SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
SIX SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 10, 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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Happy Mother's Day!

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Mass Schedule

May	12	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Easter Weekday ~ {The Roebke Family ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Bill & Marilyn Schroeder Family}
May	13	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	**No Mass**
May	14	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	**No Mass**
May	15	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	{Pat Morman}
May	16	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
May	16	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
May	16	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	{Dan Verhoff ~ Grant Siefker ~ Dan Kleman ~ Earl Kleman ~ Tom Buettner}
May	17	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	{Tom & Janice Stechschulte ~ Roger Cole (K of C)}
May	17	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	{Norm Kohls ~ Virgil & Virginia Hoffman ~ Melinda Utendorf ~ Rachael Jay ~ Jim & Phyllis Verhoff ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Eugene & Shirley Maag Family}

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Servers

May	12	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
May	16	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Garrett Siefker, Lillian Siefker, Walker Sudlow
May	17	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Alex Meyer, Josie Meyer, Tyler Recker
May	17	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Kennedy Siefker, Bryce Pingle, Brynn Pingle

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Lectors

May	16	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Marge Tabler
May	17	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ann Selhorst
May	17	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Sue Schroeder

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Eucharistic Ministers

May	16	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mary Kay Koch, Lindsay Peck, Karyn Kamphaus, Rose Schnipke, Marilyn Siefker
May	17	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Judy Schroeder, Kate Blue, Diana Kaufman, Doug Langhals, Marilyn Birkemeier
May	17	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Jenna Goubeaux, Anne Schroeder, Wendi Wenzinger, Hannah Warren, Nathan Schroeder

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Ushers

May	16	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mike Kohls, Brent Glass, Denny Meuleman, Bonnie Doty
May	17	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dave Koch, Jon Diller, Matt Langhals, Griffin Langhals
May	17	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Ken Rieman, Dwain Schroeder, Issac Barto, Logan Rieman

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		Parish Activities
May	**12**	**Rosary Guild ~ CANCELLED**
May	**20**	**8th Grade Graduation @ 6:30 p.m.**
May	**20**	**Youth Ministry @ 7:00 p.m.**
		Nate & Amber's Home

For The Week of May 3rd	
Adult ~ 145	**$ 7,762.82**
Children's ~ 22	**27.70**
	7,790.52
Income	**3,987.08**
Total Income	**$ 11,777.60**
Expense	**$ 6,943.59**

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300 Club Winner ~ May 9th ~ John Hoffman ~ Ticket # 25 ~ $100

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Congratulations to our 7th and 8th graders who received the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 9th. These individuals are:

Ethan Basinger
Aiden Baxter
Adrian Birnesser
Jaxon Brinkman
Emma Cartwright
Emerson Davis-Lomeli
Brynlee Farler
Natalie Goubeaux
Aidan Holdgreve
Bailey Hoover
Brooklyn Hoover
Annabelle Horstman
Karlie Hughes
Jacob Kamphaus
Hunter Kaufman
Troy Kaufman
Colin Langhals
Siena Langhals
Weston Laubenthal
Caiden Laytart
Dylan Ledford
Paige Lugibill
Anne Moore
Caden Parker
Bryce Pingle
Ella Sautter
Wynn Schroeder
Hudson Schroeder
Jaxson Schroeder
Kira Schroeder
Bo Siefker
Kylie Siefker
Easton Stechschulte
Madelyn Taylor
Joel Vennekotter

Also, Congratulations to the following 8th grade students who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Mary's in Bluffton on May 3rd:

Charlotte Teders ***Riley Dunn*** ***Riley Jones***

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and Bless you as you continue living out your Catholic Faith.

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Join us in joyful gratitude as we honor the **priests of the Diocese of Toledo celebrating jubilee anniversaries** of ordination this year. These milestones represent decades of faithful service to God and His people. Through the celebration of the sacraments, the preaching of the Gospel, and their daily pastoral care, these men have poured out their lives in service to the Church. Please keep them in your prayers as we give thanks for their vocation and witness.

25 Years:	Reverend J. Douglas Garand	Reverend John Christopher Jesudhason, SAC	
	Reverend David L. Ritchie	Reverend Stephen L. Schroeder	
40 Years :	Reverend James R. Sanford	Reverend Jonathan C. Wight	
50 Years :	Reverend Stephen J. Blum	Reverend John F. Stites	
55 Years :	Reverend Thomas E. Oedy		
60 Years:	Reverend Philip S. Feltman		
65 Years:	Reverend James E. Auth	Reverend F. Anthony Gallagher	Reverend Robert J. Reinhart

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Please Continue to Pray for our Confirmation Candidates ~ There are prayer cards in the back of Church. Please pick one up to continue praying for our confirmation candidates.

Garage Sale ~ The garage sale building is open to St. Anthony parishioners. All items are free! Thank you to all who put on the garage sale! You raised **$2,265.08** for the Parish!

St. Anthony's Website & Video ~ Apologies, the correct website is now listed at the top of the bulletin and you can view the bulletins by clicking on the bulletin tab and you can watch our Masses by clicking on the Mass Recordings Button. Please call the parish office if you would like to help record the Masses or if you have any questions.

Putnam County Right to Life ~ In the basement on the north end there are prolife signs available to display in your yard. Feel free to make a donation to the PC Right to Life, or you can place your donation in an envelope marked for PC Right to Life and place it in the collection and we will get it to them. Call the parish office with any questions.

