



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church



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ST. ANTHONY CHURCH CLERGY & STAFF

Welcome

one another, then
as Christ welcomed you,
for the glory of God.

— Romans 15:7

Second Sunday of Advent DECEMBER 7, 2025

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:00 am–5:00 pm
Closed for lunch: 12:00 pm–1:00 pm
Closed on weekends & holidays

DEVOTIONS

First Friday Devotions: 7:30 am
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Every Wednesday: 7:45 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 pm on Sunday

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

1st & 3rd Fridays: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
2nd & 4th Wednesdays: 6:00 pm – 7:00pm

MASS TIMES

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:30 am & 5:00 pm
Monday to Saturday: 7:00 am
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm
or by appointment through the office

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Open 7 days a week from
6:00 am to 6:00 pm

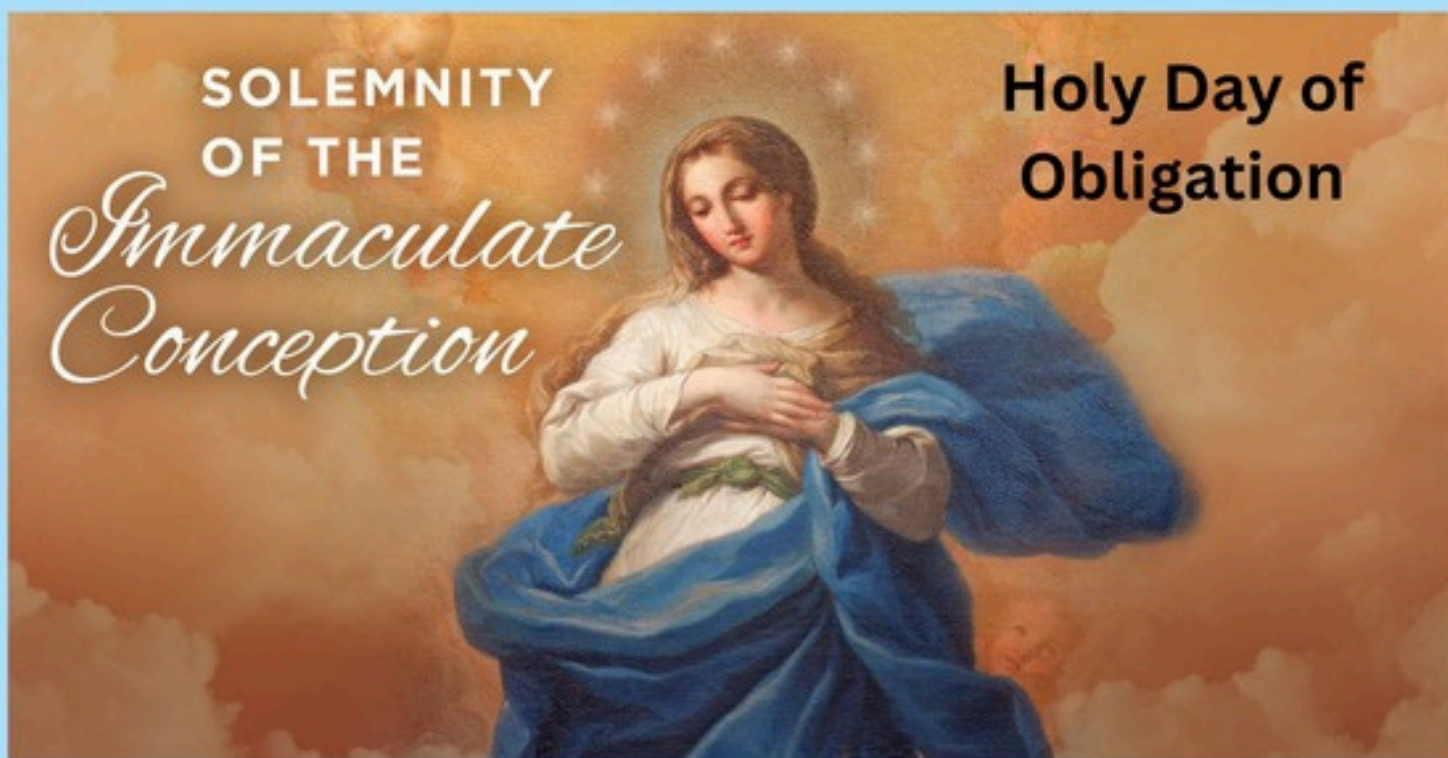
SPANISH MASSES:

