SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
SAINTS PETER & PAUL
JUNE 29, 2025

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St. Anthony Parish Website: www.cgstanthony.weebly.com
St. Anthony School Website: www.stanthonyschool.info
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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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The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul remind Us of The Importance of Leadership In Our Families, Our Communities, Our Churches and Our World. May We Not Be Afraid to Say Yes, Knowing that God will be at Our Sides

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Mass Schedule

July	01	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {Greg McCrate ~ Robert (Bob) Halker (K of C)}
July	02	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Weekday ~ {For The Parish}
July	03	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	St. Thomas ~ {Marguerite Sebastian}
July	04	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	**No Mass ~ No First Friday Adoration**
July	05	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rosary
July	05	Saturday	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confessions
July	05	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Vigil ~ {Al & Pauline Osterhage ~ Virgil & Virgina Hoffman ~ Norm Kohls ~ Deceased Members of the Robert Kohls Family}
July	06	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Tom Stechschulte (K of C) ~ Sam Schroeder (K of C) ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Leonard & Lidwina Kaufman Family}
July	06	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Sunday ~ {Living & Deceased Members of the Hank Sehlhorst Family ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Jerry & Judy Fortman Family}

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Servers

July	01	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Mass	Jerry Dickman
July	02	Wednesday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ethan Brown
July	03	Thursday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Griffin Langhals
July	04	Friday	8:00 a.m. Mass	**No Mass**
July	05	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Brennen Langhals, Caelan Langhals, Siena Langhals
July	06	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Keelie Langhals, Colin Langhals, Matt Morman
July	06	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Avery Birnesser, Adrian Birnesser, Olive Lee

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Lectors

July	05	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Lauren Birkemeier
July	06	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Ben Schroeder
July	06	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Karl Schroeder

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Eucharistic Ministers

July	05	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Ken & Connie Kruse, Deb Siefker, Marilyn Siefker, Pat Birnesser
July	06	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Lisa Langhals, Gib Kaufman, Dan Maag, Marilyn Birkemeier, Doug Langhals
July	06	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Anne Schroeder, Lynn Downing, Bob Maag, Sue Schroeder, Nathan Schroeder

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Ushers

July	05	Saturday	4:00 p.m. Mass	Mike Kohls, Brent Glass, Denny Meuleman, Bonnie Doty
July	06	Sunday	8:00 a.m. Mass	Dave Koch, Jon Diller, Matt Langhals, Griffin Langhals
July	06	Sunday	10:30 a.m. Mass	Ken Rieman, Dwain Schroeder, Issac Barto, Logan Rieman

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Parish Activities

July 01 K of C Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.
Rosary @ 7:10 p.m.

For The Week of June 22nd

Adult ~ 119	**$ 6,351.00**
Children's ~ 19	**20.55**
	6,371.55
Other Income	**8,215.29**
Total Income	**$ 14,586.84**
Total Expenses	**$ 32,174.01**

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The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Blanche Stechschulte who died on Thursday, June 19th. Mass of Resurrection was celebrated for Blanche on Monday, June 23rd here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Blanche into His Kingdom for eternity.

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300 Club Winner ~ June 28th ~ Elizabeth Sudlow ~ Ticket #263~ $100.00

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St. Rita's Medical Center ~ Blanche Giesige

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Parish Office ~ The parish office will be closed **Friday, July 4th** in observance of the July 4th holiday.

Pictorial News ~ If you would like to order an extra pictorial (cost is $25), please contact Joyce Kaufman at 419-773-0698 by **June 30th** so we know how many extra's to order. Thank You!

Scrip Program Being Discontinued ~ Anne and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have supported our Scrip program throughout the years. A special thank you to all the volunteers who have sold scrip after Mass, to those who have audited our program on a yearly basis and to all the local vendors who allowed us to buy gift cards at a discount. To make a decent profit you need to sell a lot of scrip. Over the last several years there has been a decline in scrip sales. Because of this and the fact that it takes a lot of volunteer hours to keep the program going, the decision has been made to discontinue the program. There are many of you who have scrip gift certificates. Please turn those in as soon as possible. We will still make a few orders to honor the gift certificates that are outstanding. We will make our last order **August 1st**, so please have your gift cards turned in by this date. We still have many cards available in our inventory. Please stop by and see if we have any cards you may want. To make it easier for you to turn in your gift cards, feel free to pick up a scrip form (these are available in the back of church or at the rectory) place it in an envelope marked Scrip along with your scrip gift certificate and place it in the collection basket or you can always drop off you order and gift certificate at the rectory. As soon as we have them filled, we will contact you. Thank you again for your support of our scrip program.

Anne Schroeder & Theresa Kahle

Scrip News ~ Be advised that due to a change in ownership, there has been a change in terms of redemption of Good Food gift cards that we have been selling. **Good Food/Beer Barrel cards** will only be accepted at Beer Barrel locations as of **July 1st**. After this date, these cards will no longer be usable at Happy Daz, Casa Lu Al, and Old City Prime restaurants. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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K of C ~ The K of C will be meeting on **Tuesday, July 1st** at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement with the Rosary being recited at 7:10 p.m.

The K of C will be leading the Rosary before all weekend Masses July 5th & July 6th.

Rosary Guild ~ The Rosary Guild will be meeting on **Tuesday, July 8th** at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions please call Mary Kay Koch at 419-236-9966.

