TWENTY-NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Anthony of Padua Parish Church: Second & Ohio

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Holy Masses This Week

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22 NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 NO MASS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 NO MASS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 12:05 +Jim Garcia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

4:00 p.m. +Mary Werth 5:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

9:30 a.m. St. Anthony Parish Family and Theresa Sloat-Elliot 11:00 a.m. Vietnamese Mass

Liturgical Roles for Saturday, October 26, at 4:00 p.m.:

Lector: C. Claycomb E. Minister: R. Hartman

Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

Liturgical Roles for Sunday, October 27, at 9:30 a.m.:

Lector: Deb Anton
E. Minister: S. Walcher

PARISH PRAYER LINE

Jerry Warrell Rosa Reyneros Kathy Hunter Tony Magdalino Ukraine and its Citizens Johnny +Jim Garcia Julie Munoz Lisa Michelle Houchin Lisa Esbrook +Judy Freed +Shauna McNally Lori Born Suzanne Walcher

Good News!

October 20, 2024

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Isaiah 53:10–11 / Hebrews 4:14–16 / Mark 10:35–45 or 10:42–45

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

If I hit you and you hit me back, I may very well hit you again, this time harder. If you decide to hit me back harder as well, I may pull out my knife from fear and for self-defense. That may cause you to pull out your knife, thereby moving me to arm myself with a gun, which then compels you to do likewise. And thus, the evil escalates. If, however, when I hit you the first time, you do not retaliate by hitting me, the evil ends. It is absorbed by you, and life is better because of your decision.

It was Daniel Berrigan who noted that the role of the Christian is to absorb evil. When we absorb someone else's evil, when it ends with us, we literally save that person from embodying more evil. In effect, we ransom that person by our own suffering. "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). In other words, we can be most like Jesus when we feel we are being used or abused, yet do not retaliate in kind.

In all such instances, it is not a matter of allowing someone to pummel and eviscerate our bodies and spirits. It is not about being defenseless. It is not a matter of refusing to resist. It is about resisting in a way that will not create greater violence and evil. It is the way of Christ.

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OFFERING

October 13, 2024 English: \$ 4,266.10 Vietnamese \$ 5,522.00 Total: \$ 9,788.10



Please note that this week there will be no 12:05 weekday Mass on Tuesday, October 22; Wednesday, October 23, and Thursday, October 24. Fr. Ben will be attending a Clergy Conference those days. Weekday Mass at 12:05 will resume Friday, October 25.



The 9:30 a.m. Mass parishioners have decided to move their after-Mass coffee and donuts gathering, usually held in the Sunshine Room, over to St. Elizabeth Hall on November 10 and December 1. That will allow parishioners needing elevator access to also attend. St. Elizabeth Hall is on the north side of the Pastoral Center.

In addition, those gatherings will also celebrate the November and December birthdays in the parish. So, mark those dates on your calendar now!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

In the coming days, all should look to receive a postcard in the mail on the campaign. Then, in the coming weeks, everyone will be receiving a packet in the mail from Bishop Kemme with his letter asking each of us in the coming weeks to think about an extraordinary gift in support of this historic campaign for our local church. The Bishop is asking you to please begin thinking about what level of giving in both feasible and sacrificial. Keep in mind that our parish's campaign goal is \$455,000 over the three-year life of the campaign.

St. Anthony Historical Anecdote:

One old tradition at St. Anthony's which everyone had spoken of with great affection is that of the old parish dinners held at the Lohkamp farm for many years. One story was told of the Lohkamp family clearing out their barn loft for a dance at which a great time was had by all. Of course, there were no spiritous liquors served as this was during Prohibition and therefore illegal. Live musicians provided the music, and it appears that many good memories were made at these parish dinners and dances.

The Respect Life and Social Justice Office is hosting its annual Middle School Poster Contest commemorate Respect Life Month. The Theme is "Live the Gospel of Life." All Catholic youth in grades 6-8 attending Catholic, public or home schools are eligible. The entry must be original work and explore the theme of the contest. All entries must be submitted by Friday, November 8. No computer enhanced entries accepted. Include the following information on the backside of your entry: name, address, telephone number, name of school or home school, and grade level. Submit by mail or in person to: Respect Life Social Justice Office. Youth poster contest. 424 North Broadway, Wichita.

A PRAYER FOR AUTUMN DAYS

God of love, you enter into our autumn seasons, into our deepest places of inner dwellings, into the heart of our transformation. You give us glimpses of the truth. May we allow our experience of autumn to speak to us of necessary change and growth. May we accept the invitation to reflect upon our own death. Grant us an openness to the continuous process of letting go and moving on that is part of the human condition. We are grateful that you are our faithful companion on this journey. Amen.