SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 12, 2026

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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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Pray That God may rescue the entire world from all the evils of war and violence, especially in Ukraine and in the Middle East; may he comfort those who are afflicted, grant eternal rest to those who have died, and convert hearts and minds to peace, let us pray to the Lord.

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Mass Schedule

April	14	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
April	15	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Larry Schroeder ~ Frank & Bernice Schroeder Frances Schroeder ~ The Clem Schroeder Family}
April	16	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Deceased Members of the Robert Kohls Family}
April	16	Thursday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	Meadows of Ottawa ~ {For The Parish}
April	17	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Ed & Jeanette Morman}
April	18	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
April	18	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	**No Confessions**
April	18	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	{George Ellerbrock ~ Dick & Dolores Schroeder ~ Francis & Jean Stechschulte ~ Norm Maag ~ Ed Koch ~ Carol Pitney ~ John Koch}
April	19	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	{Tom & Janice Stechschulte}
April	19	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	{Dan Kleman ~ Earl Kleman ~ Tom Buettner ~ Al & Pauline Osterhage ~ Charles Endricks}
April	19	Sunday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	First Communion ~ {First Communicants and Their Families}

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Servers

April	14	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Bev Baxter
April	18	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Lylah Wilson, Tucker Wilson, Eli Kohls
April	19	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Matt Morman, Drew Schroeder, Madalyn Schroeder
April	19	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Mitchell Schroeder, Mariah Schroeder, Kira Schroeder
April	19	Sunday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	**Special First Communion**

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Lectors

April	18	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Isabella Wilson
April	19	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ron Teders
April	19	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Brian Schroeder
April	19	Sunday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	**Special First Communion**

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Eucharistic Ministers

April	18	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Ken & Connie Kruse, Deb Siefker, Maria Kaufman, Bill Schroeder
April	19	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Doug Langhals, Marilyn Birkemeier, Kate Blue, Judy Schroeder, Dan Maag
April	19	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Kelly Honse, Sue Schroeder, Cheryl Ellerbrock, Anne Schroeder, Hannah Warren
April	19	Sunday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	**Special First Communion**

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Ushers

April	18	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mike Kohls, Brent Glass, Denny Meuleman, Bonnie Doty
April	19	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dave Koch, Jon Diller, Matt Langhals, Griffin Langhals
April	19	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Ken Rieman, Dwain Schroeder, Issac Barto, Logan Rieman
April	19	Sunday	**2:00 p.m. Mass**	**Special First Communion**

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Parish Activities

April 12 Pre School Bible School @ 8:00 a.m.
April 12 K of C Breakfast after 8:00 a.m. Mass
April 14 Rosary Guild @ 10:30 a.m.
April 16 1st Communion Rehersal @ 6:30 p.m.
April 18 Casino Night @ 6:00 p.m.
April 22 Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.

For The Week of April 5th

Adult ~ 278	**$ 37,009.00**
Children's ~ 43	**160.79**
	37,169.79
Other Income	**4,165.28**
Total Income	**$ 41,335.07**
Expense	**$ 7,103.38**

Holy Land Collection: $999.00
Easter Collection To-Date: $29,447.39

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300 Club Winner ~ April 11th ~ Adam & Kim Siefker ~ Ticket #56 ~ $100

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Marriage Bans I ~ Grace Selhorst & Ryan Bogart
Marriage Bans III ~ Valerie Morman & Tyler Martin

Best wishes to Valerie & Tyler who will be married on Saturday, April 18th, here at St Anthony's.
May the Lord bless you both with a lifetime of happiness together!

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Congratulations to Caitlin Ricker and Randy Zimmerman
Our Newest Members of St. Anthony's who were Welcomed into the Faith During Our Easter Vigil!

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St. Anthony's Garage Sale ~ St. Anthony's will be having their garage sale on **April 30th – May 2nd** (town wide garage sale weekend). Thursday and Friday will be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday will be 9:00 a.m. until Noon. All items need to be dropped off to the shed by **April 25th**. The shed will be unlocked to put your items in the south end of the shed. We will no longer be having a garage sale during the festival. The Parish and School need the shed for storage. If you have any questions please call the parish office.

Easter Egg Hunt ~ We had a very good turnout for the Easter egg hunt once again this year and we were even able to have it outside!!!! We want to thank everyone who donated candy and gift cards. Happy Easter!

Rosary Guild ~ The Rosary Guild will be meeting on **Tuesday, April 14th** at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions please call Mary Kay Koch at 419-236-9966.

Parish Office ~ Will be closed Friday, **April 17th**.

That Man Is You ~ TMIY will be meeting on **Saturday, April 18th**, at 6:10 a.m. in the church basement. The topic is: Apostles of the New Springtime.

