SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 19, 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	21	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Larry Schroeder ~ Frances Schroeder ~ Frank & Bernice Schroeder ~ The Clem Schroeder Family}
April	22	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Ben Morman}
April	23	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
April	24	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {Dolores Meyer}
April	25	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
April	25	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
April	25	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	{Nick Schroeder ~ Nancy Schroeder-Sparks ~ Max Schroeder ~ Kali Crego ~ Virgil & Marilyn Kohls ~ Elmer & Armella Kerner}
April	26	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	{Elmer & Kathie Langhals ~ Jerry & Paula Stechschulte ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Kaufman & Schroeder Families}
April	26	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	{Kathy Hoffman ~ Richard & Phyllis Fuerst}

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Servers

April	21	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
April	25	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Bryce Pingle, Brynn Pingle, Tanner Barto
April	26	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Troy Kaufman, Neil Kaufman, Andy Kaufman
April	26	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Avery Birnesser, Adrian Birnesser, Sophie Ellerbrock

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Lectors

April	25	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Gretchen Staley
April	26	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dan Maag
April	26	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Lynn Downing

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Eucharistic Ministers

April	25	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Deb Siefker, Rose Schnipke, Marge Tabler, Karyn Kamphaus, Denny Ricker
April	26	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Marilyn Hoffman, Jason Brown, Lisa Langhals, Diana Kaufman, Gib Kaufman
April	26	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Jenna Goubeaux, Karl Schroeder, Wendi Wenzinger, Nathan Schroeder, Lisa Meuleman

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Ushers

April	25	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Cody Wagner, Gary Selhorst, Bill Koch, Bryant Blue
April	26	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Jason Koch, Dave Schroeder Jr, Adam Siefker, Andy Stechschulte
April	26	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Joey Warnecke, Matt McCauley, Darren Siefker, Mark Selhorst

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		Parish Activities
April	22	Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.
April	22	Festival Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
April	26	Pre School Bible School @ 8:00 a.m.
May	03	Senior Breakfast

For The Week of April 12th	
Adult ~ 151	$ 8,016.15
Children's ~ 17	36.00
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Income	23,802.11
Total Income	$ 31,854.26
Expense	$ 40,324.85

Easter Collection To-Date: $30,107.39

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300 Club Winner ~ April 18th ~ Gracee Warniment ~ Ticket #235 ~ $100

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Marriage Bans II ~ Grace Selhorst & Ryan Bogart

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Congratulations to our St. Anthony ***2nd graders who will receive Jesus for the first time Sunday, April 19th!***

Weston Barnhart	***Braxton Rieman***	***Scarlett Stechschulte***
Jackson Barnt	***Cole Schroeder***	***Viviana Stechschulte***
Hawkin Kohls	***Zane Schumaker***	***Kaylee Thomson***
Houston Kohls	***Kayla Stechschulte***	***Max Webken***
Sarah Recker	***Paxton Stechschulte***	***Ethan Young***

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Altar Rosary Bake Sale ~ Thank you for all of your support!! Our Bake Sale made **$410**.

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.

St. Anthony Youth Ministry: Ignite, Fan into Flame ~ Will take place on **Wednesday, April 22nd** at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Rectory. Please contact Nate Schroeder, 419-969-4894, with questions.

Festival Meeting ~ Will be **Wednesday, April 22nd** in the church basement at 7:00 p.m. to discuss plans for the festival in August. Please try to attend to discuss any possible changes we might make for the upcoming social.

Cemetery Cleanup ~ We will be doing some "Spring Cleaning" at the cemetery during April. Please remove all grave blankets, wreaths or any other fall & winter flowers. If using a saddle of flowers, please put your name on them so if they blow off, we know where to put them. Also please keep any and all of the items on the cement around the tombstone and not on the grass. If you have any questions or if you need someone to remove any flowers for you, call Dan Maag at 419-615-2148.

Aluminum Pull Tabs ~ We will collecting the pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. A glass jar will be right inside the back kitchen door. Our aluminum can collection will be sometime in May. Hope you are saving them?!

K of C Charity Tickets ~ A total of 1,118 charity tickets were mailed in April 1st for our first charity ticket turn-in. The 2nd and final turn-in will be **May 12th** with the drawing to be held on May 23rd. Our goal is the reach at least 7 tickets sold per K of C member. So far we're doing well. Keep selling those tickets. All proceeds go to charity!

