

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
 A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
 JANUARY 4, 2025**



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St. Anthony Parish Website: www.cgstanthony.weebly.com

St. Anthony School Website: www.stanthonyschool.info

Parish ~ www.facebook.com/cgstanthony/

School ~ www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduaColumbusGrove/

***“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.”***

***Today’s gospel tells us “all Jerusalem” was upset because “King Herod was deeply troubled.”
 A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person’s negative attitude can affect the whole family.
 If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you.
 Be peaceful and joyful!***

Mass Schedule

January	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Pat Morman}
January	07	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
January	08	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Larry Schroeder ~ Frances Schroeder ~ Frank & Bernice Schroeder ~ The Clem Schroeder Family}
January	09	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Rose Mary Kiene Latta}
January	10	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
January	10	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
January	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	{George Ellerbrock ~ Dick & Dolores Schroeder ~ Jim & Agnes Hoffman ~ Ruth Kruse ~ Lilly Kruse}
January	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	{Bea Candler ~ Tom & Janice Stechschulte ~ Frank Miller ~ Bill Schroeder}
January	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	{Elmer, Audrey & Susie Vorst}

Servers

January	06	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
January	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Brennen Langhals, Caelan Langhals, Siena Langhals
January	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sara Kamphaus, Alexa Kamphaus, Ethan Brown
January	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Hannah Brodewolf, Jacob Brodewolf, Olive Lee

Lectors

January	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Marge Tabler
January	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ron Teders
January	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Special Youth Ministry

Eucharistic Ministers

January	10	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Pat Birnesser, Rose Schnipke, Deb Siefker, Beth Birkemeier, Denny Ricker
January	11	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Hoffman, Jason Brown, Kate Blue, Gib Kaufman, Rose Ellerbrock
January	11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Jenna Goubeaux, Lynn Downing, Cheryl Ellerbrock, Anne Schroeder, Bruce Stephens

Ushers

January 10 Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass Doug Roof, Don Stechschulte, Rob Verhoff, Mya Verhoff
January 11 Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass Eric Dunn, Ron Hoffman, Joyce Seyer, Joe Morman
January 11 Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass **Special Youth Ministry**

Parish Activities

January 06 **K of C Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.**
Rosary @ 7:10 p.m.
January 07 **Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.**
January 13 **Rosary Guild @ 10:30 a.m.**
January 18 **Pre School Bible School @ 8:00 a.m.**

For The Week of December 28th

Adult ~ 383 \$ 45,206.26
Children's ~ 53 98.90
45,305.16
Other Income 20,179.00
Total Income \$ 65,484.16
Total Expense \$ 47,172.49



Christmas Collection to date ~ \$38,315.00



The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Phyllis Fuerst who died on Wednesday, December 24th. Mass of Resurrection was celebrated for Phyllis on Wednesday, December 31st, here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Phyllis into His Kingdom for eternity.



Oliver Blake, son of Marshall & Anna Downing, was baptized this past weekend here at St. Anthony's. May the new gift of the Holy Spirit be with you always!

+EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING FOR YOUR FRONT DOOR FOR 2026+ ~ A Longtime Catholic Tradition of Blessing Your House for The New Year. We will Furnish chalk that has been Blessed by Fr. David in a box at the Front Door and The Parking Lot Entrance for this Blessing. Gather Your Family for a short Prayer (Examples Can be found Online) Take the Blessed Chalk and say your Prayer then put this on the Top Molding of your Door. 20+C+M+B+26 representing the three wise men and telling everyone who enters your home, or leaves it, is Blessed By God.

Contribution Envelopes ~ The 2026 contribution envelopes are available in the church basement. Please contact the office at 419-659-2263 if you didn't get your envelopes. Thank you!

K of C ~ The K of C will be meeting on **Tuesday, January 6th** at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement with the Rosary being recited at 7:10 p.m.

That Man Is You ~ TMIY will be praying the Rosary **Wednesday, January 7th** at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

St. Anthony Youth Ministry: Ignite, Fan into Flame ~ Will take place on **Wednesday, January 7th** at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Rectory. Please contact Nate Schroeder, 419-969-4894, for any questions.

SHE ~ The next season of SHE, Shall be Called Woman, will begin **January 10th** in the church basement beginning at 8:00 a.m. Come join us!

Rosary Guild ~ The Rosary Guild will be meeting on **Tuesday, January 13th** at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions please call Mary Kay Koch at 419-236-9966.

Engaged Couples Conference ~ St. Anthony's Engaged Couples Conference will be held **Saturday, March 7, 2026** from 8:30 a.m. until Mass at 4:00 p.m. Cost of the day is \$50.00 per couple. Any couples interested, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263.

Payment can be dropped off or mailed to the parish office or can be made the morning of the conference.

Containers ~ The Kitchen Hall could use large plastic containers, such as half gallon to gallon size. Thank you!