Casino Night ~ Casino Night will be **Saturday, April 18, 2026**. Tickets for this event are now on sale and can be purchased at the parish office or the school office. Casino Night will take place in the school gymnasium from 6:30-10:00 p.m. with doors opening at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are $25.00 each or two for $40.00.

The School Advisory Council is seeking **donations** for Casino Night on April 18, 2026. We are currently looking for donations that can be used as auction items or raffle items. Monetary donations will also be accepted to purchase food, drinks and raffle prizes. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office or the school office. Thank you!

Festival Meeting ~ Please save the date for **Wednesday, April 22nd** to discuss plans for the festival in August. There will be more information coming soon.

Children's Festival ~ The St. Anthony's School Children's Festival will be held on **Friday, May 8th** in the church basement. The festival committee is asking for donations of 2 liters of pop, Pringle's/Lay's Stackers cans of potato chips, movie theater box candy, and baked goods for the Sweet Treat Wheel. We also would appreciate any new, unused items for the novelty booth (many kids enjoy shopping for their moms at the novelty booth for Mother's Day). Non-perishable donations can be dropped off any time at the school or parish office. Baked goods can be left in the kitchen in the church basement on **Thursday, May 7th or Friday morning, May 8th.**

This year we are having the usual adult raffle as well as a raffle for the school kids to have a chance to take home some prizes! Any donations that can be used for raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated! Donations can be dropped off at St. Anthony School or the Parish office, raffle tickets can be purchased from St. Anthony students.

For those wanting to join in the fun on festival day, lunch for the public runs from 11:30 a.m. – Noon, and games are from Noon – 1:45 p.m. (with the raffle starting at 1:45 p.m.). The lunch and games will be in the church basement. The festival committee thanks you for your continued support of St. Anthony's School, staff, and students.

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The Mustard Seed at St. John's ~ Is **NOW OPEN**! Stop in and shop at your local Catholic gift and book store, located at 150 Church St. in Glandorf. We're open on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Rosary For Safety & Unity of Our Nation ~ 2nd Monday of the Month, April - October @ 7:30 p.m. at St. Rita's Rosary Walk, 620 E. Blake, Ottawa, by the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Father Ronald Warnimont Assembly.

Putnam County Master Gardener Volunteers (MGV) ~ Invite you to attend our Spring into Gardening garden fair on **April 25th** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Location: Putnam County Educational Service Center 124 Putnam Pkwy, Ottawa, Ohio $40.00 per person (includes Breakfast and lunch) Sessions include: Conservation in the Garden, Gardening for Blooms and Beneficials, Mushrooms of Ohio and Water Conservation. **Register by April 17th**, at the Putnam County Extension Office or online at: go.osu.edu/springintogardening.

ECCE Young Adult Choir Presents ~ Abide With Me: A Concert of Sacred Music ~ Free and open to the public; no tickets or reservations needed. More information, contact Jessica Schuster, Director: jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com. **April 18th** at 6:30 p.m., Dinner will be provided at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Free and open to all concert attendees! At St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 4500 Fairfield Ave ~ Fort Wayne, IN. **April 19th** at 3:00 p.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Downtown Chapel, 617 W. Main Cross St ~ Findlay, OH and **May 2nd** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 610 S. Portland St ~ Bryan, OH.

Catholic Road Trip....to Refresh & Renew...July 27 - 31 this summer. Get away for a few days and join area Catholics for an amazing faith-filled and fun summer trip for adults. Highlights include: group seating for live performance of JOSHUA at Sight & Sound Theater, Celebrate America 250 Gettysburg Tour, National Center for St. Padre Pio, National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Flight 93 National Memorial, Tanger Outlet Malls, Kitchen Kettle Village stores, and more. Includes motorcoach transportation, 2 nights in Amish Country, 2 nights in Gettysburg, and most meals. Cost: $1148 double occupancy (single available upon request). **DEADLINE – Monday, April 20.** For complete details, contact the leader Diane Utrup at 419-306-5588 or letsgotravelclub2@gmail.com

Drive-Through Chicken BBQ ~ Sacred Heart Catholic Church in New Bavaria will have a Chicken BBQ at Holgate Park **Sunday, April 26th**, 10:30 a.m. until Sold Out. Cost is $12 per meal, $9 chicken only. Carry-outs Available.

Annual Pancake & Sausage Supper ~ Will be **Thursday, April 30th** from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Columbus Grove Christian Church, 105 S. Broadway St. Dinners $9, whole hog sausage available for $5. Drive Thru Only

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

CCD Classes ~ There will be CCD Classes this **Sunday, April 12th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. The next CCD class will be **Sunday, April 19th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Confirmation Retreat date: Thursday, April 30, 2026 during school hours.
Tentative Confirmation Rehearsal ~ May 3rd from 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.
Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated May 9th at the 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony's.

