



ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 1, 2024
First Sunday of Advent

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Organization Presidents

Home & School	573-468-4423
Liturgy, Joan Koebbe, Contact	573-468-8671
St. Vincent de Paul Society	1-877-238-3228 #3365
Parish Center & Old School Hall Rental	573-468-6101
Knights of Columbus Hall	573-860-2458

Counseling or Help with an unwanted Pregnancy

BirthRight	1-800-550-4900
LifeLine	573-885-3040
Pregnancy Assistance Center	636-239-1840

CHILD ABUSE Hotline 1-800-392-3738
Adult Abuse & Neglect 1-800-392-0210

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning 11:00 a.m.-(Children's Liturgy)
Weekdays Thursday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays-3:00 PM – 3:45 PM
Thursdays after Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is at 8:30 a.m. Thursday morning until 5:00 p.m. Thursday evening

Sacramental Preparation for Marriage

Please contact the rectory **at least 6 months prior** to your marriage. Attending "Preparing for Christian Marriage" lectures or an alternate approved program is required. No Weddings will be performed after 1:00p.m. on Saturdays.

Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements are to be made to attend Baptismal Classes for Parents prior to the baptism. Contact the rectory office to make arrangements, at 573-468-6101.



Ladies Candlelight Advent Dinner Sunday, December 1st at 5:00 pm in the new school cafeteria.

There will be ten tables, so we need ten hostesses. Hostess will be responsible for table settings, decorating her table, and inviting up to nine people to join her.

Parish will supply fried chicken and wine. Non-alcoholic beverages and coffee will be provided. Hostesses are to bring side dishes and/or desserts to share. If your guests insist on bringing something, that's fine.

If you wish to be a hostess, please call the rectory to get on the list.

If you haven't reserved a space there is still time.

Call the rectory as soon as possible.



Adoration Sub Volunteers Needed!

We desperately need someone to fill in on an as needed basis. If you think you would like to be a Sub for Adoration, call the rectory.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Our mission is to serve those in need – people without jobs or without money, people who are hungry, people sitting in darkness because their electricity has been cut off, people who are losing hope. We visit with them, we listen to them, we pray with them, and we provide whatever help we can to meet their needs. We show them that even in their darkest hours, God has not abandoned them.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all of you who have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we are honored by your presence. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call the rectory at 573-468-6101.

Parish Website: www.stanthonyssullivan.com



Sunday Connection



Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of the new liturgical year. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. The key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Luke will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle C). Today's Gospel is taken from the last chapter before the passion narrative in which Jesus is teaching in the Temple. We hear Jesus speak to his disciples about the need for vigilance and prayer as they wait for the coming of the Son of Man in glory. This passage marks the conclusion of a lengthy dialogue in which Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, warns about the persecution and tribulations to follow, and identifies the signs that will signal the coming of the Son of Man in glory.

The community for whom Luke wrote his Gospel may have believed that they were already experiencing some of the events Jesus described. Most scholars believe that Luke's Gospel was written after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 A.D. At the time, many Christians interpreted this event as an indication that Jesus' second coming was near.

Though Jesus predicts a time of destruction and fear, Jesus indicates that others will be frightened; Jesus' disciples are not to fear, but are to stand tall. Yet Jesus does not promise deliverance from anxiety or tribulations. He encourages his disciples to pray for strength. The early Christian communities did not find consolation in the promise of a utopia, nor should we. Instead, we find in our Christian faith the means by which we witness to God's unfailing love for us in all circumstances.

Jesus' predictions about the end times may sound dire, but in the next paragraph Luke tells us that people woke early to listen to Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In his person and in his message, those who heard Jesus found strength and consolation. Like the first Christians, we may encounter events and circumstances that could lead us to despair. Through prayer, however, we find strength and consolation in Jesus' words and in his continuing presence with us to endure all things and to witness to the action of God in our world.



School News



Looking Ahead:

Our Christmas performance will be Thursday, December 19th at 1:00 PM and also at 6:00 PM.

The performance will include all PreK-8th grade students. Everyone is welcome to attend one or both!

Friday Folders: Please return them on Monday's. If you are sending money for lunch, aftercare, or tuition please put in the folder with the name of what it is for.

Please call the school if your child is ill or will be late.

Finally, with the cooler weather coming, students are encouraged to wear long pants and bring jackets each day. Please remember girls' uniform skirts must have shorts under them or leggings, (navy or black). The length of the skirts may not be more than 3" above the knee. (handbook p.37). tennis shoes must also be worn daily. **NO BOOTS or DRESS SHOES!**

As always, we are grateful for your support!

