

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 13, 2026



**SAINT
ANTHONY**
OF PADUA CHURCH

Welcome!

We hope you feel at home here.
Please let us know if we can be
of any assistance!

Fr. Peter C. Harman, Pastor
Fr. Alex McCullough, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Joe (Pat) Emmerich



Liturgy Schedule

Monday - Friday: **6:30AM**
Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: **8:30AM**
Sat: **4:30PM**
Sun: **7:30AM, 9:15AM, 11:00AM**

Live Streamed Masses

Sat: 4:30PM | Mon - Fri: 6:30AM

Reconciliation

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: **7:45AM**
Sat: **3:15 - 4:00PM**
(Anytime by Appointment)

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accident, or life threatening emergency,
while offices are closed, please contact
our priests at (217) 703-1042.



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Mon-Fri:
9:00AM-4:00PM

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"From the Pastor's Desk"

Dear St. Anthony Parish Family:

This weekend I was able to share with you by mail and with a few words at the Masses the annual report of our stewardship. I was able to summarize my great gratitude and optimism by pointing out the following:

- We had the largest group in many years of people join the Catholic faith at Easter through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). What a joy it was to witness 19 new members to the St. Anthony Community and continue to see them each week. We are beginning to gather our group for this year's classes in anticipation of Easter 2027. We are moving our Parish School of Religion (PSR) to Sunday mornings this year to allow families to make one trip to St. Anthony per week: to come together to Mass at 9:15 a.m. and then to attend their catechetical session in the school. Our enrollment has increased in both schools.
- The year has also seen some much-needed improvements to our already beautiful and well-cared for campus. The biggest projects were the replacing and recapping of the copings on the top of the façade of the Church, and the cleaning/painting of the High School exterior. Both look great and back to their original brightness and beauty. We are also in the process of re-landscaping the area immediately West of the Church. Those shrubs and bushes have served us well, but are reaching their limit. Please look this fall to how beautiful this area will be.
- We are happy to have succeeded in raising the funds to expand the developed portion of St. Anthony Cemetery. Dirt work has already begun. Thanks to all who supported this needed project.
- We are very pleased and grateful with the growth of the "Securing our Future" Campaign for the St. Anthony Educational Trust. We are in year three of the five-year pledge fulfillment. Your fulfilling of your pledges has been inspirational, and the Trust is now able to grow its yearly contribution to the budget to keep tuition low for our families. Your continual giving will only add to what the trust can do to assist our schools' accessibility. Despite this large five-year campaign, our Annual Fund was still able to exceed its largest ever goal. Thanks be to God and to you for your consistency!
- Our regular annual church support increased from the year before and the year before we had increased over the prior year!
- Our St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund had a record-breaking year, and our picnic again was a huge success.

I hope all of this good news will help you have a good week!

Fr. Peter Harman



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:

Steve Bierman	Gina Hargis	Connie Roewe
Marty Brumleve	Marsha Herboth	Olivya Smith
Maureen Brummer	Donna McDevitt Jones	Gustie Unkraut
Danny Bushue	Ingrid Kay	Shirley Valenti
Bertha Bushur	John Keenan	Marilyn Wentz
Dennis Bushur	Betty Koester	Ashley Westendorf
Mary Lynn Byers	Eric Koester	Paul Will
Cody Chasteen	Joan Koester	Keith Willenborg
Alexis Didier	Gail Kraft	Paul V Willenborg
Ramona Dirks	Terry Kraft	Ann Worman
Msgr. Leo Enlow	Mary Lawyer	Dan Worman
Donna Feldhake	Colleen Linde	Jerry Worman
Richard Feldhake	Gerry A Lohman	
Todd Gardewine	Blain Loll	
Claudia Gale	Cooper Loll	
Jackson Gaitros	Addilyn Meyer	
Susan Goldstein	Bill Nuxoll	
Cheryl Gross	Art Pike	
Heather Hakman	Deborah Richards	

**Wedding Banns**

Marie Bornefled/Kevin Blumfelder
September 18, 2026 (III)

Madalyn Tegeler/Alec Campbell
October 3, 2026 (I)

