

Dear Parishioners,

As I looked at the calendar, I began to realize that this weekend is the last weekend in our month of October. Can you believe that? I'm not sure where this month has gone, but whatever happened to it, it has gone by in a hurry. As we celebrate this weekend, the 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time, it won't be much longer before we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King and a week later the beginning of Advent. Again, can you believe that? It seems like the older I get the faster time seems to fly. Let us all use it wisely and to give glory to the Lord.

In our gospel today, we hear of Jesus healing the blind man. This man was desperate and called out to Jesus to have pity on him. Even though people were trying to silent him, he, nevertheless, pleaded for Jesus to have pity on him. When asked by Jesus what he wants, the blind man responded, "Master, I want to see." His request was granted and he went his way. It is then that the gospel tells us, "he received his sight and followed Him on His way." Each of us has received the gift of faith. With that faith, we are challenged to see the presence of Christ in our world. Sometimes that presence is stifled by our sins, our absorption with ourselves, and our attachments to the things of this world. It is here that we are like the blind man. We can physically see, but we are spiritually blind. Let us pray today that Christ will heal of us our blindness so that we, like the blind man, "will receive our sight and follow Him on His way."

As we look ahead, next weekend and the following Monday celebrates what we term as the Communion of Saints. Next weekend, October 31-November 1st, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. This solemnity celebrates what we call the Church triumphant—those people, baptized into Christ, have reached their final goal as a people living with the Risen Christ in heaven. This is the Church triumphant and they, from their place in heaven, pray for us, the Church militant, or those who are still on our pilgrimage here on earth. The final part of this Communion of Saints is the Church suffering. These are the persons who, after completing their pilgrimage on earth, still have some unfinished suffering because of sin. This purging, or what we call the souls in purgatory, is a way of purifying, making these people ready for the fullness of happiness in heaven. God's love is so great that no attachment to the things of this world can be a part of our lives--thus the purging—all in preparation for heaven. This part of the

Communion of Saints is celebrated on Monday, November 2, the Feast of All Souls. I challenge all of us to remember the dead in our prayers this month. May they rest in peace. We will have the Book of the Dead next to the baptismal font for anyone to write the name of a loved one—and the names of the dead will be remembered in all of our Masses during this month of November.

Since we are remembering the dead during November, we will have our traditional bereavement Mass next Sunday, November 1st at 1:00 p.m. in Church. Members of our parish who have lost loved ones and were buried from St. Anthony Church are invited to attend. We remember the dead who have died in the Lord and pray for them in a special way during this Mass. This Mass does fulfill the Sunday obligation. Immediately afterwards, we will have a social for those in attendance in the parish center.

Next Thursday, October 29th, the men of the parish are invited to attend the annual steak stag sponsored by the St. Anthony booster club. This event will take place in the parish center beginning with a social at 6:00 p.m. followed by a meal. All men are invited and encouraged to attend.

This week we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. As you know from previous bulletins as well as monthly newsletters, we have embarked on a journey to be a stewardship parish. Our stewardship goals are to be a more prayerful parish, a more active parish, and a more generous parish. Stewardship is using our God-given gifts wisely, for the good of ourselves and others, and for the glory of God. It is a very broad concept that affects every part of our lives. When we speak of stewardship at St. Anthony, we are asking, "how are you using your gifts to enrich our faith community?" I ask each family to re-assess their role in our parish and will challenge them to make a new commitment. May God bless us as we make ready to be that stewardship parish.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A six-year-old boy came home from a church school and asked his mother if it was all right to ask God to help him.

"Of course," she replied. "Is there something worrying you?"

"No," he said, "but at school today my teacher said that if I interrupted her one more time, 'May God help you.'"

