



# Bear Facts



March 11, 2026



## Prayer



Loving God,

As we prepare for spring break, we thank You for the gift of our school families.

Thank You for the parents, grandparents, and caregivers who support and guide our students each day.

Bless our families during this time away from school.

Fill their homes with joy, laughter, rest, and peace.

Keep them safe in their travels and in their time together.

Help them grow closer to one another and closer to You.

May this break be a time to refresh our minds, renew our hearts, and remember the many blessings You have given us.

Bring us back together ready to continue learning, growing, and serving as a community of faith.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



### Mark Your Calendars

#### **Spring Break**

March 12 - Early Dismissal 1:00

NO After School Care

March 13-20 - No School

#### **School Resumes**

March 23

#### **PTO Meeting**

March 24, 6:30, Cafeteria

#### **Good Friday**

April 3, Early Dismissal 1:45

NO After School Care

#### **Easter Monday - No School**

April 6

#### **ILEARN Testing**

April 1-May 8

#### **Zesto Spirit Night**

April 15

#### **Kinderderby**

April 30

#### **No School - eLearning Day**

May 1



### Important Information



As we continue our Lenten journey, the Church invites us to look more closely at our hearts and the choices we make each day. Lent reminds us that we are always called to grow and become better followers of Christ.

At school, we talk with our students about the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Prayer helps us grow closer to God. Fasting teaches us self-control and reminds us that we do not always need everything we want. Almsgiving encourages us to care for others and share what we have with those in need.

Throughout this season, our students are practicing small but meaningful changes—showing kindness to classmates, following classroom expectations, helping others, and taking time to pray. These small actions help form habits that reflect the love of Jesus in our daily lives.

As families, this is also a wonderful time to talk together about ways to live Lent at home. Simple acts such as praying together, performing acts of kindness, or participating in our Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Program to help children understand that their sacrifices can make a difference in the lives of others.

Let us continue to support one another during this Lenten season as we prepare our hearts for the joy and hope of Easter.



## Spring Break

Spring Break begins after school on Thursday! We will dismiss early on Thursday, March 12 at 1:00 PM and there is NO After School Care. Please make sure to plan accordingly on this day. School will be closed March 13 – March 20 for the break. School will resume on Monday, March 23.

We hope all of our students and families have a wonderful time resting and recharging. You have worked hard this year, and a break is well deserved! If you are traveling, please travel safely and enjoy your time with family and friends. We look forward to seeing everyone back refreshed and ready to finish the school year strong.

## 3rd Quarter

The 3rd quarter has come to an end, and grades have now been finalized. Parents are asked to please log in to PowerSchool to review their child's grades and progress. If you have any questions regarding grades or assignments, please reach out to your child's teacher. Thank you for your continued support of your child's education.

## School Store

The SchoolStore Program is 100% online so there is NO face-to-face selling, handling money, or delivering products. Your participation will take less than 12 minutes, and there are exciting prizes to make it fun for the students.

Here is all you need to do to participate:

1. Go to <https://www.schoolstore.net/sid.t?0000117345> to sign up.
2. Send form emails inviting family, friends and co-workers to support your child.
3. Return the Book Buddy Lanyard with the Student Prize Code to school for your child to get their fun participation prize.





## First Reconciliation

Congratulations to our 2nd grade students who recently received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. This is a very special moment in their faith journey as they experience God's forgiveness and mercy.

Thank you to Fr. John, Fr. Christian, Fr. Florian, and Fr. Jey for celebrating the Sacrament of First Reconciliation with our 2nd Grade students. A very special thank you to Ms. Hellinger and Mr. Rapier for helping to guide and prepare them for this Sacrament and continuing to prepare them for their 1st Communion.





## Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

This is a reminder that all families are expected to follow the school's established arrival and dismissal procedures. These procedures are not optional; they are in place to ensure the safety of our students and staff. Failure to follow these procedures creates safety concerns and delays the process for everyone. We appreciate your immediate attention and full cooperation moving forward. If these procedures cannot be followed, we will have an officer in the parking lot to monitor arrival and dismissal.

