

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”
- Mt 18:19-20

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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

I came across this story about a man whose outlook on life is close to my heart. This 85-year-old couple, having been married almost 60 years, had died in a car crash. They had been in good health for the last ten years mainly due to her interest in healthy food, and exercise. When they reached the pearly gates, St. Peter took them to their mansion which was decked out with a beautiful kitchen, huge master suite and jacuzzi. As they 'oohed and aahed' the old man asked St. Peter how much all this was going to cost. 'It's free,' Peter replied, 'this is Heaven.'

Next they went out back to survey the championship golf course that the home backed up to. They would have golfing privileges every day, and each week the course changed to a new one representing the great golf courses on earth. The old man asked, 'what are the green fees?' Peter's reply, 'This is heaven, you play for free.'

Next they went to the club house and saw the lavish buffet lunch featuring food from all over the world. 'How much to eat?' asked the old man. 'Don't you understand yet? This is heaven, it is free!' Peter replied with some exasperation. 'Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol tables?' the old man asked timidly. Peter lectured, 'That's the best part...you can eat as much as you like of whatever you like, and you never get fat, and you never get sick. This is Heaven!'

With that the old man went into a fit of anger, throwing down his hat and stomping on it while shrieking wildly. Peter and his wife both tried to calm him down, asking him what was wrong. The old man looked at his wife and said, 'This is all your fault. If it weren't for your bran muffins, I could have been here ten years ago!'

~Rev. Edward J. Smith

**KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN**

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SEPTEMBER 10, 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

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. (Ez 33:8)

PSALM: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

SECOND READING: Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law. (Rom 13:10)

GOSPEL: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." (Mt 18:15)

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Sunday - Sept. 10th - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Mick Bainbridge

Requested by: Carol Bainbridge

Monday - Sept. 11th - Patriot Day

8:30 am - †The Deceased Members of the Lorain Police Department

Requested by: Jeffrey Smith

Tuesday - Sept. 12th - The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30 am - †Jean Copeland

Requested by: Linda Mathewson

Saturday - Sept. 16th - Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

4:00 pm - †Deceased Members of the Majjasie & Dancak Families

Requested by: Mary Ann Majjasie

Sunday - Sept. 17th - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Londa & William Nicola

Requested by: Caroline Butchko

PRAYER FOR PATRIOT DAY!

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, regard, we pray, with your divine pity, the pains of all your children. As we remember the horrifying events of September 11, 2001, hold us in the shelter of your enduring love. Grant that the passion of our Lord & his infinite love may make fruitful for good the tribulations of the innocent, the sufferings of the rescuers and the sorrows of the bereaved. We ask this in the name of your son & our brother, who suffered & died for the sake of all people. Amen.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24-2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35



Saturday, September 16th at 4:00 pm

Lector: Marybeth B.

Eucharistic Ministers: Marybeth B., Laura P.

Sunday, September 17th at 10:00 am

Lector: Anna S.

Eucharistic Ministers: Hilaire T., Karen L., Dan L.

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

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OFFERTORY REPORT

Amount Budgeted Weekly..... \$6,240.00
 Sunday Collection (8/20/2023)..... \$4,438.00
 7/1/2023 to Date +/- Budget..... - (\$3,986.00)

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.



ST. ANTHONY PRAYER LINE

Many years ago, the Marian Guild saw the need for and started a **Prayer Line for those in need of IMMEDIATE prayer**. Through the years we have had several different contact people who have done a wonderful service by getting prayer requests out to the Prayer Line members. We have changed contact people once more. **For immediate prayer requests please contact from 9 am to 3 pm Linda at 440-667-9050 and for afternoon and evening prayer requests, 3pm to 9pm, contact Terri at 440-320-3272.** Please leave a message stating the first name of the person in need of prayer and the reason for your request. You do not need to leave your name or number unless you prefer to. This Prayer Line is not to be confused with the sick list (below) that is published in the bulletin. **Please pray for people on both lists as we all are in need of prayer.** If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Line, please contact either Linda or Terri. All that is required of you is to call or text the request to the next person in line. Each member of the Prayer Line has one contact which will be given to you when you join. **Please consider joining the Prayer Line, which, in the past, has proved to be very powerful.** *God bless you!*



PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Lindsey Marie Ballas	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton
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
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Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer	Ellen Morgan	Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Elizabeth Raddell
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Rosa Torres	Nanette Truffin	Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth
	Velma Weichman	Cathy Weston	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.

ADORATION CHAPEL

"If we want to grow and to be filled with the love of God, it is necessary to plant our life firmly on three great realities: the cross, the Host, and the Virgin: *crux, hostia, et virgo* . . . There are three mysteries that God gave to the world in order to structure, fructify, and sanctify our interior life and lead us to Jesus."

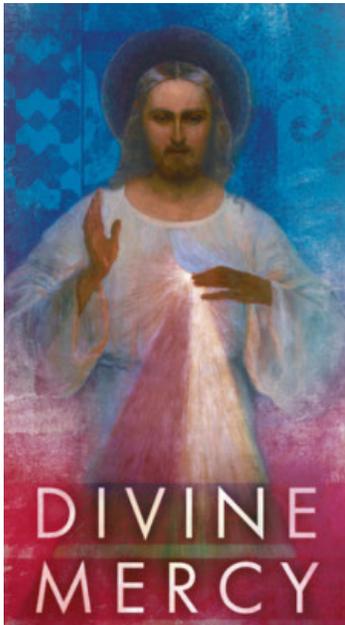
~Cardinal Robert Sarah, *The Power of Silence Against the Dictatorship of Noise*.