Fr. Leo J. Enlow

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 26, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass; 3:30 p.m. Communion Service at Evergreen: Walter Kowalski, Leonard Lake family, Lenny Kinkelaar

Tuesday, October 27, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Jack Kabbes & family, Marcella Niebrugge, Norman Kinkelaar

Wednesday, October 28, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Leonard Niebrugge, Doug Michels Anniversary, Emma Waldhoff, Herman Tegeler

Thursday, October 29, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass: John Gapsis, Sr., Special Intention, Mary Niemeyer

Friday, October 30, 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Mass; 2:00 p.m. Communion Service at Lakeland: Andrew & Elsie Tonelli, Mike Kenter Anniversary, Philip Gaddis family, Andy Sur Anniversary

Saturday, October 31, 6:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Mass: Richard & Stella Worman & family, Jack Kabbes & family, Clarence & Marie Dust

Sunday, November 1, All Saints, 7:30, 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mass: Lou Hille, Louis & Clara Bernhard, Edwin & Mary T. Fehrenbacher family, Dr. Henry & Esther Poterucha family, Sean Niebrugge, Kim Bushue, Louis & Charlene Thies family, Joseph C. Dietzen, Parishioners of St. Anthony



We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Robert Swingler. May God and our prayers console them at this time and may he rest in peace.

let us pray that health will soon be restored to the sick and convalescing

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| Mary Baker | Amy Koester | Rosemary Soltwedle |
| Catherine Beckler | Terry Kraft | Eric Stein |
| Jim Bloemer | Michelle Kuhl | Tom Stillwell |
| Jim Brady | Dorothy Levitt | Lester Stoner |
| Lisa Crosson | Minnie Luchtefeld | Lee Thomas |
| Art Dasenbrock | Donna Martin | Rebekah Volk |
| Doris Dasenbrock | Lori Mathews | Sr. Cordula Wekenborg |
| Alexis Didier | Agnes Meyer | Craig Welch |
| Joan Gardewine Ashley | Jolly Michels | Joyce Westjohn |
| Kris Jansen | Mildred Nash | Michael Wheeler |
| Michael Kay | Diane Rallo | Mark Worman |
| Lisa Kingery | Steve Sehy | |
| Carolyn Koerner | Ron Shoffstall | |

Baptism Class

Any parents wishing to have their children baptized at St. Anthony need to attend a Baptism class every 3 years. The next class is Monday, October 26 at the lower level of Sacred Heart Church starting at 7:00 p.m. Call to register, 347-7129.

**Space Camp Breakfast
Sunday, October 25
7:30 - 12:30 p.m.**



St. Anthony Parish Center
eggs, sausage, pancakes,
biscuits & grave

Adults \$6.50; Child 10 and under \$4.50
Face Painting, Cake Walk and a Raffle.



**Coffee, Donuts and
Fellowship
Sunday ~ November 1**

Come to the parish center after the 9:15 a.m. Mass and spend some time visiting. Also, check out the SCRIP table.

Stewardship Renewal Begins Today

This week we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. Check your mailbox for a package of beautiful materials that explain what stewardship means at St. Anthony of Padua. Over the next few weeks, please pray about your role in our parish. Two Sundays from now, each parish family is asked to make commitments of time, talent and treasure.

**Memorial Mass ~ A Tribute to Life
Sunday, November 1 ~ 1:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Church**

For family, friends, and parishioners to celebrate a life that was lived and to share the sorrow that is present. Gathering as family and parish family may our Eucharist be a tribute to a life lived and returned back to God this past year. It is an opportunity for all of us to worship together to remember our loved ones who have died. Do take the time to remember our deceased loved ones.

A **reception** will be held in the **Parish Center** after the Eucharistic Celebration. All are invited.

*Wedding Banns
Megan Willenborg/John Rice*

Council of Catholic Women

The Council of Catholic Women will meet for a salad supper on Monday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m. The Sacred Heart ladies will be our guests. Please bring your favorite salad or dessert to share. The officers will supply the meat. Please come and enjoy good food and fellowship. We will be discussing our cookie & candy sale which takes place on the first weekend of December. Hope to see a large turnout as we welcome our sisters from Sacred Heart.

