



St. Anthony School

# Bear Facts



October 1, 2025



## Prayer



You are a God of endless kindness and compassion. Your word tells us that your kindness leads us to repentance, and your love is expressed through your care and provision for us each day. You show kindness in both the smallest details and the greatest gifts, including the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.

Thank you for the kindness you have shown to me, even when I have not deserved it. Thank you for your patience when I falter, for your provision in times of need. Thank you for the people in my life who have modeled your kindness through their love and support. Help me to be like them!

Lord, I ask you to cultivate the fruit of kindness in my life. Teach me to see others through your eyes and to respond to their needs with compassion and grace. Let my words be uplifting and my actions reflect your love. Help me to be a light in a world that often feels cold and unkind. I want to point others to your goodness through the kindness I show! Please help my life bring honor to you as I strive to follow your example.



### Mark Your Calendars

**1:00 PM Early Dismissal,  
NO After Care**  
*Thursday, October 2*

**Fall Break**  
*October 3 - October 12*

**School Resumes**  
*October 13*

**Stewardship Friday**  
*October 17*

**Picture Retakes**  
*October 17*

**PTO Meeting**  
*October 21, 6:30 Cafeteria*

**SAS Trunk or Treat**  
*October 18*

**Red Ribbon Week**  
*October 27-31*

**Halloween Classroom Party**  
*October 31*



### Important Information



#### Fall Break

It is hard to believe that it is almost time for Fall Break. **We will dismiss at 1:00 on Thursday, October 2**, this will be the start of our Fall Break. We will not have After School Care on this day. We will return to school on Monday, October 13. Please plan accordingly for the Early Dismissal!



#### Trunk or Treat

Our SAS Spooktacular Trunk or Treat is Saturday, October 18. If you would like to host a trunk, please see the flyer in our Bear Facts. Even if you do not host a trunk, please come and join us for lots of fun and trick or treating!





## Thank you!

Thank you to our room parents that helped with food for our teachers during parent teacher conferences. Also, thank you to Mr. Dino for the yummy chili!

## Congratulations

Congratulations to our 5th and 6th grade volleyball teams. Both our B teams were in the Championship Game and our Blue team came out as the Champions. It was a hard fought match and both teams did a great job!



## 2026-2027 School Year

It is hard to believe that we are already looking at the calendar for the next school year. I know that many work places schedule vacations in advance. To help you plan accordingly, the following breaks are schedule for next school year. Remember, families should only plan vacations during school breaks.

## 2026-2027 Calendar Dates

1st day of school:	August 5, 2026
Fall Break:	October 2-9, 2026
Christmas Break:	December 21, 2026 - January 1, 2027
Spring Break:	March 12 - March 19, 2027



## Athletic News



### Anyone With Parish Gym Keys

All gym and ball closet keys that are not currently being used should be returned to Kim in the school office or to the business manager, Mary, as soon as possible. Keys will then be signed out to coaches for the current season's sport as needed.



## Parish News



**Enjoy these excerpts from essays from the  
2025 Right to Life of Southern Indiana competition  
written by St. Anthony Students.**

“ Every child is a child of God. We all matter. That's why everyone deserves a chance to live. Everyone has the right to life. ”

Charlotte Burton (SAS Class of 2026)



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**October 7**  
**Open Pantry**  
**4:30pm - 6:00 pm**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

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## Family Corner



### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1) Who were family or friends who inspired you to faith?
- 2) Have you ever had a spiritual child or "trainee" like Paul had with Timothy?
- 3) How would Paul's reminding Timothy of the content of the Gospel (vv. 9-10) help Timothy to not be ashamed?
- 4) What kept Paul from being ashamed himself (verse 12)?
- 5) What keeps you from being ashamed of the Gospel?



## GONE fishing

Mt. 4:19 "Follow me," he told them, "and I will make you fishers of people!"

