# Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



1500 Linneman Road

Rev. Ronald Haft, Pastor, 922-5400 x1 Deacon Robert Schroeder, Pastoral Associate, 922-2500 x2031 Mrs. Shannon F. Benvenuti, Business Manager, 922-5400 x3 Mrs. Becky Hileman, Bookkeeper, 922-5400 x4 Mrs. Beth Bollin, Administrative Assistant, 922-5400 x2 Mrs. Shelly Kahny, School Principal, 922-2500 x2030 Mrs. Erica Steinbeck, School Office Manager, 922-2500 x2000 Ms. Peg Delaney, Music Director, 922-5400 x5 After School Child Care Program, 922-2500 x2031

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Thursday: 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Anytime upon request.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursday: 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday after Mass to 10:00 p.m.

#### NEW PARISHIONERS:

Please register as soon as possible. Please register by calling 922-5400 x 2

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND CONTACTS

Rectory 922-5400 • Fax 451-5871 • School 922-2500 • www.saintantoninus.org Parish Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or by appointment.

The poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham, The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld

Luke 16:22-23



Adult Social Group:	
Edwin Brady	
Advancement Committee:	
Chairperson: Todd Beekley	
Athletic Club:	
President: Brian Downey	
Vice-President: Jim Doogan	
Gym Coord.: Steve Goetz	
Schott Field: Mitch Faeth	
Bereavement Ministry:	-5400 ext. 1 or ext. 2
Boy Scouts: Bonnie Hueneman	
Building & Grounds Commission:	
Chairman: Jim Landers	
Secretary: Vince Olding	
Cub Scouts: Tom Mingus	
Finance Commission: Norb Guetle	
Girl Scouts: Melissa Tepe	
Greeters: Marianne Roedersheimer	
Holy Spirit Prayer Group: Carol Jacob	451-1344
Knights of Columbus: Bill Wergowske	
Any man at least 18 years of age and a practicing	Catholic.
St Antoninus Moms Group:	
Heather Flick	
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# History of the set of FAITH ST. ANTONINUS PARISH

The Meaning of the 75th Jubilee Logo The Stain-glass window in the church sanctuary, that is above the altar is in the shape of a Host. It is resting inside of a Chalice. This symbolizes Christ Body and His Blood. The chards of stain glass embody "Us the People and The Parish Congregation". The many exquisite colorful pieces celebrate the diversity of a great multi-faceted ethnic group of parishioners. The square panes of glass inside the window represent the many groups and organizations that create The Saint Antoninus Parish Family. The Logo in its entirety signifies an on-going development of the past into the future beside a spirited vital family.

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening Mass: 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. All Holy Days, Christmas and New Year: Special Schedule. Daily Mass: Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. Mass

#### BAPTISMS:

The first & third Sundays of the month. Call the Rectory for an appointment. MARRIAGES: The bride or groom must contact the pastor before a wedding date is set SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the rectory at 922-5400. **To Plan a Funeral Mass** please call Deacon Bob Schroeder 922-2500 x 2031 or the rectory office at 922-5400 x2 , M-F, 8AM-3PM.

#### St. Antoninus Church 1500 Linneman Rd Cincinnati OH 45238

# MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 St. Jerome

8:00AM MASS For the Endowment Fund Honorees-both Living and Deceased

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 St. Therese of the Child Jesus 8:00AM MASS Bonnie Horn—Anniv. Rem.– Family



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 The Holy Guardian Angels 8:00AM MASS Fr. Gary Witsken—Mike Rolfes Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 8:00AM MASS Pat Gerdes—Bd. Rem.—Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 GRANDPARENTS DAY 9:00AM MASS Intentions of the Celebrant

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 Bl. Virgin Mary
8:00AM MASS Intentions of the Celebrant
4:00PM Rosary
4:30PM MASS Jim Griffiths- Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30AM Rosary
8:00AM MASS Jo Anne Wessendorf—Bd. Rem.- Steve & Laura
9:30AM MASS For the People of the Parish
11:30AM MASS Ken Boehme—Wedd. Anniv. Rem.Family



CONFESSIONS Thursday, October 3, 6:30-8PM Saturday, October 5, 3:00PM - 4:00PM Or upon request



*Use this cube* to get to the parish website at www.saintantoninus.org to make online donations to the parish and to see other information.

**THANK YOU** to Colleen Tepe Hofstetter, D.D.S. & Rachel Tepe, D.D.S. at Tepe Family Dentistry for advertising in our bulletin.



