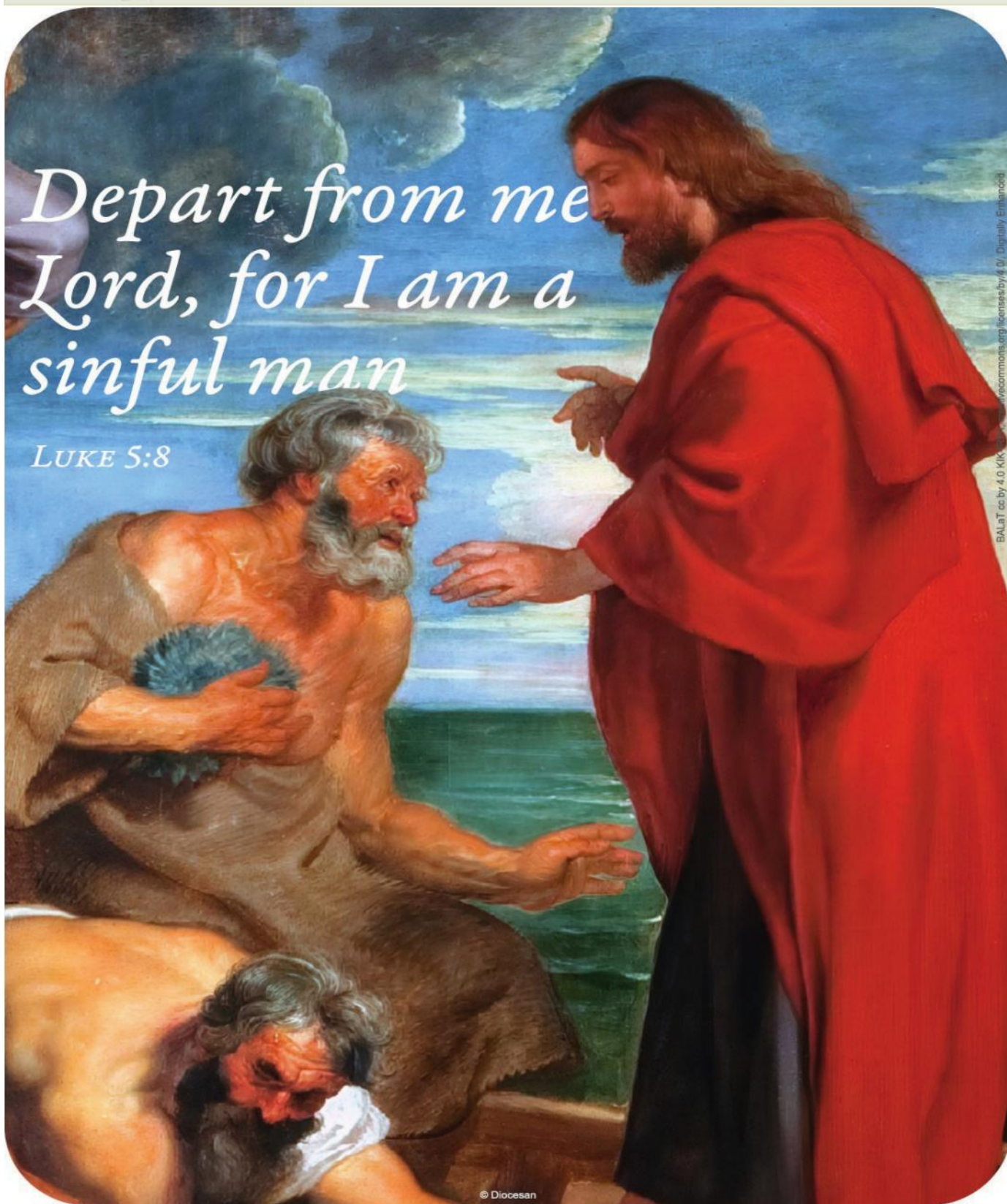




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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 9, 2025

From our Pastor



Dear Parishioners of St Anthony:

The gospel account of the miraculous catch of fish by Peter and his companions is a moving story. It shows the importance of obedience. When Jesus asked Peter to go out to the sea, Peter has a justifiable excuse, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." Peter was understandably tired and downcast about the lack of any fish after their long night of effort. But notice, he is willing to be obedient to Jesus. Maybe in the back of his mind is the thought, "this is pointless, but I'll do what you say." And lo and behold, they caught so many fish that their nets were at the breaking point! God can, and often does, reward our obedience to him. The size of the catch led to a conversion moment for Peter who says, "Leave me Lord, for I am a sinful man." From his obedience, Peter learns humility. This lesson of humility would be one Peter would need to learn a couple of times. But notice, he and James and John immediately left their nets and followed Jesus. Jesus showed them a deeper purpose and meaning to their lives. No longer would they be just simple fishermen. But now, they would be fishers of men. Gathering souls for Christ. Their lives would be irrevocably changed by this encounter with Jesus.

