

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend is known as Priesthood Sunday. It is a day to honor our priests and to give thanks for the gift of the priesthood. However, the readings are very sobering. In the first reading we hear God's anger at the priests. The priests in the time of Malachi are told "You have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to falter by your instruction." The priests are told that unless they take this warning to heart their blessing will become a curse.

In the Gospel reading Jesus was very critical of the religious leaders of His day. They had "taken their seat on the chair of Moses." In other words they have the appropriate teaching authority but they are creating burdens rather than helping people. They love honor and titles but don't do the work of service. They are in it for themselves. So Jesus told the people "do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example."

The message to us all is that it isn't about honor and titles but rather about service. This follows from last week's readings when Jesus told the Pharisee "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. ... You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love looks like service, self-sacrifice for the sake of the other. It doesn't look for titles and honors. While honors might be bestowed on a person, they aren't the goal.

Hierarchy in the Church has a different significance than in most cultures. It is seen as responsibility. For instance the priesthood of Jesus Christ is at the service of the people of God to teach, to sanctify, and to govern them along the road to holiness, the road to heaven. The priesthood is in three offices; Deacon, Priest, and Bishop. Even if someone were to become a bishop or even the Bishop of Rome, he is still a servant for the sake of the salvation of others. All this is probably why the popes have signed their writings by calling themselves "servant of the servants of God."

God gave us the gift of the priesthood. He made it a sacrament through Jesus Christ. Every Catholic priest is a walking talking sacrament, another Christ at work in the world. This is why it is especially horrible and agonizing that the criticism of God about priests in the first reading can be applied to the priests of every age. We know all too well from the last ten years that some of our priests have done unspeakable harm and caused many to falter. The gift and miracle of the priesthood is bestowed on the weakness of humanity. A priest is given the power to do incredible good. The shadow side of the gift is that he can also to great harm. None of us are worthy of it. All of us are called to live up to it.

With this I beg your prayers. I beg them for all of our priests, for our bishop, and also for our deacons. We are so visible and our human weaknesses are easier seen. May we all cooperate with the grace of Holy Orders to become servants that lead others to God.

In the Gospel we notice the respect Jesus had for the teaching office of the religious leaders. "Do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you." We believe the teachings of the Catholic Church, or the doctrines and dogmas of our Faith, are revealed by God. The revelation of Truth that came through Jesus Christ was so profound that it took about 300 years for the Church to be able to state its own understanding of this Truth in an accurate and acceptable way. At the council of Nicea, in 325 A.D., the Creed was formulated.

The Nicene Creed contains the Truths of our Faith in a nutshell. The Church went through no small amount of arguing over its formulation because any inaccuracies lead us into belief in something about God that is not true. As part of the new translation of the Roman Missal, the Creed has also been translated more accurately from the Latin. We will discuss this more at the Masses this weekend.

Please remember that Tuesday, November 1st is a Holy Day of obligation. November is a month dedicated to praying for the dead. We start by honoring those we have called saints. They are some of the people of our history that have helped point out the way to holiness. The rest of the month is dedicated to praying for all who have died that they may come into the presence of God with all the saints. We pray especially for those of our own parishes who have entered into eternity. May they rest in peace.

In Christ,
Fr. David Hoefler



Pro-Life Corner

"I do not mean to say that caring for the elderly and others is *not* a burden. It can be, sometimes significantly so. I am saying that bearing this burden is so central to being human that if we run from the burden, we not only disrespect the elderly and vulnerable, we dehumanize ourselves."

