

MONDAY, MARCH 2

6:45AM Vincent Walter—Mary Fran Walter
8:00AM Gary Gramann— Dr. & Mrs. Albert Niedhmer

TUESDAY, MARCH 3 St. Kathrine Drexel

6:45AM Ben Rapien—Marianne & Tom Phillips & Sons
8:00AM Steven Horvath—Tom & Judy Bonhaus
7:00PM Way of the Cross
7:00PM THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU confessions

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 St. Casimir

6:45AM Estelle L. Andriot—John & Carolyn Eisen
8:00AM Earl Gelter— Dorothy Bauscher
12:45PM Way of the Cross

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

6:45AM Ernesto Bonavita—Anniv. Rem.—Anna
8:00AM Anthony & Gertrude Neumeister— Bd. Rem.— Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

6:45AM Jean Martinelli—Family
8:00AM Diana Brown—6,7,8th Grade Teachers

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

8:00AM Gene Altenau—Nancie Woessner
4:10PM Evening Prayer
4:30PM Tom Huber— Bd. Rem.— Marge

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00AM For our Parishioners
9:30AM Antoinette Perrino—Bd. Rem.—Family
11:30AM Girl Scouts

R - O - S - A - R - Y

Monday thru Friday after the 6:45AM and 8AM Masses .

Mondays 7:00PM Fatima Prayer Group in the Chapel.
Friday mornings at *MaryAnn Baverman's home for Moms of all ages and young children. We extend an invitation to all moms to join our group for prayer on Friday mornings from 10AM to 11:00AM. We will show you how to pray the rosary. Please call MaryAnn at 503-9537 for details.*

Saturdays after the 8 AM Mass in church.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in the chapel every Friday, following the 8AM Mass until 10PM. Except on Good Friday.

LECTORS March 7 & 8, 2015

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| 4:30PM | K. O'Connor | Anna Bonavita |
| 8:00AM | J. Brady | Dori Altenau |
| 9:30AM | Don Junker | J. Rigney |
| 11:30AM | Girl Scouts | |

SERVERS March 2-6, 2015

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| 6:45AM | Molly Guenther | Alyssa Palicki |
| 8:00AM | Anthony Holmes | Jacob Holmes |

March 7 & 8, 2015

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| 4:30PM | Anthony & Jacob Holmes, Sam Olding |
| 8:00AM | Adult Servers |
| 9:30AM | Marta, Mark & Matthew Rechtin |
| 11:30AM | Girl Scouts |

CONFESSIONS

Thursday, March 5, 4:30PM to 5:30PM and
7:30PM—8:00PM
Saturday, March 7, 3:00PM to 4:00PM

THANK YOU to Todd and Jennifer Allison at Allison Landscaping & Water Gardens for advertising in our bulletin.

TRAVELING CHALICE

Please call Debbie at 922-2414, to sign up for one week to take the Traveling Chalice into your home. The presence of the chalice in one's home is a reminder to pray for vocations. A small prayer-booklet comes with the chalice.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS March 7 & 8

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| 4:30PM | Bev & Vince Meyer, Kathy & John O'Connor, Joan Squeri |
| 8:00AM | Deacon, Pam & Mark Braunstein, Linda Guetle |
| 9:30AM | Kathy Weber, Judy, Danny & Jason Rigney, Maria & Marta Rechtin, Jack Baker, Chris Nolan, Tom Hamberg, Carole Jones, Daniella Lucas |
| 11:30AM | Sandy Gerhardt, Barb Kitchen, Mary Beth Nolan, Jessica Johnson, Emma Foster, Chloe & Ella Klusman, Robert Nussman, Christine & Matthew Weber, Jackie Rogers |

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Things I've Seen and Heard Musings of Fr. Bryan Reif

A couple of week ago, Archbishop Schnurr sent a letter to the priests of the Archdiocese asking the priests to address the issues and challenges posed by the movie "Fifty Shades of Gray" to the message of the Gospel on Marriage. Also, recently, I have been asked about this several times, so there is a need to address this issue. Below is a quote from the Archbishop's letter to the priests:

"The movie, Fifty Shades of Grey, is scheduled to debut in theaters across America on February 13, 2015. The story line is presented as a romance; however, the underlying theme is that bondage, dominance, and sadomasochism are normal and pleasurable. In the story line, a young Miss Steele is urged to sign a contract becoming a sex slave and agreeing to an abusive and degrading relationship. This movie is in direct contrast to the Christian message of God's design for self-giving and self-sacrificing love, marriage and sexual intimacy. The movie is a direct assault on Christian marriage and on the moral and spiritual strength of God's people. We need to inform our people about the destructive message of this movie and to highlight the beauty of God's design for loving relationships between a husband and a wife in the bond of marriage."