The 14 Stations of the Eucharist ~ Monday, April 20th from 10-11:30 am & again at 6:30-8:00 pm. Sponsored by Christ the King Center, 620 E. Blake St, Ottawa. Questions contact them at contact@christthekingcenter.org

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.

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

CCD Classes ~ There will be CCD class this **Sunday, April 19th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. **April 19th**--CCD book turn in. Please return ALL CCD books to your Religon Teacher during CCD. We will keep the books in the classroom for the remainder of the school year to use. Thank you. The next CCD Classes will be **Sunday, April 26th** from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. **April 26th**--CCD MASS- 8:00 am Mass. Please have your child in the Church basement by 7:45 to process in as a group. Thank you.

Confirmation Retreat date: Thursday, April 30, 2026 during school hours.

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.

Prayers for our Confirmation candidates ~ Please ask God to help their hearts be open to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit so that they will live their lives giving witness to God.

2026 Easter Flower Donations

Our beautiful Easter Sanctuary and Church floral decorations were made possible again this year by the donations made by you in the name of your loved ones. This year's total is **$2,170**. Listed below are the names of loved ones and friends of our Parish Family who are remembered during this Easter Season and in whose honor these donations were made. May they all know the life, peace and joy that only Christ can offer. If we have missed someone, please accept our apologies and let us know by calling the parish office at 419-659-2263. We will print them in a following bulletin. Thank You!

In Memory of the Deceased Priests and Sisters from St. Anthony's and those who have served our parish.

Karl Hoffman
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Hoffman
The Joseph DeJohn Family
Jerry & Judy Fortman
Dan Fortman
Wayne Becker
Jim Smith
John E. Koch
Andrew L. Niese
Etheldreda M. Niese
Albert & Emma Knott
Gib & Sally Morman
Don & Helen Schroeder
Karl Stechschulte
Blanche Stechschulte
Dennis Stechschulte
Wayne Stechschulte
Darren Langhals
Alice Schroeder
Walter Schroeder
Angela Schroeder
Al Schroeder
Len Hermiller
Urban & Emma Westrick
Paul & Alberta Wenzinger
Bill & Katey Keysor
Charles & Eloise Davis
Tom Barlage
Al Schroeder
Angela Schroeder
Bob Kleman
Bea Kleman
Paul Kleman
Joe Blankemeyer
Neil & Ceil Blankemeyer
Kenny & Alma Eversole
Ted & Eloise Verhoff
Richard & Donelda Maag
Robert Kleman
Beatrice Kleman
Paul Kleman
Harold & Ardella Mershman
Paul & Theresa Fisher
Tom Fisher
John Fisher
Ron Doty
Chris Doty
Todd Sparks
Barry Chamberlin

Gib & Dolores Meyer
Diane Meyer
Norbert Ellerbrock
Kay Hitchcock
Hattie & Viv Halker
Gord & Jim Ridenour
Bob & Phyl Halker
Jim & Mary Jane Morman
Emerson & Helen Diller
Albert & Marcella Wolke
Clarence & Louise Morman
Emma Niese
Leonard Hermiller
Frank Hermiller
Barb Siebeneck
Al & Angela Schroeder
Mack Schroeder
Bob Utendorf
Agnes Utendorf
Kelvin Utendorf
Don & Helen Schroeder
Thad & Florence Schroeder
Melinda Utendorf
Rachael Jay
Jim & Phyllis Verhoff
Leroy & Virginia Selhorst
Otto & Alma Schnipke
Agnes, Gary & Bernie Schnipke
Maria & Angie Pierce
Brad Schnipke
Charles & Loretta Sehlhorst
Charles Haselman
Richard & Edna Haselman
Ruth Stephens
Ed & Mary Ann Halker
Jennifer Halker Wood
Lee Edward Halker
Tim Goedde
Shirley Kissell & Family
Allan & Ethel Kissell & Family
Sylvester & Marie Ellerbrock & Family
Anne Heitmeyer
Tom Knott
The Knott & Brinkman Family
Maurice & Louise Weis
Sharon Weis
Lawrence & Marjorie Hilty
Larry Hilty
Julie King