~ William E. May, PhD, *On Being a Burden to Ones Family*, 2010

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 31, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Mass: Howard Goellner, Celeste Thoele, Jim Brady, Jack Kabbes Family, Anna Dooling

Tuesday, November 1, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Mass: Albert "Al" Niemerg, Norbert & Virginia Koester, John Jansen Anniversary, Kim Bushue, Joyce Budde, Joseph C. Dietzen, Nick Dust

Wednesday, November 2, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Gerald & Dennis Koester, Lloyd & Caroline Verdeyen Family, Doug Niebrugge

Thursday, November 3, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Rose Schumacher Anniversary, Alphonse Mette Anniversary, Margaret Osthoff

Friday, November 4, 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Mass: Gertrude Gardewine Anniversary, Bob & Florence Schuette Family

Saturday, November 5, 4:30 p.m. Mass: Clarence Vogt, Harold Pike, Leo & Lena Bourgeois, Joe Griesbaum, Ludvina Kinkelaar, Anna Bushur Anniversary

Sunday, November 6, 7:30, 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mass: Jack Kabbes Family, George & Lena Barlage, Alex Pickett, Joe & Elsie Nacke, Dorothy Pruemmer, Ron Niebrugge Sr., Jim & Rita Mahon Family, Ray & Joan Ashley Family, Parishioners of St. Anthony

Mass Servers

Weekday Masses, October 31-November 4

Oct. 31-Nov 2	6:30 a.m.	Sydney Gibson/
Nov. 3-4	6:30 a.m.	Alex Brandenburger/Katie Kabbes
Oct. 31	8:30 a.m.	Makayla Koenig/Bailey Frese
Nov. 1	8:30 a.m.	Grade School Provides
Nov 2	8:30 a.m.	Elizabeth Falconburg/Patrick Tegler
Nov 3-4	8:30 a.m.	Grade School Provides

November Weekend Masses

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	John Hartke/Kyle Hartke/Emily McDevitt
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Patrick, Chandler, and Nick Martelli
	9:15 a.m.	Abbie Schmidt/Jacob Schmidt/Alex Deters
	11:00 a.m.	Jack Woelfer/Sydney Gibson/Drew Gibson



If you would like someone who is sick included in our prayer list please call the Parish Office at 347-7129.

Due to the large number of requests to be placed on the prayer list, names will be left on the list for one month and then removed, unless we receive a call to continue.

Please pray for those who are ill, those in hospitals and nursing homes, for those recovering from surgery, and for all those serving our country.

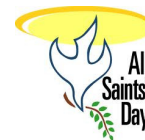
Also, Deb Alldredge, Duane Feldhake, Ida Hille, Ruth Hunt, Brandt Jarrett, Jeaneane Jenne, Mary Lawyer, Mary Ellen O'Brien, Ken Polarek, Cathy Polarek, Pete Sangirardi, Kay Schwartz, Ron Shoffstall



May the souls of Anna Dooling and Harold Zehner (SAHS 1954) sing praises with the Angels in Heaven Forever.

Calendar of Events Oct. 29-Nov. 4

Sat., Oct. 29	5:15-6pm, SCRIP 10:10am, "Boo" Run Run 5:30pm, Trunk or Treat/Chili Supper
Sun., Oct. 30	10-11am, SCRIP
Mon., Oct. 31	10am-2pm, SCRIP 5:30 All Saints Day Mass
Tues., Nov. 1	12:10 All Saints Day Mass 5:30pm, Bell Choir 7pm, Bereavement Support
Wed., Nov. 2	9a-2p, SCRIP 3p-Intermediate Choir 6:30pm, Memorial Mass 6:30 PSR, grade school 6:30 Parish Council Mtg. 7:30 Stewardship Meeting 7:30 Adult Choir
Thurs., Nov. 3	7:00 RCIA@Grade School
Fri., Nov. 4	3p - Pueri Cantores Choir 10a-2p, SCRIP



All Saints Day Mass Schedule

Tuesday, November 1 is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are as follows:

Monday, October 31: 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 1: 6:30 & 8:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

**Memorial Mass
A Tribute to Life of our
Beloved Dead
6:30 p.m. Wednesday,
November 2**



We invite 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 on All Souls Day. Take time to remember our deceased loved ones at Eucharist, All Souls Day. A reception will be held in the Parish Center after the Eucharistic Celebration.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator/Safe Environment Coordinator for Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is Patricia Kornfeld, 217-698-8500 or email: pkornfeld@dio.org



Bereavement Support

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 1

St. Anthony Parish Center

Bereavement Support will meet every Tuesday throughout November and December.

