

# 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**SAINT  
ANTHONY**  
OF PADUA PARISH

**Parish Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:00pm

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emergency, while offices are  
closed, please contact our  
priests at (217) 703-1042.**

**Sunday, September 28, 2025**

**Liturgy Schedule:**

Monday thru Friday: 6:30am  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am  
Saturday: 4:30pm  
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:15am, & 11:00am

**Live Streamed Masses:**

Saturday at 4:30pm / Monday thru Friday at 6:30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 3:15pm to 4:00pm (anytime by appointment)  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:45am to 8:15am

+Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois*



Fr. Peter C. Harman, *Pastor*  
Fr. Jayke White, *Parochial Vicar*  
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Mrs. Liz Schmidt, *Spiritual Direction, Annulment Ministry*  
Ms. Regina Villafuerte, *Music Director*  
Mr. Kenny Thies, *Technology Administrator*  
Mr. Bart Willenborg, *Cemetery Sexton*

**Welcome**

*We extend a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors  
who have joined us at today's liturgy. We hope that you  
feel at home here. Please let us know if we can be of any  
assistance while you are among us.*



*"From the Pastor's Desk"*

Dear St. Anthony Parish Family:

As plots continue to be purchased at St. Anthony Cemetery, our Cemetery Board is wisely planning for future development to the North of the existing plots. We undertook a survey for future road construction as access to additional plots. While the cemetery owns a good deal of land, all the way to the creek further north, a first phase of additional development will be needed in a few years. We are grateful to the senior staff in the Effingham office of the Farnsworth Group; Anthony Jansen, Andy Hanfland, and Roger Nuxoll, for donating their time and experience to provide us with a plan for further development. Stay tuned for updates on this future project.

A reminder that we are taking up a special 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for humanitarian efforts in Gaza and sending it to the diocese to be sent to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association this weekend. You may send a separate gift at any time to us by way of mail or the office, please be sure to write Gaza Aid on the check or envelope made out to St. Anthony Church.

We celebrate with Matthew Schreifels and his wife Brittany and daughter Madison. They have been attending Mass at St. Anthony for several years, but Matthew just this Saturday evening made his Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Welcome!

Have a great week!

Fr. Peter Harman

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptisms are celebrated during Mass on Saturdays & Sundays (not during Lent). A family must be **registered & actively** living their faith at St. Anthony Church for 1 year to assure the faith will be shared with the newborn child. Godparents must also be registered in a Catholic parish or other Christian church & actively living their faith. A Baptism Class is required for all parents. We ask that both parents attend this class together. Godparents are also encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, please call the parish office.

Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number at 217-321-1155 or Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE.



PRAYER  
REQUEST

**Please pray** for Restoration of Religious Liberty, those who are ill, those in hospitals and nursing homes, those recovering from surgery, all those serving our country, and also for:

Margie Apke	Gina Hargis	Bill Nuxoll
Steve Bierman	Mike Hartke	Art Pike
Norma Bloemer	Lucinda Herboth	Kenneth Polarek
Marty Brumleve	Donna McDevitt Jones	Deborah Richards
Rich Brummer	Ingrid Kay	Olivya Smith
Danny Bushue	John Keenan	Shirley Valenti
Dennis Bushur	Amy Koester	Ashley Westendorf
Mary Lynn Byers	Evelyn Koester	Karen A Westendorf
Cody Chasteen	Joan Koester	Paul V. Willenborg
Ramona Dirks	Gail Kraft	Ann Worman
Drew Dougherty	Terry Kraft	Dan Worman
Richard Feldhake	Kevin Langland	Jerry Worman
Claudia Gale	Colleen Linde	Richard J Worman
Jackson Gaitros	Blain Loll	
Susan Goldstein	Barbara Mayhew	
Cheryl Gross	George Mette	
Heather Dial Hakman	Bernadette Niemann	

