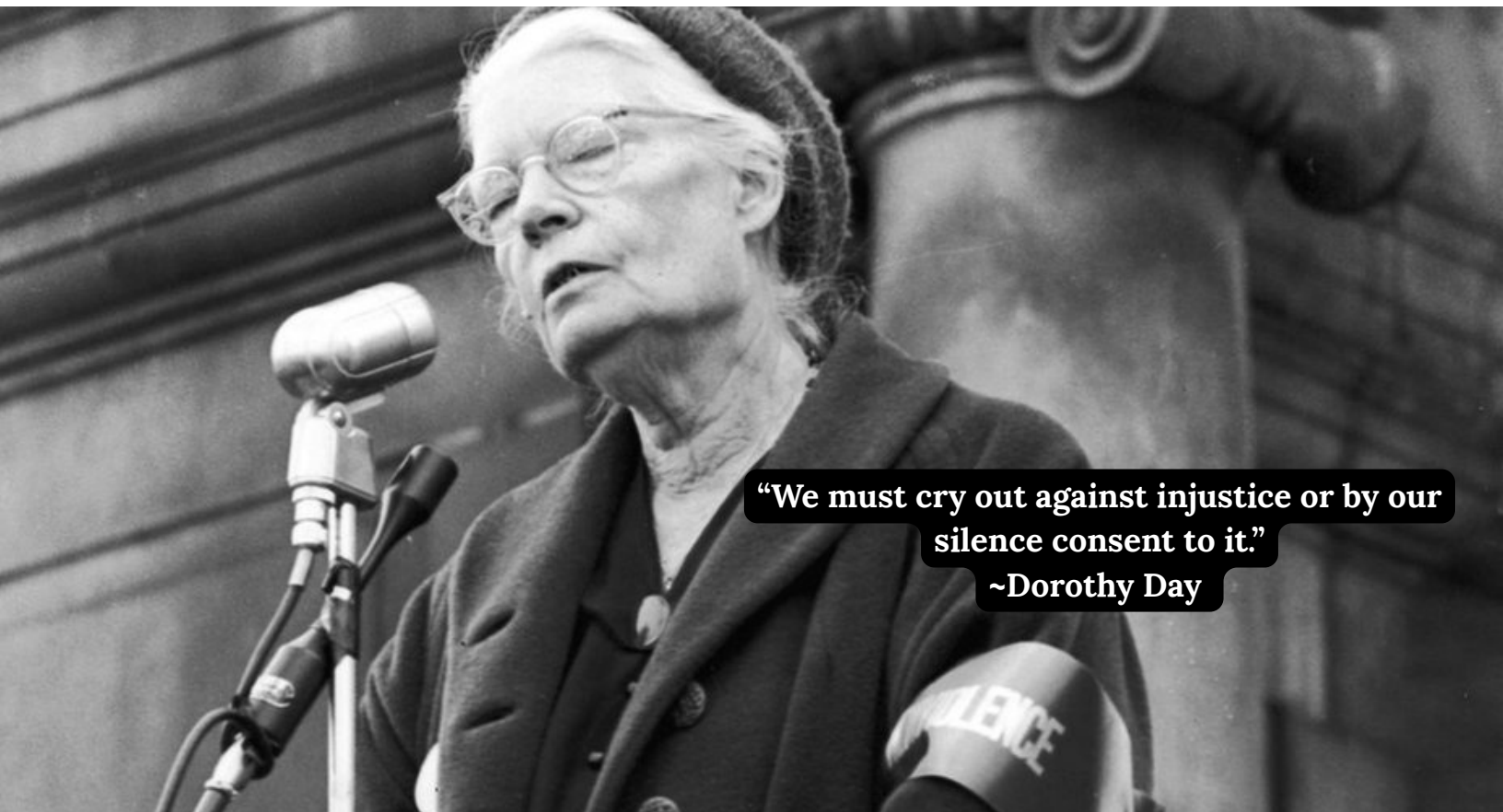




St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE TO WORSHIP GOD IN THE GENIUS OF
AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY

October 19, 2025



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

309 Gower Street
Greenville, South Carolina 29611

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PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish.

Please email Kyle Hall at

kyle.hall@charlestandiocese.org to register, or you can also register online - scan the QR code below by opening your camera app



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM (Noon)

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS

11 AM & 6 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Thursday: 11 AM

Wednesday : 11 AM & 6 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Or by Appointment

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

PARISH OFFICE

Physical Location: 204 Douthit Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Hours of Operation: Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM;

Friday 9 AM - 12 PM

Phone: (864) 233-7717

Website: www.stanthonysgvl.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167

Website: www.stanthonyschoolgvl.org

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

Diocesan Office: (843) 261-0430

DO YOU NEED HELP?