SERVERS Sept. 30—Oct. 4, 2019 8:00AM Mon.— Hannah RobbeAnne Beekley 9:00AM Fri. — Hannah Robbe, Anne Beekely, Bella Roeder

8:00AM Tues., Wed., Thurs. - Adult Server

SERVERS October 5 & 6, 2019
4:30PM Anne Beekely, Laney Carroll, Ellie Frank
8:00AM Adult Server
9:30AM Josie Hawk, Gemma Feldman, Michelle Hornsby
11:30AM Isabella Downey, Kate Gibbs, Emma Lemmink

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS October 5 & 6 Not available at deadline time

#### LECTORS October 5 & 6, 2019

4:30PMG. Will	ig	E. Willig
8:00AM	D. Smith	
9:30AM	D. Jaeger	M. Rechtin
11:30AM	K. O'Connor	

#### SAVE THE DATE ON NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 1

As the 75th Jubilee draws to a close, the artifacts and memorabilia will be on display one final time during this weekend.

#### DECREE ON CHILD PROTECTION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI

**VIRTUS** MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE HOLY FAMILY ROOM IN THE ST. ANTONINUS UNDERCROFT. Call Deacon Bob Schroeder at 922-2500 x 2031. All employees and regular volunteers are required to attend one Virtus training meeting. You may attend here or at any other location within the Archdiocese. Pre-registration is required at **www.virtus.org.** Make sure that the "User's Location" you choose during registration is **St. Antoninus** even if you attend Virtus at another location. Be sure to write down your Virtus User-ID and your Password. You will need to use them monthly. Please register early to be assured of a spot in the session you wish to attend.

#### TRAVELING CHALICE

Now, more than ever, PLEASE consider taking the Traveling Chalice into your home and pray, for the intentions of our Holy Church, for Vocations, Pope Francis, all Church leaders, our country, and for our persecuted brothers and sisters around

the world. Call Debbie at 922-2414 to schedule the Chalice.

#### September 29, 2019

#### 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Rev. John Amankwah, Ph.D., Parochial Administrator St. Antoninus Parish, Cincinnati, OH

Readings: Amos 6:1, 4-7 1 Tm. 6:11-16 Lk. 16: 19-31

#### Theme: The Reversal of Fortune

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus draws our attention to another major concern in our lives — learn to share your gifts. The parable is about a rich man and a poor man, Lazarus. The misunderstanding of the parable has always been centered on rich people. However, Jesus was digging deeper into our own life-psyche. He was drawing our attention to ourselves by not pointing finger to someone else.

#### The Rich Man and the Poor Lazarus

Let us turn our attention to the First Reading from the prophet Amos. The people in the Northern Southern Kingdoms where religion was highly practiced had walked away from God. Almost everyone was religious, born into Judaism. They have all been schooled in the Law of God. Among them were of the teachers, lawyers, High priests, priests, etc. Those who knew the Law of God taught it with zeal. Religious practices were everywhere. However, it was all in the head. They were born into it and therefore learned it. However, they paid lip service to the law. The prophet Amos pointed out to them that their practice of religion was all to gain favor and approbation from people. They lived a life that did not fulfill the law of God. 'Lying upon beds of ivory, stretched comfortably on their couches, they eat lambs taken from the flock, and calves from the stall! Improvising to the music of the harp . . ." They did not pay attention to the what goes on around us as disciples of Christ: the care of the poor and the needy in our midst, in our communities, in our country. It is a challenge that the Lord throws at us. The rich man represents all of us and the poor man represents the needy, the poor, the sick, etc., among us.

#### The Demands of the Gospel

Discipleship, according to Luke is not for those who are not prepared to let go of their egocentrism. It is a call to complete denunciation of oneself to totally follow Christ. The rich man was entitled to eat and drink but in doing so forgot that his wealth came not just from his own efforts but from God and others and therefore needed to reach out to the poor and needy in society. Jesus points us to the fact that our earthly wealth is only transient and that it should be shared. This challenge has made us all guilty in some sense because of our human tendency to cling on to our possessions without sharing with others.

#### Lesson from the Readings:

We are all rich in some sense from the gifts God has given to us. We all possess the Holy Spirit. Our call to ministry is a call to service of one another. Our gifts of love, compassion, mercy, kindness, generosity, justice, etc. are to be used to lift others up, beginning from our families, communities, and of course our country. The Lord calls our attention to the reversal of fortune when those neglected, treated poorly by others, pushed to the periphery of society, and so on are drawn to God in heaven and those who had everything but refused to share with the poor and needy in society are sent to a place where they never thought would be their place for ever. The Lord calls our attention to share our wealth with the poor and the needy while trusting in God; to use our God given gifts to serve the needs of others knowing that God will fill our treasures to the full. We remember St. Paul's message to Timothy:

But you, man [woman] of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses (1Tm. 6:11-13)

May the Holy Spirit guide us all to avail ourselves to one another and especially to the poor and the needy.

