

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | OCTOBER 1, 2023



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.” - Mt 21:31

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## 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

One of the common hurdles facing every Parish is the need for ministers at Mass. Catholics rarely consider the necessary elements for a liturgy. They may consider the need for a Priest, but not all the other ministers that help a Mass to happen. Art and Environment ministers who decorate the Church in seasonal beauty. Ushers who help parishioners with directions, seating, and collections. Sacristans who set up for the Mass, and ensure the Priest has everything he needs for a valid Mass. Lectors who beautifully proclaim the readings so that parishioners can reflect on God's word. Servers who assist the Priest at Mass, helping to make sure the liturgy runs smoothly. Eucharistic Ministers who help distribute the Blessed Sacrament. Music ministers who enhance the Mass through songs and Mass responses. All these people help to provide a spiritually uplifting experience for our community. Sadly, however, the number of people fulfilling these essential roles at St. Anthony is dwindling rapidly. **Therefore, after communion starting next week, members of these liturgical groups will be speaking to you about these important ministries, and how you as faithful Catholics can become a part of them.**

## **THE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:**

Ushers and Altar Servers: *October 7-8*

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors: *October 14-15*

Sacristans and Art and Environment: *October 21-22*

Music: *October 28-29*

**Ministry Sign-up in the Vestibule (with donuts):  
*November 4-5***

I ask you to seriously consider becoming a part of one (or more) of these ministries. We desperately need you, so that St. Anthony can continue to provide for your spiritual lives. Our faith lives are not a passive pastime, but rather it demands our active participation. Please actively be a part of this community of faith.

*~Rev. Edward J. Smith*

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OCTOBER 1, 2023

## 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

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

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## SUNDAY READINGS

### FIRST READING:

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

### PSALM:

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

### SECOND READING:

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. (Phil 2:5)

### GOSPEL:

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OCTOBER 1, 2023

**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday:** Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43



## Sunday - Oct. 1st - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Liz Kiely

*Requested by: Katherine & Anthony Phillips*

## Monday - Oct. 2nd - The Holy Guardian Angels/ School Mass

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

## Tuesday - Oct. 3rd - Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †Joan Bellisario (Birthday)

*Requested by: Richard & Stephanie Michalski*

## Saturday - Oct. 7th - Our Lady of the Rosary

4:00 pm - †Marilyn Nemeth

*Requested by: Stephen Nemeth*

## Sunday - Oct. 8th - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Jeff & Maureen Smith & Family

*Requested by: Jeff & Maureen Smith*

## LIGHTING THE CANDLES IN THE CHURCH

Please put the money in the box under  
the candles in the Divine Mercy Niche  
*(the south east corner of the church).*

Candle donations are  
\$3 each for the large candles &  
\$1 each for the small candles.



## Saturday, October 7th at 4:00 pm

*Lector: Laura V.*

*Eucharistic Ministers: Carol B., Joanne C., Karen B.*

## Sunday, October 8th at 10:00 am

*Lector: Celia F.*

*Eucharistic Ministers: Anna S., Anna A.*

*Please call the Parish Office, 440-288-0106,  
for info on joining the Art & Environment Committee  
or becoming a Sacristan.*

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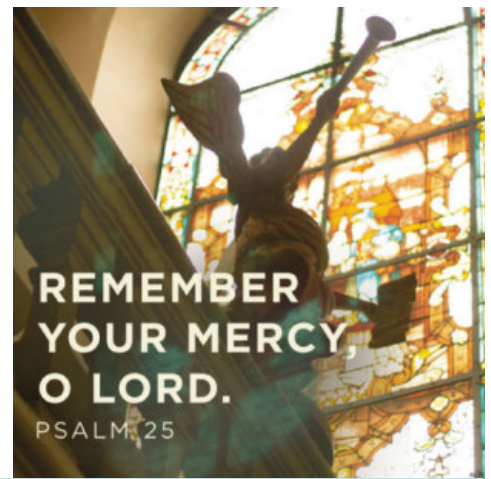
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# OFFERTORY REPORT