**First Saturday Mass & Devotion**

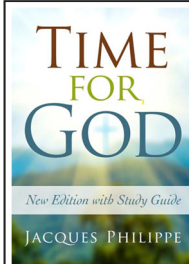
**October 4, 2025**

Rosary - 6:10am Mass - 6:30am

Meditations - 7:00am-7:15am

**Wedding Banns**


*Lynzee Hagen/Cole Hoene*  
October 11, 2025 (II)

**Time for God**

"I would like to pray, but don't have the time or know how to start out." Does that sound familiar? It is not uncommon to feel unequipped for prayer or how to best follow up with the inspiration we have to draw closer to God. Fr. Jacques Philippe in his classic book *Time for God*, offers a profound yet approachable guide for deepening our sense of God's presence. This fall, Fr. Harman will lead the discussion in a five-part series, with the help of a study guide, through this book. It will take place over the lunch hour, noon-1 p.m., on the Wednesdays of November 5 - December 3. The readings are manageable, since the whole book is just over 100 pages, but it will require some time of reading each week to be able to benefit from the presentation and discussion. Please call the office to register, so that we can order the books if you are interested.

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## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 27:**  
**4:30pm Mass:** Austin Flach

**Sunday, September 28:**  
**7:30am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony  
**9:15am Mass:** Living & Deceased Members of the Louis & Florence Goldstein Family  
**11:00am Mass:** Jim & Virginia Poeppelmeyer

**Monday, September 29:**  
**6:30am Mass:** Mary Einhorn; Pat Willenborg; Johnny Stumeier; Marie C Dust; John Girardot; Adam Fearday  
**8:30am Mass:** Gary Kurger

**Tuesday, September 30:**  
**6:30am Mass:** The Schuette Family  
**8:30am Mass:** George Willenborg

**Wednesday, October 1:**  
**6:30am Mass:** Alice Haarmann

**Thursday, October 2:**  
**6:30am Mass:** Jack Kabbes Anniversary  
**8:30am Mass:** Edward Austin

**Friday, October 3:**  
**6:30am Mass:** Norbert & Virginia Koester  
**8:30am Mass:** Dan Sullivan Anniversary

**Saturday, October 4:**  
**6:30am Mass:** Anne Martens  
**4:30pm Mass:** Jack Kabbes Anniversary

**Sunday, October 5:**  
**7:30am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony  
**9:15am Mass:** Kenny Koenig Anniversary  
**11:00am Mass:** Carl Bushur

**CCW News**

“Come one, come fall!” Almost time for falling leaves and our annual fall soup supper which will be held October 6 at 6pm in the parish center.

Good soups, good prizes, and good friends will be on the agenda. Please join us welcoming Sacred Heart and Shumway ladies for a wonderful evening. Carrie Koenig will be our guest speaker, sharing her experiences on her trip to Italy. We are excited and looking forward to hearing from her.

**DeColores weekends**

Say yes to a beautiful 3-day experience at camp Walter Scott. Share in inspiring talks, renew your faith, and make new friends.



**Men's Weekend:** October 16-19, 2025  
 Men's lay leader: Tim Hodge 217-821-0113

**Women's weekend:** October 23-26, 2025  
 Women's lay leader: Sandy Deters 217-259-2417



**Grief Support Meetings** are held Tuesday evenings in September at 6:15pm in the St. Anthony Parish Center.

**Natural Family Planning Class**  
**2025 Sessions:** To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or [kpruemer@gmail.com](mailto:kpruemer@gmail.com)


**Saturday, October 18th**  
 9:30-11:00am at St. Anthony Church in Effingham

**Saturday, December 6th**  
 1:00-2:30pm at St. Francis Church in Teutopolis

**Pre-Cana Dates**

Marriage prep programs may be a one-day Pre-Cana program, a weekend for the engaged experience, or another approved marriage preparation program.