St. Theresa Church, Kihei
Saturday, 7:00 pm

Christ the King Church, Kahului
Sunday, 12:00 pm

Sacred Hearts Church, Kapalua
Sunday, 6:00 pm





MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025

MASSSES:

8:15 AM & 6:00 PM



St. Anthony Catholic Church
1627 Mill St.
Wailuku, HI 96793



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

September 1, 2025

Reverend Monsignor Terrence Watanabe
Vicar Forane of Maui-Lanai
And Clergy and Parishioners of the Maui-Lanai Vicariate
1627-B Mill Street
Wailuku, HI 96793-1950

Dear Monsignor Watanabe and friends of the Maui-Lanai Vicariate,

Peace be with you!

Thank you very much for honoring me on my 50th anniversary of priestly ordination with the beautiful Mass at St. Anthony Church, Wailuku and the wonderful dinner at the Binhi At Ani Filipino Community Center on August 29, 2025.

Many people worked very hard to make these celebrations so beautiful, and I am very grateful to all of you for honoring me in this way. It is always good to be with the beloved portion of my flock of the beautiful islands of Lanai and Maui!

May the Lord continue to bless you all in your faithful witness to Jesus!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu



Angel Tree 2025

*Blessing keiki ages 8 - 17 years old at
Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui*

★ HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Take an Angel Tag from the tree at the church entrance.
2. Purchase the item listed on the tag.
3. Return the unwrapped gift or gift card (with tag attached) to church in the baskets or the parish office by **Sunday December 15.**

★ SUGGESTED GIFTS

Gift Cards – Walmart, Target, Ross, Foodland, Safeway, Costco, McDonald's, Chic Fil-A, Raising Cane's, Jamba Juice, or fast food shops

Games & Sports Gear– board games, puzzles, balls, arts and craft supplies

Personal Care Items – Reusable water bottles, slippers, shoes & socks, backpacks, tote bags

Snacks & Treats – boxed and individually wrapped treats

★ THANK YOU

Your generosity shares Christ's light with the Maui's keiki . Together, let's fill our tree with love, hope and blessings!





"Donors like you have made it possible for me—and religious like me—to continue our mission in spirit and in prayer. Thank you for helping us live with dignity and peace."
Sister Maria Cigolini, MSCS, 86, center

**2nd Collection
is next
weekend!**

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Our senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. They have spent decades caring for those in need, but years of service for little or no pay have left many religious communities without sufficient retirement savings. Today, over 20,500 elderly religious depend on the Retirement Fund for Religious to help cover their rising health care costs, medication, and daily living expenses. Your gift can help ensure they receive the care they deserve. Please give back to those who have given a lifetime.

A lifetime of service deserves care in return.

"Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community," says Sister M. Stephanie Belgeri, 73, a member of the St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, Illinois. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next week.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.

Isaiah 9:2



Advent

Maui/Lanai Vicariate

Penance Services

As we enter this holy season of Advent, we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord by seeking renewal, peace, and a clear conscience. One of the most meaningful ways to ready ourselves is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The following dates have been set for our Vicariate Advent Penance Services at our parish communities. We invite all parishioners to come, encounter God's mercy, and make room in their hearts for the joy of Christ's birth.

~~December 2, Tuesday, St. Joseph, Makawao, 6 pm~~

~~December 4, Thursday, Christ the King, Kahului, 6 pm~~

~~December 4, Thursday, St. Mary, Hana 5 pm~~

December 9, Tuesday, Holy Rosary, Paia, 6 pm

December 10, Wednesday, Holy Ghost, Kula, 5:30 pm

December 10, Wednesday, St. Theresa, Kihei, 6 pm

December 10, Wednesday, Sacred Hearts, Lanai, 6 pm

December 11, Thursday, St. Anthony, Wailuku, 6 pm

December 15, Monday, St. Ann, Waihe'e, 6 pm

December 16, Tuesday, St. Rita, Haiku, 6 pm

December 17, Wednesday, Maria Lanakila, Lahaina, 6:30 pm

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH - WAILUKU

SIMBANG GABI 2025

Novena Masses

Monday, December 15, 6pm

Tuesday, December 16, 6pm

Wednesday December 17, 6pm

Thursday, December 18, 6pm

Friday, December 19, 6pm

Saturday, December 20, 5pm

Sunday, December 21, 5pm

Monday, December 22, 5pm

Tuesday, December 23, 5pm



★ **Join Us for Simbang Gabi 2025!**

You are warmly invited to join our parish for Simbang Gabi, a beloved Filipino Catholic tradition — nine evenings of Mass celebrated in joyful anticipation of Christmas.

