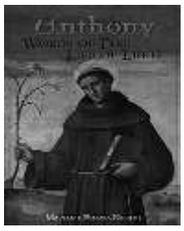

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 17, 2025

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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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Today Jesus warns us his Word will create conflict between parents and children. In a permissive society which advocates individualism and consumerism, parents must continue to teach and live the gospel values of respect, service to others, forgiveness, generosity and compassion. A Christian family is a countercultural family.

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Mass Schedule

August	19	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Greg McCrate (K of C) ~ John Meyer ~ Pete Siefker}
August	20	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Bernard ~ {Rose Mary Kiene Latta}
August	21	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Piux X ~ {Ott Schroeder Family}
August	21	Thursday	2:00 p.m. Mass	Meadows of Ottawa ~ {For The Parish}
August	22	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ {Marguerite Sebastian}
August	23	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
August	23	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
August	23	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ {50th Wedding Anniversary Richard & Jane Kamphaus ~ Camil, Eileen, & Ed Knott ~ Sarah Stewart ~ Ed Koch ~ John Koch ~ Carol Pitney ~ Dan Verhoff ~ George Ellerbrock ~ Joe Blankemeyer ~ Sam & Anne Schroeder ~ Nick Schroeder ~ Nancy Schroeder-Sparks ~ Max Schroeder ~ Kali Crego ~ Living & Deceased Members of Cy & Celesta Kamphaus Family ~ Living & Deceased Members of Leonard & Nettie Stechschulte Family}
August	24	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Tom & Janice Stechschulte}
August	24	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Elmer, Audrey & Susie Vorst ~ Deacon Jim Dunn ~ Elmer & Kathie Langhals ~ Paula Stechschulte ~ Dan Kleman ~ Earl Kleman ~ Tom Buettner}

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Servers

August	19	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
August	20	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Alton Kiene
August	23	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Ryan Kamphaus, Jacob Kamphaus, Savannah Kamphaus
August	24	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ethan Basinger, Ethan Brown, Colin Langhals
August	24	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Lylah Wilson, Tucker Wilson, Sophie Ellerbrock

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Lectors

August	23	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Linda Durdel & Sue Kamphaus
August	24	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dan Maag
August	24	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Nicole Wilson

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Eucharistic Ministers

August	23	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Bob Kamphaus, Morgan Kamphaus, Karyn Kamphaus, Rose Schnipke, Pat Birnesser
August	24	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Hoffman, Gib Kaufman, Marilyn Birkemeier, Jason Brown, Diana Kaufman
August	24	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Jenna Goubeaux, Lynn Downing, Bob Maag, Sue Schroeder, Cheryl Ellerbrock

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Ushers

August	23	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Doug Roof, Don Stechschulte, Rob Verhoff, Mya Verhoff
August	24	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Joyce Seyer, Joe Morman
August	24	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Dave Ellerbrock, Terry Giesige, Duane Vorst, Pat Vorst

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Parish Activities

August 17 ~ Blessing of Backpacks after 10:30 Mass
And School Open House
August 24 ~ K of C Annual Family Picnic
August 27 ~ Finance Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
August 27 ~ Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.

For The Week of August 10th

Adult ~ 116	**$ 5,802.00**
Children's ~ 19	**20.00**
	5,822.00
Other Income	**621.00**
Total Income	**$ 6,443.00**
Total Expenses	**$ 66,100.23**

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300 Club Winner ~ August 16th ~ Sue Kahle ~ Ticket #173 ~ $100.00

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The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Jan Kidd who died on Thursday, August 7th. Mass of Resurrection was celebrated for Jan on Thursday, August 14th here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Jan into His Kingdom for eternity.

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Marriage Bans I ~ Taylor Ellerbrock & Travis Sutter

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Blanchard Valley ~ Stan Schroeder

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St. Rita's ~ Betty Hermiller

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OCIA ~ (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) If you are considering becoming Catholic, please call the office to express your interest or email Father David at davritch@aol.com. Classes will be starting in September or October.

From the Country Store ~ We would like to thank everyone for their generous donations to the Country Store raffle. The variety of raffle prizes was amazing! We had so many nice craft items and baked goods as well. This parish is blessed with truly kind people and we appreciate your goodness. Thanks again!

Lynn & Kate

Garage Sale ~ This weekend you may go through the garage sale for any items that are left. Please help yourselves. Can anyone use the nice organ or the school chairs? We would really like to find a good home for them.