### Arrival Procedures - See Diagram Below

In the morning there is only one entrance that may be used by those bringing children to school by car. All drivers must enter at the Marshall Ave./Clyde Ave. entrance. Drivers may drop off their child(ren) on either side of the Annex building, it does not matter what grade level your child(ren) is in.

When pulling up by the annex, your child(ren) needs to be ready to exit the vehicle immediately. They should have backpack on and everything ready. I like to call this the "tuck and roll" method! The quicker your child(ren) exits the faster the line will go. Drivers should **NOT** get out of the vehicle in the drop of line, you **MUST** stay in your car.

**Drivers, under no circumstance, may ever pull around the car(s) in front of them and exit.** Doing this creates a dangerous situation. For safety reasons, children should exit the car on the side of the car closest to the Annex if possible.

**Option 1:** Drivers dropping off on the right side (playground side) of the annex, should pull up along the side of the annex and drop child(ren) off at the breezeway. After drop off, then proceed out the front of school to Sherwood Avenue. **Do not make a U turn and go back out to Marshall Ave!**

**Option 2:** Drivers dropping on the left side (Church side) of the annex, should pull up along the side of the annex and drop child(ren) off at the breezeway. After drop off, you will go back out to Marshall Ave. **Do not drive around the other side of the annex to exit onto Sherwood.** The only way to exit to Sherwood is to enter on the right side of the annex.

**Option 3:** Drivers that would like to walk their child(ren) to the breezeway, **MUST** park in a spot in the middle of the parking lot on either side and then walk them up. **Please do NOT pull up alongside the annex and get out of your car, you MUST be in a parking spot.**

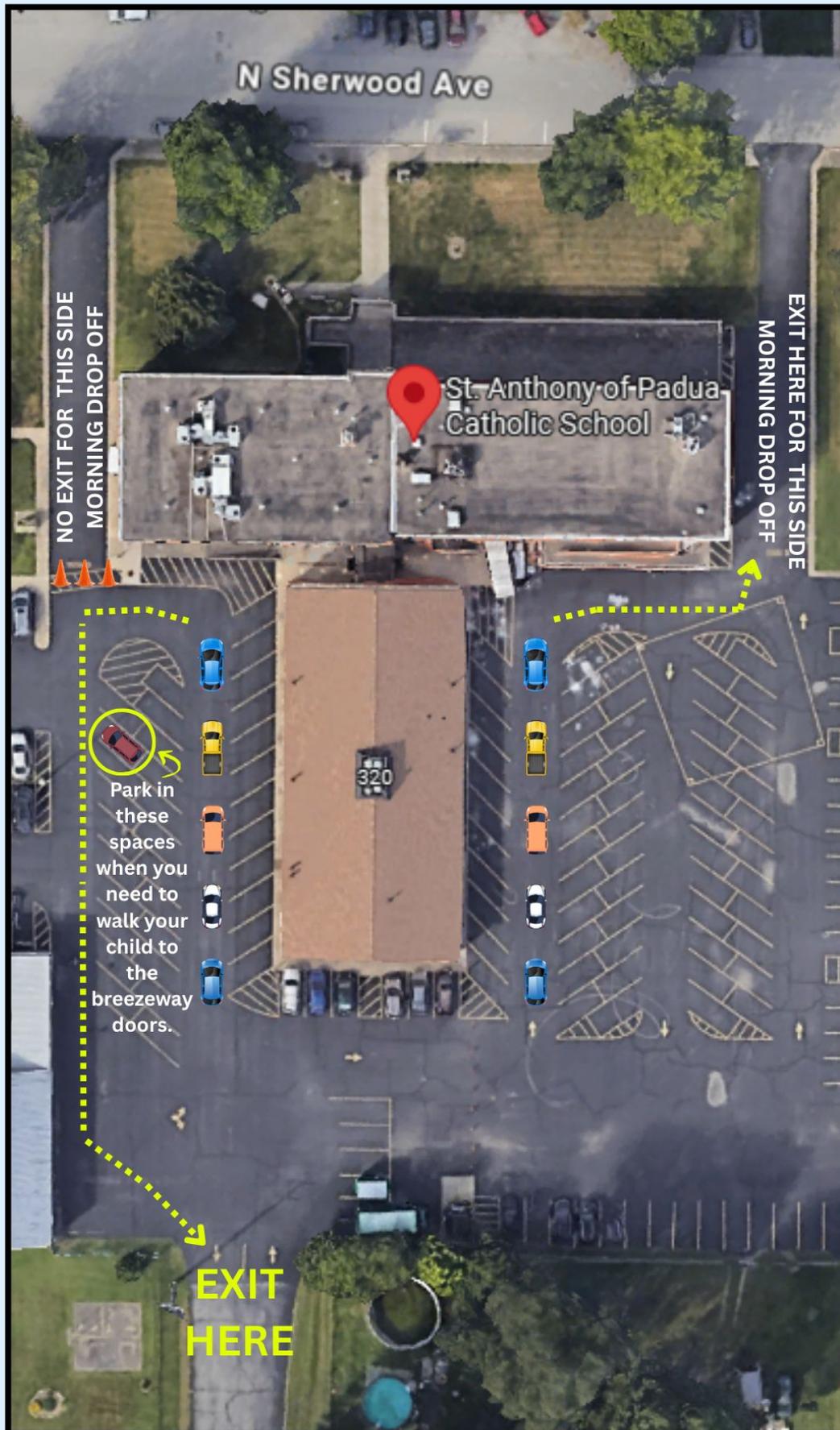
### Dismissal Procedures - See Diagram Below

