



Bear Facts



April 1, 2026



Prayer



Loving God,

As we enter Holy Week, help our families walk closely with Jesus on His journey of love and sacrifice.

May our homes be filled with prayer, kindness, and gratitude as we remember the gift of the Last Supper, reflect on the sacrifice of the Cross, and rejoice in the promise of the Resurrection.

Teach us to serve one another with patience, forgive as You forgive us, and place our trust in Your mercy and love.

Bless our families with peace during this sacred week, and prepare our hearts to celebrate the joy and hope of Easter morning.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Mark Your Calendars

Good Friday

April 3, Early Dismissal 1:45
NO After School Care

Easter Monday - No School

April 6

**Classroom Birthday Parties
(Feb, March, April, May)**

April 10

1st Communion

April 11, 11:00 AM

ILEARN Testing

April 13-May 8

Zesto Spirit Night

April 15

Stewardship Friday

April 17

PTO Meeting

April 21

Kinderderby

April 30



Important Information



As we enter Holy Week, the most sacred time in our Church year, we are invited to slow down, reflect, and walk with Jesus through His journey of love, sacrifice, and ultimate victory over death.

Holy Week began this past weekend with Palm Sunday, when we remember Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Throughout the week, we journey from the celebration of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, to the sorrow and reverence of Good Friday, and finally to the joy and hope of Easter Sunday — the Resurrection of Christ.

At school, our students will participate in prayer, reflection, and activities that help them understand the meaning of these holy days. We encourage families to continue these traditions at home by making time for prayer, attending liturgies together, and discussing the significance of Holy Week as a family.

Holy Week reminds us that love is stronger than suffering, hope rises from sacrifice, and new life is always possible through Christ.

As a Catholic school community, we thank you for your partnership in nurturing faith within your children. May this Holy Week be a time of peace, reflection, and renewal for your family. May God bless you and your loved ones as we prepare to celebrate the joy of Easter.



CRS Rice Bowls

As we near the end of the Lenten season, we would like to thank our families for participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl program. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, our students have helped support families in need around the world.

Please remember to return your CRS Rice Bowls to school after the Lenten season. Thank you for your generosity and for helping our students live out the true spirit of Lent through service and compassion for others.



Universal Choice 2026-2027

Families across Indiana now have more freedom and more financial support to choose the school that best fits their child. Because of the expanded Universal Indiana Choice Scholarship Program, ALL families now qualify for the Choice Scholarship to attend a participating private or Catholic school. Please help us spread the word about Universal Choice, a flyer is included in the Bear Facts!

Good Friday - Early Dismissal

On Good Friday, April 3, school will dismiss early to give families the opportunity to attend Good Friday services. **Our dismissal time will be 1:45 and there will be NO after school care.** Please plan accordingly for your child's pick-up. It is crucial that you pick up your child on time, as our faculty and staff plan to attend the Good Friday services. The Good Friday Service at St. Anthony Parish begins at 3:00. Thank you for supporting this important day in our Lenten journey.

Easter Monday

Please note that school will be closed on Monday, April 6, in observance of Easter Monday. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 7. We wish all our families a joyful and blessed Easter!

Right to Life Essay Contest

The Right to Life of Southern Indiana Essay Contest strives to foster an appreciation for and encourage the study of the pro-life philosophy among Southern Indiana's 5th through 12th grade students. By participating in the contest, young people grow in their understanding that all human life is precious and deserving of protection.

We would like to congratulate our 7th and 8th grade Right to Life Essay winners! We are incredibly proud of these students for their hard work, thoughtful reflections, and dedication in sharing messages that uphold the dignity and value of all human life. These students were presented with awards at the Right to Life Ceremony at OLPH.

Oratory Contest

Airam Mendez - \$15

Level I Essays

1st: Genevieve Thomas - \$50

2nd: Avery Sweet - \$25

3rd: Grady Poplewell - \$10

Level II Essays

1st: Flannery Byrne - \$60

2nd: Cora Lenfert - \$30

3rd: Ruby Goodman - \$20



School Store

Our School Store Program is a year-long fundraising opportunity that allows families to support our classrooms in a simple and convenient way. Thanks to your participation, we have already raised \$900 for our classrooms!

The School Store Program is 100% online, which means there is no face-to-face selling, handling money, or delivering products. Participation takes less than 12 minutes, and students have the opportunity to earn exciting prizes along the way.

This program is a wonderful way to directly support our teachers and students. Families can purchase gift cards through the program, and teachers are then able to use those gift cards to purchase needed items for their classrooms. Thank you for your continued support of our school and for helping provide valuable resources for our classrooms!