Right To Life Garage Sale ~ We really appreciate all who support LIFE God's Way! We raised $585.75 that went to the Putnam County Right to Life. Thank you to the many great helpers which are too many to name all of you. A special thank you to Carla Kohls & Kim Schreiber for the amazing jewelry donation, the people loved it!
Thank you all very much, Jan Klinker

Kip's Dairy ~ This year, we received donations from a new business in Grove so I'm hoping that our parishioners will stop by Kip's Dairy to thank Kaity Rose, the new owner, and purchase some ice cream. Kaity donated the ice cream that was at the Kid's Game Booth. She was married in June to Chase Rose (son of Paula (Stechschulte) Rose from Alger). Kaity worked at a dairy whip in Findlay in her teens so was happy when she found out that a dairy whip was for sale in Grove. If some of you wondered why it's named Kip……..it's the name of her dog. Thank you, Marge

We have a small wallet that was turned in after the festival. Please call the office at 419-659-2263.

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Beacon of Light & Hope Benefit ~ Nick O'Brien could use our help, he has been left to raise his 2 little girls alone after his wife's unexpected passing. Please join us on **Sunday**, **August 17th** at 1:00 p.m. at the Columbus Grove Senior Citizen Center, 17524 Rd. 8-P, Columbus Grove, for a worship team and enjoy lunch featuring pulled pork sandwiches. If you can't make the event but would like to make a donation please make your checks out to Nick O'Brien and mail to Jan Klinker, 9656 Rd Z, Columbus Grove Ohio 45830. Let's show our love by helping to lift some of his burdens.

K of C Annual Family Picnic ~ The K of C Picnic will be held on **Sunday, August 24th** in the church basement. Please bring the family and a covered dish and the meat will be provided. Deceased member's families are also welcome.

St. Anthony Youth Ministry: Ignite, Fan into Flame ~ We will kick-off the school year on **Wednesday**, **August 27th** in the church rectory. Our first speaker of the year will be Renee Leopold! HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS please spread the word. Please contact Nate Schroeder (419-969-4894) if you feel called to be a guest speaker or have any questions.

Baptism Classes ~ The next Baptism class (required for first time parents or encouraged for new parents who have not taken the class in the past 5 years) will be held on **Thursday, September 4th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. Please call Tom & Karyn Kamphaus at 419-615-8737 or the parish office at 419-659-2263 to register.

Preschool Bible School Registration ~ https://forms.gle/mMff9n4PX9f1kwqY9 Classes will be starting in September and go through April. The class will be during the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays (the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month). Classes are in the church basement. The cost is $17 per child. This is for any child age 3 ½ by September 1, 2025 and fully potty trained through kindergarten.

This Fall ~ Have you felt the Holy Spirit calling you to something more? Come with us on an exciting, transformative journey. SHE (She shall be called woman) is coming to St. Anthony's! ALL women are welcome, especially those seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. SHE consists of 9 weekly sessions with video presentation from inspirational speakers followed by small group discussion. Refreshments will be provided. No weekly commitment. Please, come when you can. Sessions will be held on Saturday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. While these sessions will normally be in the church basement the very first session on Sept 13th will be in the school. For any questions, please feel free to reach out to Faith Stechschulte, Breanne Windau, Megan Brodwolf, Val Pingle, Courtney Rieman, Amber Schroeder, or Erica Siefker. We hope to see YOU there!

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Summer Mass Servers

Thank you to those students and adults who have volunteered to serve at Mass during the week this summer. We truly appreciate you giving of your vacation time to serve the Lord. Those who volunteered are:

Adrian Birnesser
Ethan Brown
Alexa Kamphaus
Jacob Kamphaus
Sarah Kamphaus
Savannah Kamphaus
Neil Kaufman
Troy Kaufman
Colin Langhals
Griffin Langhals
Matt Morman
Joel Vennekotter
Walker Sudlow

Adult Servers ~ Bev Baxter, Jerry Dickman, Alton Kiene, Judy Schroeder, & Roger Wenzinger

Thanks to all of you!!!

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Funeral Committee ~ Funeral Food Committee for **September through November**: Chairlady – Vicky Schroeder – Committee: Mary Wagner, Karen Calvelage, Connie Niese and Marge Schroeder. Thank you to Sue McDowell, Jane Hilty, Julie Herron, Donna Karhoff, and Rose Myers who served on our Funeral Food Committee and generously donated their time and wonderful desserts June through August.

