# SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
# A MEMBER OF ST. GEORGE DEANERY
# 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
# OCTOBER 4, 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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***Every family is visited by difficult times which can unite or divide. These hardships, which we would quickly reject, hold the potential to be the unifying "cornerstone" where we drop our pettiness and defenses and pull together, linked by a common bond and love for one another.***

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## *Mass Schedule*

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| October | 06 | Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. Mass | Weekday ~ {The Roebke Family} |
| October | 07 | Wednesday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Our Lady of the Rosary ~ {Ed & Jeanette Morman} |
| October | 08 | Thursday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Weekday ~ {Pat Morman} |
| October | 08 | Thursday | **2:00 p.m. Mass** | **Meadows of Ottawa** ~ {For The Parish} |
| October | 09 | Friday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Weekday ~ {The Meyer & Nichols Families} |
| October | 10 | Saturday | 8:00 a.m. | Rosary |
| October | 10 | Saturday | 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. | **No Confessions** |
| October | 10 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | {Norm Kohls ~ Virgil & Virginia Hoffman ~ Len & Ruth Kruse ~ Linda Stechschulte ~ Andy Kruse ~ Lilly Kruse} |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | {Tom & Janice Stechschulte ~ Darren Langhals} |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | {Richard & Phyllis Fuerst} |
| October | 11 | Sunday | **1:30 p.m. Mass** | {Infants lost through Miscarriage, Stillbirth or Infant Death} |

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## *Servers*

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| October | 06 | Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. Mass | Jerry Dickman |
| October | 10 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Jacob Kamphaus, Savannah Kamphaus, Chase Parker |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Colin Langhals, Braden Stechschulte, Carter Troyer |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Hannah Brodwolf, Jacob Brodwolf, Robby Schnike |
| October | 11 | Sunday | **1:30 p.m. Mass** | Matt Morman, Ethan Brown, Tyler Recker |

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## *Lectors*

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| October | 10 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Gretchen Staley |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Ron Teders |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Jacob Leopold |
| October | 11 | Sunday | **1:30 p.m. Mass** | Marge Tabler |

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## *Eucharistic Ministers*

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| October | 10 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Deacon Ben Schroeder, Lindsay Peck, Deb Siefker, Denny Ricker, Alesha Siefker |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Deacon Ben Schroeder, Marilyn Hoffman, Diana Kaufman, Kate Blue, Gib Kaufman |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Deacon Ben Schroeder, Karl Schroeder, Cheryl Ellerbrock, Wendi Wenzinger, Lynn Downing |
| October | 11 | Sunday | **1:30 p.m. Mass** | Deacon Ben Schroeder, Alton Kiene, Anne Schroeder, Jason Brown, Volunteer |

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## *Ushers*

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| October | 10 | Saturday | 4:00 p.m. Mass | Cody Wagner, Gary Selhorst, Bill Koch, Bryant Blue |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Mass | Jason Koch, Dave Schroeder Jr, Adam Siefker, Andy Stechschulte |
| October | 11 | Sunday | 10:30 a.m. Mass | Joey Warnecke, Matt McCauley, Darren Siefker, Mark Selhorst |
| October | 11 | Sunday | **1:30 p.m. Mass** | Joyce Seyer, Dwain Schroeder, Mike Recker, Len Kaufman |

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***Parish Activities***

**October 06 K of C Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.**
**Rosary @ 7:10 p.m.**
**October 07 Youth Ministry @ 7:30 p.m.**
**October 07 Festival Wrap-up Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.**
**October 10 Servers Training @ 9:00 a.m.**
**October 11 Preschool Bible School @ 8:00 a.m.**
**October 11 Miscarriage or Infant Death Memorial Mass @ 1:30 p.m.**

***For The Week of September 27th***

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| **Adult ~ 146** | **$ 8,970.00** |
| **Children's ~ 13** | **15.00** |
| | **8,985.00** |
| **Other Income** | **2,985.61** |
| **Total Income** | **$ 11,970.61** |
| **Expense** | **$ 58,532.14** |

