



Bear Facts



April 15, 2026



Prayer



Heavenly Father,
 Spring is a season of new life and hope,
 we thank You for the gift of our Catholic school families.
 Bless our homes with peace, patience, and joy.
 Help parents to guide their children in faith, and help our students grow in
 kindness, wisdom, and love.
 As spring reminds us of renewal, draw our families closer to
 You and to one another.
 May we live the message of Easter each day with grateful hearts,
 serving others and sharing Your light.
 Watch over our school community, strengthen our faith,
 and fill our families with hope.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



Mark Your Calendars

ILEARN Testing

April 13-May 8

Zesto Spirit Night

April 15

Stewardship Friday/Spirit Wear

April 17

PTO Meeting

April 21 at 6:30

All School Rosary

April 23 at 1:45

Kinderderby

April 30

Oak's Day - No School

May 1

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4-8

Stewardship Friday/Spirit Wear

May 8

PHS Deanery Musical - Mary

Poppins

May 8 & 9



Important Information



CRS Rice Bowls

Please remember to return your CRS Rice Bowls to school after the Lenten season. We would like to have all Rice Bowls returned by Friday, April 17. Thank you for your generosity and for helping our students live out the true spirit of Lent through service and compassion for others.

4th Quarter Progress Reports

Fourth quarter progress reports are now available. Please log in to PowerSchool to review your child's grades and academic progress. This is a great opportunity to celebrate successes and address any concerns as we head toward the end of the school year.

Zesto Night

Tonight is Zesto Night. Make sure to visit the Clarksville Zesto's for some yummy ice cream. Don't forget to give them your coupon so we earn 10% from the purchase.

PTO Meeting

Our last PTO meeting for the year will be on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:30. This is your last chance to get in the drawing for a \$100 Amazon Gift Card and to get an out of uniform pass for your child(ren).

All School Rosary

The All School Rosary originally scheduled for April 9 has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 23 at 1:45 PM. Thank you for your flexibility, and we look forward to gathering together in prayer as a school community.



ILEARN Testing

ILEARN Testing will begin on Monday, April 13th and go through April 24th for 3rd - 8th Grade. It is imperative that students are present and on time on their testing dates. Please mark your calendars 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.**

Tips for a Successful ILEARN Test

The week before:

- Move any scheduled appointments to a date outside testing week or to the afternoons if possible.
- Celebrate your student. Let your child know you are proud of them and you believe in them. Positive reinforcement can help ease testing anxiety. A little encouragement can go a long way in lessening the stress that comes with testing.
- Discuss the upcoming test and what may be happening to help prepare them for it.



The night before:

- Ensure your student eats a healthy dinner.
- Plan on a normal night's sleep.
- Lay out uniform for the next day.
- If stress and anxiety are a problem play a game, go for a walk. Physical and mental activity will help relieve the stress.



The morning of:

- Have the student up early enough to enable them to prepare without rushing.
- Eat a healthy, but not heavy breakfast. Remember we are testing at 8:00 AM



During the test:

- Breathe. As simple as it may seem many of our students find themselves holding their breath creating unnecessary stress and anxiety.
- Help instill confidence. Remind them to think positive thoughts.
- Get them to "Self talk" (Tell themselves they will do his/her best and they are well prepared for the test). They can do this well!





Spirit Wear Day

Friday, April 17 will be a spirit wear day. Students may wear a St. Anthony or PHS shirt with jeans, sweats or shorts.



Outstanding Balances and Fees

As we prepare for our exciting end-of-year events, including upcoming field trips and Field Day, we kindly ask families to ensure that all outstanding fees and balances are remitted. This includes tuition, After School Care and Lunch fees.

Students must have accounts in good standing in order to participate in these special activities. 8th grade students must have accounts in good standing in order to participate in Graduation activities. Please take a moment to review your account and submit any remaining payments as soon as possible.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the school office.



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.



DON'T FORGET
THAT YOU CAN
HELP OUR SCHOOL
RAISE MONEY

YEAR-ROUND BY REMINDING
FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO SHOP
AND MAKE DONATIONS ONLINE THROUGH
SCHOOLSTORE. WHEN YOU BUY ONLINE
THROUGH PARTICIPATING MERCHANTS,
OUR SCHOOL EARNS MONEY!

GO TO SCHOOLSTORE.COM
TO PARTICIPATE.



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AYUDAR A NUESTRA
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FONDOS DURANTE
TODO EL AÑO RECORDANDO
A FAMILIARES Y AMIGOS QUE
COMPREN Y HAGAN DONACIONES
EN LÍNEA A TRAVÉS DE SCHOOLSTORE.
CUANDO COMPRAS EN LÍNEA A
TRAVÉS DE LOS COMERCIOS
PARTICIPANTES, NUESTRA
ESCUELA GANA DINERO!

IR A SCHOOLSTORE.COM PARA PARTICIPAR.



