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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Anthony Catholic Church, acknowledge God's reign on earth as revealed by the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are the Body of Christ and are called to build the reign of God's love. We strive to accomplish this through our participation in communal worship and loving service to all God's people.

(adopted 20 September 2000)

STAFF	MASS TIMES		
Pastor	697-0645	Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Fr. Charles Klamut, Pastor	697-0627	Sunday	9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
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Louie Tomlianovich	674-0339	Tuesdsay	5:00 p.m.
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Saturdays	3:30 - 4:15 PM	PARISH ORGANIZATIONS	
Infant Baptism		Funeral Luncheon	S
At weekend liturgies or by appointment		Cindy Barnett	309-409-5711
Sacrament of Matrimony		Geri O'Neill	309-645-2175
By Appointment Six Months in Advance		Women's Group	
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick		Mary Withrow	815-258-7280

Mass Intentions

Did you know that you can have a mass said in memory of a loved one who has died? You can also have a mass said for someone who is still alive. Some choose to have a mass said in honor of a birthday, anniversary, birth of a child, or date of a person's death. Please call the office to schedule or mail in your request.



December

30 Sat.

4:30pm Sandy Post By Bonnie Renner

31 Sun.

9:00am Jon Popovich

By Cam & Mike Lahart 11:30am People of the Parish

January

1 Mon. 8:00am Wilton Morgan By Gayle Mirande

2 Tue.

5:00pm Atticus Adams By Mary Ann Gottlieb

3 Wed. 7:30am Eileen Bennett By Steve & Sandy Gasparovich

4 Thur. 7:30am Tim Bursott By Keats & Mary Anne Hunt

5 Fri.

7:30am Mary Ann Claybaugh

By Steve & Sandy Gasparovich

6 Sat.

4:30pm Doris Ingram By Dick Ingram

7 Sun.

9:00am Joe Friling By The Family 11:30 People of the Parish

ST. ANTHONY CAMERATA CHORALE **FESTIVAL CHOIR TOUR TO IRELAND AND SCOTLAND**

Pondering on a great Christmas present for yourself or a loved one? Have you ever thought of traveling to the Emerald Isle and Scotland? Now is the time! Early August is the prime for visiting both countries to take advantage of the many street festivals and of course, the Royal Military Tattoo performance in Scotland! Deadline is fast approaching...we would love to have you join our merry band as we enjoy the wonderous sights and sounds of our Gaelic adventure!

New to St. Anthony's?

Please take just a minute to register. Promise we won't bug you to volunteer for a bunch of stuff...

well, maybe just a little. Remember, to receive a tax statement for income tax preparation you must be registered.

St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels

St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels is a ministry of Catholic Charities serving families in need across the Peoria Diocese. To replenish supplies for the St. Nicholas van, Catholic Women are organizing a Diocesan collection in the Peoria Vicariate in January. In support of this mission St. Anthony Women's Club will have a collection drive the weekends of January 7th and 14th.

Items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, toothpaste, deodorant, laundry detergent, garbage bags, shampoo/ conditioner and razors. Visa, Walmart and Gas gift cards are also needed.

This project helps over 500 families in need throughout the Peoria Diocese make ends meet, care for their families and experience the Catholic faith in action. Matt 25:40 ".... Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." May this Bible verse inspire your giving. Donated items should be placed in the bins in the gathering space. Monetary and gift card donations should be placed in the collection basket. Thank vou!

Families needing assistance may meet the St. Nicholas van in Peoria on January 18 at a location and time listed below:

St. Ann Parish at 11:15am

St. Mark Parish at 12:15pm

St. Bernard/East Bluff Community Center at

2:00pm

This is a Promotion Project of the Peoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women in cooperation with Catholic Charities.

SMOKER/GRILL RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to Mary Jo Papich! Her name was drawn as the winner of our Oklahoma Joe's Smoker/Grill Raffle on December 17th. A big thank you to everyone who entered the drawing

DINING OUT BOOKS

New Dining Out Books are now available. See or call Bev Stender at (309) 369-9926 or stop by the office. **Great Savings!** They make great stocking stuffers.



WHAT IS A BLESSING?

Recently, a document came out called 'Fiducia Supplicans.' The document gives pastoral instruction for clergy to better understand the meaning of offering a priestly blessing.

A blessing is an impartation of God's help to draw us close to him. For this reason, the instruction reminds us that a blessing is not for the Christian that is perfect. A blessing is for the one who recognizes the need for God's mercy. Anyone who desires to draw closer to God, receive his forgiveness, and grow in holiness is in need of a blessing. This is why at the end of Mass the priest offers a final blessing to all, no matter how far along they have grown in their fidelity to Jesus.

The declaration goes on to reinforce Christ's unchanging teaching on marriage and human sexuality by clarifying that blessings are not to be offered to legitimize a lack of conformity to God's ways. This is because Jesus, and his Body the Church, never blesses sin, she blesses sinners who do not want to remain in their sin. For this reason, the declaration prohibits clergy from using official rituals proper to the Sacrament of Marriage for individuals who do not enjoy it.

Yet, blessing individuals, even when lacking the Sacrament, is encouraged. There is an important takeaway for clergy. We befriend many people who have yet to surrender to all of Christ's revelation. Like them, we all need help to know Jesus. We all need his blessing to submit to his mercy and let him reign as King in our lives. 'Fiducia Supplicans' encourages us to find new opportunities, consistent with Church teaching, to offer the life-changing blessings of Jesus Christ.

To end, I extend my priestly blessing to all: May the Lord, Jesus Christ, bless you with a spirit of humble repentance. May you know, more and more, his love and truth. May almighty God bless you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen!

-Reflection by Father Anthony Co, pastor, St Patrick's Parish, Urbana

Parish Contributions* 12/11/2023 through 12/17/2023

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Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION MASTER SCHEDULE 2023-2024

Religious Ed. Director: Karen Campbell (309-264-9059) kcampbell@stanthonybartonville.com Grades K-8 meet on Sunday after the 9 AM Mass until 11:20

DECEMBE	R 31	NO CLASSES—Happy New Year
January	1	Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
	7	CLASSES At Home Parent Meeting (Online)
	14	CLASSES - Adoration (Confession - 3rd & 8th Grade)
	19	Teacher Meeting at 11:45 am First Reconciliation Meeting in the church at 6pm
	20	FIRST RECONCILIATION 10 AM
	21	CLASSES (Teacher Mtg.@11:45am) Adoration (Reconciliation 3rd Grade)
	28	NO CLASŠES
February	4	CLASSES At Home Parent Meeting at 11:45am

Soup Supper and Eucharistic Hour

St Anthony will be hosting a soup supper followed by an hour of prayer on **Tuesday January 16**. The supper will begin at 5:30pm at the parish center (immediately following the 5pm Mass).

Matt Faley will give a reflection after the supper. Matt is a former campus minister, a father of five, and is currently the Chief of Mission for the Diocese of Peoria. He helps the bishop and diocesan staff stay focused on spreading the love of Jesus in all they do.

The Eucharistic hour will follow from **7-8pm** at the church, featuring some Scripture reading, prayers, and quiet time of adoration. The special diocesan 'traveling monstrance' commissioned for the Eucharistic Revival Year will be used. This monstrance has been passed from parish to parish and will make its stop at St Anthony for this event.

Please join us for this inspiring evening of fellowship and prayer!

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