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Principal Position ~ St. Anthony of Padua is in search of an energetic, faith-filled principal for the 2025-2026 academic year, who will act as the school's guiding force in spiritual, educational, and administrative matters.
Requirements:

- Must be a practicing Catholic
- Undergo a background check
- Possess or be willing to obtain valid Ohio licensure

The ideal candidate will:

- Exhibit a fervor for Catholic education
- Showcase this dedication through professionalism, initiative, and a collaborative spirit
- Display organizational skills, adeptness at multitasking, and leadership qualities all within a faith-centered environment

Contact: Interested applicants need to submit a letter of interest, resume, three letters of reference, a copy of certification, and any other pertinent materials that may be applicable to:
Father David Ritchie, davritch@aol.com or (419) 234-6976.

HELP NEEDED ~ With all the changes at the festival, we will need parishioners to "man" the elevator for the people needing extra help with the elevator and making sure the gate gets closed when going to the church hall for Bingo. Volunteers could work in one or two hour shifts and would be able to sit most of the time. One person would be needed at the parking lot entrance and one downstairs. Call Marge at 419-659-5190 if interested.

Trailer Needed ~ We are need of a trailer or two to store furniture items for the garage sale. We could use it as soon as possible and we would be using it until Friday, August 1st. Please call the office at 419-659-2263.

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~ Festival News ~

Solicitor Lists ~ Solicitor's lists are available to be picked up on the table in the back of church.

Festival 5K Run/Walk ~ There will **not** be a 5K Run/Walk this year.

Coleslaw Still Part of the Festival Meal ~We will still have coleslaw at the summer festival so we appreciate your donations and your help on the **Thursday before** the BIG DAY!!!!

Cash or Car! ~ Will you be the lucky winner this year? We will again be raffling off up to $20,000 toward the purchase of a new vehicle or $15,000 in cash at the church social this year. Tickets will be available before and after the Masses.

Country Store ~ It's time to start thinking about items that can be donated to the Country Store and this year we will have more room! We are in need of items for the raffle as well as homemade crafts. We've had such an amazing selection of items in the past…children's toys, yard games, gift cards, home decorations, wooden projects, bikes, etc. Donated items can be brought to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity. Feel free to call Kate at 419-303-1198 or Lynn at 419-659-5372 if you have any questions.

Garage Sale Items ~ If anyone wants to bring in garage sale items for the 2025 parish festival, please put items on the south end of the shed. Also, we will not be accepting television sets or any other electronics along with any clothing for the festival garage sale. Thank You!

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Springs in the Desert ~ A Catholic infertility ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to accompany women struggling with infertility and loss. We offer a place of respite and solidarity- a place to acknowledge the pain and complex emotions associated with infertility. Our next meeting will be held **Thursday, July 10** at 7:30 pm in the St. Joseph, Fort Jennings church basement. All women of the parish and surrounding parishes are invited to join us. Note: due to the July 4th holiday, the meeting has been moved from its regularly scheduled 1st Thursday of the month to the 2nd Thursday of the month.

You do not need to have attended any previous meetings to join in – new faces are welcome at any time!
For more information, contact Laura Tenwalde at (419) 303-5752 or Wendy Schimmoeller at (419) 236-0522. It is our honor to walk with you!

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Protection of Children and Young People ~ The Dioceses of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environmnet 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.

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.

	Beef	**Chicken**
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.

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2025 Putnam County Senior Expo ~ This exciting event will be held on **Friday, August 1st**, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Ottawa Elementary, 123 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio. It is a FREE community event featuring: Complimentary Breakfast ~ Door Prizes ~ Live Entertainment ~ Health screenings and much more.

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

CCD ~ Please return all textbooks and drawstring bags to the parish office. Students may keep their folders.

We are still in need of a Coordinator of Religious Education for 2025-2026 School Year. Please reach out to Maria Kaufman for more information at 419-733-1063.

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A Note from Father David.....

Dear St. Anthony Family,

This Weekend we Celebrate The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, very important Figures in The Ministry and Life of Jesus and Figureheads of The Early Church. This Week's Gospel finds Jesus asking His disciples: "Who do people say that The Son of Man is?" They replied that "Some say John The Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of The Prophets." Jesus replied asking, "But who do You say that I am?" Peter answered first and said: "You are The Christ, The Son of The Living God." Jesus finishes the conversation telling Peter, "Blessed are you, Simon Son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Heavenly Father., and so I say to you, You are Peter, and upon this Rock I will Build My Church, and The Gates of The Netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you The Keys of Heaven, Whatever you Bind on Earth shall be Bound in Heaven; and whatever you loose on Earth shall be loosed in Heaven."

Jesus's response to Peter might surprise many because Peter didn't seem to be "The Leader Type" But as God made Clear, It was only by "The Father" that Peter could answer: "You are The Christ, The Son of The Living God." There are many times in life we see people come to The Forefront and become the Leaders that are needed for that time, place, or situation. Peter ends up Denying Jesus three times and yet he became "The Rock" by which Jesus built his Church.

At some point, we all realize that "God has Our Back". He looks out for Us and only wants what is Best for All of Us. We, here at St. Anthony, are very Blessed in so many ways, and yet at times perhaps we forget How Blessed we Truly Are. Prayer is a great way for us to reflect on our blessings. Sometimes the World is so Noisy and distracting that we can lose sight of Our Blessings. Like Our Parents Taught Us, we should always take time to say Thank You! Thank You for All You Do for Us! Hidden and in Plain Sight. Thank You Just for Being Our Lord and Savior.....Jesus Christ+

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us!

Love Fr. David