



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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January 12, 2025 Baptism of the Lord— C

A Message from Fr. Tom Donovan:



In the three-year readings cycle for the Church, 2025 is considered “Year C”, which is the year of the Gospel of Luke. Much we know about Luke is because of his relationship with Paul. Paul identified Luke as a physician. We also know that Luke was probably of Jewish descent, completely familiar with the Greek culture. Indeed, Luke’s writing style (in Greek) was highly polished and sophisticated.

In two weeks, on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, we will hear the gospel that speaks of Jesus entering the synagogue and pulling down the scroll of Isaiah, rolling through all of the possible

references of who the Messiah would be, he chose the reading that says:

The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.

A central theme of the Gospel of Luke is that of the Jubilee. In the Jewish culture, after every (7 x 7 =) 49 years, there would be a 50th ‘Jubilee Year’, all debts would be forgiven, slaves would be freed, and family lands pledged to others would be returned. This kind of system would be unheard of in our own society which depends on the integrity and coercion of long-term debts. The economy of the Jewish people adapted remarkably well to this system. Unlike our own economy, the Jewish people did not experience debt-based bubbles of over-consumption or the severity of cultural injustices which resulted in classes of people becoming permanent “haves” and others becoming “have-nots”. Consider how, probably once in a person’s life time, if they or their fathers had been dispossessed of their family lands to pay debts or for any other reason, that they would receive them back... free... once... so that a person could have a ‘second chance’ to restore the wealth of their family and participate in the wealth of society! For the poor and debtors and their children, the Jubilee might be the only chance they had at being successful. Of course, the rich and those with ill-gotten gains would have no interest in perpetuating the Jubilee Year tradition.

Indeed, by the time of the late prophets, Israel had started getting away from the Jubilee, observing the restoration of justice in the breach, rather than in its full spirit. Consider what this means when Jesus proclaims a Jubilee Year. Those taken into slavery... released. Those dispossessed of the lands... restored. Those oppressed... forgiven. Might this give a new energy to the Lord’s Prayer, as recorded by Luke, where we pray, “forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors”? Looking all the way back in biblical history, are we not all the children of Adam and Eve, who have been dispossessed of our lands, sold into slavery, and who owe an impossible debt to God through our sins?

When the Lord proclaims a Year of Jubilee, our fortunes are being fully restored! A Jubilee Year would be proclaimed in the synagogues on Yom Kippur, the day of atonement. On that day, the people would recall their covenant with God, trusting in his mercy and justice, and re-committing themselves to live in justice with one another. Only those who practice justice would themselves be worthy of being treated with justice... isn’t this a form of “forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us”? This is where the baptism of John comes in. John gives a baptism of repentance. Jesus takes baptism a step further. He offers John’s baptism of repentance with the power of the Spirit—the same Spirit that accepts the repentance of a dispossessed people, and in turn, proclaims a year of Jubilee to restore justice between all of God’s people. Going forward during the year, watch how Luke presumes that those who have received Divine Mercy now have the obligation to practice that mercy with others.

In 2025, the universal Church celebrates a Jubilee devoted to hope: “hope does not disappoint” (Rom 5:5). With the opening of the Jubilee doors in Rome, the faithful are called to turn once again to Christ who is the ‘door’ to salvation, that we proclaim him always and everywhere as ‘our hope’. Renewed in a new-found spirit of justice inspired by this Jubilee, and in response to his universal call to holiness, we are called to be transformed by our meditation on the virtue of Hope as we cross the threshold of 2025.