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.



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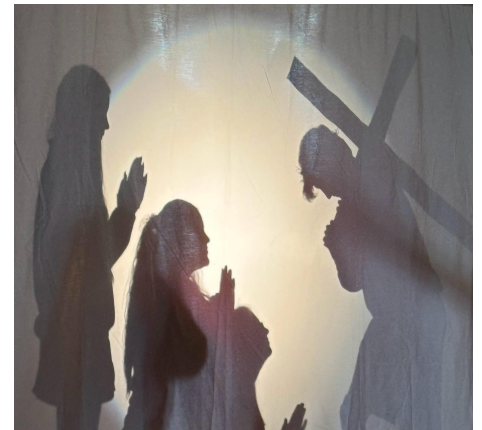
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Shout Out - NJHS Members

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our 7th and 8th grade National Junior Honor Society members for leading our Silhouette Stations of the Cross. Their reverence, dedication, and thoughtful presentation created a truly unique and humbling experience for our school community. Through their efforts, we were able to prayerfully walk with Jesus on His journey to the Cross and reflect more deeply on the meaning of this sacred season. We would also like to thank Mr. Patrick Holifield for preparing our NJHS members for this experience.





SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

🎓 OPPORTUNITY FOR FAMILIES: UNIVERSAL SCHOOL CHOICE IN INDIANA 🎓

A GREAT EDUCATION MAY BE MORE AFFORDABLE THAN YOU THINK!

Families across Indiana now have **more freedom and more financial support** to choose the school that best fits their child. Because of the **expanded Universal Indiana Choice Scholarship Program**, **ALL families now qualify for the Choice Scholarship** to attend a participating private or Catholic school.

✨ WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOUR FAMILY

- ✓ **Expanded eligibility** – ALL Indiana families now qualify
- ✓ **Choice Scholarship awards averaging \$6,700 towards your child's tuition**
- ✓ **Faith-based education opportunities**
- ✓ **Smaller class sizes and personal attention**
- ✓ **A safe, supportive school community**

Even if you **did not qualify before, you will qualify now!**

📖 WHY FAMILIES ARE CHOOSING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

- Strong academic programs
- Values-based education
- Safe and nurturing environment
- Focus on the whole child — mind, body, and spirit

Your child deserves a school where they can **Smile, Achieve, and Succeed.**

🔊 INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?

We would love to help you explore this opportunity! Please contact our School Principal, Mrs. Stephany Tucker.

📞 **Call:** 812-282-2144

✉️ **Email:** s.tucker@stanthonyschool.us

📍 **Visit:** St. Anthony School, Clarksville, IN

Ask about:

- **Choice Scholarship eligibility**
- **Enrollment for next school year**
- **Scheduling a school tour**

★ **A high-quality education may be closer—and more affordable—than you think!**

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

🎓 UNA OPORTUNIDAD PARA LAS FAMILIAS: AYUDA UNIVERSAL PARA LAS FAMILIAS DE INDIANA 🎓

¡UNA EXCELENTE EDUCACIÓN PUEDE SER MÁS ACCESIBLE DE LO QUE PIENSA!

Todas las familias de Indiana ahora tienen **más libertad y más apoyo financiero** para escoger la mejor escuela para sus hijos. Ya que se **expandió la Ayuda Universal de la Colegiatura TODAS las familias aplican para recibir la ayuda de la colegiatura** para asistir a una escuela privada o Católica. Ayúdenos a compartir la información sobre la Ayuda Universal de la Colegiatura.

🌟 QUE QUIERE DECIR ESTO PARA SU FAMILIA

- ✓ Se expande la elegibilidad – TODAS las familias de Indiana pueden aplicar ahora.
- ✓ La ayuda de la colegiatura le puede ayudar con hasta \$6,700 de la colegiatura de su hijo
- ✓ Educación basada en fe
- ✓ Clases más pequeñas y atención personalizada
- ✓ Una comunidad escolar segura que lo apoya

Si, no califico antes, **ahora si puede calificar!**

📖 POR QUE LAS FAMILIAS ESTÁN ESCOGIENDO ESCUELAS CATÓLICAS

- Por su programa académico
- Educación basada en valores
- Un ambiente seguro y enriquecedor
- Se enfoca en todo el alumno- su mente, su cuerpo y espíritu

Su hijo merece una escuela donde pueda **Sonreír, Lograr sus Metas y ser Exitoso**

🗣️ LE INTERESA SABER MÁS?

¡Nos encantaría ayudarle a explorar esta nueva oportunidad! Por favor comuníquese con Mrs. Stephany Tucker.