All parents coming in cars to get children at dismissal time must park their cars in one of the two parking lots located on the sides of the annex. You must enter the parking lots from Marshall Ave. Please proceed to a line, do not fill up the lines and block traffic, fill in the shorter lines or make new lines. It is very important that you stay in the line during dismissal. Do not try to cut out of the line to get out faster.

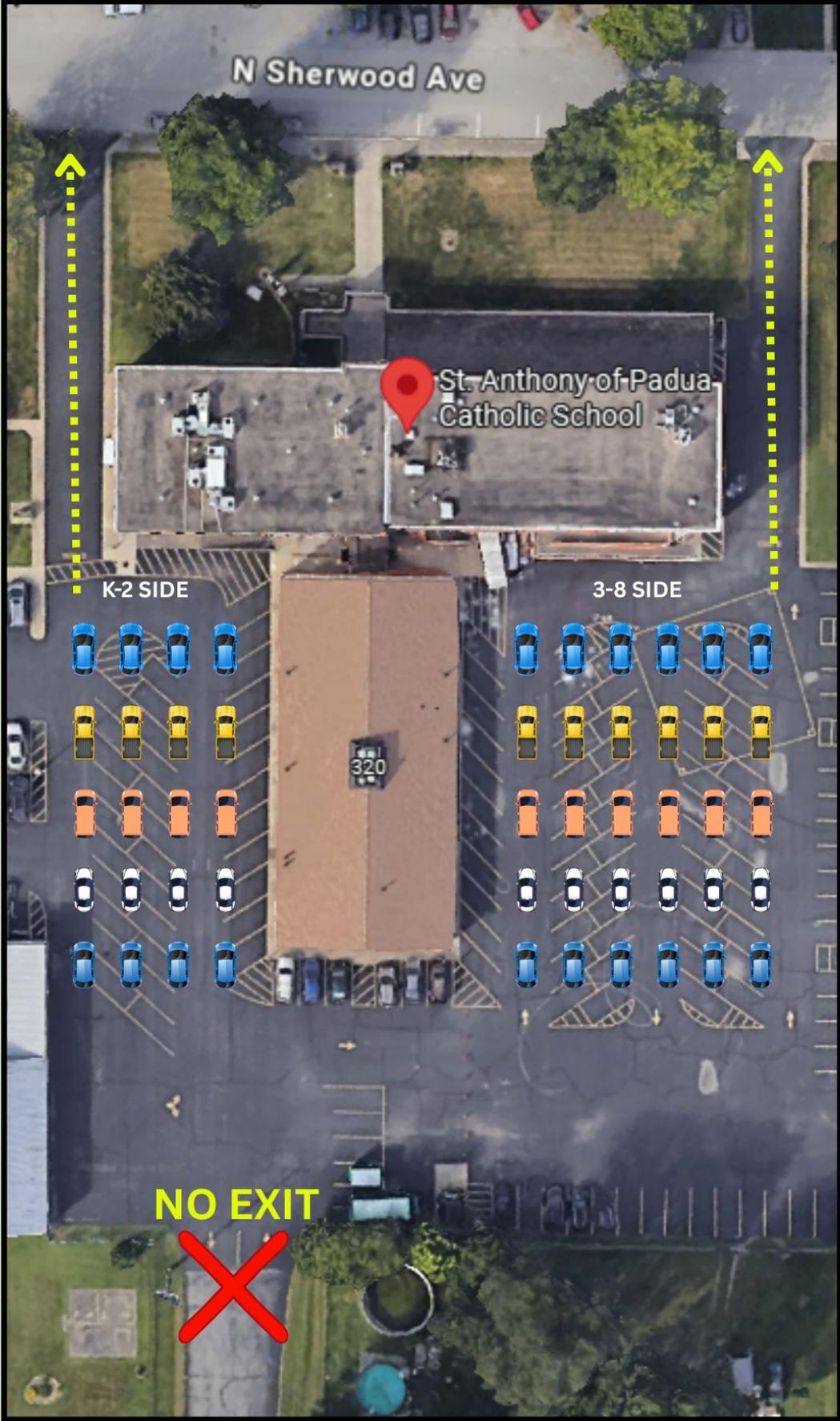
**K-2 Side (Church Side):** This side is for any family that has the youngest child in K, 1, or 2. The entire family will exit on this side of the annex. You may exit the car and walk to the front to get your child(ren). It is important that you quickly return to your car so that the dismissal process can begin. You will be directed to exit to the front of the building onto Sherwood. **Do NOT make a U-turn and exit to Marshall Ave.**

**3-8 Side (Playground Side):** This side is for any family that has the youngest child in 3-8. The entire family will exit on this side of the annex. Because the older students exit on this side, you won't need to come to the front to get your child(ren). It would be easier to stand by your car and motion or call for them. You will be directed to exit to the front of the building onto Sherwood. **Do NOT make a U-turn and exit to Marshall Ave.**

# MORNING DROP OFF PROCEDURES



# AFTERNOON DISMISSAL PROCEDURES





# Help Us Shine Online!

## Join Our Social Media Movement!

We're on a mission to strengthen our community bonds and share the love of our school through social media! We invite all of our school community to join us by liking and sharing our social media pages.

### How It Works:

Liking our pages keeps you connected to the heart of our community and all the wonderful things happening here.