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St. Anthony Church Mass Times

Mon. thru Fri. - 6:30am
Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. - 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

Reconciliation Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs. & Fri.: 7:45am to 8:15am
Saturday: 3:15pm to 4:00pm



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 12:

4:30pm Mass: Gary & Kathy Koester Loved Ones

Sunday, September 13:

7:30am Mass: Clarence & Jeanette Unkraut Family

9:15am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

11:00am Mass: Fred Lohman

Monday, September 14:

6:30am Mass: Marlene Ochs

8:30am Mass: Mel Willenborg; Gary & Marcie Kruger Family; Fran Schultz; Leigh Kinkelaar; Henry & Celeste Kortte; Sharon Harris

Tuesday, September 15:

6:30am Mass: Dale Fitzpatrick

8:30am Mass: Fr. Robert Spriggs

Wednesday, September 16:

6:30am Mass: Special Intention

Thursday, September 17:

6:30am Mass: Thelma Mette

8:30am Mass: Matt Fauss

Friday, September 18:

6:30am Mass: Stu & Millie Stumeier

8:30am Mass: Jim & Virginia Poepelmeyer

Saturday, September 19:

4:30pm Mass: Dick Zimmerman

Sunday, September 20:

7:30am Mass: Rita Mahon Anniversary

9:15am Mass: Art Kinkelaar

11:00am Mass: Parishioners of St. Anthony

*With
Sympathy*

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Evelyn Koester and George Mette**. May they enjoy eternal peace and happiness in Heaven.



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 be registered in a Catholic parish or a witness registered in a Christian church & actively living their faith. A Baptism Class is required for all parents. We ask that both parents attend this class together. Godparents and witnesses are also encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, please call the parish office.

Baptism Class - Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class before their child is baptized. The next class will be held at St. Anthony's Parish Center, Thursday, September 17th at 7:00pm. To register call the parish office at 217-347-7129.



Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact our parish office at least 9 months before your anticipated wedding date to begin your spiritual preparation. The process will begin with meeting with one of our priests to set your date. One or both persons must be registered and actively living their faith at St. Anthony Church for at least 1 year to celebrate their wedding here. All couples planning to be married at our parish must attend a Pre-Cana program, Natural Family Planning program, and FOCCUS evaluation. Former members here must be registered and actively living their faith at the parish where they reside. The latest a wedding can begin is 1pm.

Natural Family Planning Class:

To register, contact Kate Pruemer at 217-821-1840 or kpruemer@gmail.com

Saturday, September 12
2:30 to 4:00pm via WebEx

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 14, 2026 @ St. Anthony
Call 217-347-7129 to register.

Grief Support Meetings



Grief support meetings are held on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:15pm in the small room of the parish center. Meetings will be held each week on Tuesday evenings. No registration is necessary.



Liturgical Ministers for September 2026

Ministry	4:30pm	7:30am	9:15am	11:00am
Lectors	Bob Mette	Jolene Hoke	Jane Dust	Kim Koester
Eucharistic Ministers	Cathy Bierman Carla Koerner BJ Kortte Billie Zeller Rob Zumbahlen	Sue Bushur Alice Dust Greg Dust Sara Wendt Valerie Wohltman	Mandy Henning Avery Henning Carrie Koenig Kevin Roewe Russ Sehy	Larry Masengale Theresa Masengale More Needed
Servers	Colin Storm Emily Gilmore James Gilmore	Bryson Bartimus Henry Bierman	Morgan Litz Maeve Niebrugge Paxton Nosbisch	Jayson Yoder Owen Gillenwater
Ushers	Ken Bourgeois Phil Koerner Larry Thies Mike Zeller	Greg Bushur Joe Jansen More Needed	Bernie Blanchette Patrick Niebrugge Russ Sehy More Needed	Dennis Meyer Chris Quandt More Needed

Pro-Life Corner

Prayer Campaign for LIFE September 23 - November 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 23 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

Life Chain Effingham Event Center (KC Hall) - 1501 W Fayette Ave, Effingham, IL 2-3 pm Life Chain on Fayette Ave/Keller Drive

- A Christian Witness against the killing of pre-born children
- Help us line Fayette Ave & 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 Effingham Event 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!



