SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 11, 2025

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"By the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit, St. Anthony's Parish Mission is to bring the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ and His Church to our families, our neighbors and our world."

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

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Mass Schedule

May	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {The Roebke Family}
May	14	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Matthias ~ {Nathan Siefker ~ John Siefker ~ Grant Siefker}
May	15	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
May	16	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Evelyn Wyant}
May	17	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
May	17	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
May	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ {Dan Verhoff ~ Grant Siefker ~ Norm Kohls ~ Virgil & Virgina Hoffman ~ Melinda Utendorf ~ Jim & Phyllis Verhoff}
May	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Wilfred Niese ~ Marie Niese ~ Jenny Roberts ~ Anne Schroeder ~ Ladonna Bryan (VFW)}
May	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Dan Kleman ~ Earl Kleman ~ Tom Buettner ~ Karl Kiene}

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Servers

May	13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
May	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Natalie Goubeaux, Jacob Kamphaus, Savannah Kamphaus
May	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sarah Kamphaus, Alexa Kamphaus, Drew Schroeder
May	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Kennedy Siefker, Hannah Brodwolf, Jacob Brodwolf

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Lectors

May	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Gary Hermiller
May	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ben Schroeder
May	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Hannah Warren

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Eucharistic Ministers

May	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Rose Schnipke, Deb Siefker, Karyn Kamphaus, Marge Tabler, Jenna Goubeaux
May	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Doug Langhals, Judy Schroeder, Dan Maag, Kate Blue, Rose Ellerbrock
May	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Beth Birkemeier, Sue Schroeder, Alton Kiene, Lynn Downing, Lisa Meuleman

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Ushers

May	17	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Cody Wagner, Gary Selhorst, Bill Koch, Bryant Blue
May	18	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Jason Koch, Dave Schroeder Jr, Adam Siefker, 1 Volunteer
May	18	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Joey Warnecke, Matt McCauley, Darren Siefker, Mark Selhorst

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Parish Activities			***For The Week of May 4th***	
May	**21**	**8th Grade Breakfast**	**Adult ~ 143**	**$ 9,148.00**
May	**21**	**8th Grade Graduation Mass @ 6:30 p.m.**	**Children's ~ 21**	**23.00**
May	**21**	**Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.**		**9,171.00**
			Other Income	**10,559.46**
			Total Income	**$ 19,730.46**
***Easter Collection To-Date*:**		**$ 28,676.00**	**Total Expenses**	**$ 9,638.61**

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300 Club Winner ~ May 10th ~ Elaine J. Schroeder ~ Ticket #16 ~ $100.00

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The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Leon "Pete" Siefker who died on Thursday, May 1st, and Dennis Seyer who died on Friday, May 2nd. Mass of Resurrection was celebrated for Pete on Thursday, May 8th, here at St. Anthony's. May our Prayers and the grace of God see you all through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Pete and Dennis into His Kingdom for eternity.

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Marriage Bans I ~ Rayann Clevenger & Dane Schroeder

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Position Available ~ K-8 STEM Teacher and Technology Coordinator for Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic School. **Position Overview:** Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic School seeks a dynamic and innovative individual to serve as a K-8 STEM Teacher and Technology Coordinator. This dual role combines teaching STEM curriculum with overseeing the integration of technology to enhance teaching and learning across the school. The ideal candidate will foster creativity, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills in students while supporting the school's technology needs in alignment with its Catholic values and mission. **Salary:** Negotiable - Interested applicants need to submit a letter of interest, resume, three letters of reference, copy of certification(s), and any other pertinent materials that may be applicable to: Joe Linder, Principal Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic School, 520 W Sycamore St. Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830. jlinder@stanthonyschool.info

Rice Bowl ~ The Rice Bowl donation this year was **$ 1,410.74**. The funds will be divided with a portion going to our Lord's Pantry and a portion going to Catholic Charities. Thank you for all your generosity and helping so many people in need!!