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Who do we celebrate on Oct 4th?**



A young man with great aspirations Small in stature and having an extrovert personality, Francis always had in his heart the desire to do great things. He demonstrated this in his 20s when he left for the war between Assisi and Perugia, and later to help end the conflict of the crusades. He was born in 1182 the son of a rich fabric merchant, Pietro di Bernardone, and a noblewoman from Provence, Pica, and grew up occupied with family duties and worldly affairs. When he returned from his war experience, he was ill and shaken, unrecognizable to all. Something left a deep impression on his soul beyond his experience of the war.

### **A powerful encounter and a question - do you serve the servant or serve the Master?**

He never forgot the words he heard in a dream while in Spoleto: "why do burden yourself seeking the servant instead of the Master?" His life took on a new direction, guided by his constant wish to know that to which God was calling him. Prayer and silent contemplation in the Umbrian countryside led him to embrace lepers and outcasts as brothers and sisters, those in the past he had always found disgusting and repulsive.

### **San Damiano. "Francis, go repair my church which is in ruin"**

In Spoleto he heard again this voice break the silence of his prayer before a Byzantine crucifix in the small abandoned church of San Damiano. The voice said: "Francis, go repair my church, which as you can see is in ruin". Saint Francis first interpreted that call as an invitation to reconstruct the ruins of the small chapel stone by stone, but in later years he came to understand the full meaning of the call. He was called to "great things - to renew", with a spirit of obedience, the Church, which at that time was dealing with divisions and heresies.

### **Embracing "Lady Poverty"**

The uncontrollable joy unleashed by feeling loved and called by God helped strengthen the wish of young Francis to live by Providence, and in observance of the Gospel, he decided to give away all he had to the poor. At this point the distance between him and his father, Pietro Di Bernardone, became irreparable. His father denounced him publicly during an audience with Bishop Guido. Francis declared his deep desire to marry "Lady Poverty", and he removed his clothes as a way of renouncing his father's wealth.

### **The witness of Francis giving praise to the Creator**

The life of Francis was a continuous expression of praise for the Creator. "The Canticle of Brother Sun", a poetic masterpiece of Italian literature, was written when he was laid low by illness and expresses the freedom of a soul reconciled with God in Christ. Saint Francis accepted "sister death" with joy knowing he would be going to Jesus. He died the evening of 3 October 1226.

### **The spirit of Assisi inspires faith and fellowship**

Francis died at the age of 44 at the Porziuncola, the chapel where he received the gift of the indulgence of the "Forgiveness of Assisi". He was canonized a saint two years later. The spirit of St. Francis of Assisi continues to inspire so many in following Christ, in building dialogue among all in truth and charity, and in safeguarding creation.

--Taken from Vatican News Release

**Trivia** (brought to you by Patrick & Patrick YM Trivia Night Exclusive): Only 4 professional sports teams have won 4 consecutive championships in their respective leagues. Two of these teams actually hail from the same city, completing the feat from 1936-1939 and 1980-1983. Name these two teams.

Trivia Answer: NY Yankees & NY Islanders





# Why Do Catholics Use Bells?

Bells in the Catholic Mass serve to draw attention to sacred moments, particularly during mass when the bread changes into the Body of Jesus, and the wine changes into the Blood of Jesus in the Eucharist, signaling to the faithful of Jesus Christ's Real Presence. They also call people to worship, express joy, and historically serve as a universal language to evoke reverence. Bells are not a required liturgical element but enhance the sensory experience of the Mass, drawing on a tradition with Old Testament roots.





# Why Are Bells Used?

## **DRAWING ATTENTION**

The primary reason for ringing bells is to focus the attention of the congregation on a specific, significant part of the Mass, such as the Consecration.

## **TRANSUBSTANTIATION**

Bells signal the moment when the bread and wine change to become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, marking the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

## **EVOKING REVERENCE**

The sound of the bells creates a sense of awe and reverence, enhancing the spiritual experience of the liturgy.



