

# 4TH SUNDAY of Easter

**Sunday, April 26, 2026**



**SAINT ANTHONY**  
OF PADUA CHURCH

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:00pm

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304 E Roadway Ave  
217-342-6969  
Mr. Greg Fearday, *Principal*

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405 N Second St  
217-347-0419  
Mr. Cody Rincker, *Principal*

**In the event of a sudden illness,  
accident or life threatening  
emergency, while offices are  
closed, please contact our  
priests at (217) 703-1042.**

**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



*Fr. Peter C. Harman, Pastor*  
*Fr. Jayke White, Parochial Vicar*  
*Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich*  
*Mrs. Carrie Koenig, Director of Operations*  
*Mrs. Sara Hoene, Executive Parish Secretary*  
*Mrs. Tiffany Wrigley, Business Manager*  
*Mrs. Mary Koester, Financial Secretary*  
*Mrs. Karie Sudkamp, Financial Secretary*  
*Mr. Caleb Cunningham, Marketing & Development Specialist*  
*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”**

From the Vicar’s Desk:

In the first reading this weekend, we hear, “Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and they asked Peter and the other apostles, "What are we to do, my brothers?"”

They were cut to the heart. I don’t know about you, but I can think of very few discomforts that are worse than realizing how badly I’ve hurt somebody else. When I act out of anger or cruelty, and then I recognize it, I feel like the worst person on earth. There’s that sense of helplessness that we’ve all experienced - we can apologize over and over again, but it isn’t going to fix our mistake. The damage has been done.

And so, we find ourselves, like the crowd in this story, asking from our hearts, “what are we to do?” “How can I make this right?” “How can I repair what I’ve broken?” The painful truth is that - oftentimes - we can’t repair the damage that we’ve done. And yet we don’t give into despair - we don’t lose hope.

Peter’s answer is simple. He calls the crowd to repent. To turn away from their previous way of life and respond in faith to Christ. His message is clear—we can’t change the past. And we can’t control the future. But we can decide what to do right here, right now in the present moment.

The author C.S. Lewis writes, “the Future is...the thing least like eternity...the Past is frozen and no longer flows, and the Present is all lit up with eternal rays.” You see, in the present we get to actually interact with God. His grace is lighting up the present moment and inviting us to meet Him here.


Now is when we have the chance to change. Now is when we can decide that who we are can be more perfectly His. We can’t alter the past, but we can choose to come fully alive in the present. We can’t undo a moment of hatred, but we can turn the present into a moment of love.

During this season of Easter, we celebrate our risen Lord. He’s calling us to repentance. He’s calling us to love. He’s calling us to life. Today, may we turn back to Him, with all our heart.

On a separate note, I urge you to please keep praying for our pastor, Fr. Harman, as he continues on the journey to recovery. Venerable Augustine Tolton, pray for him!

-Fr. Jayke White

In the event of a sudden illness, accident, or life threatening emergency, while offices are closed, please contact our priests at (217) 703-1042.



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:

Richard Bence	Cheryl Gross	Steve Martin
Steve Bierman	Heather Hakman	George Mette
Marty Brumleve	Gina Hargis	Bill Nuxoll
Rich Brummer	Donna McDevitt Jones	Art Pike
Danny Bushue	Ingrid Kay	Kenneth Polarek
Bertha Bushur	John Keenan	Deborah Richards
Dennis Bushur	Betty Koester	Olivya Smith
Mary Lynn Byers	Eric Koester	Shirley Valenti
Cody Chasteen	Evelyn Koester	Marilyn Wente
Ramona Dirks	Joan Koester	Ashley Westendorf
Msgr. Leo Enlow	Terry Kraft	Paul Will
Donna Feldhake	Mary Lawyer	Keith Willenborg
Richard Feldhake	Colleen Linde	Paul V Willenborg
Claudia Gale	Gerry A Lohman	Ann Worman
Jackson Gaitros	Blain Loll	Dan Worman
Susan Goldstein	Cooper Loll	Jerry Worman



**Our Parish team is growing!**

Caleb Cunningham joins our Parish team as the Marketing and Development Specialist beginning April 27. Caleb grew up in the small town of Weldon, IL before studying graphic design at EIU and designing for the university’s Housing and Dining department.

After graduation, his career led him into Effingham at Imagine This Marketing Group. Here he met the Catholic community at St. Anthony who helped bring him back into the faith. In turn, he is excited to help the community stay connected, tell its story, and continue to grow!