**Saturday, November 15, 2025 @ St. Anthony**  
 Call 217-347-7129 to register.



**SonRise Fridays**

**All Men Invited**

This week SonRise Men's Breakfast will highlight the lives of King Solomon and Mother Teresa. We will see the power of clarity of thought and integrity of action. Our goal this session is to ponder our own lives to determine our fundamental purpose. It has the power to transform you into a saint!

Come for food, fellowship and faith 6:15 AM, Friday, at the St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham. All men are welcome. Learn more at [thatmanisyou.com](http://thatmanisyou.com), or Dan Woods, 217-821-1495.



**STEAK STAG**

**Thursday, October 16, 2025**

**Social Hour at 6:00pm**

**Dinner starting at 7:00pm**

The Booster Club Steak Stag will be held at St. Anthony Church Parish Center on Thursday, October 16, 2025 beginning at 6:00pm with dinner starting at 7:00pm. The tickets are \$60, which include a steak dinner and 2 drink tickets. The evening will have an auction, raffle, and a bags tournament. Tickets will be sold at the door.



## Liturgical Ministers for October 2025

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
<b>Lectors</b>	Bob Schultz	Kate Weber	Christy Elder	Tony Kemme
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Joe Buscher Mary Jo Green Carla Koerner Patty McHugh Jacob Emmerich	Sue Bushur Janet Kennedy Marge Pearcy Carlene Weber <b>More Needed</b>	Sarah Geen Mandy Henning Avery Henning Carrie Koenig Kevin Roewe	Brenda Jansen Mike Klitzing Susan Ealy <b>More Needed</b>
<b>Servers</b>	Henry Gannaway Max Schuette James Gilmore	Jacob Thoele Kyle Thoele	Luke Roewe Meg Roewe Kolin Kiefer	Anna Mae Scheidemantel Martin Scheidemantel
<b>Ushers</b>	Jeff Dust Phil Koerner Mitch Martin Dan Ritz	Greg Bushur Tony Weber <b>More Needed</b>	Bernie Blanchette Justin Brummer Vic Jansen <b>More Needed</b>	Preston Barr Larry Goldstein <b>More Needed</b>



# WE'RE HIRING!

**Job Openings**

For the 2025-2026 school year.

Learn more at  
[stanthony.com](http://stanthony.com)



**Winter Sports:**

- ⌚ HS Girls JV Basketball Coach

**Spring Sports:**



- ⌚ HS Boys Track Coach

✓ Send coaching applications to  
[kpalmers@stanthony.com](mailto:kpalmers@stanthony.com)

**Grade School:**

- ⌚ After School Program Aide
- ⌚ School Lunch Program Substitute Cooks

✓ For school positions, apply online at  
[gradeschool.stanthony.com](http://gradeschool.stanthony.com)

## BLOOD DRIVE

St Anthony High School

Sponsored by Student Council


Wednesday, October 1

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM


Cafeteria

304 E. Roadway Ave.

To schedule an appt, scan QR code,  
call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401,  
or online at [bloodcenter.org/group;  
grp #70749](http://bloodcenter.org/group;grp#70749)



Get a \$20 e-gift card  
(or points to shop our  
Rewards Store)  
when you  
successfully give blood!



Bus Drivers Needed

To continue to be able to transport all school athletes in both the grade school and high school, we are in great need of more drivers who have their CDL license. Drivers are paid for their time.

If this is you or you are interested in getting your CDL license to help the school out, please contact Stacia Semple at [ssemple@stanthony.com](mailto:ssemple@stanthony.com).

Please share this with all of your friends and family, retired friends and family, etc. We have the buses but we are lacking drivers. Thank you.

“St. Anthony Schools admits students of any race, color, sex or national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Our schools do reserve all their rights as religious entities in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the protections of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act 775 ILCS 35/.”



## Pro-Life Corner

**Life Chain 2025**  
**Sunday, October 5**  
**Respect Life Sunday**  
**1:30 pm – Prayer Service**  
**Sacred Heart Parish Center**  
**2-3 pm Life Chain**

A Christian Witness against the killing of pre-born children. Help us line Fayette Ave and Keller Drive in Effingham – prayerfully, peacefully and legally – with crowds of pro-life Christians. Bring your family and friends to help make this a successful pro-life event.

