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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
- Retired, but still active in Jail Ministry and Homebound Visits

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- **Nominees**
  - Chair: Andrew Bernardo
  - Tim Manross, Emily Siebert, Chris Merrelli
- **Appointed Members**
  - Dr. Shanon Sterringer, Stephen Kristoff, Jennifer Takaes

**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.
- 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday**

- 8:00 a.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

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**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) September-May**

- Steve Biro, Parish Catechetical Leader
- steve@stafh.org
- 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 6:00-8:00 p.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.
ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM   Mike Bonelli / Joe Hawkins
8:00AM   Bill McCabe / Brianna Manross
10:00AM  Jana Vale / Mary Field / Nora Urban

LECTORS
4:00PM   Joe Tomasik / Steve Appeldorn
8:00AM   Tim Manross / Dave Rininger
10:00AM  Laura Urban / Sherry Maruschak

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4:00PM   Lisa Simodi / Joan Lehman
          Bud Williams
8:00AM   Dan Parker
10:00AM  Barb & Ben Bagdonas
          Natalie Urban / Volunteer

CROSS
4:00PM   Volunteer
8:00AM   Robert Hlebak
10:00AM  Linda Grisez

Mass Intentions
17 Mon   NO MASS
18 Tues  5:00 PM  Yolanda Marano
19 Wed   8:00 AM  Parishioners
20 Thu   8:00 AM  Dante E. Pizzino
21 Fri   NO MASS
22 Sat   4:00 PM  Jack Funnell
23 Sun   8:00 AM  Jim & Lynne Pillar
          10:00 AM  James Beuley

Offertory Collection: December 9, 2018
Regular Collection  $4047
Diocesan Assessment $668
Balance for Parish   $3379
Building/Maintenance $317
Youth Ministry       $50
Food Bank            $150
Past Assessment       $351
Christmas             $100
Christmas Flowers     $55
All Saints            $10
Immaculate Conception $537
Christmas Lantern Raffle $160
Religious Retirement Fund $1469

Thank You!

ST. ANTHONY
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
This Sunday,
Dec. 16 • 6pm
PSR Families and all
parishioners are invited.
Get your picture with St. Nicholas
As a new year approaches, we look back and look ahead. We assess how we got to where we are and try to figure out where we’re headed. It is most important at a time like this to remember what is constant in our lives and what sustains us. First and foremost, the presence and love of God with us; and also the wonderful loved ones whose care sustains us.

Like stepping stones across the stream of life, Our years are passed.
And looking back, we see the path they formed. Like pennies in our hands that we will spend, More years will be.

Every time I think I’ve found myself, I seem to move.
And when I start again to find myself, I think of you.
Each step I take, each glance ahead, All that I do begins again.

So often it’s so hard to dress a feeling up in words. It’s my poor attempt to be understood.
I want to say, I want to do those things That show how I love you.

And while I still have pennies in my hands, I want to spend them all on you.

- Fr. Pete

The 2019 calendars are available. Please take a few to share with your family. Calendars are located in the foyer.

This Sunday, Dec. 16, PSR will have extended hours from 11am - 12:30pm to practice for the Christmas program held at 6pm.

Reminder- Confirmation class is scheduled for 12:30-3pm on Sunday Dec 16th, not 6pm. We will be baking cookies and packaging them for parishioners who are homebound and nursing homes. Please bring cookie dough, cookie toppings and a baking sheet. Donations of cookies & materials are being accepted.

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 at 6pm on Dec 16th.

Electronic giving is available on our website www.stafh.org. The total online giving collection for Dec. 9th was $491. Thank you to all who use the online giving option.

We are in need of volunteers for Altar Serving, Girls & boys (3rd grade and older), women & men (any age!) who have made 1st Communion and are regular Mass attendees! Please contact Fr. Peter.

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Olympias is revered as one of the great women of the Eastern Church. She was from a noble family in Constantinople. She was very well educated and a very dedicated Christian. In 384 she married a well-loved local politician. Upon his death her family and even the emperor tried to get her to marry again, but she insisted that if God would have wanted her to be married, he would not have taken her husband from her. So she decided to serve the church. She devoted her wealth and all her activity to the church in care of the poor. The bishop of Constantinople ordained her a deaconess. She founded a hospital and orphanage as well as a convent attached to the Great Church of Hagia Sophia. She lived there with 250 women and from there engaged in her diaconal ministry of service and charity.

When St. John Chrysostom became the Bishop there, they struck up an endearing friendship. We have many of their letters that give witness to their mutual respect and affection. When the bishop’s enemies drove him into exile, she stayed by his side to the end. Bishop John Chrysostom died in exile in 407. Olympias died the following year. One contemporary writer called her “a precious vase filled with the Holy Spirit”.

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St. Anthony’s Eco-Commission

Paint

Any oil-based paint must be disposed of as a hazardous waste. It cannot be thrown in the trash. Save any oil-based paints for the household hazardous waste collection days. Latex-based is not hazardous. Add a drying agent to the leftover paint, let dry, and dispose of in the trash.