



St. Anthony of Padua Parish
≈ Fairport Harbor, Ohio ≈

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekday Mass

Monday | 6:00pm
Wednesday | 8:00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday | 3:00pm - 7:00pm

Confession

Saturday | 3:00pm

Rosary

Saturday | 3:30pm

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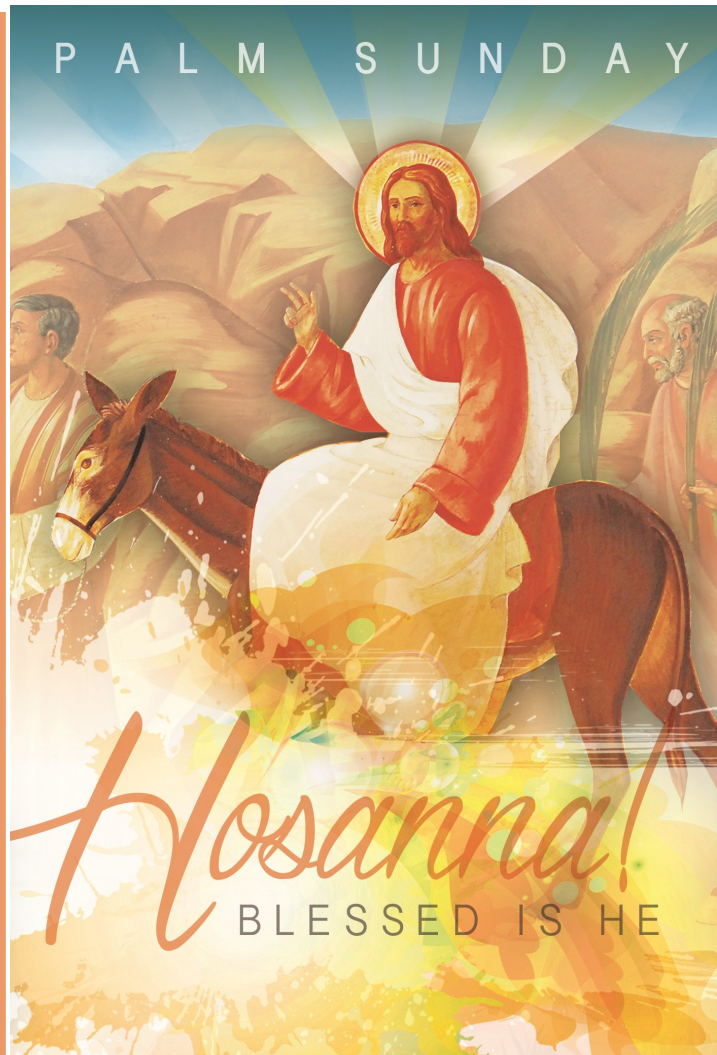
Weekend Celebrants

Fr. Fred Pausche

Parish Office

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri
10:00am - 3:00pm

If you would like to receive Holy Eucharist or an Anointing at home, please call 440.487.9064



Holy Week commences with Palm Sunday. Holy Week is a very special time for all Christians and all Catholics. We start off with a joyful celebration as Jesus enters Jerusalem, but then we encounter the lowest of lows with Jesus' Passion and Death on Holy Thursday and Good Friday, respectively. This is followed by the highest of highs as we celebrated Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

But what about the time between Palm Sunday and Holy Thursday? During the first three days of Holy Week, we move slowly and deeply toward the Cross. Most people focus on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, but the days just before them are also very important. These days are not just days of waiting. These days help to prepare our hearts for the greatest mysteries of our faith: Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday, and Holy Wednesday help us enter into the suffering and

sacrificial love of Jesus. We are asked to slow down, reflect, and become more open to our Lord. On Holy or Maundy Monday, the Gospel readings often show Jesus entering Jerusalem and cleansing the Temple (Matthew 21:12-17; John 2:13-22). He drives out the money changers and says, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." This moment is powerful. Jesus is not acting out of anger in a sinful way, but out of love and zeal for His Father's house. The Temple had become distracted by noise, greed, and selfishness.

Holy Monday invites us to ask ourselves: What does my inner temple look like? Saint Paul reminds us that we are temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19). Are there things in our lives that distract us from prayer? Are there habits, sins, or attachments that crowd out God? On this day, we are called to let Jesus "cleanse" our hearts. We can do this through an honest examination of conscience and, if possible, the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Holy Monday is about purification. It reminds us that before we celebrate the Resurrection, we must allow Christ to transform us.