Protecting God's Children

Tuesday, November 3, there will be a Protecting God's Children workshop at St. Anthony's parish center. It will begin at 6:30 p.m. and go till 9:30 p.m. Please call 217-347-7129 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to sign up.

Church Cleaners for November

Cleaning our church is done Saturday mornings, **8:30-9:30**. If your name appears we need to see you sharing your God given talents. ***If unable to come please call a replacement.*** Questions call Amy Niebrugge.

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| <i>Haarmann, Bernie/Deb</i> | <i>Hahn, Marty/Alice</i> |
| <i>Haarmann, Gerry</i> | <i>Hakman, Chris/Dana</i> |
| <i>Haarmann, Henry/Sue</i> | <i>Hammer, Jim/Leigh</i> |
| <i>Haarmann, Kurt/Margie</i> | <i>Haney, Clarence/Kathy</i> |
| <i>Haarmann, Tim/Lori</i> | <i>Hann, Tony/Ellen</i> |
| <i>Haarmann, Tom/Janet</i> | <i>Hanner, Gary/Linda</i> |
| <i>Habing, Eric/Stephanie</i> | <i>Harden, Kyle/Dannielle</i> |
| <i>Habing, Hank/Tori</i> | |

Ushers for November

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| 4:30 p.m. Saturday | Mike Wentz, Jerry Schultz |
| 7:30 a.m. Sunday | Curt Valenti, Steve Schallert |
| 9:15 a.m. Sunday | Bernie Blanchette |
| 11:00 a.m. Sunday | Tim Walsh, chris Walsh |

If you would like to be an usher or have questions please call Matt Unkraut at 217-821-7178.

Quilters check the calendar for time and dates.

"All are Welcome"

Come and join the ladies of the Effingham Council of Catholic Women on **Tuesday, November 10 at Sacred Heart Church (Effingham)**. The evening will begin at **6:00 p.m.** with **mass and the installation of new officers** in the church. We will follow in the parish center with guest speaker Carol Gapsis doing a presentation on the Healing Garden at St. Anthony Memorial Hospital. There will be sharing of memories and traditions of All Soul's Day celebrations, a convention report, raffle tickets available to the Fox Theater, and a 50/50 drawing, and refreshments. **All are Welcome** to enjoy an evening of spirituality, education on our Catholic traditions, and building our faith community through companionship. Be a friend and bring a friend.

Men's Steak Stag

Thursday, October 29 ~ Parish Center

Social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. with dinner beginning at 7:00 p.m. Dinner includes a steak, baked potato, salad and dessert. Tickets are \$25 and will be available at the door.

... Men... Get an early start on Christmas by purchasing SCRIP cards Thursday night at the Steak Stag. Or just purchase some for the family daily use.

Your Assistance, Please

The Fall season is well underway and winter is rapidly approaching. Along with the season changes comes November and All Saints Day. This is a special time to honor and remember our loved ones who are no longer with us. A method of remembrance in a financial way can be achieved by utilizing the envelope in your November packet that is labeled "Cemetery Fund".

The Cemetery operates on income derived from sale of burial plots, donations and bequeaths. As mentioned in previous years the Cemetery is NOT funded by either parish. Therefore, it is very important for everyone to contribute accordingly so your cemetery can continue to be maintained properly. Your contributions received during this November appeal helps us meet our normal annual expenditures. Specific project donations are welcome anytime during the year. It certainly would not have been possible to achieve some of the past improvements without the generous donations from various parishioners. Several future projects include additional concrete pads, an entry marker at the Fourth Street entrance and more landscaping (trees and shrubs).

Your generous support is always appreciated. We welcome all suggestions and questions ~ Just contact any Cemetery Council Member ~ Your input will always be considered.