Protection of Children and Young People ~ The Dioceses of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services and the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

The Serra Club of Lima Area ~ Which exists to promote and support vocations to priesthood and religious life, will be meeting **Thursday, January 8th** at Lima Central Catholic High School. Mass will begin at 5:45pm followed by dinner and a program. This month's speaker will be Fr. Jeff Walker, pastor of Delphos St. John, Spencerville St. Patrick and Landeck St. John. His topic is "College Campus Ministry - Helping our Young Adults Grow in Faith." Persons who have an interest in this topic or the mission of the Serra Club are welcome to attend as guests. If interested in attending, please respond to Kathy at 419-303-0339 no later than Tuesday, January 6.

Celebrating The Sanctity of Marriage ~ On Sunday, February 15th at St. Gerard Church, Lima. Mass will be at 3:30 p.m. followed by Dinner at 5:00 p.m. in the St. Gerard Church Hall. Dance begins at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40 a couple. Cash Bar. **RSVP by January 26th.** Contact Marilyn at 567-204-4745 to purchase your ticket.

The 23rd Msgr. Jerome E. Schmit Youth Foundation Dinner ~ Featuring **Tim Berta**, survivor of the 2007 Bluffton University baseball bus crash and author of *Fielder’s Choice: Honoring Fallen Teammates from Bluffton University* - will be held on **Thursday, February 19th** at the Pinnacle in Maumee. This foundation benefits the CYO Athletic program, the Youth, Young Adult & Campus Ministry programs, and the Catholic Club, as well as providing 12 partial scholarships to metro-Toledo area Catholic high schools annually. Tickets are \$60 each and may be ordered through the Catholic Club website (www.CatholicClub.org). Please email MSYFinfo@gmail.com with questions. Sponsorship packages are also available.

K of C Beef & Chicken ~ If you are planning to use beef or chicken for your family parties, consider purchasing your supplies from our K of C. Below are the prices of the items available.

	<u>Beef</u>	<u>Chicken</u>
Case of 24 cans ~ 28 ozs.	\$ 220.00	\$ 184.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs.	112.00	94.00
Price Per 28 oz. Can	9.50	8.50
Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs.	124.00	109.00
1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs.	65.00	58.00
Price Per 14.5 oz. can	6.00	5.00

Call Dave Ellerbrock at 419-659-5833, Dan Maag at 419-615-2148, Gary Hermiller at 419-642-2645 or Len Kaufman at 419-659-6153 to place your order.

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

CCD Classes ~ There will be CCD class this **Sunday, January 4th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. The next CCD Class will be **Sunday, January 11th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

Today’s Gospel Celebrates “The Epiphany” of The Lord, where the Manifestation of The Lord is made clear and The Magi, Known as The Three Wise Men, were making their way following The Star, to meet The Baby Jesus who was foretold.

The Magi were called by King Herod to tell him what they knew about The Child and asked them to return to him with what they found. Herod Was afraid that Jesus would “Get in His Way” and wanted Jesus Eliminated.

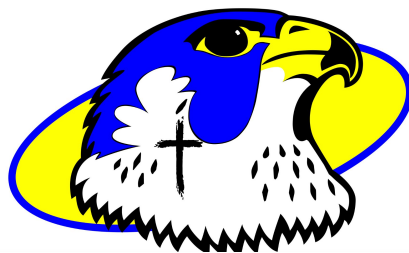
When The Magi reached “The New Born King”, they approached Jesus and Presented The Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh, as they Adored and Honored “The Christ Child”.

Because they were told in a dream not to return to King Herod, they returned home by another way. The Magi represented The Gentiles coming to follow Jesus signifying that God’s Mercy and Providence were available to All People who came to Him for Redemption.

As we finish The Christmas Season, Let Us keep “The Spirit of Christmas” with Us Always and not let The Prayers, The Love, and The Graces and Providence of God Fade.

St Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love, Fr. David



St. Anthony School Open House

We invite all families of the Columbus Grove community to consider a Catholic education for their preschool through 8th grade students, where faith, learning, and service come together in meaningful ways. Rooted in the belief that every child is called to love and serve others, our school nurtures hearts formed in faith and minds inspired to grow. We honor that each student learns in unique ways, and our teachers strive to meet students where they are while challenging them to reach their full, God-given potential. Through a strong academic foundation, faith-filled experiences, and opportunities to serve, our students are prepared not only for success in school, but to go forth as leaders who will change the world.

JOIN US

St. Anthony of Padua Open House

Sunday, January 25
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

We Believe Our Students



Can All
Learn & Grow



Are Called to
Love & Serve



Can Change
the World

Come and see the value
of a Catholic Education!

Register future
Falcons for
Preschool to
8th grade!



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Calendar of Events

- January 5 - Welcome back to School
- January 8 - MAP Testing - Language (grades 3-8)
- January 9 - End of 2nd Quarter
- January 12 - Hot sandwich
- January 13 - MAP Testing - Math (K-8)
- January 16 - Hot lunch, report cards home

In an ever changing world, Jesus Christ is the everlasting reason St. Anthony of Padua School exists.