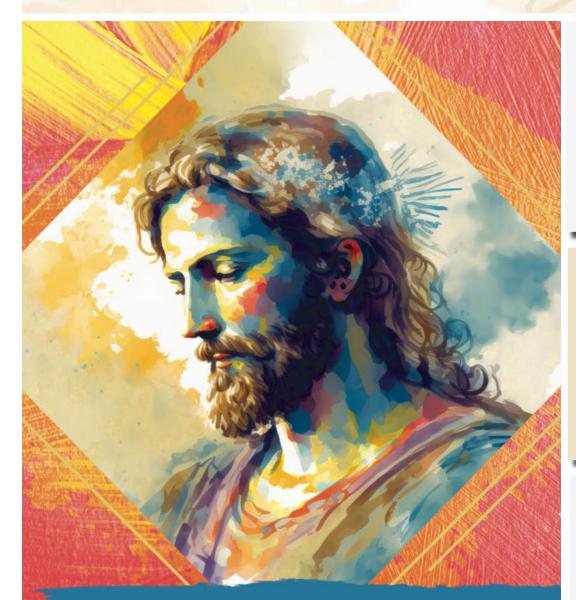
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | SEPTEMBER 3, 2023



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct." - Mt 16:26-27

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. @LPi

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 wonder how often we take for granted what children really understand when we teach them about our faith? A child was asked to write a book report on the entire Bible, and this is what he came up with:

In the beginning, which occurred near the start, there was nothing but God, darkness, and some gas. The Bible says, 'The Lord thy God is one', but I think He must be a lot older than that. Anyway, God said, 'Give me a light!' and someone did. Then God made the world.

He then split Adam and made Eve. Adam and Eve were naked, but they weren't embarrassed because mirrors hadn't been invented yet. Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating one bad apple, so they were driven from the Garden of Eden.....Not sure what they were driven in though, because they didn't have cars. Adam and Eve had a son, Cain, who hated his brother as long as he was Abel.

One of the next important people was Noah. Noah built a large boat and put his family and some animals on it. He asked some other people to join him, but they said they would have to take a rain check. After Noah came Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Jacob had a son named Joseph who wore a really loud sports coat. Another important Bible guy is Moses, whose real name was Charlton Heston. Moses led the Israel Lights out of Egypt and away from the evil Pharaoh after God sent ten plagues on Pharaoh's people. These plagues included frogs, mice, lice, bowels, and no cable. Then he gave them His Top Ten Commandments. These include: don't lie, cheat, smoke, dance, or covet your neighbor's stuff. Oh, yeah, I just thought of one more: Humor thy father and thy mother.

Next came David. He got to be king by killing a giant with a slingshot. He had a son named Solomon who had about 300 wives and 500 porcupines. My teacher says he was wise, but that doesn't sound very wise to me.

After the Old Testament came the New Testament. Jesus is the star of The New. He was born in Bethlehem in a barn. (I wish I had been born in a barn too, because my mom is always saying to me, 'Close the door! Were you born in a barn?' It would be nice to say, 'As a matter of fact, I was.') During His life, Jesus had many arguments with sinners like the Pharisees. Jesus also had twelve opossums. The worst one was Judas Asparagus. Judas was so evil that they named a terrible vegetable after him. Jesus was a great man. He healed many leopards and even preached to some Germans on the Mount. But all those guys put Jesus on trial before Pontius the Pilot. Anyways, Jesus died for our sins, then came back to life again. He went up to Heaven but will be back at the end of the Aluminum. His return is foretold in the book of Revolution. The End.

~Rev. Edward J. Smith

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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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day. (*Jer 20:8*)

PSALM: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (*Ps 63*)

SECOND READING: I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. (*Rom 12:1*)

GOSPEL: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Mt 16:24-25)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

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



Sunday - Sept. 3rd - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am -

†The Jeff & Maureen Smith Family Requested by: Molly Smith

Monday - Sept. 4th - Labor Day

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

Tuesday - Sept. 5th - Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †Catherine Tavenner Requested by: Hilaire Tavenner

Saturday - Sept. 9th - St. Peter Claver, Priest

4:00 pm - †Dorothy Eitner Requested by: Bill Visnesky

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

10:00 am -

†Mick Bainbridge Requested by: Carol Bainbridge

PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY!

Lord on this Labor Day, we thank You for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask Your guidance for everyone seeking employment, and we ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all. **Amen.**



<u>Saturday, September 9th at 4:00 pm</u>

Lector: Marybeth B. *Eucharistic Ministers:* Marybeth B., Laura P.

