



Bear Facts



March 13, 2024



Prayer



We remember, dear God, that on the last day of creation, you rested and told us to do the same.

Give us rest from our routine during this Spring Break. Fill us with joy. Keep us safe and be with us as we play together and enjoy quiet time alone. We thank you, holy One, for days of work and learning and days of play and rest.

We pray especially for those who are vulnerable to sickness at this time. We ask you to protect them and to give us a special measure of your grace to be mindful of how our actions might impact them.

Remind us to be faithful to provide safe spaces for them.

Help us to love you and to love each other,

In the name of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



Mark Your Calendars

Spring Break March 15-22

Bear Nation Parent Meeting 6:30 in School Cafeteria March 27

Good Friday - Early Dismissal 1:45 NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE March 29

Easter Monday - No School *April 1*

Virtual Learning Day - Solar Eclipse April 8

Stewardship Friday *April 12*

Birthday Parties Feb, March, April, May May 12

Spirit Wear Day April 19

ILEARN Testing Window March 15-May 10

Cottontail Trail Egg-Stravaganza Clarksville Parks and Recreation March 30 from 10 AM - 12 PM



Important Information



End of 3rd Quarter

It is hard to believe we have come to the end of our 3rd quarter. Grades have been finalized in PowerSchool. Please make sure to review your child's grades and if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher. Students in Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd will receive a printed version of their report card today.

Spring Break

The countdown is on, Spring Break is almost here. Our Spring Break will be from Friday, March 15 to Friday, March 22. Whether you are traveling or staying home, we wish you all a safe and relaxing Spring Break. We will look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday, March 25.

ILEARN Testing

ILEARN Testing will begin on Monday, April 15 through May 10th for 3rd - 8th Grade. It is imperative that students are present on their testing dates. Please mark your calendars of these testing windows and do everything you can to not schedule appointments, vacations, or other commitments during this time. Obviously, if your child is sick we want them to stay home and get well. Teachers will send specific dates of testing once a schedule has been set.

Students need headphones or earbuds for ILEARN testing. Please make sure your student has these at school before testing.



School News



Right to Life

Since its formation, Right to Life of Southern Indiana has been dedicated to developing principled and passionate pro-life leaders among Southern Indiana's students. Through direct involvement with many community organizations, Right to Life of Southern Indiana has seen first hand the energetic and exceptional leadership of pro-life students. In our continued efforts to recognize and develop pro-life leadership and convictions among Southern Indiana's students, Right to Life of Southern Indiana hosts the 20th Annual Value of Life Contests.

Our 7th and 8th graders took part in this contest and we are pleased to announce our St. Anthony School winners. Thank you to Mrs. Huber for guiding our students through this contest process.

Oratory Contest Winners

1st - Naimah Vizhnay - \$100 Runner-up - Luke Bettler - \$15 Runner-up - Leilany Mendez - \$15

8th Grade Essay Winners

1st - Annabelle Harrington - \$60 1st - Charlotte Tanner - \$60 2nd - Layla Lynch - \$30 3rd - Eliot Ross - \$20

7th Grade Essay Winners

1st - Brendan Ellis - \$50 2nd - Madison Ellorimo - \$25 3rd - Jimena Carrillo - \$10

Deanery Fine Arts Fair

The Visual Arts Department at PHS is excited to announce the dates for the 2024 Deanery Fine Arts Fair--Friday, May 10 and Saturday, May 11, which will be in conjunction with the Deanery Middle School Musical--Willy Wonka. This is a great opportunity for our students to share their talents. Mrs. Willinger will be sharing information with all K - 8 Art classes regarding the Deanery Fine Arts Fair. Please see the flyer in Bear Facts.

Choice Scholarship Information

Information is coming home today to clarify how to apply for the Choice Scholarship Program. Please make sure to read the documents carefully. It is very important that you provide accurate verification of household income and household size. The Choice Application Information Form is included in the Bear Facts. If you have any questions, please contact the front office.