Amount Budgeted Weekly..... \$6,240.00  
 Sunday Collection (9/10/2023)..... \$5,100.00  
 7/1/2023 to Date +/- Budget..... - (\$4,209.00)

## 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.*



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## DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

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 from *Knights of Columbus*

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*Thank you for your continued generosity!*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton	Marge Cetovich
Lynn Coscho	Ann DiFrancesco	Jerry Donovan	Anna Mae Ebinger	Denise Ellis	Deacon Jose Flores
Norma Jean Flores	Scott Friges	Bea Giacobbe	Virginia Glass	Barbara Glick	Brian Grace
Dan George	Renee Golowenski	D' Arie Gonzalez	Delores Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.
Juan Gonzalez	Dawn Smith-Hathaway	Tim Haupt	Vicky Herrmann	Clara Hodorowski	Kevin Holley
Phyllis Holomuzki	Jennifer Humphrey	Baby Jackson	Al Jacobs	Devin Jarvis	Sylvia Johnston
Johnna Kuhar	Deacon Luis Maldonado	Dean Martin III	Rita McConley	Dolores Melley	Sandra Merkle
Jen Mitterholzer	Ellen Morgan	Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell
Joe Rizzo	Amy Schmidt	Patricia Smith	Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres	Rosa Torres
Nanette Truffin	Preston Uber	Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth
Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka				

*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,  
 Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm

# ADORATION CHAPEL

"Jesus gave Himself as spiritual food and True Presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament. In our century at Fatima, Mary asked the three children and us to 'Pray the Rosary every day.' Here we see two marvelous fountains of grace flowing together. When we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we become united with Him. Adoring His presence exposed on the altar or in the tabernacle, we bask in His warmth. Meditating on the Rosary, we recall Jesus' life, death and resurrection and the union of His mother in the work of our salvation. Through the Eucharist and the Rosary, two hearts are joined in love, and we, in love, are joined to those two hearts."

~Michael Six

Among his top ways to holiness were "Go to Mass with deepest devotion." "Say the Rosary every day." "Also daily, if at all possible, visit the Blessed Sacrament." He also promoted frequent Confession and Spiritual Reading.

~Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Redemptorist, Miracle Worker, 1819-1867

"When the priest took the Blessed Sacrament to bless the people, I saw Jesus as He is represented in the [Divine Mercy] Image . . . "

~St. Faustina

"Let everyone be struck with fear, the whole world tremble and the heavens exult when Christ, the Son of the Living God, is present on the altar in the hands of a priest."

~St. Francis of Assisi



## **Divine Mercy Meditation - Thankful for Everything**

**Do not defend yourself when you are put to shame, though innocent. Let others triumph. Do not stop being good when you notice that your goodness is being abused. I Myself will speak up for you when it is necessary. Be grateful for the smallest of My graces, because your gratitude compels Me to grant you new graces ... (Diary, 1701).**

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

### **My Prayer Response:**

*Lord Jesus, help me not to defend myself when put to shame. May I be thankful for everything, especially for the smallest of Your graces. Amen.*

## **PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK - CATHOLIC SUPPORT FOR WOMEN**

Our state is facing a change to the constitution that threatens pregnant women and preborn children. Just as Jesus defended vulnerable women, the Catholic Church in Ohio stands in radical solidarity with pregnant women and those affected by abortion through various ministries:

- ~ **Walking with Moms in Need** – Offers material resources such as clothing, food, and baby supplies, and personal accompaniment to pregnant women
- ~ **Catholic Charities** – Sponsors educational programs for expecting mothers and fathers and accompanies families into parenting; Supports families with programs related to housing, food insecurity, and other needs
- ~ **Project Rachel** – Provides confidential post-abortive healing to women and men affected by abortion