# Why Are Bells Used?

## **CALLING TO WORSHIP**

Historically, bells have been used to call people to prayer and worship. St Anthony bells ring 5 minutes before mass starts, they toll for funerals, and ring at noon every day.

## **SIGN OF JOY**

The bells can also express joy, such as when they are rung to mark the Gloria after Lent.

## **HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

The use of bells dates back to ancient traditions, with historical links to Jewish worship and the High Priest's garments mentioned in the Book of Exodus.





# Specific Moments For Ringing The Bells

## **DURING EPICLESIS**

When the priest calls on the Holy Spirit to come down to the altar with the palms of his hands facing down, and special prayers said out loud.

## **DURING THE ELEVATION**

Bells are rung during the elevation of the Host (the Body of Christ) and the Chalice (the Precious Blood).





## Family Legacy Memorial

### Honor Your Family's Legacy

As we prepare to celebrate 175 years of faith and community, leave a lasting tribute to your family's life at St. Anthony Parish.

Don't miss this opportunity to honor your family or your parents or grandparents who brought your family into the St. Anthony faith community.



**Family Legacy Bricks will be available to purchase  
until December 7, 2025**

With the Family Legacy Memorial  
to be dedicated in May, 2026.

Don't wait, secure your family's place in  
St. Anthony's history today!  
*Celebrate our past. Inspire our Future.*

Click the link to order yours online or print the form and turn  
it into the parish office along with payment.

[Click Here to Order](#)





# SAS SPOOKTACULAR



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**SCHOOL PARKING LOT**

**6:00PM - 7:30PM**

**CHILI, SNACKS, AND DRINKS WILL BE  
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**



**SCAN THE QR CODE TO HOST  
A TRUNK OR DONATE CANDY**





# SAS SPOOKTACULAR



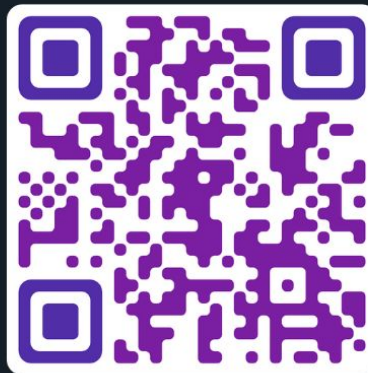
**SABADO 18 DE OCTUBRE**

EN EL ESTACIONAMIENTO DE LA ESCUELA

6:00PM - 7:30PM

TENDREMOS CHILI, BOTANAS, Y BEBIDAS

A LA VENTA



ESCANEE EL CODIGO QR PARA  
APUNTARSE A DECORAR SU CARRO O  
DONAR DULCES





**ST. ANTHONY YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS**

**SUPER  
HERO**

**MOTHER-SON DANCE**

**NOVEMBER 7**

**6PM-8PM**

**PARISH GYM**

**MOTHERS (OR A SPECIAL FEMALE ROLE MODEL) CAN SPEND THE EVENING WITH THEIR SON(S) FOR DINNER, DESSERTS, DANCING, PHOTOS, AND SPECIAL ONE ON ONE TIME.**

**ALL OF OUR KINDERGARTEN-8TH GRADE PARISH COMMUNITY ARE WELCOME.  
TICKETS FOR THIS EVENT ARE \$35 PER MOTHER/SON. PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP BELOW TO  
SCHOOL OR DROP IN THE SUNDAY COLLECTION INDICATING HOW MANY WILL BE ATTENDING  
WITH APPROPRIATE PAYMENT FOR TICKETS.**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Adult's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Guests attending \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Family Address \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_



**Tickets are \$35 a couple. More than one son is FREE.**

Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Youth Ministry and return this form with payment to your school teacher via backpack mail or drop in Sunday collection marked "Attn: Youth Ministry - Mother/Son Dance" by **October 29, 2025**.