Sometimes, all the Lord asks of us is our trust and obedience. This obedience can be difficult when it seems to go against our experience. But through obedience, the Lord teaches us humility and can reveal the deeper purpose and meaning of our lives as well.

I will be taking some much-needed time off this week for a little rest and relaxation. I have priests schedule to take the morning masses on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Tuesday will be a communion service. Also, Fr Ternan and Fr Matt will be here next weekend to cover the Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning masses. (I will have the 7:30am mass on Sunday.) See you all when I get back.

The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is underway. Many of you have probably received a mailing from the diocese asking for your support for the CMAA that does so much good for so many people around the diocese. I will be writing more about the appeal in future letters, but I do ask you to prayerfully consider your gift to this year's appeal. It is a wonderful way to help support people and programs that go outside of our parish walls.

God bless,

Fr. Dennis



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 10

8:00am

Alma Lazzaroni
Stanker Family

Tuesday, February 11

8:00am

Valerie Doubrawa
Family
Int of Mary Griffin
Pam Kirk
Helen Mateja
Gene & Barbara
John Masloroff
Masloroff Family

Wednesday, February 12

8:00am

Stanislaw Kazmierczak
Krys

Thursday, February 13

8:00am

Int of Debby Zaremba
Zaremba Family

Friday, February 14

8:00am

Int of Ellie Depre
Mom & Dad

Saturday, February 15

4:00pm

Rich Schoenemann
Lori Prendergast
Tom & Mary Lerner
Family
Louise & Irvin Kowalski
Claudette Lesiak & Family
Int of Clarice Tobin
Dan Tobin

Sunday, February 16

7:30am

Ken Serauskis
Cindy & Family

9:00am

Parish Family of St. Anthony

10:30am

Herb Christeon
Christeon Family



Our Stewardship

Sunday Offering

February 2, 2025 \$14,702.18

Budget \$16,731.00

Thank you for your generosity

Reminder: If you are interested in signing up for e-giving, please visit our website, www.stanthonyfrankfort.com to download our form, or visit the Parish Office to fill out the authorization form.

This Week at St. Anthony



Monday, February 10

4:30pm Rosary for Life Prayer Group

Tuesday, February 11

9:15am Tuesday Morning Prayer Group
1:00pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group
1:00pm Mah Jongg
4:30pm REP Classes Week #17
6:30pm OCIA
7:30pm KOC Meeting

Wednesday, February 12

10:00am Sew & Sews
11:00am Mary Bible Study
12:00pm Senior Luncheon
4:30pm REP Classes Week #17
4:30pm Traditional Choir
5:45pm Children/Teen Choir
7:00pm Mary Bible Study

Thursday, February 13

6:30am CCW Meeting

Saturday, February 15

Hospitality & Ministry Fair after all Masses

Sunday, February 16—NO REP Classes

Hospitality & Ministry Fair after all Masses

Celebrant Schedule

Saturday, February 15

4:00pm Fr. Ternan / Dcn. Joe

Sunday, February 16

7:30am Fr. Dennis / Dcn. Paul
9:00am Fr. Matt / Dcn. Tony
10:30am Fr. Matt / Dcn. Tony

Subject to Change

Please Pray

For Those Who Have Passed

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let Your perpetual light shine
upon them.***

For the Sick

Dennis Ancell
Laney Jagmin
Kathy Molnov
Desmond O'Donohoe
Augie Zymantas
Regina Zymantas

*Names of the sick will remain on the Sick
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from the list.*

For Our Military Members

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PO Matt Campolattara US Navy
SSG Antonio Cap US Air Force
SGT Bruno Cap US Marine Corps
1LT Alexis Filippo Charvet US Army
SR Airman Lawrence Clark
SN Brienne Dillman US Coast Guard
CAPT Hilary Eichie US Army
CPL Ryan L. Gower
SGT Michael Grabarek Natl. Guard
SGT Zachary J. Haight US Army
ITSN Donald Hammond
PO William Hartley
CPL Michael Horbaczewski