SonRise Fridays are for all men

SonRise Friday Men's Breakfast IS EVERY FRIDAY at St. Anthony's Parish Center and ALL men of area Churches are INVITED.

This week we will journey through the whole of Scripture to discover that God desires more than obedience from us: he desires communion with us. From Adam and Eve to the covenant at Mount Sinai, God reveals himself as the bridegroom who calls his people to belong completely to him.

It promises to be a powerful session that will deepen the way we understand Scripture, marriage, and the Eucharist.

Hot breakfast available at 6:15am, St. Anthony Parish Center. Prayer, program and discussion from 6:30am to 7:30am. No cost or registration needed.

All men are welcome. Learn more at thatmanisyou.com, or Dan Woods, 217-821-1495.

Shot Clock Operators Needed

Shot clock operators are needed for boys & girls high school basketball games. This is a new ISHA regulation and games cannot be played without it. Training and practice will be made available. Please contact Kevin Palmer at 217-342-6969 or kpalm@stanthony.com to inquire about helping.



21st Annual Spaghetti Lunch

Sponsored by Joe's Pizza & Pasta

Drive-Thru Only

Sunday, September 13, 2026

10:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Effingham Event Center

Tickets available at:

Catholic Charities

Any Catholic Charities Advisory Board Member

At the door

Employer Lunch Special

Treat your employees to lunch!

20+ tickets \$9 each



All proceeds support the mission and ministries of Catholic Charities.
For more information, contact Catholic Charities at 217-857-1458.



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WE ARE HIRING

Immediate Openings Fall 2026

- **DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC**
- **PUPS' CLUB AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AIDE**
 - 2:15 - 5:15 PM
 - 2 DAYS / WEEK
 - 2 OPENINGS

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📍 Effingham, IL

📞 217-347-0419



Oftentimes, when one of our beloved parishioners passes away, the family of the deceased will have memorials made out to St. Anthony Parish or St. Anthony Schools. Please know that with each gift given in memory of our loved ones, St. Anthony Parish and Schools are truly blessed and appreciative of your kindness and generosity. We are not always made aware of the names of those making memorial donations. So, we say thank you to each of you, including those that donate anonymously. May the love of Christ be with you today and always.

"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 other 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/."

EIU Newman Center - Newman Night

Are you an alumnus, friend, parent, or have a connection to EIU and the Newman Center? Join us for this year's Newman Night Gala, October 10th, as we form today's students into tomorrow's Saints and Scholars. From Mass and dinner to the silent auction and student awards, it's an evening of celebrating and raising funds for this amazing campus ministry! For more details visit our website at eiunewman.org/newmannight, scan the QR code, call 217-348-0188, or email John Johnson at development@eiunewman.org.

Monthly Collection Totals

	August, 2026		Fiscal Year-to-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Offertory	\$ 96,204.86	\$ 150,160.00	\$ 213,486.71	\$ 286,660.00
Loose Collection	\$ 6,396.13	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 10,400.39	\$ 13,000.00
Parish Improvement	\$ 860.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,326.00	\$ 9,000.00
Holy Days	\$ 535.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 535.00	\$ 2,500.00
Total	\$ 103,995.99	\$ 164,660.00	\$ 226,748.10	\$ 311,160.00

Diocesan Collections	August, 2026
Catholic Charities	\$ 25.55
Missionary-IHM Develop	\$ 5.00
Nigerian Sister Parish	\$ 1,721.00
Cemetery	\$ 580.00



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There will be a Marian exhibit plus a few relics at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Olney, IL. On Sept 14, the hours to view it are from 10 am to 4 pm. On Sept 15, the viewing hours are from 10 am to 7 pm, with a 20 minute talk by Judy Brown at 6 pm. On Sept 16, the viewing hours are from 9 am to 7 pm, with a talk at 6 pm. The display will be closed from 12-1 and 4-5 each day. There is also morning mass at 8 am on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Come and learn more about the Blessed Mother and invite your friends! Please call Karla Slifer for more information 217-690-5282.