Shop for wedding and shower gifts, birthdays, etc. at <u>http://smile.amazon.com</u>, and Amazon donates to St. Antoninus Church. Thank you for your participation.



You may sign up at any time for OnLine Giving, even for a one time donation, to a particular fund. To start, go

to the official Saint Antoninus Parish website at www.saintantoninus.org, click About Us, then click Giving, click on the Our Sunday Visitor button, then click the green Create New Account button. If you want this service but do not have a computer, or if you have any questions, please call Beth at the rectory office at 922-5400, x 2. NOTE: If your credit card company is changing, or your card expires, please update your account with your new credit card number, so your gift giving is not interrupted.

If you have a problem texting your donation, please call OSV at 1-800-348-2886, ext. 2, then ext. 1. Or, call Beth at 922-5400, ext. 2.

#### TEXT TO GIVE

Your support each week helps sustain our parish yearround. Parishioners and visitors can text a donation dollar amount to **513-952-8338**, and your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with the phone number above. \$ amount, single space, then fund name. See examples: 100 sunday or 25.75 maintenance

If you do not include a fund name, the default fund is Sunday contributions. These fund names are not case sensitive.

Fund Names	Text to Give Fund Names
Sunday contributions	sunday
Capital Campaign	capitalcampaign
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Maintenance	maintenance
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Dr. Albert C. Niedhamer Scholarship Fund

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Thank you to everyone for your generosity toward the Raise the Roof & Cool the Croft Capital Campaign. As of September 22, our total is \$94,492.00. Thank you!

# PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

For the week ending Septemb	er Zz	2,2019
Sunday Collections	\$13	3,004.00
Capital Campaign	\$	230.00
Maintenance	\$	115.00
School Parish Support	\$	420.00
St. Antoninus, St. Vincent de Paul	\$	5.00
Youth Ministry	\$	80.00
Assumption of Mary	\$	30.00

**Thank you** for your continuing support of the parish and school. Please remember Saint Antoninus in your will. Gifts of stock can also be made to St. Antoninus Church. If you currently work for, or are retired from, a company that has a Matching Gift program, you can make your contributions to Parish School Support, and have those contributions matched by your company. Please remind your company to include your name as the giver. If you have questions, please call Mrs. Shannon Benvenuti at 922-5400 x 3.

#### Baby Bottle Campaign Benefiting Pregnancy Center West

On **October 5 & 6**, St. Antoninus will again participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign benefiting the programs of Pregnancy Center West. You can also get a bottle from the school office from October 7<sup>th</sup> thru 11<sup>th</sup>. Fill it with change or a check made payable to PCW. Return filled bottles on <u>October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup></u>. Thank you for your generosity! For info, visit www.pc-west.org.

#### ROSARY GARDEN

For more information about memorial stones for purchase, please contact, Mr. Norb Guetle at 451-1227.





#### FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

If you wish to dedicate the placing of flowers for one week at the altar in memory

of a loved one, or to honor a person or special occasion, please send \$50 (check made out to Saint Antoninus Church, with Altar Flowers in the memo line) to the rectory office with your name, phone number and the week you would like to reserve. More than one family may reserve the same week. There will be no flower arrangements during the Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter seasons. If you have questions, call Beth Bollin, at 922-5400, x 2. Thank you for your support.

Week of September 28-October 5

For the Special Intentions of Anonymous



Join the Greeters Ministry and help make all those who enter the doors of St.

Antoninus Church know that we are a welcoming, caring community. For further details call Mrs. Roedersheimer at 922-1525.

#### ST. ANTONINUS NETWORK OF CARE

A network of volunteers is prepared to serve the St. Antoninus Parish Family by providing a meal after hospitalization, surgery or medical treatments, transportation to medical treatments or to Mass, praver for the



intentions on the St. Antoninus Prayer Chain, and A Listening Ear to parishioners facing difficulties. For information, please leave a message on the <u>Network of</u> <u>Care Phone Line at 922-5400, ext. 8</u>, and someone will return your call.

#### VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you know anyone who is homebound and who would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please call Deacon Bob Schroeder at 922-2500, ext. 2031.