Signs will be furnished. Refreshments will be served following the event at the parish center.

For further information, please call Karla Slifer, Coordinator at 217-690-5282.

The Life Chain is a church and family event, not a rally or political extravaganza. Participants are to respect all other pedestrians, including those who oppose the chain and show only respect to motorists who indicate other sentiments.

If standing is a problem, lawn chairs are welcome. All denominations are invited and urged to attend!

## Prayer Campaign for LIFE

**Sept. 24 – Nov. 7**

Our parish will soon be participating in the annual “Prayer Campaign for LIFE”, 40 days focused on building a pro-life culture. We will be joining people of faith across our nation to pray, fast, and serve to end abortion and to fight assisted suicide.

God heard the pro-life prayers of our nation, and blessed us by overturning Roe v. Wade in 2022. What a huge victory! We have the wonderful opportunity to pray in thanksgiving for this gift.

Unfortunately, the average number of abortions committed in our state increased by over 1,300 per month after Roe was overturned. People in surrounding states view our state as an abortion “haven” since Illinois has no abortion restrictions. We have much to pray for!

There will be opportunities to sign-up for individual prayer hours at our church as well as service hours at the Silk Purse Thrift Store in Effingham.

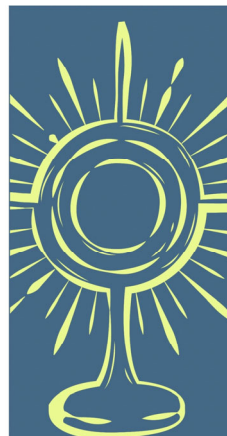
Everyone is encouraged to pray and fast from September 24 to Nov. 7. Watch for more details coming soon!

“Prayer is the best weapon we have;  
it is the key to God’s heart.”  
- St. Padre Pio



Effingham Catholic Young Adults

**OCT**  
**7TH**  
**@7PM**



Confession available

**HOLY**  
**HOUR**  
**HAPPY**  
**HOUR**



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**FOR**  
**YOUNG**  
**ADULTS**  
**AGES**  
**21-35**

**HOLY HOUR** 7pm @ St. Michael The Archangel  
200 N. Church St. Sigel

**HAPPY HOUR** 8pm @ The Midway  
18924 US Hwy 45, Effingham



This month's Table Of Plenty will be distributed to Enduring Freedom Ministries. - a nonprofit charity located in the old grade school building in Shumway, Illinois. The school has been converted into a food pantry, which serves hundreds of families from all around our surrounding counties. No one is turned away, as long as they have the “need to receive”. I was there just a few days ago, and the shelves are quite low, therefore, your continued amazing generosity is greatly appreciated. Saint Anthony Jr. high students may bring their donations to Tuesday morning Mass on October 7th. The elementary students may bring their donations to Thursday morning Mass on October 9th. Parishioners are welcome to place their donations in the church foyer before the weekend Masses on October 11/12.

The following food items are needed this month:

- Hamburger & Tuna Helper
- canned ravioli and spaghetti
- canned fruit and vegetables
- canned tuna & chicken
- macaroni & cheese boxes
- pasta noodles
- Spaghetti sauce (plastic please)
- tomato & chicken noodle soup
- Lipton style soups
- peanut butter

- Jayne Genta, Table Of Plenty



Week Ending Sept 21, 2025	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 12 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$23,299.21	\$313,286.94	\$295,836.77
GOAL	\$28,265.00	\$339,180.00	
Difference	(\$4,965.79)	(\$25,893.06)	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Sept 21, 2025	YTD
Twining Parish in Nigeria	\$1,195.00	\$4,241.00
Catholic Charities	\$0.00	\$76.65
Cemetery	\$40.00	\$4,367.00

### TREASURES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE

12 Days: April 13-24, 2026  
Hosted by Fr. R. Dean Probst

Visiting Venice, Florence, Assisi, Monopello, Lanciano,  
San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Sorrento,  
Pompeii, Monte Cassino, Rome with Papal Audience  
\$5299 from St. Louis.