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL - You are all invited to attend the next retreat at Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL. This retreat is led by Fr. Josh Stengel and is titled "Seven Sorrows and the Mystery of Suffering" and will be held on Friday, Sept 18 and Saturday, Sept 19. The focus will be on how Our Lady teaches us about the mystery of suffering and how, through her, and with her intercession, we unite our sufferings with Christ. Please go to osmm.org to register, and the full agenda is listed on their website. The cost is \$50 to attend. You may also contact Karla Slifer at 217-690-5282 for more information.

St. Isidore Parish Annual Fall Breakfast and Raffle

St. Isidore Parish, St. Joseph Hall / Church (Island Grove) located at 16987 N 200th St, Teutopolis, IL 62467 will be having its Annual Fall Breakfast and Raffle from 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM on Sunday, October 6, 2026, at the St. Joseph Hall (Church). Carry-out will be available. The menu will include whole hog sausage, ham, pancakes, fried eggs, scrambled eggs, homemade breads and rolls, orange juice, milk and coffee. Cost this year is a FREE WILL DONATION. The Country Store which will contain homemade baked goods from the members of the parish will be open from 7:30 AM to Noon. The drawing for the quilt and big raffle will be at Noon (do not need to be present). Tickets for the quilt and big raffle will be available for purchase during the breakfast.

Celebrate 25 Years of The Cross at the Crossroads!

The community is invited to celebrate "25 Years of Faith, Hope, and Impact" at The Cross at the Crossroads on Saturday, September 19, from 6:00-9:00pm. As we celebrate the Cross's 25th anniversary, we'll also commemorate the 25th anniversary of September 11, remembering those whose lives were lost and pray for our nation and its leaders. This FREE, family-friendly event will include hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, and drinks, live music, a community prayer service, children's activities, a Prayer & Praise Wall, commemorative giveaways, and more!

The anniversary will be highlighted by Effingham's first-ever DRONE SHOW at approximately 7:45pm, featuring hundreds of synchronized drones creating beautiful Christian and patriotic images choreographed to music.

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and join us as we thank God for His faithfulness and pray for our nation.

Admission is FREE and all faiths are welcome! Learn more at CrossUSA.org or follow The Cross in Effingham on Facebook and Instagram.

Please submit written **bulletin articles** to:

bulletin@stanthony.com or mail to

Bulletin, PO Box 764, Effingham, IL 62401. Articles must be in the office by noon Monday prior to publication.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

R A F F L E

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

Behind the Teutopolis Grade School

4:00 PM ALL PARISH OUTDOOR MASS
(Music begins at 3:00 PM—Featuring "Mixed Nuts")
Picnic Grounds Open After Mass Until 11:30 PM

BUTTERFLY PORK CHOP SANDWICH, HAMBURGER, PORK BURGER, HOT DOGS

ADULT RAFFLE

\$4,000 CASH * \$2,000 CASH
GLIDER, SCOOTER, BICYCLES, CASH, GIFT CERTIFICATES & MUCH MORE

KID RAFFLE CHROME BOOK, TRAMPOLINE, BOUNCE HOUSE, BASKETBALL HOOP, CASH, GIFT CERTIFICATES & MUCH MORE

KIDS GAMES, CAKE WALK, GOLF BALL DROP, TEUTOPOLIS TREATS, BEER, BINGO, & COUNTRY CRAFT STANDS

MUSIC LINE UP
MIXED NUTS, 3:00-4:00 PM
THUNDER ROAD, 5:00-7:00 PM
PLASTIC SOUL, 8:30-11:30 PM

GOLF BALL DROP 6 PM LIVE AUCTION 7 PM

St. Anthony of Padua Parish
Parish and School Income and Expenses
Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026