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 2
8:00 a.m. **NO MASS**

Tuesday, December 3
8:00 a. m. Communion Service
Perpetual Help Devotions

Wednesday, December 4
8:00 a. m. **NO MASS**

Thursday, December 5
8:00 a.m. Don & Donna Straussner

Friday, December 6
8:00 a.m. Wand Baxter

Saturday, December 7
4:00 p.m. Tammy Gower

Sunday, December 8
11:00 a. m. Mass of Thanksgiving

Monday, December 9
7:00 p.m. For the Sick of Our Parish

Lector and Minister Schedule

Saturday, December 7
4:00 p.m. J Mallory
Ministers J Klinger, J Mallory

Sunday, December 8
11:00 a. m. S Tolliver
Ministers G Koebbe, J Lock

Monday, December 9
7:00 p.m. J Marquart
Ministers K Thomeczek, B Stegeman

Servers

Saturday, December 7
4:00 p. m. Andy Prater

Sunday, December 8
11:00 a. m. Waylon & Shelby Stark

Gift Bearers

Saturday, December 7
4:00 p.m. Ushers

Sunday, December 8
11:00 a. m. Ushers

Holy Mass Schedule		
for special feasts until the end of the year		
Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)		
Sunday Dec 8	7 PM	St. Gerald
Monday Dec 9	8 AM	Holy Martyrs of Japan
Monday Dec 9	7 PM	St. Anthony
Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)		
Tues Dec 24	4 PM	St Anthony
Wed Dec 25	Midnight	Holy Martyrs of Japan
Wed Dec 25	8 AM	St Gerald
Wed Dec 25	11 AM	St Anthony
New Year's (Holy Day of Obligation)		
Tues Dec 31	7 PM	St Gerald
Wed Jan 1	8 AM	Holy Martyrs of Japan
Wed Jan 1	7 PM	St. Anthony

Altar Flowers are \$55.00 and
Altar Candles are \$10.00 in
Memory or honor of a loved one.



Please call the rectory to schedule
a date.

SICK LIST *May God grant them healing of soul and body*

If you have someone that you would like to add, please call the
rectory. If they are well, please let us know.

Christina Lambing	Angie Biehl	Harvey Richards
Cindy Dill Fox	Mike Fone	Ronnie Schliefer
Charlene Woodcock	Patti Day	Kevin Ijames, Sr.
Tricia Harris	David Jost	Don Heidenfelder
Scott Staufenbiel	Dorothy Eftink	David Columbo
Kayden & Jayden Eftink	Ada Puhse	Bella Matchell
Warren Kaemmerlen	Sr. JoAnn Kucheler	Joan Barber
George & Barb Epple	Joanie Klinger	Aoife Smith
Vic Heidbrink	Myrna Parker	Sonny Lonning
Pamela Libby	Scott Lambing	Mark Woodring
Noah Ayers	Dan Carey	John Cooper

If someone has recovered or passed away, please call and let us
know. The bulletin for the weekend goes in for publication on
Monday morning.

Pray for our Service Personnel

If you wish to add someone to the list please call the rectory.

Alec McCormick/Air Force	Chris Carter/Air Force
Jonathan Cox/Army Reserves	Cooper Sellars/Marines
Jacob Cargill/Air Force	Cory Garrus/Marines
Mark Johnson/Marines	Bradley Rigdon/ Marines
Ray Schoonveld/Marines	Wyatt Seaton/Marines
Mary Kate Wetzel/Marine	Jordan Bodi, Army
Kim Hurt/Air Force Reserves	
Jaison Ronsick/National Guard	Timmy Kloos/ Air Force
Ethan Kackley/Marines	Oliva Price/Navy
Luke D. Ryan/Marines	

If someone is no longer in the Military, please let us know. If you
would like to add someone to list please call the rectory office.
Thank you.

Our Thanks Offering

This is the offertory for Nov 23 & Nov 7, 2024

Due to early submission the offertory will be in next weekends bulletin

Adult Envelopes.....\$
Envelopes: ()
Electronic.....\$
Loose.....\$

Total General Fund Offertory

St. Vincent de Paul.....\$
Priest Retirement Fund.....\$
Human Development.....\$
School Support.....\$
All Saints.....\$
Electric Special Collections.....\$