Veteran's Day Mass

St. Anthony Church

7:00 p.m., Friday, November 11



What better way to say "Thank You" to our veterans and current active military personnel than by attending our annual Veteran's Day Mass on Friday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m. Effingham American Legion Post 120 will form the honor guard. Everyone is invited to attend. The St. Anthony Pastoral Council will host a reception in the parish center following the Mass.

Council of Catholic Women

Monday, November 7, 6:30 p.m.

Please join us in hosting the ladies from Sacred Heart in the Parish Center for a Soup & Salad Supper. A representative from St. Anthony Hospital will speak about Women's Wellness. Watch the bulletin for chances for the Christmas Quilt Raffle!

New Volunteer Opportunity

Sacristans are needed for Masses at St. Anthony Church. *Sacristan* is described as "an officer who is charged with the care of the sacristy, the church, and their contents." Duties would be to make sure everything is set up before Mass, to prepare sacred vessels in the sanctuary, and to cleanse them after. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office at 347-7129. If you have any questions, please call Alice Conlin 347-7548. Training will be provided for all people interested.

"Circle of Friends" Pro-Life Fundraiser

Sacred Heart Church is inviting "home-based business" owners to display their products in their Parish Center on Sunday, November 20 from 8:00am to 1:00pm. This is a great opportunity to start Christmas gift shopping ~ cash and carry items will be available, and you will have the opportunity to order products. A portion of all sales will be donated to the Pro-Life movement in Effingham. If you own a home-based business and would like to reserve a table for your products, please contact Darlene at the parish office at 347-7177. Information is also available at www.sheff.org.



Coffee and Donuts will be served after 9:15 Mass in the Parish Center
Sunday, November 6.



Join us October 29 after 4:30pm Mass in the Parish Center for a bowl of chili and peanut butter sandwiches as we kick-off the 2012 Calendar

Raffle!

After we eat, participate in our Trunk-or-Treat! Decorate your trunk, bring goodies for the kids, and have some fun! The little ones are encouraged to dress up in their Halloween costumes after Mass and parade through the parish center parking lot!

To reserve your parking space and join us in the Trunk-or-Treat, email us at fundraising@stanthony.com. It is sure to be fun for all ages!



Please make plans to join us on the 3rd Wednesday of every month for our regularly scheduled meetings. Fr. Brian Alford joins us November 16 to offer his vocation story and to also speak about our November discussion topic - Purgatory. Our evening begins at 8:00 pm with the rosary. Enter through door #3 in the back of the high school. All mothers welcome. Mandatory attendance/membership is not required; come when you can, as we grow in our faith and friendships. Learn more at www.stanthony.com/ministriesprograms/momsministry

Teen Mission Work Camp

Now is the time to register for Catholic Heart Work Camp June 17-23, 2012. Camp is open to any teen going into the 8th grade in the fall of 2012 through 1st year college students. No experience is necessary. Adult leaders are also invited to attend. For more information call Glenn Pankonen at 663-7821, or pick up information at St. Anthony Grade School, St. Anthony High School, or the Parish Office.

Baptism Class: Anyone wishing to have their child baptized at St. Anthony Church is required to attend a Baptism class. The next class is at 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 28 at Sacred Heart Parish Center. Please call the church office to register. 347-7129.

Ushers for November

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Dave Brumleve/Dan Ritz
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Ralph Kortte/Jerry Westendorf
Sunday 9:15 a.m.	Bernie Blanchette/Steve Dasenbrock
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Michael Ludwig/Bart Wiedman

Church Cleaning Crew for November

Church cleaning is done Saturday morning from 8:30-9:30. If you are unable to clean, please call a replacement.

Les & Mary Rogers	Doug & Connie Rudolphi
Paul & Melissa Rogers	Jennifer Ruesken
Brad & Carolyn Rohlfling	Paul & Linda Ruesken
Heather Roley	Theresa Ruesken
Nancy Roley	Neil & Jennifer Ruholl
Robert & Angela Larson	Rose Ruholl
Barb Romero	Paul & Julie Runde
James Ross	James & Lori Rutledge

Assistance Requested

Each November we are afforded the opportunity to use a special envelope designated for financial contributions to cemetery upkeep. This offering, added to other income, allows us to maintain our cemetery in the manner we all prefer. Any extraordinary projects are often financed by individuals or families.

