

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MAY 14, 2023



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## FIRST COMMUNION



### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm  
Sunday: 10:00 am

### WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:  
8:30 am

### HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The Readings today continue to tell us about the joy that is derived from loving and serving the Lord in a sincere and cheerful manner. However, in order to understand this and find the source of this joy and enthusiasm that the early followers of Jesus had, as well as the Psalmist, we must search a little deeper because when we talk about "Joy" in the spiritual sense, we do not mean the "Ha! Ha!" or the "Whoopee!" kind of joy of the body. Rather, spiritual Joy is a peaceful serenity that fills our being from within.

In the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (8:5-17), we read or hear how Philip, one of the new deacons, went to Samaria to proclaim the Word of God. To draw attention to Philip's preaching, God worked many miracles through him, and many Samaritans were converted and baptized. The joy that was exhibited was not from the miracles or from Philip's preaching, rather, it was from the Spirit of Jesus that they received in Baptism. The conversion of heart and the commitment of Baptism bring the Holy Spirit who, in turn, gives joy, love, peace and many other gifts.

In the Responsorial Psalm, (66:1-20), we hear the psalmist extol the great wonders or miracles that God had worked in the past through his people who were faithful and obedient to Him. In the end, the psalmist is praising God for blessing him and answering his prayers.

The Second Reading is from the First Letter of St. Peter (3:15-18). In this passage, Peter is telling his followers, and us, that we should share the Good News of the Gospel with anyone who is interested, not with force or domination, but gently sharing with them the great things God has done for all of us. If you need help in doing this, call on the Holy Spirit. He will never fail you.

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## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

### CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

### BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

*Baptisms will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month*

### MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling.

Couples need to make arrangements *at least 6 months in advance.*

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office

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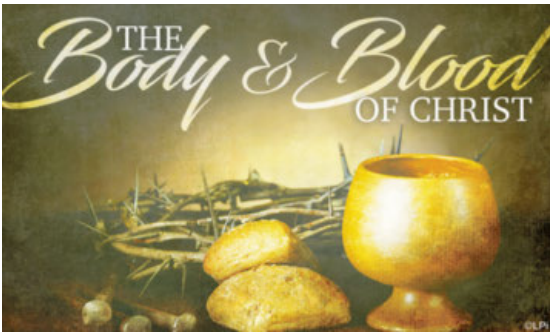
## SUNDAY READINGS

**FIRST READING:** Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

**PSALM:** Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)

**SECOND READING:** For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. (1 Pt 3:18)

**GOSPEL:** "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him." (Jn 14:15-17)



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**MAY 14, 2023**

**Sunday:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

**Next Sunday:** *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20  
*Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a



## Sunday - May 14th - 6th Sunday of Easter

10:00 am - †Domingo Amador

*Requested by: Raquel Stein*

†Living & Deceased Mothers of the Parish

## Monday - May 15th - St. Isidore (School Mass)

8:30 am - †For the Living & Deceased of the Parish

## Tuesday - May 16th - Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †Mary Ann Szabo

*Requested by: John Caruso*

## Saturday - May 20th - St. Bernardine of Siena,

**Priest**

4:00 pm - †Living & Deceased Members of the Marian Guild

*Requested by: Members of the Marian Guild*

## Sunday - May 21st - The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 am - †Patricia Ann Hellinger

*Requested by: Al Hellinger*

## PRAYER FOR OUR 1ST COMMUNICANTS

**Lord Jesus Christ,** bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, & wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence & goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body & blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament.

**Amen.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**Saturday, May 20th at 4:00 pm**

*Lector:* Laura V.

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Jerry D., Carol B.

**Servers: Needed**

**Sunday, May 21st at 10:00 am**

*Lector:* Celia F.

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Lisa S., David L., Joann T.

*Servers:* Rose & Jacob K.