On Holy Tuesday, the Gospel readings often focus on Jesus' teaching in the Temple and predicting His Passion. In John 13:21–33, Jesus speaks about His betrayal and foretells Peter's denial. There is a feeling of tension in these passages. Jesus knows that His suffering is coming. He knows that one of His closest friends will betray Him. Yet He does not run away. Holy Tuesday invites us to reflect on our faithfulness. Judas betrays, Peter denies and the other disciples will scatter. But Jesus remains faithful to His mission and faithful to the Father's will. We must ask ourselves: Am I faithful to Jesus when things are hard? Or, do I follow Him only when it is easy?

This day also reminds us that Jesus understands our human weakness. He knows that Peter will fail, yet He still loves him. This gives us hope. When we fail, when we sin, when we fall short, Jesus does not stop loving us. Holy Tuesday encourages us to stay close to Him even in our weakness. We can spend time in silent prayer, perhaps reading the Passion narratives slowly. We can also ask for the grace to remain faithful.

On Holy Wednesday, we remember Judas going to the chief priests to betray Jesus for thirty pieces of silver (Matthew 26:14–25). This is a painful moment. One of the Twelve chooses money over friendship with Jesus. Holy Wednesday forces us to look honestly at our own hearts. What are my "thirty pieces of silver"? Is it money? Pride? Popularity? Comfort? Sometimes we betray Christ in small ways, through gossip, dishonesty, or indifference. Holy Wednesday is not meant to make us feel hopeless. Instead, it calls us to repentance. It is a final moment before the Triduum begins to turn back to the Lord fully.

During these three days, the Church invites us to slow down. We should try to attend daily Mass if possible. If not, we can read the daily Scriptures at home. We can spend time in Eucharistic Adoration. We can pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. These practices help us enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ's love. Most importantly, we should reflect on love. Everything Jesus does during Holy Week is done out of love. He cleanses the Temple because He loves. He continues teaching even though betrayal is near because He loves. He accepts betrayal and suffering because He loves. The Cross is not an accident. It is the greatest act of love in history.

To be more open to our Lord during this time, we must create silence. Our world is loud and busy. Holy Week asks us to quiet our hearts. Maybe that means turning off social media for a few days. Maybe it means waking up ten minutes earlier to pray. Maybe it means fasting in a small way and offering that sacrifice to God. Small sacrifices unite us to Jesus' suffering. We should also practice forgiveness. As we watch Judas betray and Peter deny, we are reminded that we too have failed. But we are also reminded that Jesus forgives. Being open to the Lord means letting Him forgive us and forgiving others.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week are like standing at the edge of something sacred. They prepare us to walk with Jesus into the Upper Room on Holy Thursday, to stand at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, and to wait in silence on Holy Saturday. But it is not a waiting filled with despair. It is a waiting filled with trust. The disciples were confused and afraid. Their world had fallen apart. Everything they thought would happen seemed lost. Yet the Church reminds us that there was one heart that did not lose hope, the heart of Mary. Even though she stood at the foot of the Cross and watched her Son die, she still trusted the Father's promise. She did not fully understand how, but she believed that God would be faithful. On Holy Saturday, we are invited to wait like Mary. Not with anxiety. Not with hopelessness. But with quiet confidence that God is still working, even when we cannot see it. In our own lives, Holy Saturday moments come when prayers seem unanswered, when pain lingers, or when we feel stuck in darkness. This day teaches us not to rush out of that space or sink into despair, but to remain steady in faith. The tomb is closed, but God is not finished. Resurrection is already beginning beneath the surface.

Without preparation, we might rush through these holy days. With preparation, our hearts are ready. In the end, these three days teach us repentance, faithfulness, and love. They remind us that before the Resurrection comes the Cross. They call us to look honestly at ourselves and to trust in the mercy of Jesus. If we enter these days with prayer and humility, we will experience Easter not just as a holiday, but as a real encounter with the risen Lord. **(CONTINUE to page 3)**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Mar 28
4:00pm

Albert Validzich

Sunday, Mar 29
8:00am

Mary Kosinski

10:00am

William Niehaus

Monday, Mar 30
6:00pm

Parishioners of St. Anthony of Padua

Wednesday, Apr 1
8:00am

Jamie Rudd

Saturday, Apr 4
8:45pm

William Kessler

Sunday, Apr 5
8:00am

JoAnn Valentine and Margaret Clark

10:00am

Parishioners of St Anthony

Monday, Apr 6
6:00pm

Rose Shupp

Wednesday, Apr 8
8:00am

Gorenc and Rochon families

If you would like to request a Mass intention, please call 440.354.4525 or email office@stafh.org.