The Catholic Church in Ohio also advocates for the needs of mothers, children, and families. The Catholic voice in public policy has helped build a culture of life in Ohio by eliminating sales tax on baby products, investing money in housing for pregnant women, extending a cash assistance program through all months of pregnancy, and creating a new doula program to address infant and maternal mortality rates. As Catholics, we must support women and children in need by **Voting NO on Issue 1.**

## HISTORY OF ST. ANTHONY CONTINUED

St. Anthony's Golden Jubilee Celebrations had been initiated during Fr. Dominic's tenure and committees were formed to carry out the extensive preparation and plans for the event. Many hours were spent planning and preparing. **The main Jubilee Mass was celebrated on June 10, 1973.** Also in 1973, a hard-covered history book of the parish was published: A Sharing Community: St. Antony of Padua, Lorain, Ohio. It was, Fr. Pius Poff who led the Golden Jubilee. **Father Pius continued as pastor until August of 1976, when Fr. Gerard Herman was appointed.**



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

The Diocesan Office for Worship will hold another round of EMHC formation sessions this fall:

**Sunday, October 8, 2:00-4:30 PM,** St. Charles Borromeo, Parma

**Saturday, October 14, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM,** Sagrada Familia, Cleveland (*Spanish*)

**Thursday, October 19, 7:00-9:30 PM,** Holy Trinity, Avon

**Saturday, October 21, 10:00 AM-12:30 PM,** Beaumont High School, Cleveland Heights

**Please contact your parish office if you are interested in registering for one of the sessions.**

## FIRST FRIDAY FORUM - 10/6

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will present Fr. Lukas Laniauskas SJ, pastor of Gesu Parish on Friday, October 6th. Lunch begins at 11:30 am & Fr. Lukas presenting "*Bringing People Back to Church with Quality Liturgies*" at Noon at the Spitzer Conference Center of Lorain County Community College, Elyria. *Reservations need to be received by 6 pm on Monday, October 2nd.* Call 440-213-2132 or email [fflorain@gmail.com](mailto:fflorain@gmail.com). Cost is \$25.

## ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY - PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR - 10/7

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on **Saturday, October 7, 2023, at 1 pm.** Learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and a Savings Certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to St. Joseph Cemetery, 32789 Detroit Rd., Avon 216-641-7575 ext. 8 or email [bdejohn@clecem.org](mailto:bdejohn@clecem.org).

## ST. TERESA OF AVILA FEAST DAY ITALIAN DINNER

**SATURDAY, OCT. 14TH IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER**

**DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM - DINNER FROM 6-7 PM**

**TICKETS ARE JUST \$20 EACH! (DINE-IN ONLY)**

**The menu will include:** *Italian Wedding Soup, Salad, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Garlic Spaghetti, Chicken Cutlet and Italian Bread with Dessert & Beverage.* There will be 50/50 Sideboards (*Must to present to win*). Tickets are available at the St. Teresa Parish Office, 440-934-4227.

## MARIAN GUILD MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS GOING ON NOW!

Dues for Marian Guild remain at the bargain price of \$5.

**Join us for our donut Sunday sponsored by the Marian Guild on October 15th!**

### 2023-2024 MARIAN GUILD MEMBERSHIP

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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**Admission is \$35 per person or Reserved Table of 8 for \$280**

Appetizers and Cash bar at 5:30 pm - Dinner Served at 6:30 pm  
German Buffet Dinner to include brats & sauerkraut, spaetzles, schnitzel, baked potato bar,  
German style green beans, cucumber salad, rolls and apple strudel.

There will be 50/50 boards; a large, assorted basket raffles; wagon of cheer and  
some amazing single prize raffles you will not want to miss!

Gather a group of your friends and enjoy this special evening while supporting  
Second Century's mission to help those in need!

**Please bring CASH for this event; currently we are not able to take debit/credit.**

**RESERVATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 12TH.**

**No tickets will be available at the door. Call Barb, 440-315-5182 for questions.**

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