# OFFERTORY REPORT



Amount Budgeted Weekly..... \$6,240.00  
 Sunday Collection (4/16/2023)..... \$4,158.00  
 7/1/2022 to Date +/- Budget..... (-\$38,947.05)

## MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME.

*If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.*

## PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

**Heavenly Father**, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank & praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, & compassion, for their intuition & encouragement, for commitment & sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, & refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love & gratitude. **Amen.**

## DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

...in memory of **Carl & Nancy Hartman** by *Dorothy Golowenski*.  
 ...in memory of **Marie Freebird, Carol Fradette & George Tosh** by *Linda Mathewson*.  
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# PRAYER REQUESTS

## PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Lindsey Marie Ballas	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton
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Kevin Holley	Phyllis Holomuzki	Jennifer Humphrey	Baby Jackson	Al Jacobs	Devin Jarvis
Colleen Jasinski	Sylvia Johnston	Evelyn Kosash	Johnna Kuhar	Jacqueline Kuhn-Rankin	Deacon Luis Maldonado
Dean Martin III	Rita McConley	Dolores Melley	Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer	Ellen Morgan
Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Jeanne Provenza	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell	Rob Salkowitz
Amy Schmidt	Patricia Smith	Sheila Strauser	Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres	Rosa Torres
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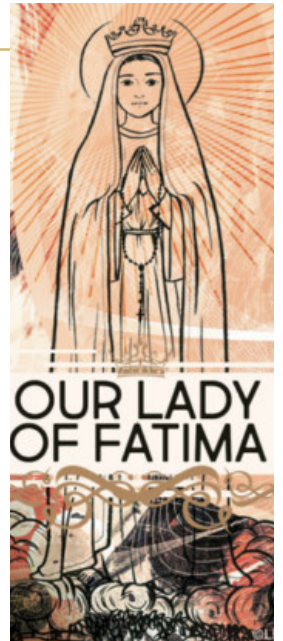
*Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.*

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Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests, **Georgianna: 440-288-1644**

# ADORATION CHAPEL

**The Fatima message is intensely Eucharistic.** Since 1960, there has been Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition at the sanctuary in Portugal. When the angel appeared to the Fatima children, he taught them a prayer. The Angel told the children, *"Take and drink the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ; horribly outraged by ungrateful men. Repair their crimes and console your God."* When Our Lady appeared to the children on May 13, which was already celebrated as the Feast of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, they fell to their knees and recited what has become known as the Eucharistic Prayer in their hearts: *"Oh, Most Holy Trinity, I adore You. My God, My God, I love You in the Most Blessed Sacrament."* **Our Lady later asked for the First Saturday Communions of Reparation.** The Fatima visionaries all developed a fervent love of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Our Lady called us to Eucharistic reparation and to console the heart of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament who is so often forgotten and unloved. **We can help usher in the reign of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary through our Holy Communions and Holy Hours.**



***Divine Mercy Meditation - Spread the Honor of My Mercy***  
Souls who spread the honor of My mercy I shield through their entire lives as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior. At that last hour, a soul has nothing with which to defend itself except My mercy. Happy is the soul that during its lifetime immersed itself in the Fountain of Mercy, because justice will have no hold on it (*Diary, 1075*).

*\*The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

## **My Prayer Response:**

*O my Jesus, immerse me and all promoters of Divine Mercy in the Fountain of Your mercy, the source of joy during our lifetime. Shield us through our entire lives as a tender mother does her infant. Amen.*

## **PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK -**

### **NEW GOVERNMENT FUNDING BILL (JANUARY 22, 2023)**

*This is the third part of the Pastoral Statement on Abortion written by Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of San Angelo*

**The massive full-year government funding bill in its proposal for approval contained a huge gift of taxpayer funds to the nation's largest abortion business which is Planned Parenthood.** In the proposed Omnibus bill, which was approved, Life News and the ACLJ point out Planned Parenthood would receive \$286 million in one year even after its 2020 report released in September 2022, shows it aborted 383,460 babies, and has \$2.5 billion in assets. Planned Parenthood is the largest supplier of abortions which means it kills 41% of all babies killed in abortion in the US. The recent elections unprecedented spending by Planned Parenthood and its allies was to expand abortion and make sure human life is not protected by law at the state level. **Sadly, after Roe v Wade, there's an anti-life wave sweeping across the country.** Many pro-life states are worse now than pre-Roe v Wade. It is disheartening that many pro-life citizens are buying the lie of big abortion. **Contrary to popular belief, the overturn of Roe did not end abortion,** and sadly many pro-lifers have fallen into complacency and apathy. At the same time, we bishops are deeply grateful for the good number of pro-life people who actively join the pro-life cause every day. **Your efforts are changing hearts and lives are being saved.** Now, the battle ground for our beliefs and actions must be much stronger at a state level, working with local legislators and politicians, as we continue all our strong national efforts.