Cottontail Trail Egg-Stravaganza

The Egg-Stravaganza, organized by the Clarksville Parks and Recreation Department, is an enchanting, family-friendly event that celebrates the spirit of Easter and the joys of spring. *The Cottontail Trail*, our latest inclusion to the festivities, will be staged along the sidewalks and concourse along the Fields at Gateway Park, frequently known as the Little League Fields. This addition uses the concept of the trunk-or-treat (trick or treat) event but is tailored for Easter.

St. Anthony School will be a sponsor along the trail. We will be handing out goodies, make sure to stop by and visit! The event will take place on Saturday, March 30 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

We will be filling Easter Eggs for this event and we need your help! We are asking for donations of Easter Candy. We want the candy to be individually wrapped and will fit in a plastic egg. We will be filling approximately 500 eggs.



How to apply for the Choice Scholarship Program at SAS

As most of you know, we are currently accepting applications for the Choice Program. I want to take this time to clarify the procedure and what we need from you during this application process. Please know it is state law that schools are required to verify household income when families apply. The proof of total household size and income must be accurate and submitted for each household member. It is the responsibility of the family to provide supporting documentation to the school.

Step 1: Complete the information form. (Included in the Bear Facts and has been sent home)

Step 2: Provide documentation for household size and income. Examples listed below.

- 2023 Federal Tax Return this is the preferred documentation
 - The Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) on the 2023 Federal Tax Return should be used to determine income eligibility. We need pages 1 and 2 of taxes.
 - If members of the same household filed separate 2023 Federal Tax Returns, the AGI and household sizes for each return should be added together to determine the total household income and size. We will also have you fill out a household summary form*.
 - o If the household size on the tax return is not accurate, the parent/guardian must complete the Household Summary Form* with supporting documentation.
 - If the student applying for the Choice Scholarship is not listed on the tax return, the parent/guardian must complete the Household Summary Form* with supporting documentation.
- Documentation when Federal Tax Return is not available, will need to complete Household Summary Form*.
 - o W-2
 - Unemployment compensation statement
 - Social Security Statements
 - Military retirement benefits
 - Employer statement on company letterhead

Step 3: Send all documents into the school office. If we need additional information, we will contact you.

We would like to have all the documents submitted by May 1st. This will allow us time to submit and possibly get paperwork signed before the end of the school year. If you have any questions or need assistance filling out the forms, please contact the front office.

^{*}The household summary form is only needed if we contact you. You will need to come to the school office to fill out the form.

Parents Applying for Choice 2024-2025

Income

- *Need proof of income for <u>all people who have a job or income that live in your</u> household-2023 Federal Income Taxes
- *Need income of any high school or grade school students
- *If you did not file taxes, we will need the latest or most recent 2023 pay check stub, W-2, disability income, child support or unemployment income
- *Monies withdrawn from IRA accounts, 401Ks and Annuities must be reported.

Divorced Parents

- *Child support must be added to your income. Documentation is needed.
- *A copy of the divorce papers is needed by the school.
- *Some divorce parents alternate years to claim their children on the taxes-if this applies to you we will need a note from each parent explaining this. The note must be signed by each parent and dated.
- *If income or household size is not accurate on your taxes, you must complete A Household/Income Form.

I acknowledge that I have read the information above and I have provided the necessary documents.

Parent's Signature	
Date Taxes Submitted To School	

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Information Needed for Choice Scholarship

Application 2024-2025

Parent Information

Names of Parents	Phone Numbers of each Parent
Addresses of each Parent	Emails of each Parent
Names of all people in a household with	Number of people living in your
full/part time jobs or any income. This	householdyou must list everyone
includes high school or grade school	living in your home
students	

Names of children to be enrolled at St. Anthony this fall

Names of Children	Date of Birth	Grade this fall

For New students	
Name of School that your child attended last year	



School News



BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!