Sunday, September 10th at 10:00 am

Lector: Anna S. *Eucharistic Ministers:* Hilaire T., Karen L., Dan L.

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

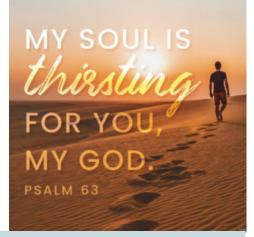


OFFERTORY REPORT

Amount Budgeted Weekly	\$6,240.00
Sunday Collection (8/13/2023)	
7/1/2023 to Date +/(-) Budget	

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 <u>IMMEDIATE</u> 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
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	Elizabeth Raddell
Emily Raddell	Joe Rizzo	Rob Salkowitz	Amy Schmidt	Patricia Smith	Jack Tocchi
Audali Torres	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

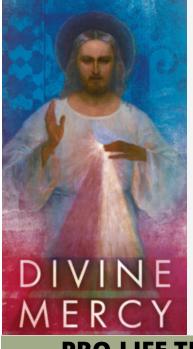
"Another woman [through the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary] is now given thee in place of the first, a humble and prudent Eve, instead of the proud and foolish one, an Eve who shall offer thee, not the tree of death, but the Bread of Life and who shall yield thee, not the poisoned fruit of bitterness, but the delicious fruit of immorality."

~St. Bernard of Clairvaux

"I want what is good for myself; I beg the same for you. Now there is no other way to bring this about than to ask the Virgin Mary constantly to come to you with her glorious Son. Ask her to give you her Son, who in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar is truly food of your soul . . . Readily will she give Him to you, still more readily will He come to you giving you strength to make your way fearlessly through this dark wood. In it large numbers of our enemies lie in wait, but they cannot reach us if they see us relying on such powerful help." ~St. Cajetan



Blessed Be the Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Divine Mercy Meditation - The Blood & Water

Today the Lord said to me, **Daughter**, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul

(Diary, 1602). *The words of Jesus appear in boldface type

My Prayer Response:

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for the Blood and Water which gushed forth from Your Heart as a fountain of mercy for me. As I approach You in Confession, I immerse myself in Your mercy with great trust. Amen!

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK - PEACE WITH GOD

It seems to me our country is in big trouble. Evil and sin are spreading throughout the entire world. We need to do something to fix it.

We need to listen to and trust in God. We need to help and respect each other. We need to put an end to abortion. We need to save the family unit. We need more politicians we can trust and respect.

We are all God's children, regardless of race or religion. Eventually, God's patience with us will end. *Remember reading about Sodom and Gomorrah?* Their sins were so grave that God destroyed both cities.

We have been warned about things to come but we don't know when they will happen. **Only God does.**

We need to pray to God and make peace with him before it's too late.

SPECIAL THANKS!

The family of Sheila Strauser would like to thank St. Anthony Parish & parishioners for their many thoughts and prayers, comfort and donations made in her memory. We cannot thank you enough! ~Strauser Family

HISTORY OF ST. ANTHONY CONTINUED

The crucifix support, above the tabernacle, displaying the corpus was donated by US Steel, recognizing the local steel-making industry. The corpus, donated by Paul Plato, is the same one that originally hung on the left side of the sanctuary in the basement church. Also, the oak communion rail, in our new church, was removed after the Second Vatican Council.

SVDP CHURCH, ELYRIA ADULT FAITH STUDY ON 9/20

This Fall SVDP will be continuing the journey & viewing The Chosen: Season 2. It will be an 8-week study is <u>FREE</u> of charge. To accommodate as many people as possible, we will be offering two options for you to join us on either Wednesdays at 7 pm or Thursdays at 10 am. The first session will begin on Wednesday, September 20th or Thursday, September 21st (depending on your session choice). We just ask that you register by September 15th to secure your spot. Register online at <u>www.svdpelyria.com</u> or call the parish office at 440-324-4212. Any ?'s, contact Jackie at jackiesvdp@gmail.com.

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				
NAME				
ADDRESS				
PHONE #	CHECK IF NEW MEMBER			

Mail to Joanne Churchill at 358 Hafely Dr., Lorain, OH 44052

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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

Bulletins are sent to print every Tuesday!

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, & compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and Memorial events throughout the year.

Upcoming Support/Gatherings:

September 9th - National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn

September 17th - Sunday Grief Support Meetings (3 pm In-Person & 5 pm Virtual)

> October 1st - Walk to Remember and online Memorial Wall

For details, visit: www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement

or for more information or questions, call: *Rhonda at 216-930-4866*.



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