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

On September 27, the Church celebrated the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that "God had sent him to bring good news to the poor."

Together with your gifts, the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish. In the month of September, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to "bring good news to the poor," by assisting 13 families, providing \$291 in food, \$4,843.51 for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

#### HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

We will spend the evening in prayer for an end to abortion, using the Pro-Life Scriptural Rosary, and novena prayers to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. Please join us in prayer this Tuesday evening at 7 PM in the Chapel. All are welcome!

#### ROSARY

Saturdays after the 8 AM Mass and at 4:00PM. Sundays at 7:30AM.

Monday thru Friday after the daily Mass.

**Mondays 7:00PM** Fatima Prayer Group in the Chapel.

**Every evening at 7:30pm** for the special Pro-Life intentions of Protection of our Unborn Children and the overturn of Roe v Wade.

**Friday mornings** at MaryAnn Baverman's home for Moms and grandmoms and young children from **10AM to 11:00AM**. We will show you how to pray the rosary. Please call MaryAnn at 503-9537 for details.

Join us in the Chapel on Sundays at 10:45am to pray the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary as prescribed by Our Lady of Kibeho. All are invited to join us for this time of prayer and reflection.

#### NOON ROSARY RALLY - OCTOBER 12

Parishioners of all ages are invited to join Catholics across the US in praying the Rosary on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon in the Rosary Garden in front of St. Antoninus School. Many rosaries will be prayed for our nation in other locations at the same time. Enjoy cookies afterwards! This event will take about 30 minutes. All are welcome and young people of the parish are especially encouraged to attend with their parents.

**St.** Antoninus Prayer chain: To intercede for prayer requests, please go to www.saintantoninus.org/prayer-chain, or pick up a list in the back of the greeting room on the right side of the counter. Requests for prayers may be emailed to: <a href="mailto:staprayerchain@gmail.com">staprayerchain@gmail.com</a> or mail requests to St. Antoninus Prayer Chain, 1500 Linneman Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45238.



#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

In Matthew 26:40, Jesus says to Peter [and to us], *"Could you not, then, watch one hour with me?"* Please consider joining your fellow parishioners for 30 minutes, or one hour, at Eucharistic Adoration in the Blessed

Sacrament Chapel on Fridays from 9:00AM until 10:00PM. Fatima Holy Hour with Exposition on Thursday evenings from 7PM to 8PM in the church with an opportunity for confession.

*Calling all Men* to participate in the 5th Annual Eucharistic Procession sponsored by the St. Antoninus Men's Holy Name Society. The procession led by Father Jon-Paul Bevak, will take place on **Saturday, October 19th, 2019**, beginning at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral at 9am and concluding at 11am at Old St. Mary's Church. The walk is approximately 2 miles. There will be an 8am Mass celebrated by Archbishop Schnurr preceding the Procession at the Cathedral. Any questions please contact David Willig at 305-6719 or Doug Jaeger at 417-2503.

#### NEW DOOR CHANGES

After daily and weekend Masses are concluded the following doors will be locked – the west doors (Linneman Road), the northeast doors (coming up the steps from the parking lot), and the southeast doors (by the confessionals).

The outside south Chapel door and the front church doors will remain open during the day during these times:

	Open	Closed	
Monday	6:30AM	8:00PM	
Tuesday	6:30AM	8:00PM	
Wednesday	6:30AM	8:00PM	
Thursday	6:30AM	8:00PM	
Friday	6:30AM	10:00PM	
Saturday	6:30AM	6:30PM	
Sunday	6:30AM	7:00PM	
Future liturgical services will change closing times.			
Please be patient with us as we get used to this new			
routine. Thank you!			



All moms welcome including those from other parishes!! Any questions please email moms@saintantoninus.org. Mark your calendar for our upcoming

meetings:

9:15 AM to 11:15 AM- October 2, November 6 7 PM to 9 PM November 20, evening meeting 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM- December 4, January 8 7 PM to 9 PM- January 22, evening meeting 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM-February 5, March 4 7 PM to 9 PM- March 25, evening meeting 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM- April 1, May 6 7 PM to 9 PM- May 13, evening meeting

**SAINT ANTONINUS' WIDOWS GROUP** will have a dinner at 5:00PM on **Wednesday, October 9th**, at Kennings Circle K, 6166 Bridgetown Road. Meal is individual choice, individual payment. RSVP before October 6, to Donna at 922-0833.