Please help Caleb feel welcome!

**Public School Promotion & Graduation Names**  
 If you have a student in the public school who is being promoted to high school or graduating from high school this year, and would like their name on the bulletin cover for graduation, please call Sara at the parish office, 217-347-7129. All names are needed by Friday, May 1st.



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 25:

**4:30pm Mass:** Catherine Westendorf Anniversary

### Sunday, April 26:

**7:30am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony

**9:15am Mass:** Bob & Becky Hawickhorst

**11:00am Mass:** Marie Niemerg

### Monday, April 27:

**6:30am Mass:** Charles Brummer Anniversary

**8:30am Mass:** Roy Hartke; Jenny Gaddis; Jim & Marcella Bourgeois Family

### Tuesday, April 28:

**6:30am Mass:** Anthony (Toby) Jansen

**8:30am Mass:** Frank G Schniederjon Anniversary

### Wednesday, April 29:

**6:30am Mass:** Art & Jean Willenborg Family

### Thursday, April 30:

**6:30am Mass:** Jim & Rita Mahon Family

**8:30am Mass:** Harold & Bertha Bushur Family

### Friday, May 1:

**6:30am Mass:** Virgil & Hilma Goeckner

**8:30am Mass:** Nate Gray

### Saturday, May 2:

**6:30am Mass:** LeRoy & Mary Ann Borries

**4:30pm Mass:** Fr. Leo Enlow

### Sunday, May 3:

**7:30am Mass:** Paula Pulley Anniversary

**9:15am Mass:** Parishioners of St. Anthony

**11:00am Mass:** Doris Dasenbrock



### Wedding Banns

*Danielle Having/Brandt Young*  
May 9, 2026 (II)

### CCW News

**CCW Officers** - Do you have a little time and energy to give to a worthy women's organization here at St. Anthony Parish? Would you be willing to join four other women to help lead the St. Anthony Council of Catholic Women (CCW)? We try to keep our full membership council meetings to a minimum; currently we have only three scheduled per year. Any lady of the parish who is willing to serve as a CCW officer is asked to submit her name, and the office in which she is interested, to Rita Devore by April 30 (phone 217-821-7517). Offices include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Kitchen Chairperson. New officers will be elected at our May meeting. If you would like additional information, feel free to contact Rita, or she can put you in contact with any of the other current officers

**Mothers Day Brunch** - Ladies, we are shaking things up this year with a brunch instead of a breakfast. We will meet at the parish center on May 11 at 11:00. There will be sandwiches, fruit, and lots of sweet treats. Patty Winn will entertain us with her characterization of Betsy Ross. Come join us for good food, friends, and entertainment.



### SonRise Men's Breakfast This Friday

All men are welcomed to attend this Friday for a another unique SonRise session with a powerful look at how Christian action towards others brings you within the mercy, trust, and love of Christ.

Come for Hot Breakfast on Friday, 6:15 AM, prayer, program and discussion from 6:30 – 7:30 AM, at the St. Anthony Parish Center, Effingham.



### First Saturday Mass & Devotion May 2, 2026

Rosary - 6:10am Mass - 6:30am  
Meditations - 7:00am-7:15am



### Cookie Jar Auction for a Cause

A reminder these auctions end April 26 at 7 pm & April 27 at 7 pm. Find and bid on cookie jar(s) for a special person and support St. Anthony Schools. Join us for 2 special online auctions featuring one of the largest collections of 1300+ cookie jars each one unique and full of character. This event is held in loving memory of Leonard and Rosemary Bushur with all proceeds benefiting St. Anthony Schools in Effingham.

**Auction Dates:** Sale 1 - Now thru Sunday, April 26th  
Sale 2 - Now thru Monday, April 27th

Your participation means more than just a cookie jar - it's a way to support a cause!