Contact Fr. Dean 217-494-6326 or rdprobst@gmail.com for  
more info or brochure.

**St. Isidore Parish**  
**Annual Fall Breakfast & Raffle**  
St. Joseph Hall (St. Joseph Church, Island Grove)  
16987 N 200th St, Teutopolis, IL 62467

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

**7:30am to 12:00pm**

Free Will Donation

Menu: Whole Hog Sausage, Ham,  
Pancakes, Fried Eggs, Scrambled Eggs,  
Homemade Breads & Rolls,  
Orange Juice, Milk & Coffee

Carry-out available

Country Store & Quilt Raffle

Raffle with cash and prizes totaling over \$5,000



### EIU Newman Center Annual Gala

Are you an alumni, friend, parent, or have a connection to EIU and the Newman Center? Consider attending this year's Newman Night Gala, October 25th, as we remember our past, celebrate the present, and ensure the future of our catholic student community and center here at EIU. For more details call 217-348-0188, visit our website [eiunewman.org/newmannight](http://eiunewman.org/newmannight), or email John Johnson at [development@eiunewman.org](mailto:development@eiunewman.org).



**15TH ANNUAL ST. THOMAS Harvest Picnic**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH**  
**4:00 PM-7:30 PM**

**FOOD - GAMES - LIVE MUSIC- RAFFLES**

**10% OF PROCEEDS GO TO THE NEWTON FAMILY LIFE CENTER!**

**GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE ITEM!!!**  
**JOHN DEERE 1025R TRACTOR WITH 120R LOADER AND MOWER DECK OR \$15,000 CASH**

**2nd prize: \$1000**  
**3rd prize: \$500**  
**drawing @ 7:15pm**  
**tickets: \$20 ea/6 for \$100**  
**Need not be present to win.**

**To enter raffle by mail, please send check payable to St. Thomas Church and include name, address, phone and number of tickets.**

**ADDRESS: 404 W JOURDAN ST, NEWTON, IL 62448**

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**Fr. Dennis Koopman, OFM, St. Francis, Teutopolis, invites you to the October 10 - 12, 2025, Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend experience at Villa Maria, Springfield, IL. He will be on the presenting team. The weekend experiences for married couples help to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Take advantage of it taking place at beautiful Villa Maria and not in a motel, and also that it is in the diocese and not in St. Louis. Sign up now! For more information or to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call Terry and Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317**

**OCTOBER 19TH**  
**STARTS AT 1:00pm**  
**ALL AGES WELCOMED!**

**Benefit For**  
**ASHLEY WESTENDORF**

**TEUTOPOLIS BANQUET HALL**  
210 S. Pearl St.  
Teutopolis, IL

**Ashley's Story**  
On Sunday, June 15, 2025, Ashley (Kinkelaar) Westendorf along with three of her four children, ages 8, 3, and 4 months were the victims of a head-on crash with another vehicle. The children are doing well. Ashley had surgery to repair many broken bones in her legs. She is working hard with physical therapy to regain her strength. She will be off work recuperating for quite some time.

**Let's join together as friends, community and family to show Ashley, Mark and her young family our support during her lengthy process of healing.**

**FOOD - DRINKS**  
**SILENT AUCTION**  
**50/50 DRAWINGS**  
**BAND - BACK OF THE BUS 2-5PM**

**Check the Facebook Event Page for Updates & More Information!**

**SCAN QR CODE FOR FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE**



### Budgeting & Bingo

Dieterich Bank is offering a Budgeting & Bingo class hosted by Catholic Charities for those living on a fixed income on Tuesday, October 7 at 1 PM.

Dieterich Bank is offering a Financial Wellness class hosted by Catholic Charities on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 1 PM.