— Mass Times —

Saturday: 4:00, 6:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am

M, Tu, Th, at St. Anthony: 7:30 am

W. at St. Dominic School 8:30 am

Th. at Good Samaritan 10:00 am

F. at St. Dominic School 8:15 am

Holy Days: as announced

When on vacation visit: www.masstimes.org

— Sacrament of Reconciliation —

Saturday: 5:00-6:00 pm

and other times by appointment

-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-

Tuesday: after Mass until noon

except when a funeral is scheduled



Mass Intentions

Mon., January 13, 2025

7:30 a.m. Susan Bauer+

Tues., January 14, 2025

7:30 a.m. Mick Ehrhardt+

Wed., January 15, 2025

-at St, Dominic School

8:30 a.m. Dave & Cindy Brown+

Thurs., January 16, 2025

7:30 a.m. James Hildebrand+

-at Good Samaritan

10:00 a.m. Robert & Mary Ellen

Lohman+

Fri., January 17, 2025

-at St, Dominic School

8:15 a.m. Judy Emerick+

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat., January 18, 2025

4:00 p.m. David Zanger+

6:30 p.m. Albert Huber+

Sun., January 19, 2025

8:00 a.m. Parish Intentions

10:30 a.m. Leon Lentz+

Perpetual Prayer Candle for Special Intentions

Week of January 11-17

Tim & Leona Mast Family

— Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, Noon

St. Dominic School

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A Message from Mrs. Carol Frericks—Principal

Sixth Grade Leaders Teach About the Virtue of Prudence



During the month of January, our sixth-grade leaders have been teaching about the Cardinal Virtue of Prudence. Mrs. Laurie Stegeman, sixth-grade teacher, provides a lesson each day from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Bible, or the lives of the Saints. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines prudence, as “the virtue that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it; ‘the prudent man looks where he is going’ (Proverbs 14-15).” Prudence is “right reason in action” writes St. Thomas Aquinas, following Aristotle. (CCC, 1806).

ST. DOMINIC PTO IS HOSTING

BINGO FOR BOOKS

JANUARY 16TH
5:30PM-7:30PM

FREE EVENT!
Every time you win BINGO, you get to choose a free book to take home.
We will have books for ALL ages, even adults!
Bake sale snacks and hot cocoa will be available to help support the 8th grade Washington D.C. trip.

COME AND GO AS YOU CAN!
ST. DOMINIC GYMNASIUM

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday, January 13
6:00-8:00 PM QCS Provisional Advisory Board Mtg.

Tuesday, January 14
6:30 PM School Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 15
8:30 AM School Mass; 3:15 PM Faculty Meeting
6:30 PM Annual Fund Envelope Stuffing in Gym

Thursday, January 16
5:30-7:30 PM PTO Bingo for Books

Friday, January 17
8:15 AM Quiet School Mass
Spirit Shirt Day

Save The Date: Catholic Schools Week:
January 26 - February 1, 2025



Upcoming Events

Couples Night Out

Friday, February 7, 2025



We are gearing up for our first-ever relationship ministry event! Please come and get to know other couples while having fun, creating community, and celebrating love at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Appetizers, Cash Bar, Fun Games, and On-Site Childcare! All couples are invited to join us!!!

To RSVP: Use the QR code, or follow this link: <https://forms.gle/HdN4ut2SbvqA6bWf9>

Mark your Calendar!

Junefest and St. Anthony Picnic



Mark your calendar for Junefest, which will be June 7th and St. Anthony Picnic, which will be July 19th. Chairmen are needed to chair both events. Please contact Jackie Dreyer, 217-222-8049, if interested in helping.

Watch the bulletin for a meeting date the end of January.

Yearly Contribution Statements



If you are needing a contribution statement for 2024 from St. Anthony Church please contact the parish office, 222-5996, to request a statement. We can either mail or email your statement. These will only be printed upon request.

Help needed in Several Ministries



Would you like to become more involved in our parish? We have several ministries that are in need of more help: Key Ministers, Lectors, Mass Servers, Funeral Dinner helpers and Rosary Leaders.

If you are interested or want to know more about what each of these areas and what is involved please contact the parish office 217-222-5996.

Prayer for Our Country

Dear God, bless our country, the United States of America. Keep our country in the Christian faith. Keep our country and all the peoples living in justice. Keep the young people of this great land, noble, brave, loyal and true. Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of God, under your very special title of the Immaculate Conception you are the patroness of the United States of America. Pray to your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and with that special power you have, O Mary, by being always perfectly sinless, bring everyone in our country to Jesus Christ. Amen

— Parish Data —

PARISH CALENDAR	
Monday, January 13 7:30 p.m.	Men's Society Meeting
Tuesday, January 14 6:30 p.m.	St. Dominic School Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 15 11:30 p.m.	Merry Widows lunch at Sprouts
Thursday, January 16 5:30-7:30 p.m.	Bingo for Books at St. Dominic School
Friday, January 17	
Saturday, January 18 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass Mass
Sunday, January 19 8:00 a.m. 9:00-10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mass Families of Faith Mass
<i>As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Pt 4:10).</i>	