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***300 Club Winner ~ October 3rd ~ Matt & Lisa Langhals ~ Ticket #216 ~ $100***
***Special 300 Club Winner ~ October 3rd ~ Craig & Barb Schroeder ~ Ticket #198 ~ $150***

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***Marriage Bans III ~ Hanna Warnecke & Jacob Scavinski***

***Best wishes to Hanna & Jacob who will be married on Saturday, October 10th, here at St Anthony's. May the Lord bless you both with a lifetime of happiness together!***

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***Perpetuate The Gift ~*** Please help support our retired diocesan priests. Our priests have given their lives in service to us and our parish, and we are most grateful! Please offer your gratitude for those who faithfully served the Diocese of Toledo by donating to the Perpetuate The Gift Appeal. Your gift enables them to cover their daily living costs which continue to rise. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church and can be placed in the parish collection. Please make checks out to Perpetuate The Gift. Thank You!

***Lector Workbooks*** ~ The 2027 Lector workbooks can be picked up in the Sacristy. Please check your name off when you pick up your workbook. Thank you!

***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.

***St. Anthony's Website & Video ~*** Please call the parish office if you would like to help record the Masses or with any questions.

***K of C Trash Pickup ~***The K of C will hold their Fall Adopt-A-Highway Trash Pickup on **Tuesday, October 6th,** at 6:00 p.m. weather permitting. Please meet at the school bus garage parking lot on State Route 12, east of Columbus Grove. Please contact Gary Hermiller at 419-642-2645 with any questions. Thank You!

***K of C ~*** The K of C will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 6th** at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement with the Rosary being recited at 7:10 p.m.

***That Man Is You*** ~ TMIY will be praying the Rosary **Wednesday, October 7th** at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

***Festival Wrap-Up Meeting ~*** Will be **Wednesday, October 7th** at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement.

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

***TMIY ~*** Will be meeting on **Saturday, October 10th**, at 6:10 a.m. in the church basement. The topic is: Steadfast Leadership.

***She Shall Be Called Woman ~*** The next She session on **Oct 10th** will be in the school. This session titled "Rescued" invites us to identify ourselves with God's love and passion rather than our failures. Doors open at 8 am. Hope to see you there!

***Attention New Servers ~*** Server training for new servers will be **Saturday, October 10th,** 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., or **Sunday, October 18th,** 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to serve at Mass, please feel free to come to one of the training sessions. Thank you!

***Rosary Guild ~*** The Rosary Guild will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 13th** at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions please call Mary Kay Koch at 419-236-9966.

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***K of C Pork Chop Dinner*** ~ The K of C is sponsoring a Pork Chop Dinner on **Saturday**, **October 24th** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Cost is $12.00, Dine In or Carry Out. The menu is: 1 inch Smoked Pork Chop, Baked Potato, Applesauce, Roll and Cookie. If you would like tickets please contact Lee Bogart at 419-659-2402 or Ken Kruse at 419-230-3990 or you can purchase them at the church rectory. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

***Adopt a 2nd Grade Family ~*** St. Anthony Parishioners are invited to "adopt" a second-grade family by covering the cost of their 2nd Grade Retreat in preparing them for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion. The retreat fee is $50 per student. The $50 sponsorship covers the student's retreat fee of $20 and $30 for a gift bag worth $200, which includes a beautiful large wooden crucifix! We have 21 students in need of a sponsor. Thank you for your consideration and sponsorship. If you would like to sponsor a 2nd grader, please contact the parish office by **November 1st.**

***Purse Bingo ~*** Purse Bingo will be held on **Saturday, November 7, 2026**, at St. Anthony School Gym. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and bingo begins at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are $40 each (buy 7, get the 8th free). Reserved seating is available for everyone. The evening includes 20 bingo games plus 5 extra purses, raffle items, 50/50, and heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks. This event is a fundraiser to benefit St. Anthony of Padua School. Tickets are limited to 300. To purchase, please visit our St. Anthony Purse Bingo Page or email Stephanie Jesko at s.jesko86@gmail.com or you may text 419-494-9534.