*This year's theme, "**Journeying Together as Pilgrims of Hope,**" reminds us that Advent is a journey — walking together in faith, gratitude, and joy toward the light of Christ.*

Come and experience the beauty of this tradition, lovingly coordinated by the St. Anthony Filipino Catholic Club and supported by our parish 'ohana.



Christmas Services



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2025
ADVENT PENCE SERVICE
6:00 PM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026
EPIPHANY MASS
7:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2025
CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
6:00 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026
BAPTISM OF THE LORD
ANTICIPATED MASS
5:00 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2025
MIDNIGHT MASS
12:00AM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2026
BAPTISM OF THE LORD
7:00 AM, 9:30 AM
AND 5:00 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2025
CHRISTMAS MASS
8:30 AM



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and spirit in a CHRIST-CENTERED,
challenging academic environment.*

**Tuesday,
December 9, 2025**

**3:30pm - 4:30pm
in the Kindergarten
Classroom**

- ✓ Tour the classroom
- ✓ Meet the teacher
- ✓ Review curriculum and
Scholarship information
- ✓ Ask questions



For more info:
808-244-4190 ext. 2283



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The Second Sunday of Advent - Gospel Reflection

*Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10. Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17.
Romans 15:4-9. Matthew 3:1-12.*

As the Jubilee Year draws toward its end, this month's Lectionary invites believers to envision and experience the existential novelty that Advent augurs and Christmas confers. Opening the Word today paints a new picture to be appropriated once again.

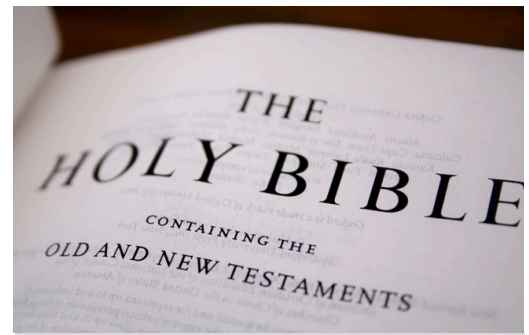
In the first reading, Isaiah sketches the ideal of the Davidic king and his kingdom. Compared to the "stump" of failed historical monarchies, a new "shoot shall sprout" – the perfect King who judges justly based on His spirit-formed character. The kingdom over which He rules will be "glorious," a new creation where peace reigns (once again) among all creatures.

As a divine representative, the new King will ensure the flourishing of peace and justice, beginning in His time and lasting forever, reflected in the responsorial psalm. For Christians, this doubly idyllic picture points illuminatively (not predictively) to the Son of God soon to be born and to the Holy Spirit whose gifts He embodies.

In today's Gospel reading, John the Baptist preaches about that coming King and Kingdom. Clad in "clothing made of camel's hair" and nurtured on "locusts and wild honey," John appears like the Old Testament heroes (such as Samson or Samuel) traditionally known for their critique of social injustice and their prophecy of a new world order. John's crying out to "repent" challenges his hearers (then and now), not so much to change how they live, but to adopt a new way of thinking. The Messianic age long foretold is impending: "the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." To see it and to recognize Him who brings life through a more momentous Baptism – that is, "with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Acts 2:3) requires a new religious mindset, one reaching beyond that "of the Pharisees and Sadducees" – that "brood of vipers" whom the Baptist castigates for their presumptiveness.

St. Paul explains in today's second reading how this new mindset plays out. In his letter to the Romans (really to Judeans living in and around Rome), he appeals not merely to a culture of peaceful coexistence, but to the kind of "welcoming" that "thinks in harmony with one another." That novel thinking arises from an ongoing experience of Jesus ("as Christ welcomed you") and expresses itself in the practice of welcoming one another in faith ("in keeping with Christ Jesus").

Today's culture has been described as a time of "practical atheism," in which people say they believe in God, but go about their lives as if there were none. To counteract this, believers would do well to prepare for the coming of Jesus by reflecting upon their lived picture of the Divine King and His Kingdom. And, as necessary, change their minds ("repent") in accord with the Word of God.