Rectory Cleaning ~ As in the past, women of the parish used to clean the rectory once a year. So next Tuesday, May 13th at 9:00, we need women to help give the rectory a good 'spring' cleaning. If you can only help for a short time, that will be fine. With enough help, the job could be finished quickly. Someone has graciously accepted the job of cleaning the rectory on a monthly basis but if someone is interested in sharing that job, please call the rectory. We so appreciate the work that Blanche Giesige has done over the years keeping the rectory clean and the circle flower bed in front of the rectory so beautiful.

Scrip ~Will be available this weekend, **May 10th & May 11th** after Mass in the church basement. The helpers are Ken & Connie Kruse, Marge Tabler & Judy Gerten.

Important Information About The Pictorial ~ Since some of you have not been able to get your pictures taken, you can still submit a picture by the end of May, pay $25 and get a free pictorial. Or if you just want a pictorial, we need to know how many to order and need family information. If interested, put your name, address, phone number, the names of your children from the oldest to the youngest (even though they are not in the picture you submit) and $25 in an envelope and put into the collection basket or drop it off in the drop box outside the rectory. If any questions, call the rectory at 419-659-2263, Marge Tabler at 419-659-5190 or Joyce Kaufman at 419-773-0698. THANK YOU!!!

Parish Pictorial ~ Our Parish Pictorial will also include the following:

1. Memorial Pages: A wonderful way to honor loved ones who have died with a picture, scripture verse, etc. The cost is $125 for a full page or $65 for half a page.
2. Business Pages: Advertise with your business card at the back of the book for $50 or for half a page at $180.

Parish Pictorial Group Pictures ~ on **Sunday, May 11th** between the Masses, we will begin taking group pictures as soon as possible after the 8:00 a.m. Mass of the following groups: Mass Servers - H.S. & CCD Students ~ Parent Guild ~ Lectors ~ Ushers ~ Eucharistic Ministers ~ Collection Counters.

Adoration ~ Will be **Monday, May 12th** at 6:30 p.m. Join in adoring Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist and pray together the "*Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary*". **Jesus is waiting for us to spend an hour with him!**

Rosary Guild ~ The Rosary Guild will be meeting on **Tuesday, May 13th** at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement. **We will be taking a picture for the parish pictorial at that time.**

St. Anthony Red Cross Blood Drives ~ St. Anthony's next blood drive will be **Thursday, May 22nd** at the Church of The Good Shepherd from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. If interested in donating, contact the American Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or call Marge Tabler at 419-659-5190. You can also go online to make your appointment.

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Church Hall ~ We are in need of plastic containers, large or small. Please put them in the back kitchen. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School News~ VBS will be held the week of **June 9-12** from 6:00-8:30 in the school. This year's theme is "Around the World in 5 Days with the Saints and the Virtues of Faith, Hope and Love" Registration forms are at the church entrances and will also be sent home from school. They are due by Monday, June 2 to the parish office. Kids ages 4 through incoming grade 5 are welcome. Any questions, call Judy Schroeder 419-659-5498

Help Needed for VBS~ Students in grades 6-8 and high school are welcome to help with our VBS program. Registration forms are available at church entrances. Thank you!

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Y.E.S ~ Youth Elect Service ~ This year's YES Project theme is "To the Heights." The youth will spend time bonding with prayer, volunteering, games, Eucharistic Adoration, sharing of meals, and so much more…all while discussing Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. Blessed Pier, who will be canonized August 3rd, has this quote which sums up YES: "What wealth it is to be in good health, as we are! But we have the duty of putting our health at the service of those who do not have it. To act otherwise would be to betray that gift of God." Please consider helping us make YES 2025 a success. We need volunteers to assist the day of – job site adult/young adult leaders, youth volunteers, job sites we can provide service at, food donations, kitchen help, set up, tear down, cleaning supplies, the list goes on. If you would like to help, contact Tanya Ellerbrock 419-890-3700 and we will find a spot for you.

