# SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
# A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
# 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
# AUGUST 16, 2026

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***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 mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.***

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## *Mass Schedule*

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| August | 18 | Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. Mass | Weekday~ {The Roebke Family} |
| August | 19 | Wednesday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Weekday~{The Deceased Members of the Ott Schroeder Family} |
| August | 20 | Thursday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | St. Bernard ~ {For The Parish} |
| August | 21 | Friday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | St. Pius X ~ {Cindy Irwin} |
| August | 22 | Saturday | 8:00 a.m. | Rosary |
| August | 22 | Saturday | 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. | Confessions |
| August | 22 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | {Nick Schroeder ~ Nancy Schroeder-Sparks ~ Max Schroeder ~ Kali Crego ~ Richard & Angela Knott ~ Ed Koch ~ Carol Pitney ~ John Koch} |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | {Tom & Janice Stechschulte ~ Elmer & Kathie Langhals ~ Jerry & Paula Stechschulte ~ Joyce Schroeder} |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | {Bernard & Mary Morman ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Eugene & Shirley Maag Family} |

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## *Servers*

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| August | 18 | Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. Mass | Jacob Kamphaus |
| August | 19 | Wednesday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Alton Kiene |
| August | 22 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Lylah Wilson, Tucker Wilson, Eli Kohls |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Sarah Kamphaus, Alexa Kamphaus, Ethan Brown |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Hannah Brodwolf, Jacob Brodwolf, Robby Schnipke |

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## *Lectors*

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| August | 22 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Lauren Birkemeier |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Dan Maag |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Jacob Leopold |

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## *Eucharistic Ministers*

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| August | 22 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Marilyn Siefker, Ken & Connie Kruse, Deb Siefker, Deacon Ben Schroeder |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Doug Langhals, Marilyn Birkemeier, Kate Blue, Judy Schroeder, Deacon Ben Schroeder |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Lisa Meuleman, Bruce Stephens, Bob Maag, Lynn Downing, Deacon Ben Schroeder |

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## *Ushers*

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| August | 22 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Mike Recker, Tyler Recker, Tim Reimund, Aaron Siefker |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Craig Kaufman, Len Kaufman, Carl Warnecke, Gib Kaufman |
| August | 23 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Al Schroeder, Dale Schroeder, Roger Wenzinger, Mike Brodwolf |

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***Parish Activities***

**August 26 Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.**
**September 01 K of C Meeting @ 7:30 p.m**
**Rosary @ 7:10 p.m.**
**September 02 Finance Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.**
**September 03 Baptism Classes @ 6:30 p.m.**

***For The Week of August 9th***

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| **Adult ~ 120** | **$ 6,212.50** |
| **Children's ~ 15** | **23.00** |
| | **6,235.50** |
| **Income** | **1,163.78** |
| **Total Income** | **$ 7,399.28** |
| **Expense** | **$ 57,898.25** |

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***300 Club Winner ~ August 15th ~ Dan Reimund ~ Ticket #101 ~ $100***

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***Marriage Bans I ~ Amy Vorst & Nick Buckland***
***Marriage Bans II ~ Casey Rosselit & Michael Morman***

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***The St. Anthony Parish family extends our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Lucille Morman who died on Wednesday, August 12th. Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated for Lucy on Tuesday, August 18th here at St. Anthony's. May our prayers and the grace of God see you through this difficult time and may Our Lord welcome Lucy into His Kingdom for eternity.***

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***Henry Irvin, son of Connor & Mary Schroeder, was baptized this past weekend here at St. Anthony's. May the new gift of the Holy Spirit be with you always!***

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***From The Country Store ~*** We would like to thank everyone for their generous donations to the Country Store this year. The variety of raffle prizes was amazing! A big thanks to all of you who sent items in when we were in need during the last week before the festival. We would like to thank all of those who purchased tickets as well. This parish is blessed with truly kind and generous people and we appreciate your support. Thanks again!

***Funeral Committee ~*** Funeral Food Committee for **September through November**: Chairlady – Mary Wagner – Committee: Jackie Herman, Marilyn Reimund, Ginny Schroeder, Jane Warren. Thank you to Vicky Schroeder, Sue Fenstermaker, Mary Morman, Alice Morman and Marge Schroeder who served on our Funeral Food Committee and generously donated their time and wonderful desserts June through August.

***OCIA*** ~ If you know anyone interested in learning more about the catholic faith or becoming catholic please have them call Father David or the church rectory at 419-659-2263 for information or to sign up.

***Attention High School Students - St. Anthony Youth Ministry*** ~ We will be kicking off the 2026- 2027 School Year on **Wednesday, August 26th** at 7:30 p.m. in the church rectory. Deacon Ben Schroeder will be our guest speaker! Please contact Nate Schroeder, 419-969-4894, if you feel called to be a guest speaker or have any questions.

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***Preschool Sunday School*** ~ Registrations can be found at the St. Anthony Church entrances. Please complete the form and return it with the $15 fee to the parish office no later than **Friday, August 28**. Thank you.

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

***Finance Committee ~*** Finance Committee will be meeting **Wednesday, September 2nd**, at 5:30 p.m. in the rectory.

***Baptism Classes ~*** The next Baptism class (required for first time parents or encouraged for new parents who have not taken the class in the past 5 years) will be held on **Thursday, September 3rd**, at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. Please call Tom & Karyn Kamphaus at 419-615-8737 or the parish office at 419-659-2263 to register.

***She Shall Be Called Woman ~*** Season Three begins **Saturday, September 12th**. Invite your friends and we'll see you there.