<https://schackmann.hibid.com/catalog/730938/cookie-jar-auction-for-a-cause-1>

<https://schackmann.hibid.com/catalog/730975/cookie-jar-auction-for-a-cause-2>

**Sale 1 - Closes  
Sunday, April 26th**



**Sale 2 - Closes  
Monday, April 27th**



## Liturgical Ministers for May 2026

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
<b>Lectors</b>	Phil Zaccari	Nicole Zeller	Ken Vogt	Tony Kemme
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Joe Buscher Jacob Emmerich Sr. Claret Feldhake Michael Genta BJ Kortte	Alice Dust Greg Dust Carlene Weber Valerie Wohltman <b>More Needed</b>	Mandy Henning Avery Henning Deanna Koester Tom Murphy Natalie Repking	Brenda Jansen Larry Masengale Theresa Masengale <b>More Needed</b>
<b>Servers</b>	Mason Dust James Dust Brock Goeckner	Henry Bierman Dylan Verdeyen	Lucas Beck Adalyn Conant Cameran McAllaster	Owen Gillenwater Jayson Yoder Nash Hoene
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Nosbisch Larry Thies Joe Ungrund <b>More Needed</b>	Bill Overbeck Tony Weber <b>More Needed</b>	Gene Fearday Brian Repking <b>More Needed</b>	George Dallmier Bart Wiedman <b>More Needed</b>



**Catholic Heart Work Camp Bake Sale**  
On May 9th and 10th, students attending Catholic Heart Work Camp will be hosting a bake sale in front of church, after all Masses. Stop by to pick up some sweet treats and support our campers with a free-will donation!

**JIGSAW PUZZLE EXCHANGE**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH**  
**1:00PM - 2:00PM**

**ST. ANTHONY PARISH CENTER**  
**BRING A PUZZLE**  
**TAKE A PUZZLE!**

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Please **NO** computers, printers, TV's, car seats, outdated cribs.

Donations from businesses, of used office items or merchandise, would be greatly appreciated.

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Abbie Kuhl – (217) 821-2992 or [akuhl@stanthony.com](mailto:akuhl@stanthony.com)

**St. Anthony Band Spring Concert**

**Wednesday, May 6, 2026**  
**@ 7:00pm**

**St. Anthony High School MPR**

**St. Anthony Choir Spring Concert**

**Thursday, May 7, 2026**  
**@ 7:00pm**

**St. Anthony High School MPR**



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# WE ARE HIRING

Beginning Fall 2026

- GRADE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER
- SCHOOL COOK (PART-TIME)
- GRADE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AIDE (PART-TIME)

LEARN MORE & APPLY AT

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- 📍 Effingham, IL
- 📞 217-347-0419



**PSR**

*Parish School of Religion*

First and second grade PSR classes recently made edible rosaries! They learned what prayers are for each bead and also prayed the prayers! There were a lot of beads/candies in a rosary!



## Pro-Life Corner

### Day of Prayer for Life – Save the Date!

Please mark your calendars for the 52nd annual Day of Prayer for Life will be held Wednesday, June 17th, at St. Francis Church in Teutopolis. Our honored guest celebrant at the closing Mass at 7:30 PM will be Fr. Seth Brown, pastor of Mother of Dolours Church, Vandalia.

Prayer hour for St. Anthony Church is scheduled from 10:00am to 11:00am.



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# WE'RE HIRING!

Coaching Positions

For the 2026-2027 school year.



### Fall:

- High School Volleyball Assistant Coach
- Jr High Softball Head Coach
- Jr High Baseball Assistant Coach
- Jr High Cross Country Coach

### Spring:

- HS Boys Track Coach

### Winter:

- HS Girls Varsity Basketball Coach
- HS Girls JV Basketball Coach
- Jr High Volleyball Assistant Coach



Send applications to  
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Effingham Catholic Young Adults

May  
12th  
@7pm

for  
young  
adults  
21-35



GroupMe

HOLY HOUR  
HAPPY HOUR

7pm @ St. Michael  
200 N Church St. Sigel

8pm @ The Critic  
107 W Washington St. Sigel

Confession available

Week Ending Apr 19, 2026	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD (Week 41 of 52)	Last Year's YTD
Regular Church Support	\$21,074.73	\$1,202,409.46	\$1,163,824.50
GOAL	\$28,265.00	\$1,158,865.00	
Difference	(\$7,190.27)	\$43,544.46	

Diocesan Collections	Week Ending Apr 19, 2026	YTD
Nigeria	\$70.00	\$15,484.66
Catholic Charities	\$0.00	\$12,882.70
Cemetery	\$1,010.00	\$18,344.10
Home Mission Appeal	\$427.00	\$577.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$673.74	\$1,223.74
Seminarians	\$530.00	\$2,573.00

Join us in supporting the **Family Life Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser** from Mother's Day to Father's Day! Pick up a bottle at the church or give online using the QR code or website link below. Every gift impacts local families in need.