Get ready to place your bets on a fun-filled evening! We are ready to run for the roses at our **BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!** The evening is filled with lots of fellowship, fun, laughter, gambling and hopefully winning! Come and see what this fundraiser is all about. Our Reverse Raffle is set for Saturday, April 6, with a dance party to follow!

We need **YOU**, Bear Nation, to be a part of this wonderful event. Get your friends and family together and reserve your dinner tickets today! We would love to fill the Parish Gym with over 300 people! This fundraiser will help raise money for renovating our classrooms. Many of our classrooms are in need of new paint, bookshelves and cabinets.

Order forms are included in the Bear Facts. If you need extra forms, please call the office. Tickets are \$30 per person which includes dinner, dancing, and door prize entry. We also have our raffle tickets that can be purchased for \$50, \$25, and \$10. We will have our Silent Auction, 50/50 drawing, Treasure Trunks, and more. Please see the attached order form for more information and help us make this night a success.

Reverse Raffle Donations Needed!

SAS families we need your help with the Raffle. We are looking for donations from local businesses. If you own a business or know someone that does, we would love a donation from that business. The donation can be gift cards or items from the business. A business can also be a corporate sponsor by donating money to the event. Please contact Mrs. Tucker if you know a business that may be willing to donate.

Grade Level Donations

We are asking for the following items for the Reverse Raffle. Please send your donations to the office. We appreciate your support in making our Reverse Raffle a HUGE Success!

Preschool and Kindergarten: 2 Liters (Coke, Diet Coke, and Sprite)

1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th: Gift Cards (Restaurants, Stores, Amazon, etc)

5th, 6th, 7th, 8th: Scratch Off Lottery Tickets





REVERSE RAFFLE



Place your bets for a fun evening

APRIL 6, 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

LOCATED IN THE PARISH GYM









St. Anthony School Reverse Raffle & Silent Auction Saturday, April 6, 2024 St. Anthony Parish Gym Doors open at 6:00 PM. Dinner begins at 6:30 PM

Stumler's Catering Dinner Reservation Tickets - Tickets \$30 per person

Dinner includes Garden Salad, Bourbon Chicken, Beef Brisket, Roasted Vegetable Medley, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes and Berry Cobbler with Vanilla Ice Cream and Brownies.

Dinner ticket required for entry

Door prize drawing at the end of the evening (must be present to win!)

Raffle Ticket Prices & Prize Money

\$6025.00 in Prize Money!!!

Need not be present to win raffle

RED	BLUE	WHITE
\$50 Raffle Tickets	\$25 Raffle Tickets	\$10 Raffle Tickets
Only 200 to be sold	Only 200 to be sold	Only 200 to be sold
One \$2500 winner One \$500 winner One \$250 winner One \$100 winner Five \$50 winners Five \$25 winners	One \$1000 winner One \$200 winner One \$100 winner One \$50 winner Five \$25 winners Five \$10 winners	One \$500 winner One \$100 winner One \$50 winner One \$25 winner Five \$15 winners Five \$5 winners

The Reverse Raffle may seem confusing, but once you're at the event, you'll catch on quickly. Raffle tickets are drawn throughout the night, but only every 5th ticket selected is a money winner. As the night goes on, the dollar amounts increase and potential winners can decide to split jackpots or gamble to win the big prize! The evening is never boring, and there are many chances to win as the silent auction, 50/50 drawings and various other raffles and prizes will also take place. The quantity of the raffle tickets and the dinner reservation tickets are limited -- only 200 \$10 raffle tickets, 200 \$25 raffle tickets, and 200 \$50 raffle tickets will be sold. Turn in this Order Form soon so you're not left out!!!

For additional information, please contact Stephany Tucker at 812-282-2144.

Please send this completed form with a check payable to **St. Anthony School** to the school office: 320 Sherwood Ave, Clarksville, IN 47129.

Indiana Gaming License: 002390

Reverse Raffle Ticket & Dinner Reservation Ticket Order Form St. Anthony School – April 6, 2024

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ST. ANTHONY'S FUNDRAISER

EVENT OF THE YEAR

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OTHER EVENING EVENTS

STUMLER'S CATERING

Dinner includes Garden Salad, Bourbon Chicken, Beef Brisket, Roasted Vegetable Medley, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes and Berry Cobbler with Vanilla Ice Cream and Brownies.