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## *Summer Mass Servers*

Thank you to those students and adults who have volunteered to serve at Mass during the weeks this summer. We truly appreciate you giving of your vacation time to serve the Lord. Those who volunteered are:

**Jacob Brodwolf**
**Ethan Brown**
**Alexa Kamphaus**
**Jacob Kamphaus**
**Savannah Kamphaus**
**Colin Langhals**
**Matt Morman**
**Bryce Pingle**
**Brynn Pingle**
**Braden Stechschulte**
**Easton Stechschulte**
**Vivien Stechschulte**
**Joel Vennekotter**
**Leah Vennekotter**

***Adult Servers ~ Jerry Dickman, Alton Kiene, Judy Schroeder, Roger Wenzinger***

***Thanks to all of you!!!***

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***Lunch in the Park ~***The Ottawa Senior Citizens Association will be sponsoring Lunch in the Park on **Thursday, August 20th,** 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ottawa Senior Citizen Center at 1035 East Third Street in Ottawa. Lunch choices are: Hamburger Platter, Brats Platter, Hot Dog Platter, Fried Bologna Platter, desserts and drinks. Dine in or carry out. Carry outs are available by calling 419-523-5593.

***St. Anthony Red Cross Blood Drives ~*** St. Anthony's next blood drive will be **Thursday, August 27th** at the Church of The Good Shepherd from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. If interested in donating, contact the American Red Cross at 800-733-2767. Walk-ins are welcome.

***Lord's Pantry ~*** The Lord's Pantry is taking donations for the new facility which will be going into the same location. Please make your check out to: The Lord's Pantry and send it to P.O. Box 22, Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830 or you can put it in the collection in a clearly marked envelope ~ Donations for the Lord's Pantry ~ and we will get it to Doug. If you have any questions please call Doug Rode at 567-800-1475. Thank You!

***Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France ~*** Join Fr. Charles Obinwa on an elite Pilgrimage Tour (July 12th thru July 21st) with Nativity Pilgrimage on a Journey of Faith to Lisbon, Santarem (Eucharist miracle), Fatima (Our Lady of Fatima) in Portugal; Avila (St. Teresa), Burgos, Loyola (St. Ignatius), Barcelona (Basilica of Santa Maria, Basilica – La Sagrada Familia - it's the world's tallest church, Cathedral of St. Eulalia) in Spain; Lourdes (Our Lady of Lourdes), Carcassonne in France & more. This is the trip of a lifetime. It's spiritual, edifying, inspiring and captivating. Trip Cost $4,999 per person. Contact: Natasha Sanabria (832-406-7050 Ext. 107) or Email: natasha@nativitypilgrimage.com. Brochures are available in the back of church.

***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.

***Concert on the Lawn at Mennonite Memorial Home ~*** Come enjoy a relaxing summer evening filled with live music, ice cream, and great company as we soak up the last few days of summer together. **Sunday, August 16th,** 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Mennonite Memorial Home backyard, 410 W. Elm St., Bluffton. We'll be featuring **Jason Wagner** with special guest **Ken Pressell**, and a special thank you goes to **Bluffton Dari Freeze** for generously providing ice cream for the evening! The concert is **FREE** and open to the public**.** Just bring a blanket or lawn chair, invite a friend or two, and join us for a fun evening in the backyard!

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## ******CCD HIGHLIGHTS******

**CCD Registration link is:**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf7G71_cC6PDmTJsa3u3KXub4zgqHnR4-UOL9-exCnMu0iwJg/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=117117254609017081021

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***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.

***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 updated prices of the items available.

| | Beef | Chicken |
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| **Case of 24 cans ~ 28 ozs. .....** | **$ 258.00** | **$ 184.00** |
| **1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 28 ozs. .....** | **131.00** | **94.00** |
| **Price Per 28 oz. Can .....** | **11.00** | **8.50** |
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| **Case of 24 Cans ~ 14.5 ozs. .....** | **141.00** | **109.00** |
| **1/2 Case (12 Cans) ~ 14.5 ozs. .....** | **75.00** | **58.00** |
| **Price Per 14.5 oz. can .....** | **7.00** | **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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# *A Note from Father David.....*

**Dear St. Anthony Family,**

**In This Week's Gospel, A Canaanite Woman called out to Jesus to help her Daughter, who was tormented by a Demon. At First, Jesus ignored the Woman and the Disciples of Jesus asked Him to "Send Her Away". Jesus then said to the Woman "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel". The Woman came to Jesus doing Him Homage saying "Lord, Help Me!" Jesus continued and said: "It is Not Right to take the food of The Children and throw it to The Dogs" and the Woman said "Please Lord, for even the Dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their Masters." The Canaanite Woman Impressed Jesus with her response and Jesus Replied, "Oh Woman, Great is Your Faith, Let it be Done for You as You Wish", and Her Daughter was Healed.**

**Jesus' response to The Woman seems quite surprising and does not follow what one would expect from Jesus, but Jesus was listening to her every word and realized that "The Woman" was everything Jesus would expect from one of His Followers, so He Honored her Faith by giving Her what she asked.**

**Using this story, Jesus began to Teach His Disciples and those who followed Him, that His Kingdom was not just for The Jews, but for All People. St. Paul continued this ministry for All those who he encountered, letting people know that God's Grace, Redemption, and Mercy was for Everyone, not just The Few. May we not only feel this Welcome and Acceptance for Ourselves, but Proclaim it to All that We Meet.**

**REQUEST FOR HELP! In order to continue Livestreaming Our Masses, we need to have help with this Ministry to start equipment and close it down when Mass is finished. The operation is User Friendly and will be taught to anyone interested in helping out. Anyone young or old are welcome to help with this important Service to Our Parishioners. The more people who take on this service, the less responsibility is required. Please call The Rectory for Information.**

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