St. Anthony of Padua Parish

Pastoral Staff
Pastor: Fr. Dale W. Staysniak
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Pastoral Minister: Sr. Roberta Goebel, OSU
Principal: Mr. Patrick Klimkewicz
Parish Secretary: Mrs. Joyce Fanous
Music Minister: Mrs. Nancy Tabar

Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm, 6:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm
Monday-Friday: 7:00am, 8:00am
Holy Days:
Vigil - 5:30pm
7:00am, 9:00am
5:30pm, 7:00pm

Confession Schedule
Saturday: 3:00pm-4:00pm
or by appointment

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Parish Directory
Parish Address: 6750 State Road
Parma, Ohio 44134
Parish Office: (440) 842-2666
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Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 9:00am-7:00pm
Friday 9:00am-4:00pm
Parish Website: stanthonypaduaparma.org

School Directory
School Office: (440) 845-3444
School Website: st anthony of padua school.org
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church.
7:00AM Carol Ellis
8:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Ludvik Roch

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, The Passion of St. John the Baptist.
7:00AM Angelina Pallotta
8:00AM Clement & Stella Ivanski

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30
7:00AM Wasko Family
8:00AM Daniel Watkins

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31
7:00AM Hank Dickey
8:00AM Mr. & Mrs. William A. Smith

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
7:00AM Chester & Antoinette Jesionek
8:00AM Stephanie Novak

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
8:00AM Vocation Mass
1:00PM Kowalski / Anzalone Wedding
4:30PM Fred & Millie LaMalfa
6:00PM Michael Hanchovsky

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.
8:00AM For People of the Parish (living & deceased)
10:00AM Betty Ebert
12:00PM Tony & Honey Monachino


Baptized on Sunday, August 20, 2017:
Selene Hao Tam

Wedding Banns
BANNS III Rebecca Kowalski & Christopher Anzalone
BANNS II Michael Imbrogno & Melinda Thomas
BANNS I Nicole May & Jeffery Rath

In Loving Memory
Andrew Balogh

Contribution for Weekend August 19/20, 2017:
Total Offering: $15,354.34
Sunday Collection: $11,101.28
Faith Direct: $4,253.06
Poor Box: $83.00

SUNDAY THOUGHT
Matthew 16:13-20

In today’s Gospel reading we once again hear Jesus ask His disciples the familiar question, “Who do you say that I am.” We need to likewise answer that same question for our own lives. In one sense, it should not be a question that puzzles us. This is a question that should be asked of any relationship we enter into. For instance, married couples should be asking that same critical question of each other, formally or informally, throughout their whole married life if they hope to maintain the same fervor they had for each other on the their marriage day. When we examine a precious relationship it is always with the hope that it will come to a greater clarity in our minds as to how we can improve, extend, and deepen the relationship. It is only then that we will have the hope to take concrete steps to grow closer to that special person. Some of the questions we could be asking about our relationship with Jesus could be these: How often do I talk to Jesus in prayer? How often do I listen to Him in prayer? Do I try to know more about Jesus by reading scripture and other kinds of spiritual reading? Am I aware of Jesus’ presence in all my daily activities? Would my day be different if He wasn’t a part of it? These are serious questions for a serious relationship. They demand thoughtful answers on our part.
CELEBRATING THE SAINTS
Saint Edward the Confessor, Layman (1003-1066)

When he was ten years old, Edward, the son of Anglo-Saxon King Ethelred “the unready”, was shipped off to Normandy, France to protect him from Danish invaders. The next thirty years of his life were spent in exile. He was in his forties before he was able to return to the court of his half-brother. The next year Edward, with the help of the British nobles, regained his rightful crown and was crowned king.

While still in exile, Edward had made a promise to go on pilgrimage to Rome, were he ever to return to England. Once he was crowned king, the pilgrimage seemed an impossibility. The pope offered Edward another way to fulfill the vow: restore a monastery. Edward chose a little community on the outskirts of London. As much as a tenth of his wealth went to the renewal of the monastery. He granted it large amounts of land and constructed a 300-foot Romanesque church. Edward died only a week after it opened.