With the Clarksville Zesto Spirit Night Fundraiser, our school can earn 20% of sales from tickets turned in. All you need to do is invite as many friends, family, and supporters as possible to come out for a night of fun! For every ticket that SAS supporters turn in, Zesto's will donate 20% of the total purchased amount back to St. Anthony School

Our Zesto Spirit Night is

Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

TICKET MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF ORDER

SAINT
ANTHONY
OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Zesto Spirit Night
Fundraiser

Valid at Clarksville Zesto Location ONLY



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!



Family Corner



Love, ✓ Joy, ✓ Peace, ✓
Patience, ✓ Kindness, ✓ Goodness, ✓
Gentleness, ✓ and... Self Control??

SELF CONTROL?



3rd Sunday of Easter

1Peter 1:13-21

- 1) Who is your go-to life coach to help you excel?
- 2) Would St Peter agree that holiness is a dabbling affair or a lifetime affair?
- 3) How does St Peter's call to holiness challenge you at home? Work? School? Or Church?
- 4) What grade would you give yourself on loving others lately?
- 5) Under stress, what helps you to "set your hope fully on the grace of God," rather than relying on your own wits to solve the problem?



GONE fishing

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3rd Sunday of Easter

Mother Olga spoke on Divine Mercy Sunday on April 12 th at St John Paul II parish in Sellersburg. She spoke about infinity, a good word for Jesus' mercy. In the diary of St Faustina the mercy of Jesus is viewed as an ocean of mercy, that is a bottomless ocean, and our sins amount to mere drops. She reminded us sinners that "there is nothing a person can do to separate them from the mercy of Jesus." Jesus is pained not by our committed sins as much as a distrust in his mercy to forgive them. And like the variable finishing times of the Boston Marathon, God meets us at the finish line. The finish line of life, where an infinite ocean of mercy awaits Christian faith walker. Below is a recent Criterion article on Mother Olga's newly arrived religious community in 2026.



With Archbishop Charles C. Thompson looking on, Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart reads a pledge of fidelity to him and the Church during a Dec. 14 Mass at St. John Paul II Church in Sellersburg while seven members of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, which she founded in 2011 in Boston, kneel beside her. Two members of the religious community will begin ministry at the parish in early 2026. (Photo by Sean Gallagher)

How does a fledgling community of women religious, with less than 10 members and founded only 14 years ago in Boston, come to live and minister at St. John Paul II Parish, nestled in Sellersburg in the hills of southern Indiana?

For Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart, foundress of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, it all happened through the mysterious working of divine providence.

Even though Mother Olga's life has been touched by providence from the time she lived in her native war-torn Iraq to coming the U.S. and starting an order in Boston, seeing how God has led her and her community to Sellersburg has moved her soul. "It's definitely emotional to see God's hand at work," she said. "I came from my country only with a suitcase. I never imagined that I would be a foundress of an order in this country. Then to see God opening all of these doors for his people, I just sit in awe of the goodness of God."



GONE FISHING

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"and I will make you fishers of people!"

On Dec. 14, Mother Olga didn't sit in awe—she knelt. She and seven other members of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth knelt in prayer before the sanctuary of St. John Paul II Church during a Mass as Mother Olga prayerfully pledged fidelity to Archbishop Charles C. Thompson and the Church in anticipation of two members of the order beginning to live and serve at St. John Paul II in early 2026.

"As we prepare to begin our mission, we renew our consecration to God and to the one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church," Mother Olga said in the pledge she recited. "We promise to be in the Church, with the Church and for the Church. We pledge to uphold and teach in word and action the teachings of our Catholic Church.

" ... We trust that the hand of God and his divine providence, who has led us to this day, will grant us the grace to carry this mission faithfully, humbly and joyfully to fruition for his greater glory, the love of our Catholic Church and the service of all people that he will lead us to serve and care for." Moments before Mother Olga made the pledge of fidelity, Archbishop Thompson, the principal celebrant of the Dec. 14 Mass, described in his homily the religious community as "women of great faith" who "provide a living proclamation of the good news by their very presence among us."

Their presence at St. John Paul II Parish came about through God's providence working in several mysterious steps.

--Excerpts from Sean Gallagher's Criterion article



SUMMER CAMP



Ages 3- 6

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CHILDCARE 7:30A-6:00P
PROGRAMING 8:45A - 3:45P**



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Youth Summer Camps

Registration is open for K-8 sports camps and theatre camp

CLARKSVILLE – Young athletes across Southern Indiana can level up their game with elite coaching and nonstop fun at Our Lady of Providence High School’s K-8 Summer Sports Camps!

Led by some of the best coaches in the region—along with current Providence athletes—these camps will introduce future Pioneers to the fundamentals of their favorite sports in a high-energy, engaging environment. Sports include volleyball, basketball, football, wrestling, golf, and more!

Spots are limited, so families are encouraged to register soon.

“Providence has a long-standing tradition of athletic excellence, from our 2024 state champion football team to our multiple-time state champion volleyball program,” said Ted Leasor, PHS Athletic Director. “These summer camps allow young athletes to develop their skills, build confidence, and experience Pioneer athletic excellence firsthand.”

Providence High School’s athletic programs are known for their competitive success, with state and semi-state championships across multiple sports, including football, basketball, baseball, volleyball, girls’ soccer and more.

Don’t miss this opportunity to train like a Pioneer!