We urge you to visit the cemetery often and review changes that have occurred during the year. Two noteworthy projects are the shrubbery planting along the south fence and the construction of new concrete pads south of the flag pole.

As mentioned, the cemetery board receives no direct assistance from church funds from St. Anthony of Sacred Parishes. It is very important, and necessary, for your personal participation in this annual appeal. We need to carry on the tradition our ancestors established many years ago. We have a beautiful and well maintained cemetery we are all proud of. Please be generous in your support.

St. Anthony & Sacred Heart Cemetery Board



Military Family Members of St. Anthony Parish

- W Alex Boggs, E3, US Navy, grandson of Richard & Carol Hochdaffer*
- Dr. Ann M. Buff, Commander, U.S. Public Health,**
granddaughter of Mildred Buff and the late John Buff
- Joseph Goeckner, US Army Special Forces, son of**
Jeannie Patterson and Rick Goeckner
- Lt Col Greg Green, US Air Force, son of Dick & Sue**
Green
- Lance Corporal Derek Koester, US Marine Corps, son of**
Dale & Kathy Koester
- Airman 1st Class, Justin McDonald, grandson of Cathy &**
Ken Polarek
- E-4 Brian O'Connor, Army, grandson of Barb Zaccari**
- E-2 Jessica Rhodes, Navy, daughter of Robert & Jernice**
Rhodes
- Lt Col Marc Sands, US Air Force, husband of Amy**
(Kruger) Sands (Gary & Marcie Kruger)
- 2nd Class Petty Officer Anthony Schottman, US Navy,**
son of Mark & Elizabeth Schottman
- Lt Col Mike Shenk, 103 Fighter Squadron, son-in-law of**
John & Carol Gapsis
- 1st Lieutenant Scott Smith, US Army, son of Dr. Bruce &**
Donna Smith
- Corporal Sean Thies, US Marine Corps, son of Larry &**
Cindy Thies
- Airman 1st Class Aaron Weber, US Air Force, son of Roy**
& Kate Weber
- Captain Molly E Williams, MC USA, wife of William Eder**
(Jim & Cindy Eder)
- E-4 Specialist Timothy A Worman, US Army, son of Jerry**
& Ann Worman

2011 Stewardship Renewal

Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday

Today we hear from a parishioner who will share what stewardship has meant in his or her life. Reflect on how you are involved at St. Anthony of Padua... Do you serve in parish ministries? Do you come to parish-wide events? Are you taking steps to improve your spiritual life and further study our Catholic Faith? The commitment card you received in the mail offers suggestions for how you can take a step forward in all these areas. Don't forget to bring your Commitment Card to Mass next Sunday!



Thank you to all those who supported the SCRIP program this month. Our October month to date sales total \$44,882. This is our last week for the Fall Contest for the grade school. The winning class will be announced on Monday, October 31st.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING WITH SCRIP! Don't forget your SCRIP cards as you begin your holiday shopping. We have already begun to stock additional gift cards for your shopping convenience. We are offering extended HOLIDAY shopping hours on Friday, Nov 4th & Friday, Nov 18th from 10am-6pm at the Parish Center. This will give those parents who pick up their students an opportunity to visit the SCRIP Store, as well as those who would like to visit us after work.

Don't forget, SCRIP cards are sold after every 4:30 and 9:15 Mass in the Parish Center.