If you have more questions, feel free to contact Patrick Holifield at [youth@stanthony-clarksville.org](mailto:youth@stanthony-clarksville.org) or call 812-282-2290.



**MINISTRO DE JOVENES DE ST. ANTHONY PRESENTA**



## **BAILE DE MADRES E HIJOS**

**7 DE  
NOVIEMBRE**

**6PM-8PM**

**GIMNASIO DE  
LA IGLESIA**

**LAS MAMÁS (O UNA PERSONA ESPECIAL EN EL LUGAR DE LA MAMA) PUEDE PASAR UNA TARDE  
CON SU HIJO(S) HABRÁ CENA, POSTRE, BAILE, Y FOTOS.**

**PARA TODOS LOS ALUMNOS DE KINDER A OCTAVO GRADO. LOS BOLETOS TIENEN UN COSTO DE  
\$35- INCLUYE EL BOLETO DE LA MADRE E HIJO(S). POR FAVOR REGRESE ESTA FORMA A LA  
ESCUELA O EN TREGUELA A LA IGLESIA. INDIQUE CUANTAS PERSONAS ASISTIRAN PARA MANDAR  
EL NÚMERO DE BOLETOS APROPIADO.**

Nombre del Alumno(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre del Adulto \_\_\_\_\_

Numero total que Asistira \_\_\_\_\_

Direccion de la Familia \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre del Maestro \_\_\_\_\_ Grado \_\_\_\_\_



**Los boletos cuestan \$35 por la madre e hijo(s)**

Puede hacer su cheque a nombre de St. Anthony Youth Ministry puede regresar esta forma a la escuela en la mochila de su hijo o entregarla a la Iglesia en un sobre que diga "Attn: Youth Ministry - Mother/Son Dance" a mas tardar el **29 de octubre del 2025**. Si tiene preguntas comuniquese con Patrick Holifield [youth@stanthony-clarksville.org](mailto:youth@stanthony-clarksville.org) o llame al 812-282-2290.





## '25-'26 PIONEER BOYS BASKETBALL ACADEMY



**WHO: DEANERY BOYS IN GRADES 2ND-8TH**

**WHAT: TEAM PRACTICES/GAMES**

**WHEN: NOV-JAN (2ND-4TH) AND DEC-EARLY MAR (5TH-8TH)**

**WHERE: MOSTLY LOCAL, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A FEW OUT-OF-TOWN TOURNEYS  
(WITHIN 100 MILES)**

**ESTIMATED COST: \$340/PLAYER (DUE AFTER TEAMS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED)**

**\*THE FEE INCLUDES A GAME UNIFORM AND A REVERSIBLE PRACTICE JERSEY TOP**

**\*\*PLAYER ASSESSMENTS (2ND, 3RD, 4TH, 5TH): TUES, 10/14 AND THUR, 10/16, 6:00-7:00 PM  
@ PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL**

**\*\*PLAYER ASSESSMENTS (6TH, 7TH, 8TH): TUES, 10/14 AND THUR, 10/16, 7:15-8:30 PM @  
PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 10/12/25**

**\*ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPLETE THE FULL FINAL FORMS REGISTRATION  
(INCLUDING THEIR PHYSICAL) PRIOR TO TRYOUTS.\* REGISTRATION PAYMENTS SHOULD BE  
MADE WITHIN ONE WEEK OF PLAYER ANNOUNCEMENTS.\***

• There will be a brief parent meeting at the beginning of each session on 10/14. •

<https://providencehigh-in.finalforms.com/>

**QUESTIONS: PLEASE CONTACT COACH BRAD DENMAN @BJDENMAN@GMAIL.COM OR  
502-541-3210.**





# **PROVIDENCE** DANCE ACADEMY

## **INFORMATION**

Are you wanting to develop skills you need to tryout for a dance team? Join our PHS Dance Academy and perform at halftime of Providence basketball games!