THEATRE CAMP

If your student is ready to take the center stage, sign up for our musical theatre camp! Our younger thespians will focus on *The Jungle Book*, and the older thespians will focus on *Tarzan*.

For more information and to register for any of our camps, go to: <https://www.providencehighschoolsummercamps.com/>.

Providence High School is located at 707 Providence Way, in Clarksville, IN.

For more information, please contact Tara Schmelz at tschmelz@providencehigh.net.

REGISTER NOW FOR YOUTH

SUMMER CAMP

LEARN FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS FROM
THE **BEST COACHES** IN SOUTHERN
INDIANA!

DATES AND TIMES VARY PER CAMP.

***OPEN TO GRADES K-8.
SPOTS ARE LIMITED.***



- ▶ FOOTBALL
- ▶ VOLLEYBALL
- ▶ SOCCER
- ▶ BASKETBALL
- ▶ WRESTLING
- ▶ TENNIS
- ▶ GOLF
- ▶ THEATRE



Going Far for Providence

Annual Golf Scramble to raise funds for scholarships

CLARKSVILLE, IN– Register now for Our Lady of Providence High School’s 27th annual Pioneer Golf Scramble!

WHEN: Friday, May 8

WHERE: Elk Run Golf Club, Jeffersonville, IN

Participants will enjoy a full day of golf, highlighted by several on-course contests, including:

Four Hole-in-One Opportunities:

1. \$10,000 Hole-in-One Contest
2. Year Supply of Golf Balls Hole-in-One: Prize = a year supply of Titleist Pro V1 Golf Balls
3. Yeti Adventure Hole-in-One Contest: Prize = Yeti Tundra 75 Hard Cooler, Rambler 64 oz Tumbler, Camino 35 Tote Bag
4. TaylorMade Driver Hole-in-One Contest: Prize = TaylorMade Qi4D Driver

Longest Drive Contest

Prize: Pioneer Golf Pack including golf towel, ball marker, hat, and tumbler; one complimentary round of golf (and cart) at Elk Run for TWO players

Closest to the Pin Contest

Prize: Pioneer Golf Pack including golf towel, ball marker, hat, and tumbler; one complimentary round of golf (and cart) at Elk Run for TWO players

Player Gift

A dozen custom Titleist Pro V1 golf balls with the PHS logo for all registered players

Registration starts at noon, followed by a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The day will conclude with dinner and awards at 6 p.m.

Proceeds from the event directly support Providence’s mission to provide a high-quality Catholic education to all students, regardless of financial circumstances.

“We are proud to continue this tradition for the 27th year,” said Patty Belden ‘99, Alumni Relations, Outreach and Events Coordinator. “Every swing taken that day helps open doors for students who otherwise may not have the opportunity to attend Providence. It’s a powerful way for our Providence community to come together to make a lasting impact on the lives of our students.”

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

For more information or to register, please contact Mrs. Belden at pbelden@providencehigh.net.

PROVIDENCE GOLF SCRAMBLE

FRIDAY, MAY 8 | ELK RUN GOLF CLUB

- \$10,000 HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST
- LONGEST DRIVE CONTEST
- CLOSEST TO THE PIN CONTEST
- GIFTS FOR ALL PLAYERS
- DINNER & AWARDS AFTER EVENT



REGISTER TODAY

Funds raised support student scholarships.

Now Hiring: Assistant Athletic Director

CLARKSVILLE– Our Lady of Providence High School is now hiring a full-time Assistant Athletic Director to join its thriving athletics program and help support the continued growth of student athletes.

The Assistant Athletic Director will work closely with the Athletic Director to oversee key aspects of the program, including managing concession operations, coordinating athletic events, and supporting the development of Providence Academy youth sports. The role also includes supervision of game-day operations, facility preparation, and collaboration with coaches, staff, and families to ensure excellence across all athletic offerings.

Ideal candidates will demonstrate strong leadership, communication, and organizational skills, along with the ability to manage multiple responsibilities in a fast-paced environment.

Interested candidates should be motivated team players who are eager to contribute to a collaborative and mission-driven school community.

To learn more or apply, please email phsathletics@providencehigh.net.



MASTER GARDENER

2026 Youth Master Gardener Program

Plant and harvest your own vegetables and flowers while learning about plant growth & development, soils & composting, vegetables, herbs, fruits, flowers, pest & beneficial insects, wildlife & ecology and much more . . .

Who: Children who have completed 2nd grade to age 12.

Where: Georgetown Optimist Club - 8260 State Road 64
Georgetown, IN

When: Classes meet **Mondays** from **9AM until 12PM (noon)**.
June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, and July 6th, 13th

Plus, an **Early Planting Day - Saturday May 9th**
from **10AM to 12PM (noon)** since the gardens need
to be planted before classes start.

Sunnyside Master Gardeners will be available to assist each child.

Cost: A participation fee of **\$35** is due with the application. Includes all supplies, plants, and materials for the program.

Application deadline is April 30th, 2026.

Class size is limited with applications accepted on a first-received, first-enrolled basis so.... **don't delay!**

For more information and application forms, visit our website:

www.sunnysidemg.org/_ymg