**ADULT SOCIAL GROUP** will have a Communion Service at 12:30PM in the chapel and Lunch at 1:00PM in the undercroft on **Monday, October 14.** \$12 per person is due in the rectory office before Wednesday, October 9. RSVP to Bob Brown at 451-4842.

#### 2nd SIGNS STUDY GROUP

**Saturday, October 12th,** meeting from 9am - 10:30am in the Fr. Mick Conference Room. Come view '*The Mass'* videos by Bishop Robert Barron - #3 Responding to God and #4 Preparing For Sacrifice. A discussion will follow with handouts. Questions? Call Monica at 513-451-3575.



Wondering how to change people's hearts and minds about abortion? The UNPLANNED movie is the answer. Come to a free showing at the St. Antoninus Church, 1500 Linneman Road on Sunday, October 13, at either 2:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. Enter from the Julmar Drive parking lot entrance to access the Undercroft where the film will be shown. Questions? Call Judy at 451-6718.

"40 DAYS FOR LIFE" - SEPT. 25—NOV. 3, 2019 This campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, constant vigil, and community outreach, with the goal of turning hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life. All ages are welcome to join us for one hour each week as we pray for an end to this evil at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility at 2314 Auburn Ave. Many parishes in our area are participating again this year. For more information, please call Joan Loebker, 922-0348.

#### Elizabeth's New Life Center

Join us on Thursday, October 3, for a lovely evening of wonderful food and inspirational speakers, all to support moms and babies! The featured speaker will be Gianna Jessen, an abortion survivor and advocate for the unborn. Sign up to attend Elizabeth's New Life Center's South Banquet fundraiser by visiting our website at <u>www.ElizabethNewLife.org</u> or by contacting Lori Ernest by phone at 937-226-7414 ext. 430 or by email at <u>lernest@elizabethnewlife.org</u>. Check-in begins at 5:30pm, and dinner will begin at 6:15pm.

#### BREAKING OPEN THE WORD with Kathy O'Connor 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I:** Amos 6:1a, 4-7: As it was last weekend, the first reading is from the book of the prophet Amos. In this week's passage Amos denounces the excesses of the rich elite who delight in prosperity that benefits only them, while the poor just get poorer. Amos takes aim at the people who live a life of luxury completely oblivious to the misfortunes of others. The people being addressed by Amos outwardly present themselves as being religiously observant but they use their religious rituals as an excuse to pursue even more opulent living. Amos understands that love of God never ignores the needs of one's neighbors and that prayer and sacrifice don't substitute for righteous living that includes sharing resources with the needy. Amos the prophet speaks for God who cares about injustice and who won't simply just observe it as it happens. Misfortune is about to overtake these complacent people for the injustice they practice.

<u>Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146: 7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b):</u> The verses of the psalm for this weekend describes the actions whereby God manifests His power and goodness. In these verses, God is tending to the people who are treated unjustly. The actions that are described in verses 7-9 were also performed by Jesus Christ our Lord during His earthly life. His miracles were signs of the redemption He would bring about, thereby fulfilling the words of this psalm.

**<u>Reading II: 1 Timothy 6:11-16:</u>** In this reading St. Paul is addressing the serious responsibility born by a "man of God". Such a man is expected to behave in ways different from the culture and Paul addresses the list of virtues in the first sentence to Timothy who was an elder in the Church. But these virtues are also being proposed to all of us as we hear them at Mass. Paul is telling us that it is not only the Church leaders who must behave differently than the culture but also the disciples. In our modern times, we are the disciples. We too must aim for righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, and gentleness. Paul urges us to "compete well" letting nothing prevent us from fighting the good fight and finishing the race until the Lord returns in glory.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31: The Gospel reading for Mass this weekend is rich and multifaceted. Jesus continues to teach His disciples about the proper use of wealth, addressing His words not only to the disciples, but to the Pharisees who ridicule Him. You see, the Pharisees are rather fond of money and comfort. The parable of Lazarus and the rich man affirms the survival of the soul after death as well as consequences in the next life. Lazarus, a poor man, and another man, a rich man, died and were judged on how they had conducted their lives. Lazarus found consolation in the afterlife while the rich man found torment. It is easy to think that the rich man found torment simply because he had abundant earthly possessions, dressed elegantly, and dined sumptuously every day. Pope St. John Paul II believed that the rich man was not condemned strictly by his wealthy lifestyle, but because he did not pay attention to those less fortunate than him. According to Saint Pope John Paul II, Jesus does not condemn the mere possession of earthly goods as such. Rather He pronounces harsh words against those who use their possessions in a selfish way, without paying attention to the needs of others. This parable teaches us that riches and freedom impose special responsibilities and special obligations: to reach out to the less fortunate to alleviate their suffering. This parable also teaches us about the equal dignity of every human person: the rich man and Lazarus are both human beings, both of them equally created in the image and likeness of God, and both of them equally redeemed by Christ at a very great price: the price of the precious blood of Christ. Continued on the next page...