### Why It's Important:

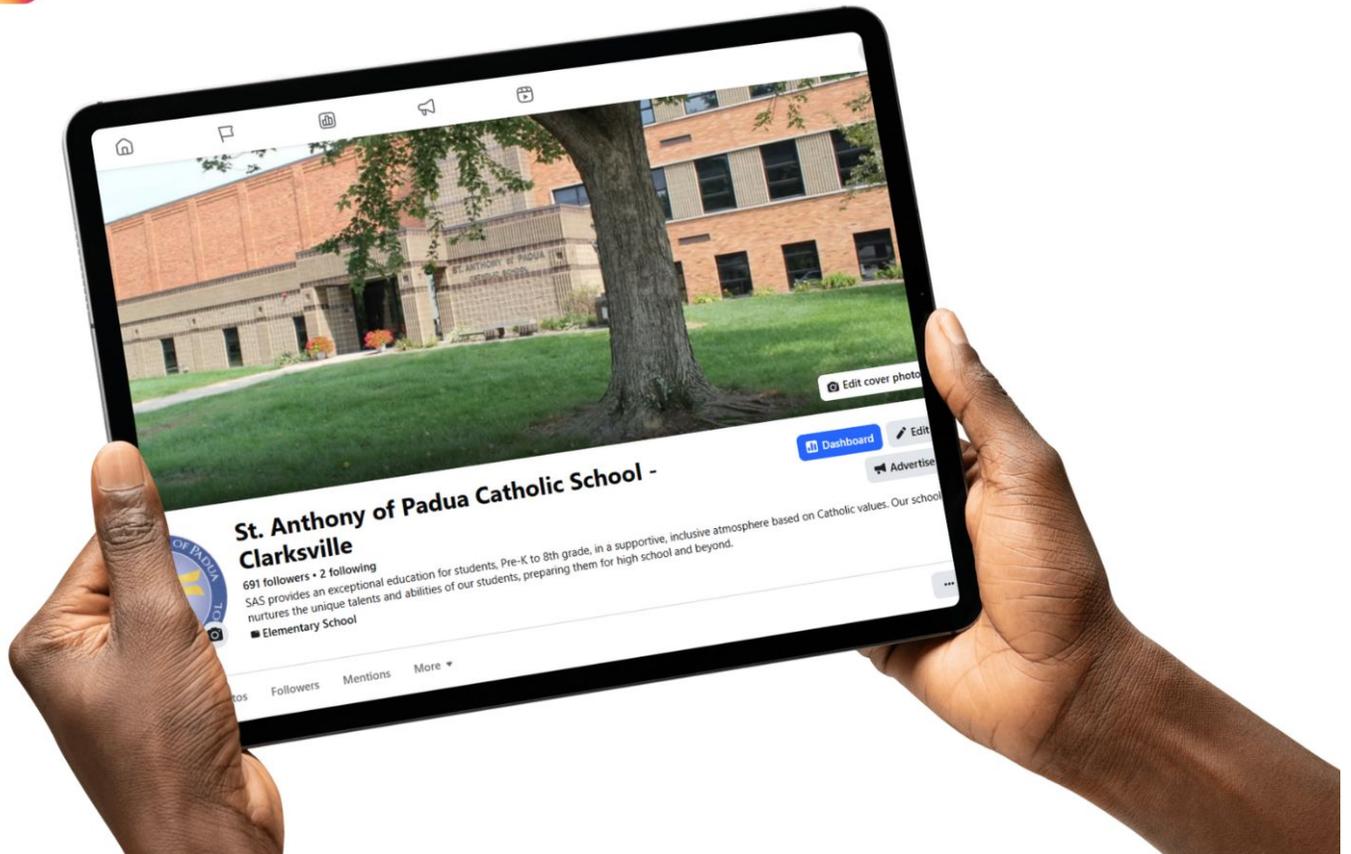
Your engagement helps us grow our community and spread positivity. Together, we can inspire others, share our mission, and create a welcoming environment for all.



[www.facebook.com/sasbears](http://www.facebook.com/sasbears)

