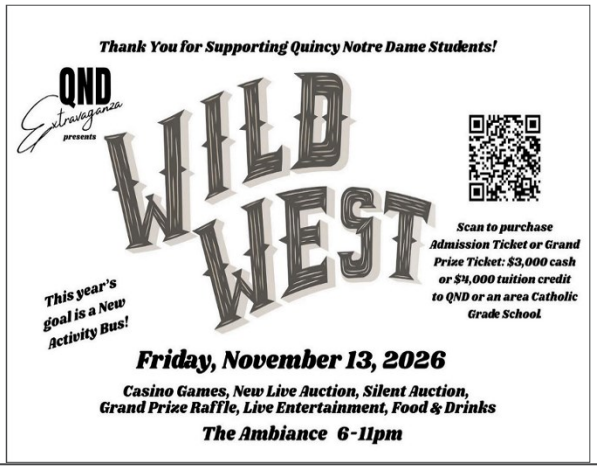
Candidates for the parish council must be over the age of 18 and a St. Anthony parish member who is a regular supporter of the parish through service activities or financial support or a combination of both and also have taken Protecting God's Children or Empowering God's Children and have completed a background check as required by the Diocese of Springfield. Any active and contributing parish member over 18 may nominate his or herself. If you nominate a person other than yourself, please contact that person to ask if they are willing to accept the nomination. The nomination ballots have been collected and we will have the biographies in next week's bulletin. We will need 5 new members to the parish council. If you have questions about serving on the parish council please feel free to contact the parish office 217-222-5996.

St. Anthony Family Christmas Tree Several years ago we decorated a Christmas tree in the parish hall with an ornament representing a parish family, donated by that family. These are put up each year on that tree. If you are new to the parish in the past few years, feel free to bring an ornament in to the parish office to represent your family and we will make sure that it is put on the tree. These will not be returned but put on the tree year after year



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



Save the date for
Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women's Fall Gathering
Morning Mass, Light Breakfast Keynote Speaker,
Lunch and Afternoon Session
When: Wednesday, November 18th
Where: Hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pittsfield
Featured Speaker Presentation
Dr. Martha Rapp, who will present:
"A Mother's Faith: The Story of Martha Jane Tolton"
Sign up sheet is in the back of church.

LADIES OF CHARITY

NOVEMBER GROCERY ITEMS
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The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank You

Thank you to everyone who advertises in our bulletin!
Please patronize these businesses when you can.

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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The Afterlife | Eternal Rest | Episode 2

What happens after the moment of our death? Once the soul has been separated from the body, then what? What is heaven, hell, and purgatory? This session looks at the truth about what awaits the human person on the other side of death.

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