READINGS FOR
MAR 29, 2026

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said, "Truly, this was the Son of God!" (Mt 26:54)

Primera lectura:

Di la espalda a quienes me golpearon, mis mejillas para quienes me arrancaron la barba; mi cara no la protegí de buffets y escupita. (Es 50:6)

Salmo:

Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado? (Ps 22)

Segunda lectura:

Se humilló, se volvió obediente hasta el punto de la muerte, Incluso la muerte en una cruz. Por ello, Dios le exaltó enormemente. (Filip 2:8-9)

Evangelio:

El centurión y los hombres que estaban con él y que vigilaban a Jesús temieron mucho cuando vieron el terremoto y todo lo que estaba pasando, y dijeron, "¡De verdad, este era el Hijo de Dios!" (Mt 26:54) ©LPi

SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation Bible School
June 29-July 2



May 16, 2026

10:00 AM - 1:00PM

Perry High School
1 Success Blvd
Perry, OH 44081

Family-Friendly Event

STEP FORWARD TO
CURE TSC
Walk • Run • Bike Event

Join us for a community fundraiser supporting the TSC Alliance

WHY WE WALK

Noah was just six months old when our family noticed unusual movements that led to urgent medical care and a diagnosis of Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC). TSC is a rare genetic condition affecting 1 in 6,000 children and can cause seizures, developmental delays, and lifelong medical challenges. Through this walk, we raise awareness, fund research, and support families navigating life with TSC.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ Fundraising Initiative
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Food
- ✓ Raffle Baskets

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Join Team
Noah's Happy Feet



Heavenly Father,
We Pray for:

The Souls in Purgatory, The Protection of all Human Life, For those called to or discerning a vocation to the Catholic Priesthood, Religious life and the Diaconate, For those who serve the church as laypersons, All of our servicemen and women and all first responders, Elizabeth Adams, Barbara Bagdonas, Joe Bellian, Juiliana Biro, Joetta Chiappone, Jeanna Clark, Roy Clark, Linda Coffman, David Denner, Joe Gartner, Patty Gartner, Emmy Lou Hegrat, Janice Hennessey, Joe Ignat, James Kapostasy, Steve Kazmer, Brian Keller, Patrick Keller, Mary Lette, Kathy Logsdon, Donna Perrine, Joanne Petrino, Jim Reho, Brad Rodgers, Patricia Rodgers, Barb Russell, John Russell, Laura Schoval, Sheri Schreiber, Eileen Sheldon, Tim Shook, Bob Smith, Ken Smith, The Stasienko family, Natalie Urban, Sarah Valentine, Ed Zupancic.

Eternal rest grant unto
Roseanne Knack, mother
of Sharon Fedor, Fr Jerry
Kaywell of Punta Gorda, FL,
Richard Bidlack, Father-in-
Law of Karen Bidlack, and
David Chiappone, brother
of Carmina and Joetta
Chiappone and all the
souls
of the faithfully
departed, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon
them.
May they rest in peace.

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In the end, these three days are not just about remembering what happened long ago. They are about recognizing that the drama of Holy Week is still unfolding in our own hearts. Each of us can be the temple that needs cleansing. Each of us can be Peter who promises loyalty but struggles. Each of us can be tempted by our own thirty pieces of silver. But each of us is also deeply loved by Jesus. Perhaps the most thought-provoking truth of these days is this: Jesus already knew every betrayal, every denial, every sin, yet He still chose the Cross. He did not wait for us to become perfect. He loved us at our worst. So, as we move through Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week, the real question is not simply whether we will walk with Him to Calvary. The deeper question is whether we will allow ourselves to be loved by Him there.

Blessings, A.R.

TO THE HEIGHTS

TOB CLE Father/Son Retreat 2026

A retreat in the spirit of St. Pier Giorgio Frassati

Sunday, April 26th
11AM-4PM

- For fathers and sons grades 7-12
- Dynamic speakers
- Games
- Discussions
- Adoration
- Lunch, resources, and more!

\$35/person
(scholarship available)

Register at tobele.org

Questions? rlewis@tobele.org

Center for Pastoral Leadership,
Wickliffe




FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

ELVIS GRBAC
FORMER NFL QUARTERBACK

THE ANNUAL RED WAGON LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 29 2026

DOORS OPEN • 10:00 AM
LUNCHEON • \$50/12:00 PM
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For more information contact:
CATHIE McADAMS

April is National Alcohol Awareness Month - Psalm 104 mentions wine as a blessing from God, but like anything, alcohol can be abused. If you or a loved one suffers from excessive use of alcohol, it's time to get help. SAMHSA.gov is an excellent place to start. Also, you can search aacle.org for the closest Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, or call 866-338-2393. The AA 12 steps are tried and true help for reaching sobriety with over two million members worldwide. Catholic Social Teaching calls us to be in solidarity with those who struggle, and we can make a difference in someone's journey to recovery. If you are dealing with a family member who is an alcoholic and need some support for yourself, Al-anon is there for you. Check out their website at clevelandal-anon.org. You are not alone.

COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR March 22, 2026		
	Mar 22	YTD
Total Sunday Collection	2,688	131,937
Operating Budget	3,652	142,428
Collection Over/(Under) Budget	964)	(10,491)

We appreciate your generosity when giving any donation. Donations can be given in the Mass offering baskets, dropped off or mailed to the parish office, or you can set up an online giving account. Your financial support, and your prayers, allows us to continue meeting the financial needs of our parish in addition to persevering in the Gospel mission of reaching out and ministering to others. There are envelopes in both the vestibule and the hallway that can be used for gifts to the food bank and other donations to help our parish and parishioners.

Support St. Anthony of Padua and secure income for life!

Now is a great time to consider starting a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA), as rates are currently higher than they have been in years! By setting up a CGA, you can lock in a generous fixed income for life while supporting the Catholic ministries you care about most. Enjoy tax benefits and peace of mind knowing you're making a difference. Contact your trusted advisor, visit www.catholiccommunity.org/cga, or call [Moira Wopershall](mailto:Moira.Wopershall) of the Catholic Community Foundation at [216-696-6525x8070](tel:216-696-6525x8070), for more information.

Journey Through Grief

Grief involves coping with a loss. Whether it is the loss of a loved one, broken relationships or a major change in your life. The grief that follows such a loss is natural and normal, but many of us find our own reactions are unexpected. Support groups can provide information and guidance to help us find our way through these transitions. St. Anthony of Padua Parish offers a seven-week grief support group for those who have experienced a loss. Come learn about the symptoms of grief, what you can expect to experience, and new ways to reclaim moments of contentment and happiness while honoring those who have died.

Thursdays, April 9th-May 21st
6pm room 102

RSVP to rectory by April 7th,
440.354.4525 or email:
office@stafh.org

NEIGHBORING PARISHES MASS TIMES

St. Bede
M, T, W & F 9am
7pm (first Friday)
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9am, 11am

St. Cyprian
M-Th 8:30am
Friday 7am
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am, 11am

St. Gabriel
M, W, F 7am
W 10am (during school)
T & Th 7pm
Saturday 8:30am
Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

St. Mary Painesville
M, T, Th 6:45am
M, W, F 12:15pm
Saturday 4pm
Sunday 8am, 10am, 12pm, 6pm (Spanish)

St. John Vianney
M-F 8am; M, W, F 11am;
Saturday 4pm; Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am



HOW ARE YOU #LIVINGLENT?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/29	NO PSR -SPRING BREAK	4/3	Passion of the Lord, 3pm Confessions following
3/29	Easter Egg Hunt, 11am, Outside	4/4	Blessing of Food at 11am
3/29	Evening Prayer during Lent, 6 pm	4/4	Easter Vigil, 8:45pm
4/1	Adoration 3-7pm	4/5	HAPPY EASTER! NO PSR Masses at 8am and 10am
4/1	Tenebrae service, 8pm, at St Gabriel	4/6	Office Closed
4/2	Altar and Rosary Guild, 2pm, Rm 102	4/7	Bible Study, 6-7:30 pm, Social Hall
4/2	Holy Thursday Mass 7pm Confessions following	4/8	Adoration 3-7pm
4/3	GOOD FRIDAY-Stations of the Cross, 12pm	4/9	Journey Through Grief 6-7:30pm, rm102
		4/12	Confirmation: Service Log DUE!

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367 E. 260TH ST. EUCLID, OH 44132
FRIDAY, APRIL 24 - 7:00 PM
SATURDAY, APRIL 25 - 7:00 PM

Look at what's happening:
Tenebrae Service with Reconciliation following:
Wednesday, April 1, 7pm at St John Vianney
Wednesday, April 1, 8pm at St Gabriel

MINISTRIES

- Altar/Rosary Guild**
Donna Perrine 440.221.7140
1st Thursdays March-December, 2pm
- Arts & Environment**
Laura Dutton 614.560.5341
- Becoming Catholic** 440.354.4525
- Bereavement Ministry**
Lou Balog 440.655.2143
- Christ Child Society**
Judy Oberstar 440.354.4337
- Daughters in Faith**
Barbara Bagdonas 440.488.6958
Meet the 4th Sunday of every month from 11am-1pm in Room 102

Food Pantry

440.357.6714
Wednesdays and Saturdays
5:00—7:00 p.m.



Garden Ministry

office 440.354.4525

Grief Ministry

Colleen Royer 440.463.5053

Music Ministry/Choir/Cantors

Debbie Fitzgerald 440.251.6820

Outreach Ministry

Diane LaCava 440.520.3220

Youth Ministry

Natalie Urban 440.463.2743

St. John Vianney Furniture Bank

440.255.3051

Baptisms

Please call rectory to set up an appointment

Weddings

office 440.354.4525

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

September-May

PSR Grades K-8

Sundays 11am-12:15pm

Confirmation class

Sundays 11am-12:15pm

Outside doors will be locked at 11:05am

Reopen at 12:10pm