**BABY BOTTLE Fundraiser**

MAY 10 - JUNE 21

<https://rebrand.ly/bbeff>

Pick up baby bottle or give online to Family Life Center.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*St. Isidore Parish & St. Francis Parish*  
**Totus Tuus at ST. FRANCIS**

2026-'27 7-HS Sunday-Thursday June 14-18	2026-'27 K-6 Monday-Friday June 15-19
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If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Stephanie at 217-821-5970.




It's hard to believe that our St. Anthony Students will be dismissing for Summer break in a few weeks. They have done such an Amazing job with their incredible donations to our non-profit ministries, each month. Bravo to our future leaders! Catholic Charities will be the recipient of our May donations. Their food pantry is

running low on the following non perishable items. St. Anthony Jr. High Students are asked to bring their donations to Tuesday morning Mass on May 5. The Elementary Students may bring their donations to morning Mass on Thursday, May 7. Parishioners may bring their donations to the church foyer before weekend Mass on May 9/10. Thank You, one and all, and have a blessed, safe Summer. Smooth peanut butter, canned peaches, boxed taco shells, taco seasoning packs, canned refried beans, ramen noodles, all types of boxed potatoes, hamburger and tuna helper, cans of tuna.

- Jayne Genta, Table Of Plenty



**Flame of Love Rosary Prayer Group**  
 Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:10  
 Sacred Heart Church, Effingham

No commitment / Come when it works for you.  
 Introduction and prayer sheets available  
 Please join us - everyone is welcome!  
[www.flameoflove.us](http://www.flameoflove.us)

**Summer Immersion Experience 2026.** Single Catholic women ages 20-45 who are curious about religious life are invited to a national service immersion experience hosted by four Dominican Sisters' congregations in Springfield June 16-20. The group will live at Sacred Heart Convent and experience the rhythms of apostolic religious life, which includes community life, prayer, active service, and theological reflection. There is a \$50 participation fee, but no woman will be turned away for lack of funds. Apply soon at [springfieldop.org/events](http://springfieldop.org/events) or call Sister Denise Glazik, OP, 217-787-0481 for questions.

**Deanery Date Night**  
 St. Mary Catholic Church, Neoga

**Sunday, April 26, 2026**

To sign up, call 217-844-3371  
 or email [office@snltriparishes.org](mailto:office@snltriparishes.org)

**\$30 per couple**

5:30 p.m. - Reflection by Fr. Hyland  
 6:00 p.m. - Bowling and Dinner  
 at Thunder Lanes

Childcare will be provided

Scan for more info



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furniture, antiques, lamps, rugs, collectibles, household items &  
decor, small appliances, art, frames, bikes, sporting goods, tools,  
anything clean in good working condition and sellable.

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## Worker Bees Needed

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Everyone's Help is Welcome/Needed!!!

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Thursday, May 28th – Collection & Sorting – 8am to 4pm

Friday, May 29th – 8am to 6pm (Sale day)

Saturday, May 30th – 8am to Noon (Sale day)

Saturday Cleanup – Noon to 2pm (Sale day)

at  
St. Anthony  
Grade  
School

Sale Days:

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# Paw Prints

## St. Anthony ACES Team Reigns as Number One in State

Our ACES Team (Academic Challenge for Engineering & Science) won State Championship in March at the 300 Division Competition in Casey, Illinois. Out of 54 Illinois high schools St. Anthony scored the highest winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place in State. SAHS scored 100% in the areas of Biology, Mathematics, and Physics. Laney Walker and Madison Walker placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Biology. Michael Wright placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Mathematics. Ronan Bailey placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Physics as Isaac Fallert placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Physics. The team was coached by Mr. Matthew Poston. Pictured below are team members Madison W, Laney W, Holly G, Norah F, Sophia E, Gianna F, Ellie L, Mason J, Isaac F, Michael W, Oliver K, Eli H, Riley M, Ronan B.



### 2026 Prom Court

St. Anthony High School Prom King and Queen will be crowned at the Keller Convention Center Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. This year's candidates are: Lillianne Gallaway, daughter of Nathan and Stephanie, Liv Hoene, daughter of Kevin and Rachel, Adleigh Page, daughter of Dean and Melissa, Henry Brent, son of Jason and Jennifer, Ike Daiber, son of Tim and Gena, and Jackson Schultz, son of Michael and Marisa.



