ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 8, 2026
Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parish Staff

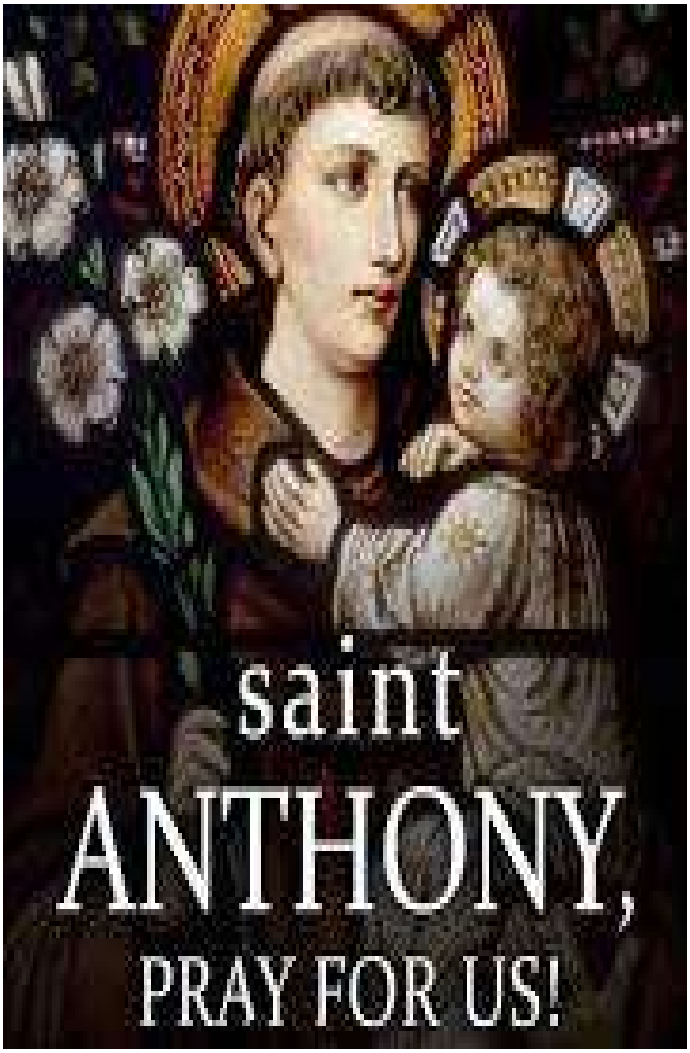
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Rectory Office Hours: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM

Organization Presidents

Home & School	573-468-4423
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Parish Center Rental	573-468-6101
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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



Faith & Fellowship

Anyone who is interested in learning more about their Catholic Faith is welcome to attend.

The group gathers on Wednesday's at the rectory from 6 PM-7 PM each week.

All are welcome to attend when you can.



ADORATION TIME SLOT

(come spend some time with Jesus)

We need a volunteer to either take the 1PM-2 PM time slot or if you prefer the 3PM-4PM time slot.

Please call the rectory if you are willing to volunteer.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT



In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In **last week's Gospel**, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?

Information & Happenings

LADIES ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday, November 29th - 5:00 PM



All ladies of the parish are invited to get a table together for Advent by Candlelight.

Each table should have a Hostess who will be in charge of the table place settings and any decorations they wish to add.

The parish will provide tea, coffee and wine**. Having a head count is extremely important. The deadline to RSVP with your table and head count is Tuesday, November 24th so that we can plan the seating and drinks. All hostess's will be able to get in by 4:00 PM to set up.** We can accommodate 10 tables with 8 or 10 to a table.

We ask each lady joining us to bring a covered dish to share with the other ladies attending.

This is a great way to start off your Advent and have fellowship with the other women of the parish.

There will be a guest speaker, music and prayer.

If you have never joined us, please consider doing so as it is a wonderful evening.

Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Monday	Nov 9	
	8:00 a.m.	**NO MASS**
Tuesday,	Nov 10	Communion Service
	8:00 a.m.	Perpetual Help Devotions
Wednesday,	Nov 11	
	8: 00 a.m.	**NO MASS**
Thursday,	Nov 12	
	8:00 a.m.	Luana Brendel
Friday,	Nov 13	
	8:00 a.m.	Barb Kuelker
Saturday	Nov 14	
	4:00 p.m.	For Our Parish Family
Sunday	Nov 15	
	11:00 a. m.	Vince Rivet

Lector and Minister Schedule

Saturday, Nov 14
4:00 p.m. J Mallory
Ministers K Braun, J Chlipala

Sunday, Nov 15
11:00 a. m. D McMurphy
Ministers B Stegeman, S Tolliver

Servers

Saturday, Nov 14
4:00 p. m. Wesley Kloos & Sean Stack

Sunday, Nov 15
11:00 a. m. Waylon Stark & Shelby Stark

Gift Bearers-Ushers

St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

First of all, thank you for your generosity last month to our St. Vincentt de Paul Society.

There are so many people in our community who are working families but still struggling to pay rent and utilities.

Please know that your donations help tremendously! God bless you all for your constant support.



Altar Flowers are $65.00 in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Altar Candles are $10.00. 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.

Jason Blankenship	Mary Ann Bates	Kay Watson
Warren Kaemmerlen	Deanya Breeden	Sophia Joy Owens
Bernadine Allen	Christina Lambing	Debra Hendrix
Ron Harman	Aoife Smith	Madison Garry
Dave Moore	Gary Wyatt	Marilyn Redfield
Patti Day	Joan Marie Klinger	Evalyn Day
Mary Bernsen	Steve Lambing	Scott & Laura Staufenbiel
Dorothy Eftink	Anna Heady	Chad Cain
Charlene Woodcock	Dean Grus	Diana Jollay
Crissy Williams	Margie Kase	Gloria Cavanaugh
Vicki Walker	Valerie Kaemmerlen	Sandy Majchrzak

If you want to add someone to the list, please call the rectory. If someone has recovered, please let us know.

Thank you.

Pray for our Service Personnel

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

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

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 Oct 31 & Nov 1st, 2026

Adult Envelopes	$ 3,910.00
Envelopes: (119)	
Electronic	$
Loose	$ 880.00
General Fund Offertory	**4,790.00**
St. Vincent de Paul	$ 190.00
School Support	$ 455.00
Permanent Deaconate	$ 45.00
Improvement Fund	$ 73.00
Assessment	$ 80.00
All Saints Day	$ 242.00
Candles	$ 1.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	$ 82.00
Electronic Special Collections	$
	1,168.00