The teaching of Christ and His Church is that Marriage is a holy bond, and that sexual intimacy should occur only within that holy bond, for the union of husband and wife, and for the procreation of new life. Given these two inseparable ends of sexual intimacy, it should always be open to life, and is a participation in the creative plan of God for the world. Sexuality is sacred and is a gift from God, and ought not be abused. Unfortunately, the movie communicates a different message about sexuality which is not in keeping with Church teaching on sexual morality and Marriage.

It is clear that our popular culture embraces values which contradict the values of the Gospel. It is also clear that the world always has been at odds with the values and ways that God has placed before us. There are parts of the Gospel that comfort us, and we sometimes tend to focus more on these. But there are also parts of the Gospel that challenge us, or even convict us. None of us are perfect, yet all of us are loved by a God who is Love itself, who loved us so much that He died for us. All the more reason, during this holy Lenten Season, to reflect, discern, and pray about our path, and to come before the Lord in humility to ask for guidance, strength, and mercy. May we always be given the grace to choose the ways of Christ and His Gospel rather than the ways of the world.

Take good care,
Fr. Bryan

SUNDAY ACCOUNTING TEAMS

We are in need of three new Sunday accounting teams. The teams are made up of two, unrelated individuals who count and record our Sunday collections about once every six weeks. Counting starts between 10:30AM and 10:45AM, and usually finishes no later than 1:00PM. If you love working with numbers and are interested in volunteering your time, please contact the Business Manager, Steffany Reid at 922-5400 x 3, Monday through Friday between 8:30AM and 3:30PM. Volunteering is a great way to give of your time and talents while also meeting fellow parishioners.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

St. Antoninus is in the process of revamping this committee under a new name, **Parish Advancement**. The **Parish Advancement Committee** would be a group of six to eight volunteers primarily responsible for fundraising events for the Parish.

Currently this consists of selling local gift cards, our annual 250 Lotto, the Kroger Community Rewards program, The Remke Market Caring Neighbors Reloadable cards and the annual Main-A-Vent. If you are looking for a great way to get involved in the Parish and give of your time and talents, this is an important ministry and one where you can make a huge positive impact. For more details please contact Steffany Reid, our Business Manager at 922-5400 x 3, Monday through Friday between 8:30AM to 3:30PM or at reid@saintantoninus.org. Thank you in advance for taking an interest in this ministry!



ST. JOSEPH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly amount needed \$26,540

As of February 21 & 22, 2015

Remember St. Antoninus Parish in your will.

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| 219 Envelopes | \$15,019.00 |
| Loose monies | 363.07 |
| Electronic Transfers | 2,770.00 |

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| YTD Collections | \$787,464.19 |
| YTD Fund Drive | 24,217.81 |

YTD Fund Drive And Coll. Under Budget (\$90,497.00)

2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from Saint Antoninus Parish who has pledged to the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. These important local ministries depend on our help each year. To make a pledge securely online, please visit CatholicAppeal.net. Our parish goal is \$52,498.00. **As of Monday, February 23, we have reached 49.43% of our goal.**

GIFT CARDS — USE THEM FOR YOUR EVERYDAY PURCHASES. We have Busken Bakery \$10 gift cards, \$10 Kroger gift cards, \$20 Holy Grail, \$10 Price Hill Chili, \$10 Ron's Roost, \$10 Chipotle, \$5 Skyline, \$25 Allison Landscaping and \$10 Servatti's gift cards. We receive 4% of your purchases at Kroger's, Remke's and GFS. By patronizing these establishments, you are also helping us raise funds for St. Antoninus Church. You may purchase gift cards at *the rectory, open, as it is, 8AM-3PM, Monday thru Friday*.

Another way to contribute to St. Antoninus is by using a Remke Reloadable card. You can obtain one from the Parish Rectory if you do not have one.

You can load whatever dollar amount you want to on the card either right at the check-out or at Customer Service. We get 4% of what is spent using your Remke card. **IT DOESN'T COST YOU ANYTHING!** The cards are already linked to St. Antoninus.

Help us keep Catholic education at St. Antoninus affordable by simply taking advantage of this and the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Thank you so much for your participation!