Income:	Parish	Schools	Total	% of Income	Budget 25/26
Regular Church Support	\$ 1,569,908.74	\$ -	\$ 1,569,908.74	23.47%	\$ 1,584,411.00
School Donations	\$ -	\$ 42,092.51	\$ 42,092.51	0.63%	\$ 69,175.00
Tuition & Fees	\$ -	\$ 2,691,547.42	\$ 2,691,547.42	40.24%	\$ 2,723,202.04
Parish Picnic 2025	\$ -	\$ 151,709.07	\$ 151,709.07	2.27%	\$ 145,000.00
Annual Fund	\$ -	\$ 622,852.09	\$ 622,852.09	9.31%	\$ 580,000.00
Educational Trust Distribution	\$ -	\$ 325,608.00	\$ 325,608.00	4.87%	\$ 325,608.00
Gifts, Bequests & Other Charitable Trust Receipts	\$ 261,582.70	\$ 112,465.00	\$ 374,047.70	5.59%	\$ 352,000.00
Preschool & Afterschool Fees	\$ -	\$ 219,425.00	\$ 219,425.00	3.28%	\$ 203,220.00
Hot Lunch Sales	\$ -	\$ 209,846.01	\$ 209,846.01	3.14%	\$ 225,000.00
Interest Income	\$ 39,369.34	\$ 102.21	\$ 39,471.55	0.59%	\$ 62,539.96
ERC Tax Credit	\$ 81,415.68	\$ 325,667.74	\$ 407,083.42	6.09%	\$ 407,083.42
Other Receipts	\$ 30,316.87	\$ 5,362.77	\$ 35,679.64	0.53%	\$ 39,000.08
Total Income	\$ 1,982,593.33	\$ 4,706,677.82	\$ 6,689,271.15	100.00%	\$ 6,716,239.50
Expenses:	Parish	Schools	Total	% of Expense	Budget 25/26
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$ 335,480.99	\$ 4,845,513.30	\$ 5,180,994.29	77.40%	\$ 5,201,842.57
Utilities, Insurance & Maintenance	\$ 182,720.50	\$ 297,646.67	\$ 480,367.17	7.18%	\$ 465,997.88
Equipment, Supplies & Textbooks	\$ 75,393.88	\$ 182,170.22	\$ 257,564.10	3.85%	\$ 317,550.96
Computers & Technology	\$ 12,643.87	\$ 163,046.61	\$ 175,690.48	2.62%	\$ 97,870.77
Fellowship & Campus Ministry	\$ 20,801.16	\$ 13,544.58	\$ 34,345.74	0.51%	\$ 40,380.00
Hot Lunch Food Expense	\$ -	\$ 116,954.32	\$ 116,954.32	1.75%	\$ 110,000.00
Credit Card Fees	\$ 18,310.21	\$ -	\$ 18,310.21	0.27%	\$ 18,900.00
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 114,095.76	\$ 129,647.47	\$ 243,743.23	3.64%	\$ 217,936.20
Monthly Tithe to Diocese	\$ 185,779.00	\$ -	\$ 185,779.00	2.78%	\$ 201,731.00
Total Expenses	\$ 945,225.37	\$ 5,748,523.17	\$ 6,693,748.54	100.00%	\$ 6,672,209.38
Net Income/ (Loss)	\$ 1,037,367.96	\$ (1,041,845.35)	\$ (4,477.39)		\$ 44,030.12

St. Anthony of Padua Parish
Cemetery Income and Expenses
Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026

Income:	Cemetery
Lot Sales	\$ 30,675.00
Burial Fees	\$ 31,525.00
Income Care Revenue	\$ 10,500.00
Rental Income	\$ 12,000.00
Donation	\$ 45,615.00
Church Collection	\$ 23,988.10
Bank Account Interest	\$ 507.67
Total Income	\$ 154,810.77
Expenses:	Cemetery
Grave Openings	\$ 21,675.00
General Maintenance	\$ 56,259.39
Rental Maintenance	\$ 662.36
Custodial	\$ 3,715.00
Mowing	\$ 39,395.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 87.96
Real Estate Tax on Rental	\$ 1,734.22
Total Expenses	\$ 123,528.93
Net Income/ (Loss) before Project	\$ 31,281.84
Expansion Project Income	\$ 85,849.13
Expansion Project Expense	\$ (390.56)
Net Income/ (Loss)	\$ 116,740.41