Open to kids 1st -8th grade who attend a New Albany Deanery school or church

***\*Last day to enroll October 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Payment through Final Forms***

### **Information:**

- Perform at halftime of Providence Basketball Games with other deanery kids
- All practices are at DanceWorks in New Albany

### **Practices:**

**Fridays:** 10/17

**Saturdays:** 9/27, 10/4, 10/25, 11/1, 11/18 & 11/15

**Sundays:** 12/14, & 12/21

### **Cost: \$150**

- Includes: dance uniform, poms and a bow
- Not Included: white tennis shoes & navy trunks

### **Register Today!**

<https://providencehigh-in.finalforms.com/>

### **Questions Email:**

[phsdanceacademy@gmail.com](mailto:phsdanceacademy@gmail.com)







# PROVIDENCE GIRLS BASKETBALL



PRESENTS

— **FREE** —

**GIRLS BASKETBALL CLINIC**

**COME AND JOIN US**

**Oct 15**

**3:30 -**

**5PM**



**PARISH GYM**

Parents will need to  
drop their girls off  
at 3:30

**MORE INFO :**



**ALL  
GIRLS:  
GRADES  
2- 8**



If you can't make a layup or you can dunk, we want to see you! All girls are welcome! Participants will be able to attend clinic immediately after school and will be escorted to the gym. Participants should bring comfortable shoes and gym clothes on the day of the event.

**For more information, contact  
Coach P @**

**[spendleton@providencehigh.net](mailto:spendleton@providencehigh.net)**



# PROVIDENCE

## WELCOME TO PROVIDENCE ACADEMY BASKETBALL!!

Providence Girls Basketball Academy will provide your daughter many opportunities to learn the fundamentals of team basketball, focus on developing her individual skills and most importantly, learn how to be successful in a team concept. The Girls Basketball Academy is offered to **ALL girls grades 3-8 to students in our Deanery system.**



The Girls Basketball Academy director is long time girls varsity high school basketball coach, Stacy Pendleton (Manual High School Hall of Fame, KABC (Kentucky) Court of Honor winner of nearly 500 games and a State Champion (2012) coach in Kentucky). Coach P recently shifted gears (retired) from coaching in Kentucky and has been blessed with the opportunity to continue this success in southern Indiana in his 23rd overall and 2nd season at Providence HS.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT ACADEMY DIRECTOR:**

STACY PENDLETON

[spendleton@providencehigh.net](mailto:spendleton@providencehigh.net)

CLICK BELOW FOR GRADE LEVEL:

### **3RD / 4TH GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

TRYOUTS: Sep 27 9-11am @ Providence High School

Oct 19 1-3pm @ Providence High School

### **5TH / 6TH GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

TRYOUTS: OCT 19 3-5 - LARKIN CENTER  
@ PROVIDENCE

### **7TH/8TH GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

TRYOUTS: OCT 19 5-7PM - LARKIN CTR  
@ PROVIDENCE



PROVIDENCE







## **3RD GRADE & 4th GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

All New Albany Deanery girls are welcome to come be a part of The Academy Basketball Program! The focus will be on preparing to play games in the future through 1-2 days per week of practicing the fundamentals of basketball and team play. For 3rd grade, games will be limited to around 10 or under total and focus will be on getting them ready to play games in the future. 4th grade will emphasize skill development in practice, while participating in some tournaments and leagues. The season will run from October to January/February with opportunities in the spring for continued skill improvement.

If you are interested in being a part of the Providence Academy Basketball Program, we'd love to have you come be a part of the JOY at Providence!

### **TRYOUTS AT PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL LARKIN CENTER GYMNASIUM**

ENTER THROUGH FRONT DOORS

**SEPTEMBER 27, 9AM - 10:30AM**

**PARENT MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER (10:30 - 11:00AM)**

**OR**

**OCTOBER 19, 1-3PM**

**[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR TRYOUTS:](#)**

**ACADEMY BASKETBALL SIGN UP FORM**

If for some reason the link doesn't work, please email Coach P or Coach Block and they will send you the form. Or just show up at tryouts ready to roll!