St. Antoninus Parish & Kroger Community Rewards

There are many ways to contribute to St. Antoninus and help our school stay affordable simply by linking your Kroger Plus Card to St. Antoninus. Simply register your Kroger Plus Card to our ID - **80164**. Directions are below.

TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM:

- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus Card Number handy. Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 800-576-4377, select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number. Register on line at www.krogercommunityrewards.com
- Select your Location, Click on "Enroll" (highlighted in blue).
- Scroll down and look on the lower right side of the page. Click on "GET STARTED, SIGN UP TODAY".
- Sign up for a Kroger Community Rewards Account by entering your email address and creating a password.
- Enter your zip code, select your favorite store then click "save and continue".
- Select "Yes, I have a Kroger Plus Card".
- Enter your Kroger Plus Card #, Last name and zip code then click "save and continue".
- Verify your information, agree to the terms and condition then click "complete registration".
- At this point you will need to check your email for a message from Kroger, click on the link within the body of the e-mail, it will redirect you to Kroger's website to activate your account.
- Click on "Log in to your Account" and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Kroger Community Rewards, and then on Edit Kroger Community Rewards Program Information and input your name and address.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter our organization number (**80164**) then click "search".
- Select St. Antoninus then click "save changes". **REMEMBER, purchases will not count until after you register your card.**

If you do not have a computer, please call the rectory office at 922-5400 x 2.

LENTEN REMINDERS – FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Good Friday, April 3, is a day of abstinence from meat and also a day of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97 and 1252). With regard to Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled.

Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday, and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110).

With regard to the obligatory days however, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of Pope John Paul II may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion.

MOPS: Mothers of Potential Saints group (this includes mothers of children 2nd grade and younger) meets here at St. Antoninus Parish on **(March 4) the first Wednesday of each month in the undercroft from 9:15 AM to 11:00 AM**. Babysitting is available. If you have any questions please contact, mops@saintantoninus.org

ST. ANTONINUS MEN’S ANNUAL RETREAT will be at the Milford Spiritual Center on **Friday, March 6**, beginning with a social hour at 5:30PM, followed by dinner at 6:30PM. The retreat will end with lunch on Sunday, March 8. Our retreat director will be Fr. Leo Cachat, S.J.. The theme of the retreat is “Growing in Friendship with Jesus.”

For reservations call Mary Ellen at 248-3500 x 10 or Bill Kayse at 505-1533.

ADULT SOCIAL GROUP Membership dues of \$5.00 per person is due before March. The Keeneland trip is closed. Thank you for responding promptly!

March luncheon and Communion service will be on **Monday, March 9**. RSVP with your \$9 per person before Wednesday, March 4, to Dottie Brown, 5559 Lucenna Dr., 45238.

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MR. JACK COREY

Over the past three weeks, our school and parish have been dealing with a computer virus that infected our network. While at press time, I am unable to say that the virus has been completely eliminated, it has been largely contained. Below is an excerpt from an email sent to our parents.

Not having internet really changed the way we did business this week. Many of our students were very surprised (disappointed) that we did not have to cancel school because there was no Internet. Luckily we were able to handle the run on chalk in our supply closet. I also think this was the first time Mr. Aultman and Mr. Delaney ever taught without the Internet. Poor Mr. Aultman actually had to HAND WRITE a test! At least the copier worked so we did not have to bring out the purple-ink ditto machine. It’s a good thing, too, since we no longer have one.

This week filmstrips, encyclopedias, chalk, and books, replaced Smart Boards, computers, tablets, and netbooks. There were handwritten memos vs emails as well. As an exception, turning the clock back on educational practices was refreshing. It emphasized how far we have come in the 20+ years since I started teaching. I know of no one in our building who can’t wait to get plugged back in.

To say the least, this year has been interesting even beyond technology issues. We have had to cancel school because of electrical issues, a water main break, snow, and cold. I am looking forward to (hoping for) a nice boring spring!

DECREE ON CHILD PROTECTION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI

VIRTUS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD, IN THE CHURCH UNDERCROFT, ON THE FOLLOWING DATES **7:00pm, Monday, March 9, 7:00pm, Wed., April 22, at 7:00pm, Tuesday, May 19, at 7:00pm, Tuesday, June 2, at 7:00pm**

ALL EMPLOYEES AND REGULAR VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ONE VIRTUS TRAINING MEETING. YOU MAY ATTEND HERE OR AT ANY OTHER LOCATION WITHIN THE ARCHDIOCESE. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AT: www.virtus.org. MAKE SURE THAT THE “USER’S LOCATION” YOU CHOOSE DURING REGISTRATION IS ST. ANTONINUS – EVEN IF YOU ATTEND VIRTUS AT ANOTHER LOCATION. PLEASE BE SURE TO WRITE DOWN YOUR VIRTUS USER-ID AND YOUR PASSWORD. YOU WILL NEED TO USE THEM MONTHLY.