Both classes will be held at Catholic Charities at 1502 E. Fayette Ave, Teutopolis, IL 62467.



## Prayer Campaign for



*40 days focused on building a pro-life culture*

*September 24 – November 7, 2025*

***Help us end abortion and fight assisted suicide. How?***

### **Part 1 – PRAY**

Come to the church for an hour of dedicated prayer on these 2 dates:

- **Tuesday, October 14**
- **Thursday, October 16**
- **Friday, October 17**

Choose your time slot **between 9:00am and 5:00pm** and help us fill these 40 days with prayer to end abortion and to fight assisted suicide. Sign up sheets are at the entrances of church.

### **Part 2 – FAST**

Prayer and fasting throughout the 40 days are encouraged. Fast from certain foods, or fast from comforts or entertainment. We fast in the hope that God will heal our lives and communities.

### **Part 3 – SERVE at the Silk Purse**

Join us at the **Family Life Center's** Silk Purse Thrift Store in Effingham for an hour or more any day of the campaign. Volunteers help prepare donated items for sale. Choose your time slot and sign-up by contacting **the Silk Purse directly at (217) 342-3319**.

All proceeds from the Silk Purse go to the **Family Life Center**, our local crisis pregnancy center. Clients at the Center take classes to learn parenting tools and then earn "Client Cash". They spend this cash at the Silk Purse to purchase items needed for their families.

Please contact **Tiffiny Wrigley at (217) 347-7129** for more information.



## Why the focus on assisted suicide?

In the spring legislative session this year, a bill to legalize assisted suicide in Illinois passed in the House. Thankfully, those efforts were not successful in the Senate.

It's only a matter of time, mere months, before they try again.

Are you familiar with the risks of this legislation? The consequences go far beyond the individual ending their life. To learn more:

- Visit [www.stopassistedsuicideillinois.org](http://www.stopassistedsuicideillinois.org)
- Search "USCCB physician-assisted suicide" on the Internet.
- Visit [www.praf.org](http://www.praf.org)

Please pray for continued defeat of this dangerous bill.

## Why pray to end abortion?

We need God's help!

- Pharmacy chains including Walgreens and CVS have become abortion providers by distributing the abortion pill through some of their numerous pharmacies.
- Since the overturn of Roe vs. Wade, Illinois has had a huge surge in the number of abortions committed per month! In contrast to our surrounding states, we have virtually no restrictions on abortion. Abortions are permitted up until **birth**, and parents of minor girls are not notified if she gets an abortion.
- A third trimester abortion clinic recently opened in northern Illinois.

We've seen the power of prayer!

In 2016, Planned Parenthood permanently closed the doors of their Effingham office. Organized prayer to close this office began four years prior. *Hundreds* of people prayed in their home, at their church, and in front of the Planned Parenthood building.

**Please join us as we faithfully strive  
to end abortion and  
fight physician-assisted suicide.**

This campaign is in solidarity with the international "40 Days for Life" campaign.





# Paw Prints

## Sophomore & Junior Retreat

Sophomore girls attended a two-day retreat at the Villa Maria on Sept. 4 & 5. The sophomore boys' retreat, themed "Time for God: The Importance of Prayer & Scripture" was at Camp Ondessonk. Beautiful weather, great speakers, and awesome fellowship gave these young men and women unforgettable experiences.



## ILMEA Audition Prep Day

Band Director Ms. Christy Cyrus and Chorus Director Mrs. Angie Tkachuk, took some of their students to Eastern Illinois University on Wednesday, Sept. 17, for the ILMEA Audition Prep Day. Students attending were Rosie Warner, Sophia Emmerich, Patience Crockett, Max Gillenwater, Norah Frost, Addison Bunton, Madi Haarmann, Laura Kuhns, Evie Sayne, Page Brummer, Gianna Frisbie, and Julia Goeckner.