For more information please contact:

Academy Director: Coach Stacy Pendleton @  
spendleton@providencehigh.net

3rd / 4th Grade Director: Dan Block @ danblock@hotmail.com



## **5TH / 6TH GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

All New Albany Deanery girls are welcome to come be a part of The Academy Basketball Program! The focus will be on developing the fundamentals of basketball and team play. Teams will practicing 2-3 times per week and the season will run from end of October to the middle of December and possibly into January and beyond depending on team interests! Practices will begin immediately after tryouts.

If there is a conflict with the tryout date, please communicate that with us and we will get you another shot at the team. Just make sure and communicate with us that you can't make it and we will keep you in the loop. We are glad you are interested in being a part of the Providence Academy Basketball Program and glad you are coming to be a part of the JOY at Providence!

## **TRYOUTS AT PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL LARKIN CENTER GYMNASIUM**

ENTER THROUGH FRONT DOORS

**Sunday, October 19 3-4:30pm**

**PARENT MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER (4:30 - 5pm).**

**[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR TRYOUTS:](#)  
ACADEMY BASKETBALL SIGN UP FORM**

If for some reason the link doesn't work, please email Coach P or Coach Glotzbach (Justin) and he will send you the form. Or just show up the night of tryouts!

For more information please contact:

**Academy Director: Coach Stacy Pendleton @  
spendleton@providencehigh.net**

**5th/6th Grade Director: Justin Glotzbach  
@justin\_glotzbach@yahoo.com**





## **7th/8th GRADE ACADEMY BASKETBALL INFORMATION**

All New Albany Academy girls are welcome to come be a part of the Girls Basketball Academy of Providence HS. If you are looking to be on a competitive  $\frac{7}{8}$  grade team comprised of New Albany Deanery kids focusing on the fundamentals of team basketball and individual improvement, come to tryouts and give it a shot! The season runs from mid October with practice and ends around the end of January.

If you are interested in being a part of the Providence Academy Basketball Program, we'd love to have you come be a part of the JOY at Providence!

## **TRYOUTS AT PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL**

### **LARKIN CENTER GYMNASIUM**

ENTER THROUGH FRONT DOORS

**Sunday, Oct 19 5-6:30pm**

**PARENT MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER (6:30 - 7pm).**

**[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR TRYOUTS:](#)  
ACADEMY BASKETBALL SIGN UP FORM**

If for some reason the link doesn't work, please email Coach P or Coaches JW or Svend and they will send you the form. Or just show up the night of tryouts!

Academy Director: Stacy Pendleton @  
spendleton@providencehigh.net

### **8th Grade Coaches:**

JW Nickel @ jw.nickell@gmail.com

Svend Jansen @ svend\_jansen@b-f.com

### **7th Grade Coaches:**

Jason Bowman - jason.bowman.aci@gmail.com

Gid Miller - gidmiller@birchwoodre.net



# YOUR FALL BREAK STAYCATION:

## FAMJAM

### FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND

- ▲ Bring your tent or camper
- ▲ Pitch in for the Friday Night Potluck
- ▲ Enjoy games, crafts & campfire fun
- ▲ Celebrate outdoor Mass & Adoration
- ▲ All on the beautiful grounds of  
Mount St. Francis

## OCTOBER 10-12, 2025



**REGISTER NOW**

[catalystcatholic.org/famjam](https://catalystcatholic.org/famjam)





# TUS VACACIONES DE OTOÑO EN CASA:

## FAMJAM

Únase a nosotros para el fin de semana anual de camping familiar.

- ▲ Tienda o camper: ¡tú eliges!
- ▲ Cena compartida el viernes
- ▲ Juegos, manualidades y vampiros
- ▲ Misa y Adoración al aire libre
- ▲ En el hermoso Mount St. Francis

## OCTOBER 10-12, 2025



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