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS:			
	Actual	Budget	Last Year
10/23/11	\$ 26,292	\$ 34,990	\$ 37,637
YTD (since 07/01/11)	\$475,045 (1.3)	\$ 474,522 (10.0)	\$ 469,020
12 month totals		\$1,819,500 (10.0)	\$1,653,511
Scholarships	\$ 592	\$12,303 YTD	
Haiti Parish	\$2,230	\$ 7,749 YTD	
ACSA	\$13,426	\$89,029	
Catholic Times		\$18,157	

Reiterating what Fr. Hoefler talked about last week, the ranking of our priorities should be God first, Others second and Me third. So we now who's (on) first. As we have also heard, ours is a temporary existence. What we have, we have been given; to care for, to nurture and to return to the Giver. Sometimes it is our time; sometimes it is our talents and our abilities and sometimes it is our treasure or what "belongs" to us. Hopefully you have continued, or began, praying about how you can be the best steward of what has been bestowed on you. Praying, that you can make a difference for someone else, and probably yourself also. We are very fortunate to

be a part of this Parish, where so many have been involved in many, many ways. Please look at the list of Ministries and complete the commitment card, either continuing or beginning in new areas. For our weekly offerings, we continue to be ahead of last year. But to let you know for planning purposes, if we are to meet our needs at the end of the year, we must surpass last year by 10%. Also as a point of reference, we will meet the needs if we are 6% ahead of the year before. Thank you for your time, talent and treasure.

2011 Fundraising Calendar Update

Congratulations to the following winners:

Steve & Karen Dasenbrock

The kickoff for the 2012 Calendars is this weekend after 4:30 Mass. Please join us in the Parish Center after 4:30 Mass.

2012 SAHS Yearbook Sale!!!!

SAHS yearbooks went on sale Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the school lobby. Get your yearbook early to get the Early Bulldog Special!!!! Cost is \$45 from Oct. 25-Nov. 23 . After Thanksgiving the cost of the yearbook will be \$55.

6th Grade Space Camp Fundraisers

6th Grade students are selling cheesecakes and wreaths after Masses this weekend to help raise money for their trip to Space Camp in Huntsville, AL. Please stop by their table outside of church or contact any 6th grade student to place your order. Thank you for your continued support!

SAMBA Apple Pie Fundraiser

St. Anthony High School Band and Chorus students are taking pre-orders for Apple Pies. Cost is \$12 and will be available November 11 from 12-2 p.m. in the Parish Center. Only 300 pies are being sold! Contact any member of SAHS band or chorus or call the high school office at 342-6969 to place your order.

SAMBA Pasta Supper & Meet the Bulldogs

Join us on November 18 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the St. Anthony High School Multi-Purpose Room for a pasta supper as we welcome the 2011-2012 basketball season! Meet the Bulldogs will follow the pasta supper.

Helen Matthes Library Community Survey: Whether you are an avid library user or have not been in a while, we'd like your help to plan our services for the future. Consider being a part of our Strategic Plan Survey by taking part online at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VNKG MNK> or you can stop by the library at 100 E. Market Avenue to fill out a paper copy. The survey takes about 5 minutes to complete and the deadline is Wednesday, November 9.

St. Clare Catholic Church in Altamont is hosting their annual Chili Supper Sunday, October 30. Serving will be 3:30-7:00pm in the church basement. Free-will donations will be accepted. Menu includes chili, chicken noodle soup, BBQ sandwiches, hot dogs, desserts, and drinks. Carry-outs will be available.

Springfield Area Catholic Men's Conference invite all men to attend **Fathers in Faith and Family** Saturday, November 5, 2011, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, in Sherman, IL. Rev. Thomas Paprocki will celebrate Mass at 8:00a.m. Breakfast will follow. Fr. George McInnis will be the keynote speaker. Cost is \$15.00 prepaid, \$18.00 at the door. Please contact John Szerletich 217.528.0081, Gene Mitchell 217.492.9924 or Jerry Daniels 217.744.8855 for tickets or more information.

The Teutopolis Lions Club will host its 42nd Annual Breakfast Sunday, November 6, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. to noon at the Teutopolis Grade School Auditorium. All you can eat hat & cheese omelets, pancakes, sausage, eggs, bread, coffee, juice and mill will be served. Proceeds support various community projects.

St. Mary Help of Christians (Green Creek) will hold their Fall Brunch Sunday, November 13, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. to noon. Menu includes sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, homemade rolls and breads. The basement is now handicapped accessible.

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