## History Club Movie Night

Mrs. Kelly Thoele, History Club sponsor, hosted a Movie Night on Sept. 15. "Unbroken", a movie about the life of WWII hero Louie Zamperini, was shown.



## Health Class Meditative/Mobility Sessions

Our strength training, health, and PE teacher, Mr. Alex Brandenburger, instructs his health students with a full body meditative/mobility session (performed every Friday). It involves flexibility, dynamic movement, strength, controlled breathing, and focus. The students always finish with a meditative reflection on the daily gospel reading read at the morning Mass. The position the students are in in the photo is called "Hip 90s." It improves hip mobility, reduces low back pain, counteracts against excessive sitting, and improves athletic performance.



## Mock Admissions Workshop

On Sept. 9, Guidance Director Mrs. Shae Thoele hosted the University of Illinois and twenty area high school counselors for a mock admissions workshop. The workshop was led by Kristen Van Duyne, Assistant Director of First Year Admissions, Erin Schoonover, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions, and Ethan Osborne, Admissions Counselor. It was a wonderful event and a great representation of schools in the central Illinois region. If you are a student who dreams of attending the University of Illinois, be sure to visit Mrs. Thoele to discuss the application process and how you can best set yourself up for success at UIUC. It's never too early to start.

## Congrats Ronan Bailey & Laney Walker

Saint Anthony High School is pleased to announce Ronan Bailey as a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist and Laney Walker as a Commended Student. These two students were among the 50,000 highest-scoring participants in the fall 2024 PSAT. As a semifinalist, Ronan scored among the top 16,000 students. We wish Ronan the best of luck as he continues to the Finalist level of the competition.

## Important Dates:

- 10/1 Blood Drive, MPR, 9am-2pm
- 10/2 Adoration, Holy Angels Chapel
- 10/8 Fall Music Concert, MPR, 7:00pm
- 10/10 No School (Tchr Institute)
- 10/13 No School (Columbus Day)
- 10/15 NHS Induction, MPR, 7:00pm
- 10/17 End of First Quarter
- 10/20 Report Cards
- 10/22 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4:00pm-7:00pm; Financial Aid Night, MPR, 6:00pm
- 10/24 No School
- 10/27 Jostens Senior Mtg., MPR, 2:35pm
- 10/28 Testing Palooza
- 10/30 Jostens Collects Seniors Grad Orders @ Lunch

Every Wednesday: Reconciliation, 1:00-2:00pm, Rm. 7:7

Every Friday: HS Mass in Church, 8:30am





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## September Snapshot

Our students were rewarded for the Accelerated Reader points they earned over the summer. The total was an impressive 1,445! Our 5th Grade students have started the altar server training process. Jr. High Baseball made it to the IESA State Tournament! Girls Jr. High Basketball has been in the gym preparing for their upcoming season. Our Cross Country team has been exceeding expectations on every course with determination and grit! Our Girls Jr. High Golf team represented well at the State Finals and our Jr. High Boys Golf Team are your 2025 IESA State Champions!

## Buddy Time!



A favorite longstanding tradition here at St. Anthony Grade School is when our 1st Grade students get to meet up with their 8th Grade buddies. The two grades meet throughout the year for special activities, time on the playground and to play games. It is always fun for our younger students to see their buddies out & about in the school hallways and at athletic events.



## Kindergarten Fun!

Mrs. Bayler's Kindergarten class wrapped up Fire Safety Week by making edible fire trucks.

It was a fun & tasty way to end the week full of important lessons in fire safety!



Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on  
Wednesday 10/22 from 4:00-7:00pm  
and Thursday 10/23 from 4:00-7:00pm.

## Important Dates:

10/06 Table of Plenty (6-8)  
10/08 Table of Plenty (K-5)  
10/10 No School  
10/13 No School  
10/17 End of 1st Quarter  
10/24 No School

## Weekly:

Every Tuesday: Jr. High students  
attend 8:30am Mass  
Every Thursday: Grades K-5 attend  
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