**"Let it be done
for you according
to your faith."**

Matthew 9:29

Prayer with Scripture

What new images of
paradise could inspire faith
today?

Where can "thinking in
harmony" become a
principle of parish life?

How do we effectively
preach the need for
repentance?

THIS WEEK'S MASS READINGS

Monday, December 8
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1st Reading: Genesis 3:9-15, 20
2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday, December 9
1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-11
Gospel: Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday, December 10
1st Reading: Isaiah 40:25-31
Gospel: Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday, December 11
1st Reading: Isaiah 41:13-20
Gospel: Matthew 11:11-15

Friday, December 12
1st Reading: Zechariah 2:14-17
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Saturday, December 13
1st Reading: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
Gospel: Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday's Readings
Sunday, December 14
Third Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
2nd Reading: James 5:7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11



Prayer Intentions

FOR OUR DECEASED

+ Geraldine Serrao

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Everyone struggling with effects of Maui Wildfires

Eva Ambrose
Beverly Boteilho
Gwen Boteilho
Norma Visitacion
Genevieve DeLima
Corazon Dongon
Nancy Beaverson
Kurt Galatro
Rosie Gomes
Dee Wynne

Kevin McCowan
Michael Victorino
Russell Takiguchi
Winona Martinez
Sister Roselani Enomoto
Melanie Phillips Wong
Keoni Catugal
Nancy Vorhies
Lisa Among
Melissa Namaau
Leonilda Caires
Melissa Langer

Rob Aguilar
Sister Sara Sanders
Kent Benker
Joseph Kong
Helen Amoral
Alison Kunishige
Bertha Ching
Robert Mondooy
Monroe Bradley
Diana Ledward
David Wilson
Benita Ventura

**** Please call the parish office to add or remove names from Prayers for Healing. ****

MASS INTENTIONS are read during Prayers of the Faithful at the 7:00 am Mass - Monday through Saturday only.
Please request Mass Intentions through the parish office.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Food & Hunger Awareness Weekend

7:00 am: Mass

9:30 am: Mass

5:00 pm: Mass

2nd Collection: Maui Catholic Schools

Monday, December 8, 2025/HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

8:15 am: Mass w/ Parish & School

5:30 pm: Marian Consecration / Chapel

6:00 pm: Mass

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

7:00 am: Mass

8:30 am: Bible Study / Borges Room

6:00 pm: Bible Study / Hale Ho'okipa

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

7:00 am: Mass

6:00 pm: Adoration & Benediction

Thursday, December 11, 2025

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

7:00 am: Mass

6:00 pm: Advent Penance Service / Church

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus / Hale Ho'okipa

Friday, December 12, 2025

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

7:00 am: Mass

4:00 pm: School Meeting / Hale Ho'okipa

5:00 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran School Christmas Program

Saturday, December 13, 2025

6:30 am: Holy Rosary

7:00 am: Mass

11:00 am: + Geraldine Serrao Funeral Mass / Church

3:30 pm: Confessions

5:00 pm: Sunday Anticipated Mass

2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious



Announcements

- Mahalo for bringing **canned goods** this weekend for our Food & Hunger Awareness Weekend.
- Please return unwrapped **Angel Tree** gifts, with the angel attached, to Church by next weekend.
- For those doing the **Marian Consecration** with Fr. Larry...if you'd like to do the Consecration together, please meet in the Chapel at 5:30pm on Monday, December 8th.



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"Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!"

Sheepish Question:

This week, what do I need to practice in order to make a positive difference in the lives of people around me?

The WISDOM of the SAINTS

365 Days of Inspiration

Each week, we post seven inspirational quotes from various saints for you to meditate and pray upon daily.

DECEMBER 7 - GOOD WORKS

"A single act of pure love pleases Me more than a thousand imperfect prayers."

Saint Faustina (from a vision of Jesus)

DECEMBER 8 - REVERENCE

"Be a Catholic. When you kneel before an altar, do it in such a way that others may be able to recognize that you know before whom you kneel."

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

DECEMBER 9 - PARADISE

"One earns Paradise with one's daily tasks."

Saint Gianna Molla

DECEMBER 10 - GRACE

"God can no more withhold His grace from a soul prepared to receive it than the sun can fail to shine through an open window."