The Cemetery Council

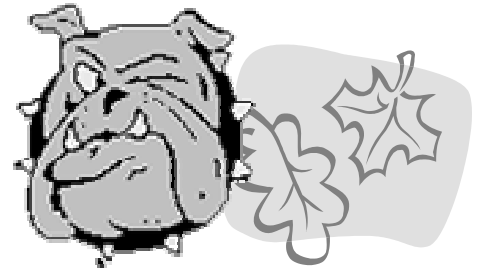
Thank You

SAMBA sends a big THANK YOU to all parishioners, members of FACE, members of the Adult Choir, and everyone for their participation and support. After finalizing the receipts from Oklahoma, the play was a huge success. We will be looking for you the first weekend of December to come to our St. Anthony High musical **Into The Woods**.

Thank You

Food For the Poor wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Father Delich on his recent visit to your parish. On behalf of our less fortunate brothers and sisters of Latin America and the Caribbean, we thank you for having shared in their lives. They, and you, are blessed by your generosity. In Christ,
The Food For the Poor Family

St. Anthony High School



PAW PRINTS

October 24-25, 2009

Tracking the Bulldogs...

...The big news this week is the boys golf team state championship. The team battled the weather and the competition to bring home the first place hardware. Congrats to **Derek Rohlfing, Lewis Martin, Kit Koerner, James Jansen, Michael Koester, Michael McHugh, Lance Harris, and Coach Zaccari** on a job well-done.

...And the girls golf team wasn't too shabby either with a sixth place finish at their state meet. **Kelly McHugh, Kelli Griffin, Jackie Wortman, Miranda Rohlfing, Emmie Schultz, Kameran Kabbes,** and **Coach Behl** are to be congratulated for their fine season, too.

...SAHS has been notified by the College Board that **Craig Brummer ('09)**

earned AP Scholar distinction for his work on the advanced placement exams.

...**Drew Willenborg** and **Kelli Griffin** have earned National Merit Recognition for their work on the PSAT test.

...SAHS will be represented in Effingham's Halloween parade on Sunday (October 25). The drumline and the cast of *Into the Woods* will entertain along the route.

...Speaking of *Into the Woods*, **Mrs. Deters** and **Miss Cyrus** are conducting rehearsals in preparation for the December opening. Cast members include **Aaron Wall, Leah Sloan, Jackie Wortman, Allie Kabbes Drew Willenborg, LeeAnn Bussman, Lewis**

Martin, Josh Hanner, Jessica Doehring, Miranda Rohlfing, Mary Jo Bushur, Elizabeth Jansen, Kara Pickowitz, Jake Spraul, Alex Brown, Paul Sudkamp, Katie Whightsel, Kelli Griffin, Jesse Haarmann, Josh Wall, Marilyn Sudkamp, Keri Utz, and Megan Zumbahlen. Look for upcoming ticket information in the church bulletin or local newspaper

...The Student Council has been organizing "Fall Frolic." This event will replace afternoon classes on October 22. Special activities will include class games, a mini pep rally, and the praying of the Rosary in honor of Respect Life month.

...Three SAHS music students were chosen to perform in the IMEA District Festival: **Kara Pickowitz** (Chorus), **Caroline Robb** (Band), **Cheslynn Litke** (Orchestra). Congratulations!

Upcoming events:

- ☺ Oct. 25, Halloween Parade
- ☺ Oct. 30, Student Council Halloween Carnival
- ☺ Nov. 2, Howling for Humanity (Full Moon)
- ☺ Nov. 5, Future Fair @ KC Hall
- ☺ Nov. 8-10, Senior KAIROS Retreats
- ☺ Nov. 9, Juniors on Retreat @ Bishop Creek
- ☺ Nov. 10, Teacher Workshop, 11:48 student dismissal
- ☺ Nov. 11, Veteran's Day, No School
- ☺ Nov. 13, Meet the Bulldogs
- ☺ Nov. 23-28, Turkey Tournament
- ☺ Nov. 23-28, Girls NTC Tournament
- ☺ Nov. 25, SAHS Thanksgiving Celebration
- ☺ Nov. 26, Happy Thanksgiving
- ☺ Nov. 26-27 Thanksgiving Break