TICKET.

50/50 RAFFLES

50/50 tickets will be sold throughout the evening. The winner gets half the pot.

More tickets bought = More \$\$ in your pocket!

SILENT AUCTION

Bid on some fantastic items we have up on the auction block! Each item will have a list for you to write down your bid. Highest bidder is the winner, so keep a close eye on the list throughout the night to make sure you're not out bid.



ST. ANTHONY'S FUNDRAISER

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OTHER EVENING EVENTS



TREASURE TRUNK

Locked inside our treasure chest is a prize just waiting to be won. Buy a key for your chance to unlock the treasure!

PRIZE RAFFLE

Along side our silent auction, we have special prizes to be won. The more chances you buy, the more likely to win the prize! At the end of night, the winning tickets will be drawn for each item. Will you be the winner?





AFTER PARTY

After the event, stick around for a night of laughter and dancing at our exclusive after party!



Our Lady of Providence High School presents the 2024 PHS/NA Deanery Fine Arts Fair



Students in grades K - 8 are invited to submit artwork for the Deanery Art Fair!

- *All artwork must be submitted to Mrs. Willinger on or before Friday, April 5th. Turn in your original artwork to Mrs. Willinger and she will help you with the rest!
- * The school will submit 3 entries in each category and each age division
- *A panel of judges from Providence High School will select the winners.
- *The winning pieces will be on display May 10th and May 11th, in conjunction with the Deanery Musical, in the PHS auditorium lobby.

*Description of Categories:

2D Art: This category includes any original works that are flat, including but not limited to paintings, drawings, and multimedia.

3D Art: This category includes any original works, including but not limited to pottery, sculpture, and jewelry.

Photography: This category includes any original photographs, including but not limited to film, digital, and computer enhanced.

(Grade Divisions within above Categories: Grades K-2 / Grades 3-4 / Grades 5-6 / Grades 7-8)

*Contact Mrs. Willinger if you have any questions! Best of luck to all!







IN US EACH FRIDAY!

ST. ANTHONY FISH FRY SCHEDULE/MENU



Raffle Chances \$1 – Must be 18 to enter See prizes on display at the fish fry

Order a platter, or items a la carte!

FRIDAYS DURING LENT:

February 16 & 23, March 1, 8 & 15

Featuring Baked Fish, Fried Fish, Oysters and Shrimp

Please enter through set of doors on left.

Dine in orders left line, Carry-Out orders right line.

HOURS: 5:00 to 7:30 pm

Adult Baked/Fried Fish Dinner	\$12.00	(includes 2 sides)
Shrimp (Fried) Dinner	\$12.00	(includes 2 sides)
Oyster Dinner	\$13.00	(includes 2 sides)
Small Fish Dinner (8 oz filet)	\$9.00	(includes 1 side)
Cheese Pizza		\$3.00
Drinks & Desserts		\$1.00

\$3 Sides: French Fries, Hush Puppies, Creamy Slaw, Green Beans, Onion Strings, Mac & Cheese **Pay with CASH or CREDIT CARD** ~ Visa, Mastercard, Amex & Discover for **Dinner** payment.

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DESSERTS



Calling All Bakers! Please drop off your delicious desserts morning of each Fish Fry to the Parish Office.

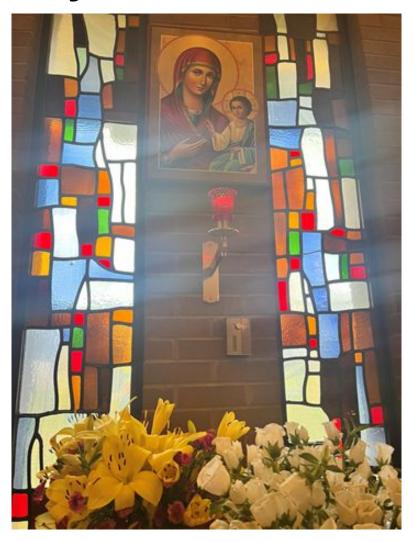






A weekly series to learn about our Sacred Space.