If you volunteer at St. Antoninus and would like a **pre-paid code** to pay for the background check, **do not** start the background check when you register for VIRTUS. Instead, send an e-mail to Deacon Bob Schroeder at: schroeder@saintantoninus.org. He will send the pre-paid, one-time-use code to you via e-mail.

ST. ANTONINUS WIDOWS GROUP will have a luncheon at Nick and Tom's, 5774 Bridgetown Rd., at 12:30PM on **Wednesday, March 11**. Meal is individual choice, individual payment. RSVP before March 6, to Martha Reilly at 922-8136.

The Main-A-Vent will be held on Saturday, March 21st \$50.00 per person. We have begun to sell Grand Raffle Tickets for a chance to win \$10,000 cash and an opportunity for a St. Antoninus Family to win (1) Tuition Credit for the 2015-2016 school year. There will only be 250 tickets sold. Order forms and rules are also available on the website at mainavent.org. We will be selling Grand Raffle Tickets after church in the upcoming weeks as well.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the St. Vincent de Paul helpline number in our parish bulletin. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

ROSARY MEMORIAL GARDEN

For information about engraved stone blocks please call Mrs. Steffany Reid, Business Manager at 922-5400, weekdays, between the hours of 8:30A-3:00P.



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

If you wish to dedicate the placing of flowers for one week at the altar in memory of a loved one or to honor a person or special occasion, please send \$50 to the rectory office with your name, phone number (and the week you would like to reserve). More than one family may reserve the same week. ***There will be no flower arrangements during the Lent and Advent seasons.*** If you have questions call Steffany Reid, Business Manager, at 922-5400.

FOUR SIGNS OF A DYNAMIC CATHOLIC DISCUSSION/STUDY GROUPS Books and study-guides will be provided. If you would be interested in participating please contact Judy Bonhaus at 451-6718 or at bonhaus@hotmail.com.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP



During Lent, the Prayer Group will be meeting in Chapel immediately after the Stations of the Cross. Continue your Lenten devotion by joining us in prayer and praise followed by reflection on the Penitential Psalms. We will finish at 8:30 PM.

In the book of Psalms, the writer cries out to God, admits his sinfulness and makes no excuses or self-defense for them. He turns to the only One he can -- the merciful God to whom he can say in confidence, "Do not forsake me... help me." The genius of the psalms is that the goodness of God shines all the brighter when human frailty is not hidden but openly admitted. When we face the darkness of our sin, the light of God's merciful love shines there before us. Come and join us in Chapel immediately after the stations on this Tuesday evening as we hear from Carol Jacob and Judy Erwin share on two of the penitential psalms.

Caregiver Resource Connection: You are a caregiver whether you devote as little as 5 minutes a week or as much as 24 hours a day to providing or supervising the care for a loved one who is disabled, frail, or elderly. Meet others who share your experience to discuss topics like maintaining balance as a caregiver, solving caregiving problems, the guilt/stress of caregiving, and learning to care for yourself. This month's meeting is **3/16/2015 from 1:30 - 3:00 pm in the Holy Family Room**. This group is free and open to the public! If you have questions about our groups or about caregiving in general, please call the Caregiver CAREline at (513) 869-4483 or visit www.ccswoh.org/caregivers for more information.

40 Days for Life thru March 29th, anytime 7am - 7pm daily with weekly Friday Group Vigils 7-8pm, outside Planned Parenthood abortion clinic, 2314 Auburn Ave. To join with others from the parish, call Joan Loebker, 922-0348. For info, go to: www.40daysforlife.com/cincinnati

Cincinnati Catholic Engaged Encounter is an excellent marriage preparation to help you fulfill your Pre-Cana requirement for getting married in the Catholic Church. The next date is **April 17-19**, May 15-17, July 31-August 2 and October 9-11. For registration and info go to www.cincinnatiengagedencounter.org. Or call Ashley Altenau, at 479-1700 or ashaltenau@yahoo.com with any questions.