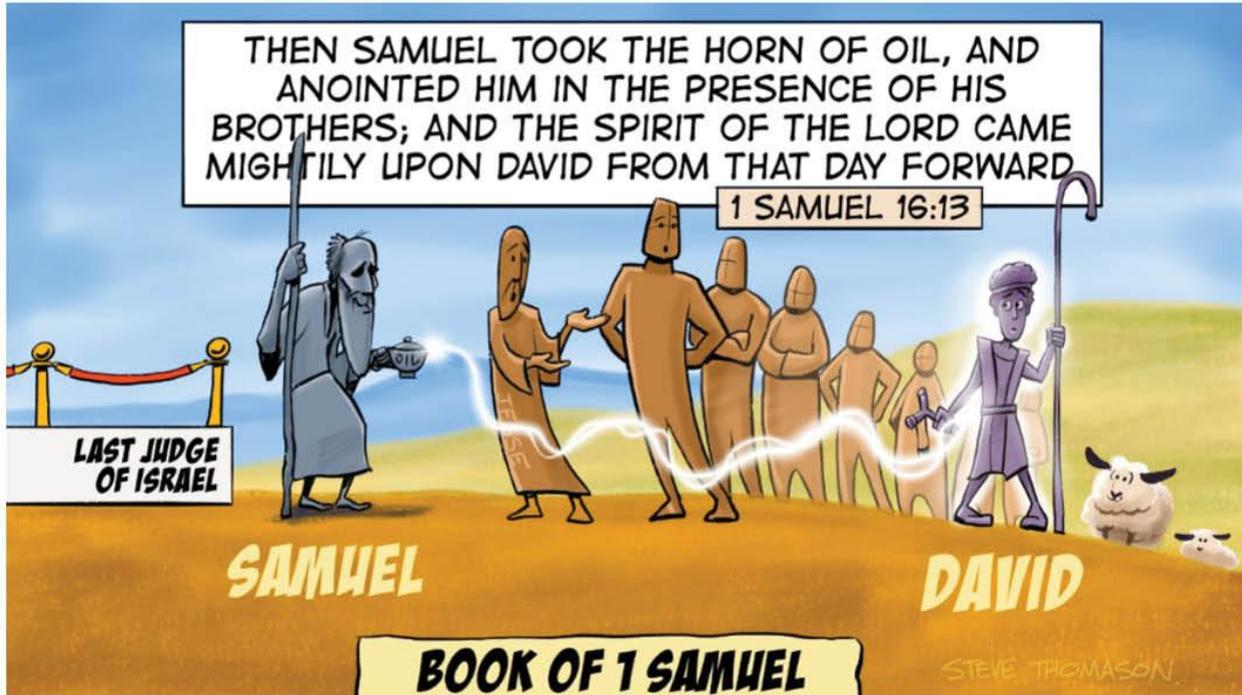


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# Family Corner



## 4th Sunday of Lent

- 1) When kids picked teams on the playground, how long did it take for you to get chosen?
- 2) As one of David's brothers, how would you feel to be passed over in favor of David?
- 3) When have you been ashamed to be seen with someone else because of their appearance?
- 4) What difference would it make if you saw the person as God sees the person?
- 5) Knowing that the Lord looks at the heart (verse 7) rather than outward appearances, what can you do to make your heart more attractive to God?



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

#### 4th Sunday of Lent

## Why is Friar John always traveling on the road?

A common question I hear is "where is Friar off to now?" A good measure of my traveling concerns my election to serve on the Definitory leadership council. I just returned from a trip to San Antonio, TX where we prepared for our Provincial Chapter coming this summer. There will be 2 phases of Provincial Chapter, one in Mesilla Park, NM (May) and the 2nd phase at Mount St Francis, IN (July). Our region is vast and covers a great span of parishes, retreat centers, and Franciscan ministries from Minnesota in the north to Texas in the South, and everywhere in between. We also meet internationally twice a year to gather with friars in Mexico and Central American. It is a privilege to serve with the provincial (like the president) and his Definitory (like the president's cabinet) and be of service to serve the needs of the friars. I know this puts a strain on my availability here at St Anthony, and at times is a heavy burden of leadership to carry. However, the needs are great for the many friars who serve in the jurisdiction of Our Lady of Consolation. Gratefully we have two resident friars, Fr. Christian and Fr. Florian who serve sacramental needs both near and far. Part of their Franciscan presence and essential ministry is making appointments for confession which some take advantage of through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you are in need of confession, and are not available on Saturday at our normal time of 4:00pm, you can always call the office to make an appointment with your favorite friar. How often must a person go to confession?