Lunch In The Park ~ The Ottawa Senior Citizens Center will be having lunch on **Thursday, August 21st** at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 1035 East Third Street, Ottawa. Lunch choices are: Grilled Hamburger Platter, Grilled Brats Platter, Grilled Bologna Platter, desserts and drinks. Dine in or carry out. Carry outs are available by calling 419-523-5593. Our Grill master is Ron Detrick.

Only 21 Tickets Left ~ Leipsic St. Mary Parish is hosting a bus trip to go watch the Detroit Tigers vs the Cleveland Guardians! The bus is leaving at 3:00 p.m. **September 17th** from the PLC. Tickets are $80. Tickets can be purchased at the Leipsic St. Mary Parish Office!

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KEEP KIDS SAFE ONLINE ~ Join Ben Tracy, a leading online safety speaker and ultramarathon runner. He will be at Sts. Peter & Paul church on **Wednesday, September 24th** at 7:00 p.m. He will talk about: Online Safety, Cyberbullying, Digital Citizenship, Online Predators, Mental Health & Social Media and Artificial Intelligence.

Annual Conference ~ The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Conference will be held Saturday, September 20, at Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, Ohio 44811 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and closing at 3:00 p.m. Fr. Yuri Kuzara, C.PP.S. will speak about how Ruth and Queen Esther from the Old Testament and Our Blessed Mother are similar. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with the Conference beginning at 9:00 a.m. A continental breakfast will be available. Mass will be offered at 11:00 a.m. with Confessions beforehand at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served after Mass followed by a basket raffle. Parishes are welcome to bring a basket for the raffle which will benefit flood victims through Catholic Charities. Fr. Yuri will continue his presentation, and the Rosary will be recited at the conclusion. Time will also be available to tour the Shrine's grounds and visit the gift shop. Registration is required by **September 12** and the cost for the day is $25. You may register by email to sueh1757@gmail.com and pay at the door. Please include your name, parish, email address, phone number and names of other attendees from your parish. You may also send your name, parish, address, email address, phone number and names of those attending with a check to St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 North Stadium Road, Oregon, OH 43616. Please make the check payable to TDCCW. Questions may be directed TDCCW President Rita Borgelt at hborgelt@bright.net or 419-796-9168.

Join Father Chris Mileski of Shelby and Plymouth on a Pilgrimage to France ~ Embark on an experience of a lifetime as we journey through Northern France visiting places that are tied to the Eucharist, attending daily Mass, and experiencing the Rescue Project March 2-13, 2026. We would love to have you join us! Flights are out of Detroit. For more details email Kari at kowens@stmaryshelby.org or visit catholicfaithjourneys.com/france2026/

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********CCD HIGHLIGHTS********

CCD Registration Link. https://forms.gle/ffNdfVea3QVcZ8eg9
Paper copies will be located at the Church entrances. Payment is due at the first class, Sept 7th. We will be meeting in the St. Anthony Gym. CCD is between Masses ~ 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

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A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

All good things, including Summer Vacation must eventually end. I know that some of our children are "Bummed" but many are also "Excited" for all that the New Year brings. We have a New Principal Amy Holzwart, and we had to sadly say Good-Bye to Mr. Linder who brought much to his time with Us. I'm sure that you will come To Love and Appreciate Mrs. Holzwart for the Good Person, Good Teacher and "Top Notch" Principal she is. We have been Very Blessed with some Great Principals and I'm Sure Mrs. Holzwart Can't Wait to meet you all!

This Week's Gospel is Short, but Full of some Bold Words from Jesus. Jesus says that "I have come to set The Earth on Fire, and How I wish it was Already Burning, and Do You think that I have come to Establish Peace on Earth? No I tell you, but Rather Division". Jesus then goes on to say that Our Households will be divided, and families will not find Peace. These Words are not what we might expect from Jesus, but they are not meant to say that He wishes for these things to happen, but He knows that because of His teachings and miracles, some may fear for their Powerful Positions and "The Leaders", whether in The Temple or The State, want to destroy Him and keep Him from Fulfilling what The Lord God sent Him to Accomplish.

We don't like to Deal with Chaos and we don't like Confrontation, but we know that to keep Ourselves and Our Children moving the Right Direction, we need to be strong and "Hold the Line", so that we can help Our Children and Ourselves to Achieve Our Just Reward in Heaven.

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