St. Anthony of Padua Parish
Parish and School Income and Expenses
Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2027

Income:	Parish	Schools	Total	% of Income
Regular Church Support	\$ 1,648,240.00	\$ -	\$ 1,648,240.00	23.74%
School Donations	\$ -	\$ 51,100.00	\$ 51,100.00	0.74%
Tuition & Fees	\$ -	\$ 2,927,845.00	\$ 2,927,845.00	42.17%
Parish Picnic 2026	\$ -	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 145,000.00	2.09%
Annual Fund	\$ -	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 650,000.00	9.36%
Educational Trust Distribution	\$ -	\$ 492,733.00	\$ 492,733.00	7.10%
Gifts, Bequests & Other Charitable Trust Receipts	\$ 285,940.00	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 405,940.00	5.85%
Preschool & Afterschool Fees	\$ -	\$ 250,776.00	\$ 250,776.00	3.61%
Hot Lunch Sales	\$ -	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 225,000.00	3.24%
Interest Income	\$ 43,800.00	\$ -	\$ 43,800.00	0.63%
Other Receipts	\$ 31,100.04	\$ 71,450.48	\$ 102,550.52	1.48%
Total Income	\$ 2,009,080.04	\$ 4,933,904.48	\$ 6,942,984.52	100.00%
Expenses:	Parish	Schools	Total	% of Expense
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$ 511,241.57	\$ 5,119,973.77	\$ 5,631,215.34	81.18%
Utilities, Insurance & Maintenance	\$ 85,694.76	\$ 265,340.00	\$ 351,034.76	5.06%
Equipment, Supplies & Textbooks	\$ 66,470.00	\$ 225,762.88	\$ 292,232.88	4.21%
Computers & Technology	\$ 8,067.00	\$ 65,466.40	\$ 73,533.40	1.06%
Fellowship & Campus Ministry	\$ 30,200.00	\$ 13,700.00	\$ 43,900.00	0.63%
Hot Lunch Food Expense	\$ -	\$ 119,600.00	\$ 119,600.00	1.72%
Credit Card Fees	\$ 9,600.00	\$ -	\$ 9,600.00	0.14%
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 83,036.40	\$ 143,627.22	\$ 226,663.62	3.27%
Monthly Tithe to Diocese	\$ 189,210.00	\$ -	\$ 189,210.00	2.73%
Total Expenses	\$ 983,519.73	\$ 5,953,470.27	\$ 6,936,990.00	100.00%
Net Income/ (Loss) from Regular Operations	\$ 1,025,560.31	\$ (1,019,565.79)	\$ 5,994.52	
One-Time Payroll Expense*	\$ -	\$ (107,784.37)	\$ (107,784.37)	
Net Income/ (Loss)	\$ 1,025,560.31	\$ (1,127,350.16)	\$ (101,789.85)	

* This is a one-time expense to align teacher contracts with the start of the school year.

St. Anthony of Padua Parish
Cemetery Income and Expenses
Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2027

Income:	Cemetery
Lot Sales	\$ 26,000.00
Burial Fees	\$ 28,000.00
Income Care Revenue	\$ 9,000.00
Rental Income	\$ 12,000.00
Donation	\$ -
Expansion Project Income	\$ -
Church Collection	\$ 23,500.00
Bank Account Interest	\$ 500.00
Total Income	\$ 99,000.00
Expenses:	Cemetery
Grave Openings	\$ 30,000.00
General Maintenance	\$ 18,480.00
Rental Maintenance	\$ 720.00
Custodial	\$ 4,500.00
Mowing	\$ 42,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,500.00
Real Estate Tax on Rental	\$ 1,800.00
Expansion Project Expense	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 99,000.00
Net Income/ (Loss)	\$ -



Assisted Suicide: A Grave Error in Our State Law Goes into Effect Sept. 12, 2026

Governor JB Pritzker signed Illinois' physician assisted suicide into law last year – a signature that the vast majority of states have not been willing to give. The law will go into effect Sept. 12 of this year bringing with it grave consequences.