Firstly, if your conscience bothers you, then NOW is your time.

Secondly, attend confession with the rhythm of the church at Advent and Lent and go whenever the liturgical year changes. Thirdly, if you were to die in the next moment, would you regret not disclosing a sin in confession? Then go today and set your appointment. Pope Leo XIV has been known to attend confession bi-weekly, quite possibly he is setting a good example for us. Our Parish Lenten Reconciliation evening, when we have scheduled 6 priests to help us, will be on Thursday, March 26th at 7:00pm. I hope to see you there to complete your Easter duty and go to confession.

**Trivia:** What does the Franciscan knotted cord signify, wrapped around the waist, of every friar?

- The Trinity
- Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience
- The 3 theological virtues: faith, hope, & love
- Marriage vows
- None of the above

*Keep scrolling to find the answer!*



# St. Anthony Mens Club **FISH FRY**

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:  
MARCH 13, 20**

**HOURS:  
5:00 TO 7:00 PM**

Featuring Baked Fish, Fried Fish, Oysters and Shrimp

Carry-Out please enter through set of gym doors on left.  
Dine in orders enter into Social Hall from Church Hallway.

Adult Baked/Fried Fish Dinner .....	\$14.00 (includes 2 sides)
Shrimp (Fried) Dinner .....	\$14.00 (includes 2 sides)
Oyster Dinner .....	\$15.00 (includes 2 sides)
Small Fish Dinner (8 oz. filet) .....	\$11.00 (includes 1 side)
Fish Sandwich .....	\$8.00
Cheese Pizza .....	\$4.00
Drinks & Desserts .....	\$1.00

**\$4 Sides: French Fries, Hush Puppies, Lowell's "Famous" Slaw, Green Beans, Onion Strings, Mac & Cheese**

Pay with CASH or CREDIT CARD ~ Visa, Mastercard, Amex & Discover  
for Dinner payment



## Calling All Bakers! We need your desserts for our Fish Frys!

Please drop off your delicious creations each Friday by 9:00 am to the Gym or Parish Office before each Fish Fry.

Fish Fry dates:  
March 13 & 20.



Stop by the Women on a Mission table at the March 13 Fish Fry and take a \$2 chance on our "Baking Basket." In it is everything baking! YUM.



# SUMMER CAMP

**FOR KIDS**  
**3.5- 6;**  
**7-14**

- **Montessori Atrium**
- **Practical Life Skills**
- **Arts and Crafts**
- **STEM**
- **Free Play**
- **Nature & Horticulture**
- **Spiritual Enrichment**

**\$150 per week**  
**full day**  
**\$95 per week**  
**1/2 Day**



**MON-FRI**  
**MAY 26- JUL 31**  
**CHILDCARE 7:30A-6:00P**  
**PROGRAMING 8:45A - 3:45P**



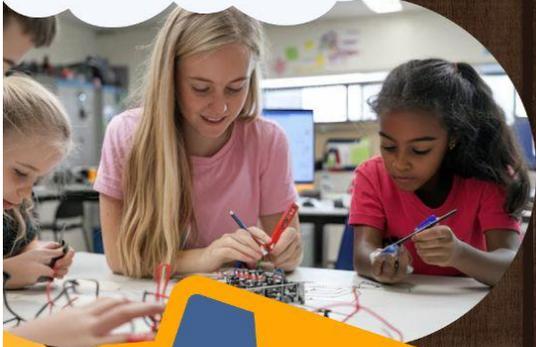
**320 Sherwood Ave,**  
**Clarksville**

**Pre-Register Now!!**

**Registration deadline 12 March**



**FEATURING**  
**CATECHESIS**  
**OF THE GOOD**  
**SHEPHERD**





# CAMPAMENTO DE VERANO

**Edades  
3.5- 6;  
7-14**

- El Atrium
- Practica de Habilidades para la Vida
- Arte y Manualidades
- STEM
- Juegos
- Naturaleza & Jardinería
- Enriquecimiento Espiritual