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING							
Week 27	Jan. 4/5	Total Year-to-Date					
Loose Collection	\$ 1,210.91	\$ 24,424.67					
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 9,509.00	\$ 259,696.21					
Electronic Deposits	\$ 6,308.00	\$ 37,498.00					
Total, Jan. 4/5	\$ 17,027.91	\$ 321,618.88					
Budget Goal <small>(we need no less than this to stay out of deficit spending for the year!)</small>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 351,000.00					
Difference	\$ 4,027.91	(\$ -29,381.12)					
Money Counters : Monday, January 13, 2025 Nancy Speckhart Melanie Longenecker Jan Obert							
Suggested Tithing Chart							
Per hour	Per year	2% per week	4% per week	6% per week	8% per week	10% per week	12% per week
\$15	\$30,000	\$12	\$24	\$36	\$48	\$60	\$72
\$20	\$40,000	\$16	\$32	\$48	\$64	\$80	\$96
\$25	\$50,000	\$20	\$40	\$60	\$80	\$100	\$120
\$30	\$60,000	\$24	\$48	\$72	\$96	\$120	\$144
\$35	\$70,000	\$28	\$56	\$84	\$112	\$140	\$168
\$40	\$80,000	\$32	\$64	\$96	\$138	\$160	\$192
\$45	\$90,000	\$36	\$72	\$108	\$144	\$180	\$216
\$50	\$100,000	\$40	\$80	\$120	\$160	\$200	\$240

*Approximated based on 40 hour-work week and 2,000 hour work-year.
Thank you for reviewing and considering your parish tithe each year.*

Parish Ministry Schedule - Sat.& Sun., January 18 & 19, 2025

	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Saturday, 6:30 p.m.	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Key Minister/	Mary Courty		Dan Reichert	
Lector	Janice Zanger	George Benz	Michelle Kasparie	Dale Hilgenbrinck
Usher	Jack Kuhlman James Lohman Richard Reichert Mike Zanger	George Huber Elmer Maas Ron Reichert Ted Vahle	Richard Foster Mike Genenbacheer Gene Goerlich Jerry Grawe	Frank Arnold Diane Dittmer Greg Dittmer Ken Klauser
Servers	Gabby Fischer Morgan Venvertloh	The Benz Family	Pius IX Altar Servers	Alex Wellman Connor Earnst
Greeters/ Gift Bearers	Dana & Rose Lugerling Family	Ted Vahle Family	Joe Dreyer Family	Troy & Kim Peters
Rosary Leader	Tawny Benz	Melanie Longenecker	Mary Koch	David & Janice McCleary Family

In charity, please remember in your prayers: All Caregivers, The Shut-Ins of our Parish, Military Members and their families, Mike Hildebrand, Jackie Schieferdecker, Dennis Meyer, James Ponsot, Mary Gehrt, Winnie Huber, Cindy Barner, Erika Jurrens Hutchison
Also please remember in your prayers those who have died in 2025:

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Nursing Care Patients

IL Veterans Home

Michael Hildebrand
Jim Ponsot
Verne Hagstrom

Bickford Cottages

Mary Gehrt
Bradford Villa
Ruth Schmelzle

Quincy Catholic Schools Updates

Did you know that you can review all of the Monthly Updates from the Quincy Catholic Schools at:

<https://www.quincycatholicschools.org/news/>
QCS announced that the "facilities plan" presented in September is being tabled for further work and there will be no changes for the 2025-26 school year. Please review the newsletters for full information.

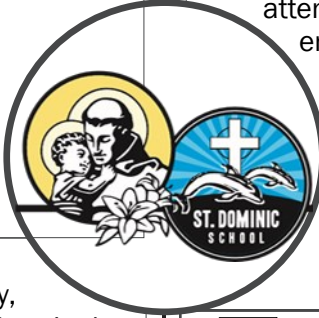


Memorial Candles and Pictures from the Memorial Mass

We have the pictures and candles in the parish office for you to pick up. The office hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Job Openings at St. Peter Church & School

Full-time Director of Liturgy and Music
Part-time Cafeteria Manager
Part-time Parish Nurse
For more information contact St Peter Parish office, 217-222-3155 or email k.smith@cospq.org.