"Consequently, every time we approach the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharistic liturgy, we also turn to her who, by her complete fidelity, received Christ's sacrifice for the whole church. The synod Fathers rightly declared that "Mary inaugurates the Church's participation in the sacrifice of the Redeemer." She is the Immaculate who receives God's gift unconditionally and is thus associated with His work of Salvation. Mary of Nazareth, icon of the nascent church is the model for each of us called to receive the gift that Jesus makes of Himself in the Eucharist."

~Pope Benedict XVI, *Sacramentum Caritatis*, 33



"Behold your Mother" (JN 19:27), Our Lady of Sorrows



Divine Mercy Meditation - My Misery Meets Your Mercy

Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The torrents of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls

(Diary, 1602).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

My Prayer Response:

Thank You, Lord, for Confession, where my misery meets Your mercy. Help me to draw mercy from this fount of mercy with the greatest trust: "Jesus, I trust in You!" Amen.

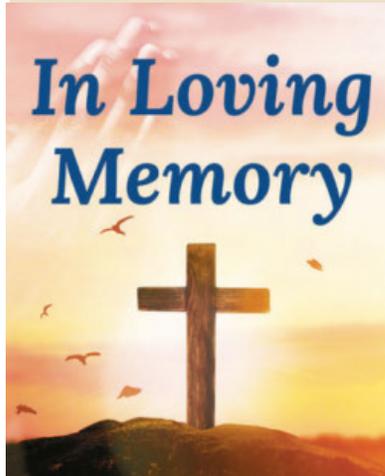
PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK - A WELL-FORMED CONSCIENCE

The Church equips its members to address political and social questions by helping them to develop a well-formed conscience. **Catholics have a serious and lifelong obligation to form their consciences in accord with human reason and the teaching of the Church.** Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere "*feeling*" about what we should or should not do. Rather, conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil. Conscience always requires serious attempts to make sound moral judgments based on the truths of our faith. As stated in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "*Conscience is a judgement of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right*".

~USCCB *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*

HISTORY OF ST. ANTHONY CONTINUED

Parish life, both spiritual and social, was very active during the ensuing years and Fr. George, before being transferred would announce that the parish debt was liquidated at his farewell Mass.



MANY PRAYERS & SYMPATHY

to Jeannette, Melissa, Arianna, Gabriela & many family & friends upon the death of their son, husband & father, **Robert Salkowitz II** on August 29, 2023.

to Karen & family upon the death of her mother, **Ramona Krokos** on August 30, 2023.

May Rob & Ramona's souls & the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATES

Our Saint Vincent de Paul Society is in need of a few more members. Please understand that all of your volunteer hours can be done from home! Even though we do not have a physical food pantry at this time we continue to send Drug Mart vouchers to our clients. And this communication with them can be done from your own home! **If you are interested in volunteering, please call Linda at 440-288-2784 or Marty at 440-242-0060.**

We would also like to thank all our parishioners who have continued to support the needs of our neighbors and our parishioners in need. Your contributions have made a difference in many peoples lives. Our commitment to the St. Elizabeth Homeless Shelter also continues. Thank you so much for your kind response donating shower shoes and flip-flops during July for the men in the shelter. **We would like to continue to collect cereal and breakfast bars for the Shelter and ask you to please deposit them in the boxes designated at each of our entrances.** May God bless you and your families.

MARIAN GUILD NEWS

Our membership Drive is now being held! Please fill out the coupon with your name, address and phone number and if you are a new member. **Return this coupon by mail to Joanne Churchill, 358 Hafely Dr., Lorain, OH 44052.** The Marian Guild is planning to have Donut Sunday in September, **watch the bulletin for the date.** You can return your membership coupon to any of the members attending Donut Sunday. The Marian Guild has been an active spiritual and social women's group in the parish for more than 70 years! In addition to our service to the parish, we also have a scholarship fund that is distributed yearly to seminarians and any one pursuing religious life. Please ladies consider joining. **Many thanks to the ladies who continue to keep the Marian Guild alive and well! Your commitment to the Guild is very important and very much appreciated. God bless us all.**

2023-2024 MARIAN GUILD MEMBERSHIP

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ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____ CHECK IF NEW MEMBER _____

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If you would like to submit an article for an upcoming Bulletin, please send requests to obermillerk@stanthonylorain.com by **Thursday at 5 pm.**

Bulletins are sent to print every Tuesday!

ALL ARE INVITED . . .

St. Peter Parish, Lorain is sponsoring 2 trips in 2024 with White Star Tours:

June 2nd-7th

Enjoy 6 days and 5 nights in **Myrtle Beach, South Carolina** with 2 fabulous shows

&

August 18th-24th

7 days and 6 nights in **Montreal & Quebec City, Canada** with visits to Montreal Casino & Montmorency Falls

Flyers are available in the Parish Office.

A \$100 per person per trip is due by Sept. 20th.

For information & reservations, contact Sr. Cordell at 440-282-9103 x112

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