St. Anthony of Padua Parish

May the Light of Faith shine forth from our parish as a beacon to guide our community to the Lord. When life seems difficult and troublesome, may our faith offer us security and strength. When we come together to celebrate God's gifts may the Holy Spirit fill us with joy.

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Nominated Members
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FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS
Chair—Rick Gurley, Trevor Theobald, Don Rochon,
Joe Hawkins, Linda Hlebak, Tom Langer,
Kevin Hanzak (parish accountant)

SATURDAY VIGIL 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.
Tuesday 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 a.m.
First Friday of the Month 8:00 a.m.
HOLY DAY 7:30 a.m./7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS Every Saturday 3:00 p.m.
or anytime by appointment

MEETINGS/GROUPS
Parish Council 354-4525
Altar/Rosary 552-3375
1st Tuesday April—December
Parish Life Commission 354-4337
Finance Committee 354-4525
Music Ministry/Choir/Cantors 251-6820
Building/Maintenance 354-4525
Spiritual Blessing Card Ministry 354-3769
Good Samaritan Fund/Food Bank 357-6714
Aluminum Recycling/Paper Recycling/furniture/
clothes for the needy -
All items can be placed by the garage or call 354-4525
Education Commission 354-4525
Spiritual/Liturgical Commission/Lectors/Eucharistic
Ministers/Acolytes/Ushers 354-4525
Bereavement 354-4525
Prayer Line Requests 352-7703
Jail Ministry / Dec Trepal 382-1889
AA Meetings
Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) September-May
Steve Biro, Parish Catechetical Leader
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Grades K-6 on Sundays 11:00a.m.-12:00 noon
Steve Biro, Director of Junior High &
High School Ministry
Pre-Confirmation grade 7+ Sundays 9:00-10:00a.m.
Confirmation grade 8+ scheduled Sundays 6:00-8:00p.m.

BAPTISMS
Please call the rectory to set up an appointment.

WEDDINGS
Six months notice is required.
Please call the rectory to set up an appointment.
**November 17 / November 18**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

4:00PM  Tristan Simko / Joe Hawkins  
8:00AM  Bill McCabe / Brianna Manross  
10:00AM Andrea & Lauren McKinney  
        Jana Vale

**LECTORS**

4:00PM  Renee Simko / Joan Lehman  
8:00AM  Tim Manross / Dave Rininger  
10:00AM Dee Trepal / Sherry Maruschak

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:00PM  Kathie & Steve Kristoff  
        Joe Tomasik  
8:00AM  Joe Vayo / Dan Parker  
10:00AM Barb & Ben Bagdonas  
        Judy Oberstar / Pat Korenko  
        Nancy Cunningham

**CROSS**

4:00PM  Volunteer  
8:00AM  Steve Biro  
10:00AM Linda Grisez

**November 24 / November 25**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

4:00PM  Mike Bonelli / Ethan Williams  
8:00AM  Lou & Jim Balog  
10:00AM Logan Salkiewicz / Mary Todd

**LECTORS**

4:00PM  Steve Appeldorn / Kathie Kristoff  
8:00AM  Bob Donovan / Becky Meredith  
10:00AM Joe Wilkes / Traci Salkiewicz

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:00PM  Bud Williams / Lisa Simodi  
8:00AM  Mary & Dave Rininger / Bob Smith  
10:00AM Donna Perrine / Marty Makela

**CROSS**

4:00PM  John Simodi  
8:00AM  Bill McCabe  
10:00AM Walter Blare

**HOSPITAL MINISTRY:**

Nov 18  Bob Smith | Nov 25  Karen Bidlack

**JAIL MINISTRY:**

Nov 25  Dee Trepal, Bill McCabe,  
        Linda Hlebak, Joe Vayo

Ministers are asked to sign-in at least  
10 minutes before Mass begins or a sub will  
be found for you. Thank you!
Have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

As we enter this holiday season with sentiments of thanksgiving and creative gift giving. Let us value the treasure of our relationships with God and with those we have been gifted to love. And pray that we may always be generous in giving the gift of ourselves.

“I have a gift to give to you. I have a gift, you’ve got one too. And if we share our gifts, we’ll both have two. The gift I have is me; your gift is you.

I’ll give you all that I possess. I’ll give you me at your request. Unwrap my gift so tightly closed. Tear off the ribbons, undo the bows.

Look deep inside and you will see no masquerade, the real me. Let yourself go, give it away. Give me your love and don’t be afraid.”

- Fr. Pete

Dec. 2, 9 & 16, PSR will have extended hours from 11am -12:30pm to practice for the Christmas program held on December 16th at 6pm.

The Altar & Rosary Society will be hosting its Christmas Party on Dec 4th at 2pm at Riders Inn (792 Mentor Ave). Members, please call JoAnn Valentine at 440-352-3508 by Dec 3 to RSVP.

Anchored Youth Ministry will be participating in the Cleveland Catholic Youth Conference to be held at John Carroll University on Saturday, December 15, 2018 from 9am-7:30pm. Around 900 high school teens will gather to participate in our second Cleveland Catholic Youth Conference. A donation of $35 is requested or give what you can! Please contact Steve Biro at 440-354-4525 for those who would like to attend.

Sunday, November 18th from 6-8pm, the St Anthony’s PSR program is preparing a Whole Community Catechesis gathering for the parish community. We will be teaching on the topic of the "Saints". We are asking everyone to share their patron saint with the community if they would like to share. We will talk about the Saints, the process of becoming a saint, creating Christmas tree ornaments of our saints for the church Christmas tree and more! All PSR families are expected to attend, please do not leave your children as teachers will be helping during the event.

Christmas Raffle. Tickets for a Christmas Lantern, plus $200 in cash in the foyer after Masses. Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5. The drawing will be held at the PSR Christmas program on Dec 16th.

This week’s featured Saint —
St. Elizabeth of Hungary
1207-1231

Elizabeth was the daughter of King Andrew II of Hungary and Queen Gertrude. When she was just four years old, she was sent away to prepare for her arranged marriage, which took place when she was fourteen. She was married to Louis (Ludwig) who was then 21 years old. The marriage was happy and produced four children. As king, Louis ruled fairly. As queen, Elizabeth built two hospitals and personally washed and bandaged the lepers. She gave bread to hundreds of poor people. Louis died of the plague while on crusade in 1228. Elizabeth was only 20 years old and heartbroken. She then lived as a third order Franciscan, devoting her life to serving the poor, the sick, and the orphaned. Her great charity in giving away much of her wealth and property in the care of the needy led to false accusations of misappropriation and the squandering of her inherited estate. The new king, her brother-in-law, forced her out of office and had her exiled. She had to leave her home and her children and enter a convent. But when Louis’s friends returned from the Crusades, they made the king change his mind. Elizabeth returned to her home and her children. Her uncle tried to get her to marry again, but she had vowed that if anything happened to her husband, she would only serve God. She wore herself out with the good works she embraced. And in 1231, at the age of 23, she died.

She is honored as a saint because she gave so much life-giving bread to the hungry and poor.

St. Anthony’s Eco-Commission
Things you can do about Climate change

Take back some of the dollars we inadvertently contribute to the polluting economy by:
- Consider becoming a vegetarian or a vegan.
- Greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture are estimated at about 51%. The other half being transportation, energy, industry and commerce in the world.
- Give up meat up one day a week. It will also improve your grocery budget.