CAPT Paul Huguelet, Jr. USMC
LCPL Kyle W. Krause
CAPT Phillip D. Lee US Army
LTC Alejandro Lopez
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February 2, 2025

Gianna Lindalee Polson
Daughter of Jefferey &
Carla (Malabanan) Polson



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THE WORD IN OUR LIVES

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fishers of Men

For a humble guy, St. Paul really tells it like it is. It seems some of the Corinthians did not believe that Christ rose from the dead, or that resurrection was a spiritual symbol of forgiveness of sins. So Paul lists those witnesses who actually saw the risen Jesus, last and least of these being Paul himself. Now we are used to thinking of Paul as one of the greatest apostles, even though we know he once persecuted Christians. So you might think he is being overly humble, like someone fishing for a compliment. No, Paul is only interested in making sure the Corinthians understand just how much God has done.

Besides being “born abnormally” (1 Corinthians 15:8), that is, coming to follow Christ in such an unusual way, he felt unworthy because of so many Christians he hurt before his conversion. Yet he turns that unworthiness into an example of how much God has done through him, so he can say that he worked harder than any other apostles because of God’s grace, not Paul’s strength. The same grace that turned a former enemy into a friend also gave him the strength to spread the gospel farther than anyone else at that time.

In today’s Gospel, Peter has a similar experience. He was a fisherman who knew his business and knew that some days, the fish just aren’t there. So when Jesus tells him to go out one more time, try one more cast of the nets, Peter probably thought he’d show Jesus that it was no use. Then when they caught enough fish to fill both boats, he realized that his pride was sinful. He was unworthy to receive such bounty from the Lord. And yet Jesus tells him that “you will be catching men” (Luke 5:10).

How many of us are like Peter and Paul, thinking we know just what our place in the world is, relying on our own strengths to do our jobs? Surely that’s all God expects of us, right? They found Jesus calling them to a much more challenging life. Do we have the courage to listen to God’s call to serve?

Tom Schmidt



Saturday, February 15th & Sunday, February 16th

MINISTRYFAIR

After all Masses in the Parish Hall during Hospitality!

**Come for a donut, stay to visit with your fellow parishioners,
and learn how YOU can use your talents at St. Anthony!!**

**YOU are being called to Serve.
Share your Time, Talent, and Treasure!**



Hi our names are Cyril and Methodius and we are brothers, born in Thessalonika, Greece. I'm Cyril, and I am a philosopher, I studied in Constantinople and was ordained a priest.

I'm Methodius and for five years I was governor of a Slavic region of the empire, I became a monk. In 861, we went as missionaries to Russia. We began translating the Gospels into the Slavic tongue. To do this, Cyril devised an alphabet that is still used in Russia and in some Slavic countries. We ministered to the people as one of them. We celebrated Mass in Slavic. But some German bishops accused us of many things, so in 869, We were called to Rome to defend their actions. So well did we do this that not only were we told to continue preaching and using Slavic in the liturgy, but we were also to made bishops. Our Feast day is February 14 we are the Patron Saints of Slavic Peoples and Ecumenism (promoting unity among the world's Christian Churches)

Important Dates

Feb. 9, 11 & 12

**Grades 1 through Confirmation I:
Saint Report & Service Hours Due**



Feb. 16, 18 & 19
No REP

February 20th

Confirmation Student/Sponsor Night

Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus call Simon Peter to be a leader among the disciples. He gives him a special job. Simon Peter was a leader, a person of influence among his friends. Jesus chose him to be a leader among the disciples. We know that he continued to be a leader in the early Christian community. His influence led many people to become followers of Jesus. Our job as disciples of Jesus is to influence others in positive ways and to lead them to Jesus.



Question for Children: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

Question for Adults: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

REP Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9AM-4PM

Whenever Classes are in Session

Paczki Time!

Order Form

Please mark the boxes below with the number of each flavor Paczki ordered. Print clearly

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Phone Number _____

Total Number of Paczki _____ x **\$3.25 EACH** = \$ _____



Proceeds go to REP VBS

It is time for St. Anthony's annual Paczki Sale. We order the Paczki's from Orland Park Bakery and they are legendary. On Fat Tuesday, which has also become known around Chicago as Paczki day, customers line up as early as 3:00 a.m. to get these delicious treats! We are offering 22 different flavors that will be available for pick-up on Sunday, March 2nd in the Church Hall after all Sunday Masses. Please fill out the order form at the top of this page. Mark the number of each flavor in the box under that flavor and the total number ordered at the top of this page. Place the form with payment in an envelope marked Paczki Sale and place it in the **PINK & PURPLE** box located in the Atrium of the Church or the Padua Center. **PRESALE ONLY—Please pay by check payable to St. Anthony Church orders are due no later than Sunday, February 23rd.**

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PACZKI



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Last Day to order is Sunday, February 23rd

St. Anthony CCW



Join the St. Anthony CCW for our upcoming meeting on Thursday, February 13 in Memenas Hall at 6:30 pm!