***Engaged Couples Conference ~*** St. Anthony's Engaged Couples Conference will be held **Saturday, March 6th** from 8:30 a.m. until Mass at 4:00 p.m. Cost of the day is $50.00 per couple. Any couples interested, please call the parish office at 419-659-2263.

***The Serra Club of the Lima Area*** ~ Will be having their next meeting on **October 15th** at Lima Central Catholic High School. Mass is at 5:45 p.m. followed by dinner and our program. The program for the evening will be a presentation by Fr. Dan Borgelt, Pastor of St. Gerard Catholic Church in Lima. His topic is "Be open to Change." Fr. Dan is originally from Kalida and has served many parishes in the Toledo Diocese over the years. If you would like to attend the meeting please contact Kevin at 567-204-3126 **before October 13th.**

***Just by a Thread*** ~ Is the theme for SPPS's Women's Welcome Weekend retreat this year being held on **October 24th** from 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. and **October 25th** from 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Let that sink in a bit! Don't let the devil put excuses, doubt, or fears in your heart if you are feeling called for something more, if you're tired of the same old same old, or need something in your life to change, sign up using the QR code! Any questions contact Faith Stechschulte 419-615-8214.

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

***CCD Classes ~*** Will be this **Sunday**, **October 4th** from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the St. Anthony school. The next CCD class will be **Sunday, October 11th** from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

***CCD ~ We are in need of an 8th grade Catechist.***

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# *A Note from Father David.....*

**Dear St. Anthony Family,**

**Many Thanks for all who Helped in many ways to Celebrate My 25th Anniversary of Priesthood last Sunday. My Love and Thanks to those who attended, and for The Many Gifts, Well Wishes, Notes and Kind Words offered. Twenty Five Years of Priesthood offers Many Wonderful Opportunities to Serve, to Grow and to be Humbled as well. I would not want to be doing anything else and ask your forgiveness for the times I've fallen short of "The Mark". I know that any good that I can do is always Inspired, guided, and given by God and His Spirit. I thank God for His Call and look forward to whatever time God gives me to Serve His Ministry.**

**This Week's Gospel Tells another Parable about a Landowner (God) who planted his Vineyard, put a Hedge around it, Dug a Wine Press in it, built a Tower for it, Leased it to tenants, and went on a Journey. When Vintage time came, he sent Servants to collect his part of "The Produce" but they beat The Servants and even Killed one of them. He sent more Servants and they did the same Thing. Finally, The Landowner Sent his Son, thinking they would respect Him, but they Killed him. Jesus told them, "The Stone that the builders Rejected has become The Cornerstone", and Jesus challenged them to Produce "Good Fruit" so that what he has Given will not be Taken Away and given to others who Produce Well.**

**God only wants Success for Us. In Following Him, He Asks for Our Loyalty, Our Love, and Our Promise to "Do Well" and make our way To Heaven. He has Promised to give us "Everything We Need" to do His Work and His Will. May we Always produce well, In Our Children, Our Work, Our Forgiveness, And Our Faith in Him and those He Sends to Help Us Find Our Way to Heaven.**

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

# Falcon News

## Spotlighting Jr. High

Our Jr. High class has Mrs. Connie Bonnell for homeroom. They have been off to a busy start of the year with many of them participating in sports, choir, and serving Mass. They have served at the Soup Kitchen, toured local manufacturing plants, and recently completed hands-on learning about meiosis and mitosis in science using oreos and sprinkles.

## Calendar of Events

**October 5 - 9 -** CG Spirit Week
**October 5 -** Hot Sandwich Day
**October 7** - Fire Prevention Presentation

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