In Practice, Assisted Suicide is Dangerous

Assisted suicide may be presented as compassionate, but it carries grave dangers, especially for the vulnerable. When lethal drugs are offered, people who are afraid, depressed, lonely, or pressured may be placed at a grave risk.

- Patients may choose death because they feel abandoned, afraid, or burdensome.
- The new law does not require hospice, palliative care, or pain management first.
- A doctor does not have to be present when the drugs are taken.
- Pressure and coercion are difficult to prevent.
- Insurance companies may find it cheaper to cover assisted suicide than continued care.

Assisted Suicide Sends the Message that some Lives are not Worth Living

Human worth does not depend on health, independence, productivity, or control. Every Human is made in the image and likeness of God. The dignity that comes with this divine image is not diminished in suffering. Rather, Christ blessed suffering when he walked the path of the cross. This does not mean that we abandon those who suffer but rather, like Simon who carried Christ and like Christ himself, we walk beside them and bear the burden with them.

When we permit assisted suicide we permit the belief that some life is not worth living. The elderly, disabled, or depressed are disproportionately effected by this falsehood and can be led to give up hope. Their life is not a mistake nor is their suffering without dignity.

"To Suffer with" not "To Eliminate"

Compassion literally means "to suffer with." Christ did not abandon people. He entered into our suffering to the point of death so that even in death we might have a companion and a savior. Fear of pain, of loneliness, dependence, or being a burden should not be met with the suggestion for suicide but with care, love, presence, and accompaniment. True compassion never kills the one who suffers– it walks with them.

A Poison in the Culture

Once suicide becomes accepted as "medicine" the relationship between doctors and patients will change. When those who heal are also those who deal in death distrust between doctors and patients will become more common making it harder to provide legitimate healthcare.

We work to prevent suicide in almost every other circumstance. Suicide does not suddenly become compassionate once someone is sick, elderly, or within the bounds of a healthcare institution.

**"True compassion leads to sharing
another's pain."
– St. John Paul II**

The Church Supports Real End-of-Life Care

Palliative care (care given at the end of life such as hospice) is strongly supported by the church. Pain management, emotional support, spiritual care, and the sacraments are ways that genuinely help those nearing the end. Intentionally ending their life does not.

It is important to note that there is a moral difference between allowing natural death and intentionally causing death. Catholics and all people are morally permitted to refuse burdensome or disproportionate treatment when there is little hope of recovery.

Suffering has meaning

The Christian faith does not deny suffering a place in our life. Rather, our faith teaches us of Christ's love for us in pain. Our suffering can be redemptive when we recognize that we are participating in a part of Christ's life, most poignantly the crucifixion. Even during serious illness, there can be moments of grace, reconciliation, forgiveness, prayer, and deep love. Life remains sacred and meaningful in weakness and suffering.

Prepare for Crisis before it comes

As Catholics, we have a duty to love our neighbors. This love certainly involves caring for those who are entering into a period of suffering, the end of their lives, or are ignorant to the dangers of suicide. Consider discussing end-of-life wishes with loved ones before a medical crisis occurs.

It is also important for families to choose trusted healthcare proxies and ensure healthcare decisions reflect Catholic teaching. No Catholic should face death alone or without spiritual care. Remember the importance of sacraments near the end of life: Confession, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Communion.

What to do when someone expresses a terminal diagnosis?

Help them get proper pain management, perhaps hospice or palliative care, to make sure they are never alone. Encourage them to reach out to their clergy and parish, especially if they have not been close before. The Church has walked with people for her whole 2000-year history.

At the heart of this issue is a simple question: Do we respond to suffering by eliminating the sufferer, or by accompanying one another in love? The Catholic answer is clear. Every human life is sacred. True compassion does not encourage the destruction of life. True Compassion helps people live— and reminds them they are loved— until God calls them home.



“The commandment is, ‘You shall not kill man;’ therefore neither another nor yourself, for he who kills himself still kills nothing else than man.”

— St. Augustine, *City of God*



Make a Difference

Do you know a friend or family member who could use resources to navigate end-of-life care? Prayerfully consider sharing this article with them, talking to them, and accompanying them in their suffering.

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