📞 **Telefono:** 812-282-2144

✉️ **Correo Electrónico:** s.tucker@stanthony.school.us

📍 **Página:** St. Anthony School, Clarksville, IN

Pregunte sobre:

- Elegibilidad de Ayuda de Choice
- Inscripciones para el siguiente ciclo escolar
- Agende un recorrido

★ Una educación de alta calidad puede estar más cerca de lo que piensa- y más accesible de lo que piensa!

Happy Retirement



MR. DINO

After 21 incredible years of filling both plates and hearts at SAS, Mr. Dino is officially hanging up his apron!

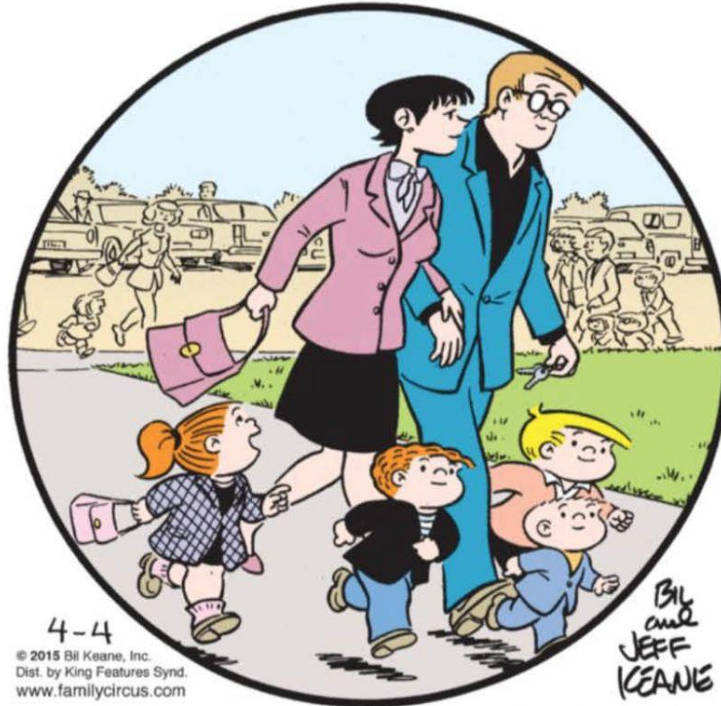
Mr. Dino deserves a send-off as amazing as he is. Help us thank him for his dedication, hard work, and countless delicious meals by contributing to a retirement gift worthy of a true kitchen legend.

If you'd like to contribute, please send money in an envelope clearly marked

"Mr. Dino's Retirement Gift" or
Venmo @Jennifer-Harrington-126
before April 3rd.