## PASTOR COLUMN CONTINUED

The Gospel Reading is from the Gospel of John (14:15-21). This is a continuation of the Gospel from last Sunday. The scene is the Last Supper, and Jesus is telling the apostles that he is about to leave them "for a while" but that He would be with them through His Spirit. **In this passage, we learn about the Trinity** (the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: All are One yet each has His specific role in God's Plan of Salvation. The "Oneness" of the Trinity is held together by the divine and perfect spiritual love that they share and want to share with us. This is the love that Philip shared with the Samaritans. This is the love that made the Psalmist sing the praises of God. And this is the love that made St. Peter so brave and bold after the Holy Spirit descended upon him that first Pentecost Sunday.

**Does the love of God reign in your heart? If not, pray to the Holy Spirit to help you find this love, joy, and peace. Something to think about during your prayer time this week!**

*~Rev. Edward J. Smith*



## HISTORY OF ST. ANTHONY CONTINUED

The new Shrine of St. Anthony of Padua was dedicated on March 4, 1928, and the first Mass was celebrated! A basement church, originally planned as the lower level of an eventual permanent church, it was constructed of concrete and steel beams.

An existing house on the church property was converted into a Parish House. Crowning the joy of proud parishioners was the school's first graduation in June of 1928. A census was taken that year, listing 180 families, about 600 parishioners and a school enrollment of 160 students.

## SENIOR SOCIABLES MONTHLY MEETING - MAY 18TH

The St. Anthony's Senior Sociables will meet on Thursday May 18th at 12:30 pm. The meeting will be held at **Sorrento Ristorante & Pizzeria in Sheffield Village**. Please call Karen Less with your reservation at 440-949-2934. *Annual dues of \$5.00 will be collected at this meeting.*

## MARIAN GUILD CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MAY DINNER

Christian Mothers Marian Guild will hold their May Dinner on Monday May 22nd at 4 pm, at the **Lorain Senior Center**. Crowning of the **BLESSED MOTHER** at 4:30 pm by Brenda Burton followed by the blessing and a Delicious Italian Dinner. Dessert will be build your own sundae. Entertainment will be all of **YOU** as we ask that you come with a memory of the Marian Guild to share. *The cost is \$15.00 per person.* Please make checks payable to Marian Guild & mail your reservation to: Mrs. Terri George at 2220 E. Erie Ave. Lorain, OH 44052.

### MARIAN GUILD MAY DINNER ON MAY 22ND, 2023 4:30 PM AT LORAIN SENIOR CENTER

*Cost is \$15 per person with checks made payable to Marian Guild*

RSVP FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

# OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return by mail to: Mrs. Terri George 2220 E. Erie Ave. Lorain, OH 44052*



# ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL PAC CORNER

Welcome to our last edition for this school year!

First, a few **THANK YOUS** are in order for all who supported our recent fundraisers. **A BIG thank you to all who donated, and came to our annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny & Egg Hunt!** We served over 180 people and had 80 children hunt for eggs! The 7th graders stuffed 950 eggs for the event! (*Great Job 7th Grade!*) Profits will go to next school year for PAC startup money. **A thank you, to all who made our Spring BBQ Tour and Reverse Raffle/50/50 so much fun!** Profits for this event will go to our end of the year field day which is May 23rd. **Many Thanks to all who purchased Spring Plants!** Profits will go to offset end of the year field trips. **Finally, there was a great turn out at our SAS Bowling Night over Spring Break.** Profits for this went to Teacher Appreciation Week this past week. **The last PAC event will be the Four Person Golf Scramble!** We hope to see you there!!

**Our Junior High Students ended the year with some outstanding field trips.** Eighth grade students had a great time in Washington, D.C for 2 days, Seventh grade enjoyed the day in Columbus and Sixth grade learned a lot in Put-N-Bay. **The school year will end with Field Day on May 23rd, Eighth Grade Graduation on May 24th in the church and Kindergarten Graduation on May 25th.** *The teachers have also planned several special surprises for the students during their last week of school!*

**Our FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT is the company will be coming out to construct our PLAYGROUND IN JULY! YAY!** It will take about a week to complete.

*More information to come for the playground celebrations!*

## THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR!

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