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**<u>Reflection</u>**: A theme seems to run through the readings for Mass this weekend: Concern for others is imperative in the Christian life. God's ways are not our ways. We must try to adopt God's ways and make them our own. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus speaks of a dramatic reversal of fortunes in the next life. Lazarus, who in this life was wretchedly poor, in the next life rests comfortably in the bosom of Abraham while the rich man who in this life lived sumptuously, is in torment. This passage is a reminder as is the reading from Amos that to close our eyes to the needs around us as the rich man in the parable did, is to invite ultimate disaster. We Christians should ask God for the strength to resist the modern-day emphasis on personal comfort and self-fulfillment and for the grace to be sensitive to those in need. Perhaps we can do something to assist some "Lazarus" that we might know or encounter. Perhaps this week we might reflect on the following: 1) what are the lessons for me in the reversal of fortune that the rich man and Lazarus experienced; 2) how well am I showing the special concern that God requires for those in need; what specific things might I begin doing; 3) what is the most important message of Jesus' parable for me? *Lord, who are my enemies, my antagonists? Do I love them as you loved yours? The Pharisees mocked you and belittled you, yet you loved them all the same. You went out of your way to give them what they needed most: a vision of your love and truth. Teach me to love as you love and to give as you give.....* 



### The Continuing Message of Fatima

Sister Lucia, who is the eldest of the three children of Fatima, received from the Blessed Mother, the devotion of the First Saturday of the month. Extra ordinary promises are given to those persons, whom on Five Consecutive Saturdays do the following:

Go to Confession in a reasonable amount of time before the First Saturday. (Our Church will have our Holy Hour on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday before the First Friday each month.) Confession will be available on all these Thursdays.

Receive Holy Communion in the state of Grace, and offer that Communion in reparation for the sins against the Most Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Recite 5 Decades of the Rosary.

Keep the Blessed Mother company for 15 minutes, while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to Her most Immaculate Heart. This can be done anywhere.

#### The Blessed Mother in exchange for your commitment to the five First Saturdays told Sister Lucia that:

" I will assist (be present) at the hour of your death ( the person fulfilling the request) with all the graces necessary for salvation....)" A powerful promise from our Mother.

Why five first Saturdays? According to Sister Lucia, they were requested to atone for the five ways in which people offend the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

Attacks upon Mary's Immaculate Conception.

Attacks against her Perpetual Virginity.

Attacks upon her Divine Maternity and the refusal to accept her as the Mother of all mankind.

For those who try to publicly implant in children's hearts indifference, contempt and even hatred of this Immaculate Mother.

For those who insult her directly in her sacred images.

For more information on the Fatima Apparitions: <u>www.wafusa.org</u> World Apostolate of Fatima U.S.A.



2020 LUTI

Dear fellow parishioners,

Please support our parish by purchasing "250 LOTTO" tickets for 2019-2020. Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100. You may choose to purchase your tickets using our on-line giving and the rectory will fill out your ticket information to be included in the monthly drawing on the 30<sup>th</sup> of each month. Tickets may also be found in back of church. Please complete the information on the tickets and submit to the parish rectory or in the Sunday collection. Checks should be made out to Saint Antoninus Parish. If you choose to return your tickets in the Sunday collection, PLEASE MARK ENVELOPE "250 LOTTO".

# The deadline for the early bird drawing is Thursday, December 5, 2019

Drawing	Number of Winners	<u>Prize</u>
Early Bird	5	\$50 (\$250 total)
Monthly	1 each month (12 total)	\$200
Grand Prize	1	\$1500

The winners will be published in the bulletin.

Winning tickets will be returned to the hopper for additional chances to win!

We thank you in advance for supporting our parish. -- Good luck!

Sincerely,

The St. Antoninus Advancement Committee

If you choose to mail tickets, please send to the rectory:

Saint Antoninus Parish "250 Lotto" 1500 Linneman Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45238

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RETURN TICKETS TO ST. ANTONINUS CHURCH, 1500 LINNEMAN RD, CINCINNATI, OH 45238. VOID WHERE PROHIBITED. ALL WINNERS BY RANDOM DRAWING

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