Aluminum Can Collection Only ~ St. Anthony's is sponsoring an Aluminum Can Drive **through Tuesday, May 12th.** Aluminum cans may be placed in the trailer that will be parked on the south side of the church parking lot. Profits go to support St. Anthony School Field Trips. Thank you to Five Angle Construction for the use of the trailer!

St. Anthony Youth Ministry: Ignite, Fan into Flame ~ will take place on **Wednesday, May 20th** at 7:00 p.m. at Nate and Amber's house. We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. Any donations for desserts or side dishes are appreciated! Please contact Nate Schroeder (419-969-4894) if you'd like to donate!

Summer Vacation Bible School ~ The theme this year is Dragon Slayers. Let's learn about the 7 dragons (7 deadly sins) and reemphasize what is learned at the 1st communion Dragon Slayer retreat while having tons of fun! Dates: **Monday -Thursday June 8th-11th.** Time: **6:00 - 8:30 p.m.** (drop off time starts at 5:45) Ages: 4 year olds to those currently in the 4th grade. Registration & Volunteer forms are located at the back of church. Please have forms turned in to the parish office by **Thursday, May 21st**.

The Mustard Seed at St. John's is Now Open ~ located at 150 Church St in Glandorf. All old gift certificates dated January - June 2025 and old loyalty cards **expire May 30, 2026**. Store hours: Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Our phone number is 419-538-7220.

Parish Job Opening: Part-Time Coordinator of Religious Education ~ We are seeking a faith-filled and organized individual to serve as a part-time Coordinator of Religious Ed. This role is a vital ministry dedicated to forming our youth and supporting families in their journey of faith, along with some adult faith formation. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Ottoville Parish at 419-453-3513 or icbusiness@icchurchottoville.org.

May 15th Is The Feast of St. Dymphna ~ St. Dymphna is the patron Saint of those experiencing mental health struggles. The following are resources developed in partnership with the Catholic Psychotherapy Association, these materials are designed to support prayer for those who are struggling, encourage care for those who accompany them, & raise awareness of faithful counseling options. Resources are available at any time at toledodiocese.org/st-dymphna and toledodiocese.org/counseling.

The Serra Club of Lima Area ~ Which exists to promote and support vocations to priesthood and religious life, will be meeting **Thursday, May 14** at Lima Central Catholic High School. We will begin with Mass at 5:45 p.m. in the chapel, followed by dinner and a program. This month's speaker will be Mr. Nicholas Cech, Students for Life Ohio Regional Coordinator sharing about his ministry with Students for Life. 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, May 12**.

Single Catholic Women Invited to Dominican Sisters' Immersion Experience ~ Single Catholic women, ages 20 to 45 who are discerning a call to religious life as a Dominican Sister, are invited to the hometown of President Lincoln in June for a national event hosted by the Springfield Dominican Sisters. The collaborative event is co-sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Adrian, Sinsinawa, and Peace. Applications are being received now, and up to 15 women will be selected to participate in this event, scheduled for **Tuesday, June 16 - Saturday, June 20**. Sister Nancy Jurecki, OP, Coordinator of the Vocation Team for the Adrian Dominican Sisters, said the program is "an opportunity for young women who believe God might be tapping them on the shoulders to meet Dominican Sisters in person and experience, with them, the pillars of Dominican life." The application deadline is **Monday, June 1**, and interested women are encouraged to apply ASAP at https://springfieldop.org/events. Scholarships are available if needed.

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

Next school year registration link will be coming soon.

Preschool Bible School information will be coming in the next few weeks.

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A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

Lots of Good things have been Celebrated the Last Few Weeks. We Celebrated First Communion three weeks ago with a Smiling Group of God's Children and their Families. This Saturday we have The Privilege of Welcoming Most Reverend Daniel Thomas, Our Bishop, to Confirm Our 7th and 8th graders in The Sacrament of Confirmation. Many Thanks to Our Catechists, Musicians and all those who helped with this Special time in Our Children's Lives.

In this Week's Gospel Jesus says; "If you Love Me, You will Keep My Commandments, and I will ask The Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you Always, referring to The Holy Spirit". Jesus is telling them that it is time for Him to Ascend to The Father, but Promising to Not Leave Us Orphans by sending The Spirit.

Sometimes, I think that we do not rely on The Gift of the Spirit like we should. Perhaps, we call on The Spirit as a natural part of Our Prayers and Perhaps it never crosses our minds. However, This Holy Spirit that Inspires Us, Also Reminds Us of all that Jesus lived throughout His Days. Our Bishop, by the Authority given to him by God, also Imparts this Sacrament upon Our Children. Let Us Encourage them to Make Use of this and all the Sacraments they have been given to help them live good lives in The Lord.

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

Falcon News

May Crowning

May Crowning is a Catholic tradition of honoring Mary in the month of May by offering prayers, small sacrifices, and acts of devotion to the Mother of God. St. Anthony School carries on this May Crowning tradition each year by having our first Mass in May be our May Crowning Mass. A member of the 8th grade class is elected by his or her peers for the honor to crown Mary based on closely they act like Mary. This year Ethan Basinger was chosen for the honor to crown Mary while each of our 8th graders presented a rose to Mary during the opening procession.

Imagination Station

Our 3rd and 4th graders were able to go on a field trip to Imagination Station this week. They had a great time learning more about science through play and hands on activities. A special thank you to SAC for supporting this field trip!

Calendar of Events

May 9 - Confirmation Mass
May 12 - Picnic Lunch by Parents Guild
May 13 - K & 4 Field Trip, Preschool Program
May 14 - 1st & 2nd Field Trip, Jr. High Field Trip
May 15 - Golden Falcon Awards, Preschool last day, Ice Cream Treat

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