In continuing our theme of Discipleship, we will be discussing from the Final Document for a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission Part V - "So I Send You" - Forming a People for Missionary Discipleship (pages 49-52 in document). Deacon Paul will be our speaker and lead us in discussion for discerning our Discipleship Ministry. You do not need to read ahead of time, but if you would like to, the document can be found online:

www.synod.va/en/news/final-document-of-the-xvi-assembly

Council of Catholic Women (CCW) is a group of women (18 years old and older) from our parish who meet once a month for fellowship, service opportunities to live out the Gospel, and spiritual growth. We are associated with the National Council of Catholic Women (www.nccw.org). We welcome all ladies of the parish and hope you will join us for an upcoming meeting.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at stanthonycw@gmail.com.

Have you been wanting to get to know other moms in our parish? Do you want to share your Catholic faith and deepen your spiritual life? Maybe a playdate for your littles while you have some much deserved adult conversation?

MOMS could be just what you are looking for!

Please join us at our next playdate on Wednesday, February 19th at 9:30am in the playroom, upstairs in the Padua Center. Email jenrafacz@yahoo.com if you have any questions.



Ministry of Mothers Sharing





BAKE SALE



St. Anthony CCW will be hosting a **BAKE SALE** after ALL Masses the weekend of **February 22nd & 23rd**.

Free will offering with all proceeds helping fund the CCW Post High School Scholarship Program for High School Seniors in our parish. Donations of Baked Goods welcome.

Come support our CCW, our students, AND
get some *TASTY TREATS* before LENT!

Contact stanthonycw@gmail.com if you have any questions.

CCW of St. Anthony's Parish is offering a scholarship to applicants attending a post high school educational program beginning in the Fall of 2025.

Qualifications:

- High School graduate
- Plan to attend an accredited program
- Full-time student classification
- University, junior college, trade, & technical schools

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS! Be sure to pick up a copy of the Application Guidelines at the Parish Office.

Don't Delay—Apply Today!



ATTENTION ST ANTHONY SENIORS

SENIOR LUNCH AND BINGO!

Wednesday, February 12

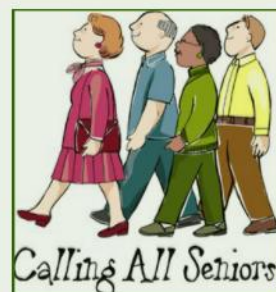
Lunch will be sandwiches Noon-1:00pm followed by **BINGO** from 1:00-3:00pm in the Parish Hall.
Bingo Cards cost \$2 for 3 cards, payable at the luncheon.

If you are planning to join us for lunch, **you must RSVP to Lyn by THURSDAY, February 6th**, as we must have a head count for the sandwich order. The cost of lunch will remain \$5, which you can pay at our luncheon this month. We will also collect \$5 for the March luncheon on 2/12.



Contact Lyn Gray at (708) 802-2468
or lyngray0612@gmail.com to RSVP!

*Come for Lunch, Bingo, or **BOTH!**
We hope you'll join us!*



The Bible study concludes Feb 12

MARY

A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother



Have you ever wondered why Mary is so important to our Faith as Catholics? We turn to her in prayer, in the Mass, in the Rosary, and in Marian devotions. We honor her with special feasts celebrating the significant events in her life. We place images of her in our churches and homes. Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother, an extraordinary study that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys ... and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. In Mary you will: • Visit the grotto of Mary's home, the cave where Christ was born, and other rarely seen places in the Holy Land. • See the significance of Mary as you explore the Biblical roots of our beliefs about her. • Deepen your devotion to Mary as you discover our Blessed Mother in a uniquely personal way.

Dates, Times, Location

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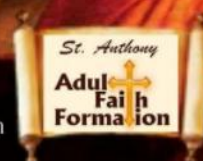
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Mass Schedule

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Monday - Friday 8:00am

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am,
..... & 10:30am

Confessions

Saturday 2:30pm

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Registration is not required.

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8:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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