**Congratulations** to Liv Hoene on her IHSA All-State Academic Team Award and \$1,000 scholarship. Liv was honored along with 25 other student athletes from across the state at an awards ceremony held in Bloomington, Illinois.

## Important Dates:

- May 1** - 2:27pm May Crowning
- May 2**
  - 7pm Prom Dinner
  - 8pm Coronation of King & Queen,
  - 11pm Closing
- May 4** - 8am AP Bio Exam
- May 6** - 7pm Band Spring Concert
- May 7**
  - 7:45am-2:47pm SAHS Adoration
  - 12pm AP Stats Exam
  - 7pm Choir Spring Concert
- May 11** - 8am AP Cal Exam
- May 12** - 11:50am Senior walk-through St. Anthony Grade School
- May 13**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Exams EB, 1, 2 hours
  - Open Campus Lunch
  - 9:00am to 1:00pm Sports Physicals in gym for incoming Sophomores, Juniors, Senior
- May 14**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Exams 3,4,5 hours
  - Open Campus Lunch
  - Senior Lockers cleaned out
- May 15**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Exams 6,7 hours
  - Open Campus Lunch
  - 11:25am Senior Mandatory Graduation Practice in church
  - Senior/Parent Luncheon, Video, Awards 12 noon Parish Center
  - 12 Noon Field Day for Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors
  - Last Day of School
- May 16**
  - 6pm Senior Individual Pictures Parish Center
  - 6:30pm Senior Group Picture Parish Center
  - 7pm Graduation Mass

Every Wednesday: Reconciliation, 1:00 - 2:00pm, Rm. 7:7  
Every Friday: HS Mass in Church, 8:30am



# Paw Prints

Teacher Appreciation Week begins on May 4th! As Principal of St. Anthony Grade School, I am deeply grateful for the dedication and faith-filled commitment our teachers bring to their vocation each day. They do far more than educate minds—they nurture hearts, inspire character, and model Christ’s love in every lesson and interaction. Their patience, compassion and unwavering belief in each child’s potential create a community where students feel seen, valued and guided both academically and spiritually.

Thank you teachers for the countless hours, quiet sacrifices and joyful moments you invest in shaping our students. Our school is stronger because of you and I am truly blessed to serve alongside such an extraordinary team.



## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science

This past week, the fourth grade students took a journey inside the respiratory system. They used augmented reality to see how the lungs function in a way that truly brings science to life in front of their eyes! Thank you Mrs. Borries for your creativity and always going the extra mile to make learning FUN!



## Little Voices, Big Truths: Kids Describe Their Teachers

- “Mrs. Overbeck is funny, kind and makes everything fun, even dissecting animals!” - Aliyah
- “Mrs. Myers is nice, funny, helpful & fancy. She makes learning fun and we loved reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory!” - Dylan and Theo
- “Mr. Wiedman is athletic, fair & creative. He likes sports and uses that when teaching us lessons. He doesn’t give a ton of homework and made learning about the Constitution fun!” - James
- “Mrs. Kabbes is always nice to everyone. I like that we don’t just talk about the Bible, we actually read it. I also love using Blooket in her class to study and learn!” - Katherine
- “Mrs. Dust is nice, smart, helpful, passionate about reading and we like that she loves sports!” - James
- “Mrs. Koester helps me and is kind to everyone!” - Kelsi
- “Mrs. Wilson is sweet, helpful, makes Math fun and likes Diet Coke” - Evelyn
- “Mrs. Wilson is nice, smart and made Math my favorite subject!” - Weston
- “Miss Borries is fun and a great teacher. She sets goals for us and we get rewards when we get a lot of A’s and make our goals!” - Bennett & Briggs
- “Mrs. Gardewine helps me, is nice and always has my back. She is funny and we are always on schedule!” - Teddy
- “Mrs. Overbeck has a good sense of humor, is helpful and energetic!” - Rucker



## Important Dates:

- 5/01 Crowning of Mary
- 5/02 3rd Grade Sacrament in Springfield
- 5/05 6-8 Mass at 8:30 (Table of Plenty)
- 5/06 Preschool Graduation  
Band Concert 7:00pm
- 5/07 K-5 Mass at 8:30 (Table of Plenty)  
Choir Concert 7:00pm
- 5/08 Final AR Store  
JH AR Auction
- 5/12 JH Sports Physicals
- 5/14 JH Awards Ceremony  
8th Grade Promotion
- 5/15 12:00 Dismissal  
Last Day of School!

## Weekly:

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

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