Although historians are divided on the value of Edward’s earthly reign, contemporary accounts leave little doubt as to his virtue. He was openhanded with the poor and strengthened the ties between England and Rome. He was the first of the English kings reported to have a healing touch. Edward’s body was buried in the abbey he had built, Westminster Abbey. His shrine survived the Reformation and continues to be venerated at Westminster, now an Anglican church. Saint Edward the Confessor’s feast day is celebrated on October 13th.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND PARENTS
Confirmation Preparation classes begin September 24, 2017. Students will meet at the 10:00 a.m. Mass each week, followed by classroom sessions. Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers as they prepare for Confirmation on November 8, 2017.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (ADULTS)
The Sacrament of Confirmation helps us to live the Christian life through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. If you are an adult and have never received this Sacrament, contact Fr. Peter at the rectory or by email frpeter@stanthonypaduaparma.org. God has more sacramental grace to give.
POSSIBLY I CAN HELP.....
My name is Mary Lou Fleck, and as a fellow parishioner, I thought it would be helpful to communicate my new role at your neighbor, Mt. Alverna Village. For more than six years, I have been the Admission Coordinator, and now have been given the new position as Business Development Liaison. My background as a Social Worker and Nursing Home Administrator has provided me with 40 years of experience with resident, families, and our healthcare partners, when they were seeking assistance for Seniors needing Rehabilitation, Memory Support, Long Term Care or Assisted Living. I can help you by visiting your loved one or Senior, in the hospital or home, assess their needs, and answer any questions. Colleen Ontko, Admissions Coordinator, also has many years of experience with Senior care and Admissions. If either of us can be of assistance, don’t hesitate to contact Mt. Alverna Village at 440-843-7800 or https://www.franciscanministries.org

POPE FRANCIS’ APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER
INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER
Parish: That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

In his Message for the 2017 World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis wrote: “All Christians are called to be missionaries of the Gospel! As disciples, we do not receive the gift of God’s love for our personal consolation, nor are we called to promote ourselves, or a business concern. We are simply men and women touched and transformed by the joy of God’s love, who cannot keep this experience just to ourselves.”

We experience God’s love in prayer and community, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist. There, our intimate encounter with Jesus leads us to share the concerns and desires of his Heart which moves us beyond focusing just on ourselves or our own parish community.

In 2001 Pope St. John Paul II wrote: “our Christian communities must become genuine ‘schools’ of prayer. By opening our heart to the love of God it also opens it to the love of our brothers and sisters, and makes us capable of shaping history according to God’s plan.”

Strengthened in faith and charity at the Eucharist, we look outwards to the millions who do not know Jesus. We reach out to them with our prayer and acts of charity. At the same time, we form a parish community that will attract people to Christ and his Body, the Church.

In a General Audience last October, Pope Francis offered the example of St. Therese of Lisieux, one of the Apostleship of Prayer’s patrons: “she reminds us that the real mission is never proselytism, but rather attraction to Christ, adoration and concrete acts of charity, which is service to Jesus present in the least of our brothers and sisters.”

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK
Let’s promote vocations by praying for our diocesan seminarians.
Please pray for James Parisi.

HEY CATHOLIC! DID YOU KNOW...
Did you know that the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist are called the Sacraments of Initiation? These are the Sacraments received by the children as they mature and by the catechumens at the Easter Vigil.
If you have not received these Sacraments, contact the rectory.

RCIA CORNER
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in September. If you know someone who is seeking to know Jesus and is interested in becoming Catholic, tell them that God is waiting for them and to contact Fr. Peter at the rectory or by email frpeter@stanthonypaduaparma.org with any questions.
SLOVAK FESTIVAL
The Slovak Festival, sponsored by the Cleveland Slovak Radio Club will be held at St. Anthony of Padua, 6750 State Rd., in Parma, on Sunday, September 3, 2017 from Noon to 8:00 p.m. Enjoy homemade Slovak food, bakery, music, dancing, along with a magician, balloon twister and face painting. Entertainment provided by the Anthony Culkar Band, Wayne Tomsic Band and Ralph Szubski. Admission is $5.00 at the door. For additional information call (440) 465-6412.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA
Are you always telling yourself that you need to spend more time developing your spiritual life, but cannot seem to find time to do so? If so, then please check out our selection of CDs on the Lighthouse Media display. These CDs are great to listen to while driving in your car. There are five great selections. Love – Sacrifice – Trust: He showed Us the Way; The Treasure of Our Soul: The Apostles’ Creed; The Case for Jesus: The Biblical and Historical Evidence for Christ; The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song; and Mary: The Indispensable Mother of God.