YES (Youth Elect Service) JOB SITES ~ On Saturday, **June 14, 2025**, teens & adults from the St. George Deanery will be volunteering to help people throughout Putnam County with various jobs around their homes as they participate in the annual YES (Youth Elect Service) Project. If you would like a team of youth and adults to help with jobs around your home, please contact Tanya Ellerbrock 419-890-3700. Work can include anything from mulching, weeding, to washing your car, or just some spring cleaning around your yard! Please call soon, so we can make sure to have a team available to help at your house.

YES (Youth Elect Service) YOUTH VOLUNTEERS ~ Saturday, **June 14, 2025**. The 2025 YES service project will be hosted by Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul. Current 7th grade students through graduating Seniors are encouraged to join us for this day of service. Registration forms are available at the Sycamore entrances of the church. Registrations are due by **May 23, 2025**.

YES (Youth Elect Service) ADULT (Crew Leader) HELP Needed ~ Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join us as an ADULT CREW LEADER for the YES Service Project on Saturday, June 14, 2025 hosted by Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa and working throughout the county. Adult crew leaders must be at least 21. Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with the Young Church of Today! Registration forms are available at the Sycamore entrances of the church. Registrations are due by **May 23, 2025**.

YES (Youth Elect Service) PROJECT DONATIONS ~ Donations are always appreciated! Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with others, but if you are unable to help on YES Project Work Day, maybe you would be willing to help support our Project? Monetary donations and work supplies are always appreciated. Maybe you could donate a case of water or a case of paper towels, etc. Please contact Tanya Ellerbrock for ideas of what supplies we need most. Monetary donations can be sent to Sts. Peter & Paul, 307 Locust St. Ottawa, OH 45875. Thank you for your generosity.

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Lunch in the Park ~The Ottawa Senior Citizens Association will be sponsoring *Lunch in the Park* on **Thursday, May 15th,** 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ottawa Senior Citizen Center at 1035 East Third Street in Ottawa. Lunch choices are: Taco Salad, Fruity Chicken Salad Croissant Tray, Brat Tray, Hot Dog, desserts and drinks. Dine in or carry-out. Carry-outs are available by calling 419-523-5593.

The American Legion in Columbus Grove ~ Is hosting the 16th annual fishing derby **Saturday May 17th** at the Legion pond. The cost to enter the fishing derby is $10. You will have a chance to win a lot of prizes donated by our local businesses. Fish for a chance to catch Big Earl, he is worth $2000. Thanks to the Earl Belch Trust.

Teaching Positions Available - Our small school family of St. Mary School in Leipsic is seeking a 1st Grade and 2nd Grade Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. We are also seeking a combined 3rd/4th Grade Teacher. Even though the class is combined, the number of students is small. Successful candidates must hold a valid Ohio teaching license or be eligible for certification. Qualified candidates must also be able to pass background checks and have a passion to teach in a Christian environment. Applicant need not be Catholic. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to Fr. Randy Giesige at rgiesige@toledodiocese.org or by mail at 318 State Street, Leipsic, OH 45856. You may also contact Fr. Randy with any questions about the position by phone at 419-943-2688.

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A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

Let Us Welcome our New Pope Leo The Fourteenth, Praying that he will be a Good Leader of Our Church and stand Firm on Gospel Values. It certainly was a Surprise to hear it announced that Our Pope was The First American in History.

This Week's Gospel may be short, but it has a lot to say. Jesus speaks of His relationship with The Sheep and how they know Him and follow Him. Jesus said that No One can take them from Him because they were given Him by The Father and they will not be lost.

Congratulations to our Second Grade Students as they Received with Great Reverence their 1st Holy Communion this last Sunday. May they always receive His Body and Blood as they look forward to The Eternal Life it Offers.

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!
Love, Fr. David

Falcon News

Congratulations to our second graders who received First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 4th. We are so proud of you!!

Calendar of Event

May 9-May 12: Jr High to Washington D.C.
May 13: school picnic
May 16: Mass grade 3
May 18: Art Exhibit In the gym after 10:30 a.m. Mass
May 21: 8th Grade graduation Mass at 6:30 p.m.
May 22: Mass Gr 4, Last Day of Classes - Early Dismissal 12:45 p.m.

"A bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just." Pope Francis.

The Falcon News is proudly created by the Junior High.