Family Corner

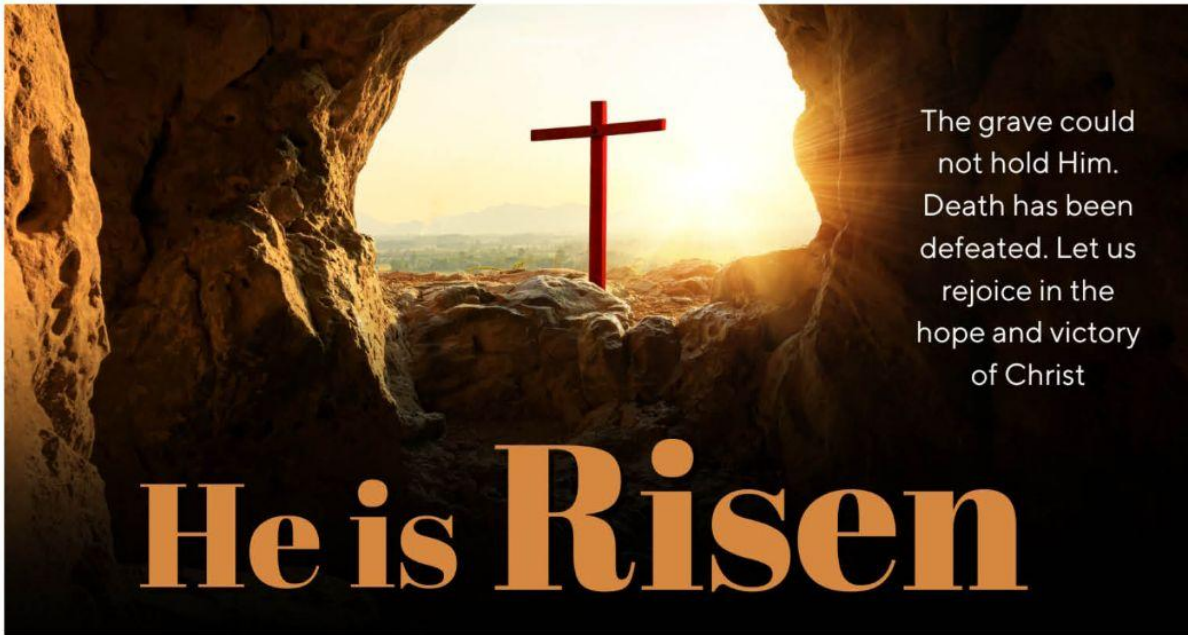


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“I like it when everyone in church sings about that Ollie Louya guy.”

Easter Sunday

1. Do you ever have a hard time going to sleep? What keeps you awake?
2. Mary Magdalen was awake before the sun came up and first discovered the open tomb of Jesus. Why was Mary Magdalen up so early, and what do you think she was doing at that hour?
3. If you were the first one to arrive at the empty tomb, it was dark, and the stone in front of the entrance was rolled away, what would your first reaction be? How did Mary Magdalen react? (John 20:2)
4. If your mom comes to wake you up in the morning, and finds only your folded-up PJ's on your bed, where would mom have to look to find you?
5. Peter and the beloved disciple arrive at the empty tomb. Why is so much detail given to the burial clothes being folded up and Jesus' linen placed to the side? Where would we have to look to find Jesus?



Easter Sunday

One day at adoration of the Blessed Sacrament one of the school kids asked me, hey friar what is all that smelly stuff and smoke? Good Question! This is incense that is symbolic of our prayers rising toward heaven, it creates the vibe of being in heaven. We read in the book of Revelation that the incense which the angels offer before the throne of God are the prayers of the faithful. May our prayers rise before God's throne and be heard by the heavenly Father. (Rev. 5:8). The purpose of incensing and the symbolic value of the smoke is that of purification and sanctification. For example, in the Eastern Rites at the beginning of Mass, the altar and sanctuary area were incensed while Psalm 50 was chanted invoking the mercy of God. The smoke symbolizes the prayers of the faithful drifting up to heaven: the Psalmist prays, "Let my prayer come like incense before you; the lifting up of my hands, like the evening sacrifice" (Psalm 141). The usage of incense adds a sense of solemnity and mystery to the Mass. We use incense during high holy days like Easter and Christmas, also on Solemnities like St Joseph on March 19 and adoration/benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and for funerals. The visual imagery of the smoke and the smell remind us of the transcendence of the Mass which links heaven with earth and allows us to enter the atmosphere of God.

Trivia: When did the Catholic Church start using incense:

- A. The time of Jesus
- B. 1st Century
- C. 2nd Century
- D. 3rd Century
- E. We really don't know.

Keep scrolling to find the answer!



Holy Week Schedule



PALM SUNDAY

March 28 - 5:00 pm Mass

March 29 - 8:00 am & 11:00 am Mass



HOLY THURSDAY

April 2 - 7:00 pm Mass

No 8:00 am Mass



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

April 3 - 3:00 pm

No 8:00 am Mass

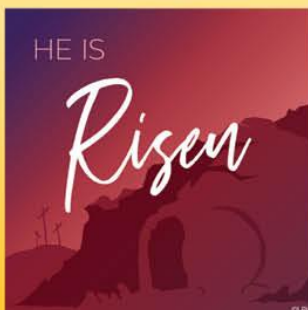


HOLY SATURDAY - VIGIL

April 4 - 8:30 pm Mass

No 8:00 am Mass

No 4:00 pm Confessions



EASTER SUNDAY

April 5 - 8:00 am & 11:00 am Mass



SUMMER CAMP



Ages 3- 6

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GONE fishing

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

Answer: E. We do not know exactly when the use of incense was introduced into our Mass or other liturgical rites. At the time of the early Church, the Jews continued to use incense in their own Temple rituals, so it would be safe to conclude that the Christians would have adapted its usage for their own rituals. In the liturgies of Ss. James and Mark, which in their present form originate in the fifth century, the use of incense is mentioned. A Roman Ritual of the seventh century marks its usage in the procession of a Bishop to the altar and on Good Friday. Moreover, in the Mass, an incensation at the Gospel appears very early; at the offertory, in the 11th century; and at the Introit, in the 12th century. Incense was also used at the Benedictus and Magnificat during Lauds and Vespers about the 13th century, and for the exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament about the 14th century. Gradually, its usage was extended to the incensing of the celebrant and assisting clergy.