WEEKLY WORK OF MERCY
Pray for those undergoing medical tests this week. They may be afraid, and your prayer may lift them up.

RE putical Glossary

CATHOLIC GLOSSARY
Plenary Indulgence: A plenary indulgence is a complete remission of the temporal punishment which often remains due to sin after its guilt has been forgiven. It is granted by the Church to those rightly disposed. Jesus to Peter: “I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” (Matthew 16:19) A plenary indulgence can be received for one’s own self or for a soul in Purgatory.

CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY CORNER
“Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin, all hope consists in confession; in confession there is a chance for mercy.” — St. Isidore of Seville.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
Get some popcorn and watch a Catholic movie as a family. There are many great movies out there about St. John Bosco, St. Philip Neri, and other great saints. These movies are both inspiring and entertaining. Try one.

MYSTAGOGICAL MOMENTS
Mystagogy (mist-a-go-gée) is prayerful reflection on the presence of God in the midst of events. Start your conversation with God with this question:
In your private prayer this week, did you experience peace when you prayed to God? If so, why? If not, why?

WEEKLY MASS REMINDER
Even though the ritual of the Mass is the same each week, we are different people each time we come. We have had new experiences, new joys, new disappointments. Pray with all your heart and allow God to give you the strength you need to go another week.

EVANGELIZATION TIP
Use a Catholic image as the wallpaper on your phone or computer. (ie. Jesus, Our Lady, Pope Francis, a Church building) When you or others look at your screen, it will remind everyone about our faith.
Jack is Thriving!

In fifth grade, Jack’s difficulties in school due to speech and learning disabilities started his family on a quest that took them out of Catholic schools to public school, and then to the Academy of St. Adalbert, where all students – including those with disabilities – learn side by side in the classroom.

“The level of engagement from the principal to the teachers was like nothing we had experienced before,” says Jack’s mother, Amy. “Jack no longer saw his disability as a negative, and he began to flourish in school.” This foundation led to Jack’s recent graduation from Padua Franciscan High School.

According to St. Adalbert principal, Susan Herman, Rooted in Faith - Forward in Hope grants have benefited all students. In February, the school was awarded a Catholic Education grant to fund “flexible seating,” which allows teachers to accommodate student learning styles.

Seventy-four Catholic schools and parish catechetical programs received Rooted in Faith – Forward in Hope grants in February, totaling $1,163,637. Funds were distributed at an event highlighting a bold new educational initiative to educate exceptional learners, like Jack, at Catholic schools in the Diocese. The Alihuia Ball, to be held October 14, 2017 at the Huntington Convention Center of Cleveland, will provide seed money for the new initiative, named “Better Together.”

To find out more about the Rooted in Faith – Forward in Hope February grant distribution, go to www.catholiccommunity.org/RIFGrants.

Our Parish

Every payment you make benefits our parish! As you know, 50% of the funds collected up to our goal return to our parish to use for our own local projects. Our parish continues to receive quarterly distributions based upon monies collected from your pledges. Thank you to everyone who makes this success possible.

If you have not yet made a gift to the Campaign but would like to do so, or if you’d like to make an additional gift, please go to www.catholiccommunity.org/rnf/newgift. Alternatively, you may contact Cathy Brown at the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525, ext. 2940.

Rooted in Faith pledge payments can now be made online at www.catholiccommunity.org/rnf/pledgepayment. Also, we encourage you to visit www.catholiccommunity.org and browse our website for current news, events, list of Board Directors, or view the annual financial statement.