The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday,

January 12th from 8:30am-12:30pm in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. (Children under 5 eat free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Workcamp trip this summer.



Travel through Portugal with Fr. Bob Barko in 2026. Visit

Lisbon, Fatima, and more! An information meeting will be held on Monday, January 13th at Quincy's Discount Travel at 6PM to discuss all of the details. Please call 217-228-1122 to RSVP.



Welcome
Kevin & Carrie Schreacke,
Kristopher & Jonathan
Jay & Carol Frericks
Jeremy & Jennifer Dyer,
Thomas, Dennis, Daniel, Joshua, & Phillip
to our St. Anthony Parish Family!

Dear St. Anthony Parishioners,

Thank you for your generous donation of bags of food. We appreciate your interest in and support of our ministry to the needy of the area.

God Bless You Always!
Ladies of Charity



Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Roger Hummel
Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord,
and let Perpetual Light
shine on him.

MOVING??? If you are moving, please call the parish office 217-222-5996 to give us your new address.



Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage in 2025!

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year! The following upcoming weekends are available in 2025. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call: Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

1/31/2025 - 2/2/2025, St. Peters, MO
4/4/2025 - 4/6/2025, St. Peters, MO
6/13/2025 - 6/15/2025, St. Peters, MO



JANUARY GROCERY ITEMS
Dish Detergent, Toilet Paper,
Laundry Detergent

The Ladies of Charity & Catholic Charities Thank You

Did you know that the Adoration Chapel has been a vital part of Quincy located at the St Peters Campus since Oct 1987? We are trying to get the chapel open again 24/7 but WE NEED YOU. Are you looking for an uninterrupted quiet hour alone with the Lord once a month or every week? Doesn't everyone need an hour with the Lord? We need you and are asking for your assistance in getting the hours below filled!

Wednesday: 2 am, 3 am, 8 pm (weeks 2,4,5)
Thursday: Midnight (weeks 2,4,5), 1 am (weeks 2,4,5)
Friday: 1 am
Saturday: 1 am, 2am
Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Ann at 217-430-6967



Safe Environment Program

To report all allegations of Sexual Abuse of a Minor by Clergy-Even if it is in the past- Individuals are encouraged to call:
The Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number (217) 321-1156

Blessed Sacrament Battle of the Paddles

Saturday, February 22, Doors open at 5:00 p.m.,
Auction begins at 6:00 p.m.

Fr. McGivney Hall, Knights of Columbus
Bring your friends, snacks and quarters!
Cash bar available.

K of C 2025 Calendar Raffle for Charity

The Knights of Columbus “2025 Calendar Raffle” is in progress which helps support our catholic schools as well as other charitable causes such as Ladies of Charity and Birthright. Please consider purchasing a raffle calendar for \$25 with 365 chances to win \$24,400 in cash prizes. They make great Christmas gifts! The calendars are available at the K of C main building during business hours or by calling Mike Schlipmann at 653-9318 or John Veith at 653-0258.

Thank for your consideration and support.

Thank you to everyone who advertises in our bulletin!
Please support these businesses.

MISSION AT ST. BRIGID! All are welcome to join us for our parish mission “A JOURNEY TO JOY” with Frank Runyeon! Frank Runyeon has received national acclaim for his work as a translator and performer of Biblical texts over the past 30 years. He has performed the Gospel for hundreds of thousands of people in virtually every state in America.

Sunday, January 12, 2025 – St. Brigid, Liberty, IL

7 pm – Performance, Luke: Stories on the Road

Monday, January 13, 2025 – St. Brigid, Liberty, IL

7 pm – Performance, Sermon on the Mount

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

7 pm – Performance, Hollywood vs. Faith

Welcome to all visitors to St. Anthony Parish! If you are searching for a place to call home please consider becoming a member of our parish family. It is very simple to sign up. Just call the parish office (217-222-5996) and indicate that you would like to join our parish and a registration form will be sent to you or emailed to you. If you would rather stop by the office some one is there Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.



A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