Frank Hermiller
Barbara Siebeneck
Len Hermiller
Herman & Anna Hermiller
Leo & Frances Miller
Bernard Morman
Mary Morman
Ben Morman
Pat Morman
Ralph & Marie Ricker
Norm & Evelyn Utrup
Urban & Dale Warnecke
Vern Karhoff
Elmer Karhoff
Lucille Karhoff
Walter Weskiel
Eugenia Weskiel
Karen Blankemeyer
George & Charlotte Verhoff Families
John & Bernice Allen Families
Ralph & Marie Ricker
Connie Ricker
Urban & Dale Warnecke
Gene Ricker
Deacon Don Siefker
Bob & Clara Siefker
Karen Vennekotter
Bob Morman
Kyle & Luke Kaufman
Joe Morman
The Morman & Klausing Families
William Witteborg
Thomas P. Miller
Jon D. Miller
Richard F. Miller
Bea Candler
Charlie Schmiesing
John & Alice Schmiesing
Robert Lenhart
Adolph, Mary & Betty Niese
Teresa Brubaker
Dick & Ruth Warnecke
Joe Koch
The Koch & Ellerbrock Families
Louis J. Schroeder
Mary Ida Schroeder
Richard Benroth
Marilyn Benroth
Cletus J. Schroeder

Robert Osterhage
Joan Osterhage
Robert Gerding
Richard & Angela Knott
Matthew Thornock
Ken Inbody
Harold & Josephine Recker
Dave Wehri
Jerry & Jean Niemeyer
Edward & Maxine Roth
Linda Burns
Norma Vance
John & Shirely Moening
Mike Moening
Francis & Jean Stechschulte
Ruth Kruse
Lilly Kruse
Andy Kruse
Ben & Elida Kruse
Ben & Marcella Stechschulte
Linda Stechschulte
Omer & Viola Maag
Urban & Rosemary Schroeder
Bill & Peg Myers
Stanley Langhals
Clara Langhals
Jerry Langhals
Dennis Langhals
The Ellerbrock & Morman Family
Gord & Jim Ridenour
Hattie & Viv Halker
Glen & Sue Ridenour
Wanda Kiene
Karl Kiene
Ken Halker
Gary Rayle
Paul & Marilyn Hoehn
Gene & Ruth Hoehn
Bob, Jan, Jeannie & Mike Hoehn
Darren Langhals
Langhals - Birkemeier Families
Ott Schroeder Family
Robert & Alice Stover
Raymond & Marie Korte
Vern Karhoff
Walter & Eugenia Weskiel
John Weskiel
Elmer & Lucille Karhoff
Nicholas E. Schroeder
George Ellerbrock
Will Ellerbrock
Cy & Celesta Kamphaus Family
Len & Nettie Stechschulte Family
Richard L. Schroeder
Martha Schroeder
Norm Miller
Sandy Miller
Joe & Gladys Verhoff
Jane Reed
Bridget Niese
Dick & Dolores Schroeder
Pete & Pat Siefker
Kennedy Rose Schroeder
Living & Deceased Members of the Linus & Irene Kahle Family
Living & Deceased Members of the Honey & Lou Ann Niese Family
Living & Deceased Members of the Schroeder & Siefker Families
Living & Deceased Members of the Knott & Elwer Families
Richard Pohl ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Pohl & Nadler Families
Bob & Mary Lou Beutler ~ Deceased Members of the Beutler Family
Deceased Members of the Warnimont Family

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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! Ideas for the adult raffle include: hanging baskets, flowers, housewares, and gift certificates. Ideas for the kids raffle include: chalk, bubbles, craft sets, art sets, sporting equipment, lotion sets, scooters, gift cards, and summer activities. 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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A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

This Week's Gospel tells The Story of two of Jesus' Disciples traveling to Emmaus discussing all that had been going on in "The Holy Land", including the Ministry of Jesus and all His Works, Deeds, Teachings and Miracles. Jesus was also walking on the road and eventually joined them, although they were prevented from recognizing Him, and He listened to them tell about all that has happened including Jesus' Life, Death and Resurrection. Jesus spent the night with The Disciples and during Supper Jesus took The Bread, Blessed it, and Broke it giving it to them as their Eyes were Opened and they realized He was Jesus.

One thought that Crosses my mind about "The Road to Emmaus" is the example of how Jesus is with us, Always. He walks with Us, even though we may not recognize Him. He speaks to Us even when we are not Listening, and He Lifts us Up even as we're Putting Ourselves Down. Our God's Story is a Love Story, a Story that ends with Him giving His Life for Us, Dying so that we may be Reconciled and Live Forever.

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