November Activities

Scholar Bowl:

- 2 @ Dieterich
- 5 @ Stew-Stras
- 9 @ St. Elmo

Volleyball:

- 3 Sectional @ Monticello
- 5 Sectional @ Monticello
- 7 Supersectional @ Pana

Girls Basketball:

- 19 @ Newton
- 20-28 NTC Tournament
- 30 v Villa Grove

Boys Basketball:

- Nov. 23-28 Turkey Tourney

F/S Basketball:

- 30 v Charleston (Goff Gym)



MEET THE BULLDOGS

November 13

SAMBA

PASTA SUPPER

@ 5:00PM

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS	
Annual collection budgeted goal for year ended 6/30/10	\$ 1,924,000
Actual collections through 10/18/09 (16 weeks-\$24,185 average)	387,626
Balance required to reach goal (36 weeks)	<u>\$ 1,536,374</u>
Average weekly goal for remaining 36 weeks	<u>\$ 42,677</u>
Actual weekly offerings received for 10/18/09	<u>\$ 24,791</u>
Last Year Total for 16 weeks (21,429 average)	<u>\$ 342,863</u>

Thank you to the weekly and monthly contributors, as well as any quarterly or annual amounts received, so far this year. Looking at the box on the left, this year's amount exceeds last year-to-date by 13%. Hopefully we will be able to sustain and build on this increase through year-end. Because even with the increase, we are still only about half the way to the needed total. But we're gaining. Thanks for your past and future support.

SOCIAL MARKETING GURU NEEDED! St. Anthony's Marketing Team is interested in developing the social networking capabilities of our parish and schools. If you are skilled in communicating via Facebook, MySpace, Twitter and other social media outlets and are interested in volunteering your time to parish and school marketing efforts, please contact Emily Hartke at kirkandemily@yahoo.com or Brooke Seagle at bseagle@stanthony.com

Calendar of Events

- Sun,** 7:30-12:30, Space Camp Breakfast, pc
9:15 Children's Liturgy
- Mon.** 9a-4p, Quilting, pc sm
7p, Baptism class at Sacred Heart
- Tue,** 7:15a, Yoga, pc lg
9a-4p, Quilting, pc sm
7p, Fr. Ted's Class, pc sm
- Wed,** 9a-4p, Quilting, pc sm
5:30p, Hand Bells, church
6:30p, PSR, grade school
7p, Adult Choir, pc lg
- Thurs,** 7p, RCIA, TBA
- Fri** 9a-4p, Quilting, pc sm

Music Ministry Schedule

- October
- 24 4:30, Men's Choir
 - 25 7:30, Anne Platt/David Beccue
9:15, St. Cecilia
11:00, Bell Choir

PIX

Anyone who has a pix at home and is not using it would you please return it to Sister Jane Marie in the parish office. You can drop them off between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. during the week. We thank you for giving of your time in this much needed ministry.

Scrip Cards

SCRIP cards will be sold and ordered on the 1st and 3rd weekends after 4:30 Saturday Mass and 9:15 Sunday Mass in the parish center. Orders can also be picked up or dropped off at this time. Thank you for your support!

Pray for Vocations



**Veteran's Day Mass
Wednesday, November 11 ~ 7:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Church**

More information will be coming about honoring the veterans of the Community.
Mark your calendar.

Sign Up at www.stanthony.com To Receive St. Anthony Email Updates
You can now receive email updates regarding parish, school and alumni events

Choices of the Heart Retreat

You are invited to Choices of the Heart retreat on November 6-8 at Evansville Indiana. Contact Sr. Theresa Sullivan at Theresa.Sullivan@doc-ecp.org. You may also go to www.daughters-of-charity.com and view their site.

Odd Jobs

The teens going to work camp at Walpole Island Indian Reservation next summer are trying to raise funds for the trip. If you have any odd jobs around your home, we will work for a donation. Please contact Glenn Pankonen, 347-0575 with questions or jobs. Thank You for your support.