Mary, Mother of Jesus



We have an icon of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. It is fitting to always have a candle lit during worship to give honor to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and also bring her flowers, especially on her many Feast days throughout the year.







Family Corner



5th Sunday of Lent — Romans 8:1-17

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



and the leading priests plot to kill Lazarus.

John 12:9-11 lol, that does sound kinda silly

- When you were young, who caused you to change your behavior by their powerful influence?
- 2. Who influences you the most in the following areas: clothes you wear, music you listen to, & values you adopt?
- 3. How would you explain the Gospel to someone who believes they are not good enough for God?
- 4. What are the benefits to the Spirit dwelling within you?
- 5. Can you think of an example when the Spirit helps us fight our battles?









The Power of the Sign of the Cross

(Continued from the 4th Sunday of Lent) The New Testament saints are sealed with a similar Mark of the TAU cross. Drawing on the imagery from Ezekiel, the book of Revelation depicts the saints in heaven as having a seal upon their foreheads (Rev 7:3). As in Ezekiel's time, this seal separates the faithful people of God from the wicked and protects them from the coming judgment (Rev. 9:4) It is not surprising that Christians have seen in the mark from Ezekiel a prefiguring of the Sign of the Cross. Just as the faithful people in Ezekiel's time were protected by a cross-like mark on their foreheads, so Christians are guarded by the Cross of Christ traced over their bodies. And this signing has tremendous significance. From a biblical perspective, every time we trace the sign of the Cross over our bodies, we are expressing our desire to be set apart from the corrupt ways of the world in our own day. As in Ezekiel's time, there are many today among God's people who do not want to go along with the

empty ways of living prevalent in the world. In our own age, characterized by greed, selfishness, loneliness, troubled marriages, and dysfunctional family life, making the Sign of the Cross can express a firm commitment to live according to Christ's standards, not the world's. While the secular world holds up money, pleasure, power, and having fun as the essential marks of a good life, Christians pursue a higher path to true happiness, which is found only in the sacrificial love of Christ on Calvary—the love symbolized by the Sign of the Cross.

--Taken from the Biblical Walk through the Mass by Edward Sri

Trivia:

Which of the following is NOT a variant of the Christian cross?

A. Byzantine Cross

B. Jerusalem Cross

C. Florian Cross

D. Celtic Cross

E. Chi-Rho Cross

F. None of the above.

Answer: F





Parish News



Stewardship Friday

FUN and EASY volunteer opportunity!! We still need about 25 volunteers to make this event.

Our 7th grade will get to experience THE REALITY GAME on April 19. From 8:00-11:00, the parish gym will transform into Esterville and Roseville. 7th graders will develop an imaginary character and be challenged to care for their family in "the real world" for 3 months (or 3 hours in real-time). They must find and maintain a job, pay their bills, shop and provide care for their family, and make lifestyle decisions that will determine their success or failure.

This is the largest Stewardship Friday activity we conduct at SAS and it takes many volunteers. This year, we are looking for parents, grandparents, college students (any SAS alumni out there!?), and St. Anthony parishioners to help us conduct this worthwhile learning opportunity for our students.

If you or someone you know can help with this fun morning on April 19 call or text Jamie Huber - 502-299-3287.





Youth News



Catalyst Catholic Middle School Events

In collaboration with New Albany Deanery parishes, Catalyst Catholic provides ministry events that benefit youth in grades 6-8. These events complement the wide variety of activities offered at local deanery parishes.



APRIL 28, 2024 (7pm-8:30pm)

Youth Mass & Ice Cream Social
hosted by St. Anthony Catholic Church

MAY 10, 2024 (6-8pm)

Scavenger Hunt

hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church