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A Note from Father David……

Dear St. Anthony Family,

I Pray that You've all had Great Easter Celebrations with your Family and Friends. Many Thanks goes to all who worked so hard to make our Holy Week The Prayer that It Was. Our Choir, Cantors, Directors, and Our Children all helped us to Pray and Sing Well. Those who Decorated and made Our Church so Beautiful and Those who Served Our Masses and Read Well The Word of God are so appreciated by all who gave Witness to their Faith and Participation in a Community That has been Blessed by Our Lord.

This Week's Gospel tells a story that we all know, The Story of "Doubting Thomas" who was not present when Jesus visited His Disciples. When Thomas was with them they told him about Jesus, but he did not believe them until Jesus returned and Thomas saw and believed and said to Jesus, "My Lord and My God". Hopefully we will never "Doubt" as Thomas did. May Our Faith be never Shaken and any questions answered directly by God's Word and His Spirit.

Make Sure to visit Our K of C Breakfast this Weekend after The 8:00 Mass for a Great Breakfast among friends and take your donated items to Our Garage Sale building as soon as you can so "The Ladies" can get things ready for Our Garage Sale that will take place during the Town Garage Sale Weekend. More information on this change is coming.

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

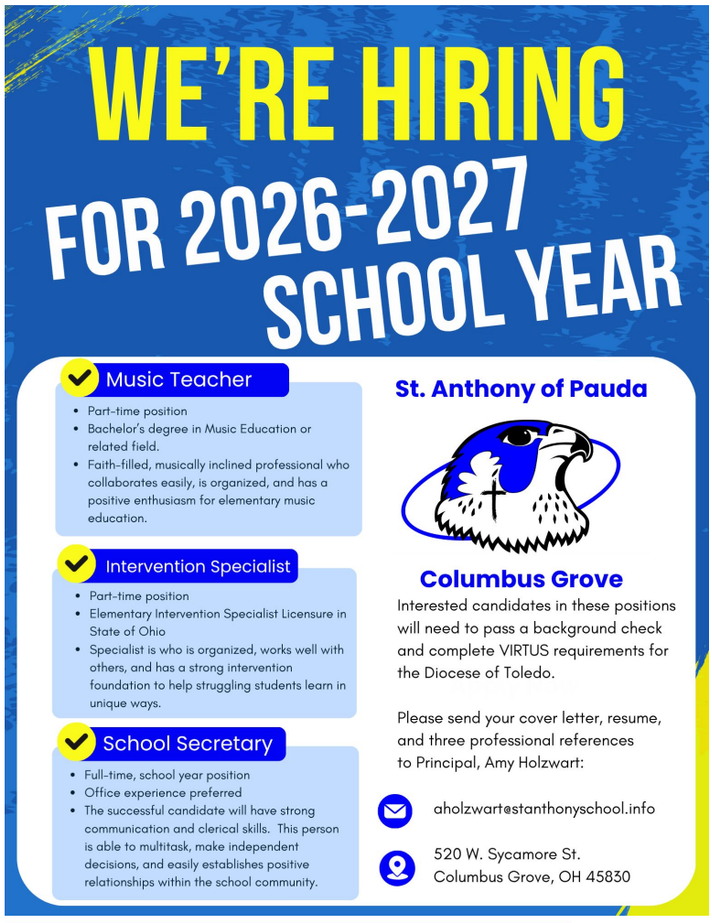
Falcon News

Casino Night

School Advisory Council has been hard at work planning for a great evening of adult fun! We hope many of you can come out and help support the school.

Now Hiring

We are currently looking for three new Falcons to join our staff. Please help us spread the word so we can find the right person to fill these positions for next school year!



SGO Donataion

If you haven't yet filed your taxes, it is not too late to donate to the SGO and help provide a scholarship to a St. Anthony Student. As of April 6, your donations total **$83,569.60!** We are very thankful for your generosity and can't wait to see how many students your donations will be able to support for this upcoming school year.

ACTION ALERT

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Make a donation to *Every Child Every Family* Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) on or before April 15, 2026 you can reduce your 2025 Ohio Income Tax liability and fund scholarships for our students.

Donate today at *www.EveryChildEveryFamily.org*

SCHOOL CHOICE OHIO

Calendar of Events

April 13 - Art Club
April 14 - 3rd Grade Field Trip, 6th Grade Service Project
April 15 - MAP Reading Test
April 16 - First Communion Rehearsal - 6:30 pm
April 17 - Hot Lunch
April 18 - Casino Night

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