**\$150 a la semana  
todo el dia  
\$95 a la semana  
1/2 dia**



**LUNES A VIERNES  
26 DE MAYO - 31 DE JULIO  
GUARDERIA 7:30A-6:00P  
PROGRAMA 8:45A - 3:45P**



**320 Sherwood Ave,  
Clarksville**

**Inscribase Ya**

**Ultimo dia para Inscribirse 12 de Marzo**



**PRESENTANDO  
CATEQUESIS  
DEL BUEN  
PASTOR**





# EASTER

# EGG HUNT

## FREE EVENT

EGG HUNT | EASTER BUNNY | FUN CRAFTS

## SATURDAY, MAR. 28

DOORS OPEN AT 10 AM  
OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL  
CAFETERIA ENTRANCE

The annual Easter Egg Hunt returns to Our Lady of Providence High School on Saturday, March 28! We are thrilled to welcome all future Pioneers to campus for a fun-filled morning of crafts, a special meet-and-greet with the Easter Bunny, and an exciting egg hunt. Attendees are to meet in the school's cafeteria, where the activities will start. This event is weather permitting, so please check with the school's social media channels to see if it has been canceled due to inclement weather. This event is free and open to the public.



# BUSQUEDA DE HUEVOS DE PASCUA

**VENGA A VER AL CONEJO DE PASCUA,  
HABRA ACTIVIDADES Y UNA BUSQUEDA HUEVITOS DE  
PASCUA**

**SABADO, 28 DE MARZO | 10:00AM**

**EN LA CAFETERIA DE  
PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL**



La búsqueda de huevitos de Pascua regresa a Providence el sábado, 28 de marzo. Nos emociona mucho darle la bienvenida a nuestros futuros alumnos. Tendremos manualidades, al conejito de Pascua para que los niños lo conozcan y la búsqueda de huevitos de Pascua. Este evento empezará en la cafetería. Este evento se llevará a cabo si el clima lo permite por lo tanto esté atento a la página de Providence para más información. Este es un evento gratuito para el público.



## Sponsors Sought for Golf Scramble

*Annual event to raise funds for PHS scholarships*

CLARKSVILLE— Our Lady of Providence High School will host its annual Pioneer Golf Scramble on Friday, May 8, at Elk Run Golf Club, in Jeffersonville, Indiana. This annual event serves as a key fundraiser to support student scholarships, helping make a Providence education accessible to families who need additional financial assistance.

Providence is currently seeking community and corporate sponsors to support the event. Sponsorship opportunities offer meaningful visibility while investing in the future of local students.

Details about sponsorship levels and event information can be found at:

<https://pioneer-golf-scramble.perfectgolfevent.com/>

For more information, please contact Patty Belden, alumni and event coordinator, at [pbelden@providencehigh.net](mailto:pbelden@providencehigh.net).

**PROVIDENCE**

27TH ANNUAL

**GOLF  
SCRAMBLE**

**FRIDAY, MAY 8**

ELK RUN GOLF CLUB

**BECOME A SPONSOR**



# GONE fishing

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



Trivia Answer: B. The three knots in every friars chord represent the three vows taken at Solemn Profession. The Three Vows Defined:

- Poverty: This vow involves renouncing personal ownership of material goods, choosing to live in solidarity with the poor and the Crucified Christ. It is a radical dependence on God rather than possessions.
- Chastity: This vow is a commitment to a celibate life, focusing on loving God and neighbor directly, rather than through an exclusive romantic relationship.
- Obedience: This vow is the surrender of personal will and, in a spirit of love, to the will of God as expressed through superiors and the community. It is a submission to the common good.

A question you can ask any friar is, "when and where did you make your vows?"