Saint John Fisher

DECEMBER 11 - SOCIAL JUSTICE

"The ones who have a voice must speak for those who are voiceless."

Saint Oscar Romero

DECEMBER 12 - FRIENDSHIP

"True friendship can harbor no suspicion. A friend must speak to a friend as freely as to his second self."

Saint Jerome

DECEMBER 13 - MODERATION

"The more a man uses moderation in his life, the more he is at peace, for he is not full of cares for many things."

Saint Anthony the Great

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Anthony Church

November 30th, 2025

Offertory Collections/Unrestricted Donations

Sunday Offerings	\$ 12,068.00
All Souls Day	\$ 11.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 6,257.00
Christmas	\$ 50.00
Donations	\$ 1,660.00
Candles	\$ 594.50
Operating Income Subtotal	\$ 20,640.50

** Second Collections/Custodial Collections/Restricted Donations*

Annual Appeal Ohana In Christ	\$ 3,222.50
Building & Maintenance	\$ 10.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$ 113.00
Chapel Renovation Donations	\$ 92.25
Debt Reduction	\$ 5.00
LED Screens Donation	\$ 2.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 210.00
Maui Catholic Schools	\$ 52.00
Maui Disaster Relief	\$ 103.00
Poor Fund	\$ 108.00
Reimbursement	\$ 33,516.49
World Mission Sunday	\$ 5.00
*Restricted Income Subtotal	\$ 37,439.24

Total Income Collected \$ 58,079.74

** Restricted Donations to be applied to a specific use. These funds are not to be used towards general operating expenses unless instructed by the donor.*

MASS COUNT Thanksgiving & November 28 & 29, 2025

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>
Thursday, 8:00 AM Mass	267	10
Saturday, 5:00 PM Mass	195	9
Sunday, 7:00 AM Mass	219	8
Sunday, 9:30 AM Mass	261	29
Sunday, 5:00 PM Mass	181	19
TOTAL	1,123	75

3 WAYS TO GIVE AND SUPPORT US



DROP OFF your donation at church when you come to Mass or at the parish office during office hours (M-F: 8 am-5 pm).



DONATE ONLINE AT:
www.stanthonymaui.org



MAIL YOUR DONATION TO: 12
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ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL IS A MINISTRY OF ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

GENERAL CHURCH INFORMATION

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME!
Please register in the parish office or on our parish website.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Complete the Baptismal Registration Form online or contact Diane Jacinto at the Church Office - 808-244-4148. Baptisms are held on the last weekend of the month (no Baptisms during Lent and the month of December).

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Contact the office at least one year before your wedding to schedule marriage preparation sessions.

ANointing OF THE SICK AT THE HOSPITAL: Ask the patient's nurse to contact the Hospital Chaplain who will call a Catholic priest. He will respond.

ANointing OF THE SICK OUTSIDE OF THE HOSPITAL / HOSPICE: Call the parish office at 808-244-4148. Listen to the prompts carefully after office hours.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: Call the parish office. We will make arrangements to have the Body of Christ brought to your family member.

FUNERALS: Contact our parish office **before** making funeral arrangements with the mortuary. Father and our Bereavement and Music Ministries will assist your family.

MASS INTENTIONS: Mass Intentions are confirmed in the parish office one week before the requested date. Mass Intentions are read only Monday through Saturday at the 7:00 AM Mass.

HOUSE BLESSINGS: Contact the parish office to make arrangements for Father or Deacon to bless your home.

BLESSING OF CARS & RELIGIOUS ARTICLES: Cars are blessed after Mass. To bless religious articles, approach Father after any Mass.

OCIA - ORIGINAL ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (to become Catholic):
Contact Tanya Barbero: 808-244-4148 or tbarbero@rcchawaii.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAI'I - MAUI:
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the St. Anthony of Padua Church, participate in the mission of the Diocese of Honolulu to bring Christ to the world.

We are a community of faith that lives and promotes a vibrant family spirit in Catholic spirituality and service to the people of God on Maui.

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anthony School is a Catholic, Marianist-sponsored Preschool - 12th Grade school where all are welcomed in the spirit of aloha. We are committed to serving mind, body, and spirit in a CHRIST-CENTERED, challenging academic environment that inspires each student to be their individual best for the world.

SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT

We envision St. Anthony School as a thriving, top school of choice where our students reach their full potential and make a positive, meaningful contribution to our campus, our community and our world.

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