Financial Assistance: (864) 233-7717 ext. 0

Catholic Charities: (864) 331-2626

Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 10/18

- 5 PM Delores Casey

SUNDAY, 10/19

- 8 AM The Lengkeek's
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

Monday, 10/20

- 11 AM

TUESDAY, 10/21

- 11 AM

WEDNESDAY, 10/22

- 11 AM

THURSDAY, 10/23

- 11 AM

SATURDAY, 10/25

- 5 PM

SUNDAY, 10/26

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

It is a wonderful Catholic tradition to request a Mass Intention for loved ones; living or deceased. In fact, asking for Mass intention for the deceased is not only Catholic tradition, it is biblical (2 Maccabees 12: 38-46).

Mass intention is also a wonderful gift for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc. **Mass intention donations are \$10 each. Please call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention.**

TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR

Individuals

Alice Rigler	Elaine Greggs	Marie Therese Isdiore	Sabrina Walker
Ann Fournier	Ellaniose Johnson	Marilyn Daly	Sammy Huguet
Ann Moore	Eric Kuhn	Martha Cotel	Sandra McNaughton
Ann Nechodom	Erica Hardy	Mary Cormican	Sharon Bryant
Annette Martin	Gregory Kuhn	Mary Curran	Sharon Patton
Bill Higgins	Hazel Hill	Matthew Bryson	Sherri Hoffman
Billy Mayes	Jason Latimore	Maureen Lukovic	Stephan Pleasant
Clarice Hanly	Jen Duhe	Megan Counihan	Stuart MacNaughton
Charlene Palmer	Jonathan Turner	Mary Ann Turner	Tara Cleary
Chester Williams	Joseph Neito	Melvin Armstrong	Thelma Williams
David Burnett	Joyce Croce	Michael Davis	Tom James
Dee Dee	Laura Drummond	Olivia Brown	Tyler Korybski
Dzikowicz	Laurie Rappl	Ornella Muth	Wilbert Morgan
Donna Neeley	Lillie Davis	Rhonda Brown	Willie Davis
Donna Nickels	Lori McGinley	Richard Palmer	
Dr. Jeff Giguere	Malik McCauley	Ruth Henderson	
Drew Butterfield	Margaret Morris	Ronnie Glenn	

Families

Barb & Vern Prinzing	Karen Randall & Family	Deacon Steve & Susan Olson
Dana Lacher	Scott Cely Family	Deacon Winston Wright
Duhe Family	Michael & Ruth Walters	Juan & Christina Francisco
Catherine & Michael Branca	Tessa & George Skoniecki	Camilla Hertwig
Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu	Deacon Richard Murtaugh	

Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair
Nicole Campbell Little

HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

If you are sick at home or in the hospital, have a member of your family notify the parish if you are not able to notify us yourself. We care about you and want to help you when you need help from your church family. If there is someone you would like to be added on the prayer list OR removed, please contact the Parish Office: 864-233-7717 ext 2. Thank you!

PARISH REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS

ACTIVE PARISHONER

- Weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Volunteer on regular basis (**Time**)
- Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
- Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving (**Treasure**)

PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTS

Those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony **must be registered members** for **at least six months** prior to reception of these Sacraments. You must be a registered member of the parish to ask for Godparent or Sponsor's form of eligibility. **To register, please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestdiocese.org**, or you can also register online - scan the QR code below by opening your camera app.



Infant Baptism Class for Parents

Parents must be registered and active member of St. Anthony's. Class is offered on the third Thursday of every month. Pre- registration is required. Please call the office to pre-register. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

First Holy Communion

Preparation begins in the first grade and continues into second grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week in August.

Confirmation

Preparation begins in the eighth grade and continues into ninth grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week of August. Adults who have not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament are asked to contact the parish office.

Marriage

You must be registered and active member at least six months prior to preparation of the Sacrament. Couples should call the parish office and speak to the priest/ Deacon for pre-nuptial inquiries. Then the couple will begin formal marriage preparations at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

This is a process through which non-baptized adults known as catechumens or baptized adults who wish to convert from other faith traditions enter in communion with the Catholic Church. Classes begins in September. If you wish to become a Catholic, please call the parish office.

COMMUNICATIONS

BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION

Anyone parish group/organization wishing to submit items for publishing in the weekly bulletin should send the content to **Daffodil Behal at dbehal@charlestdiocese.org by end of day Tuesday** for the coming weekend's bulletin. Submissions after the deadline will be included in the Sunday email.

FLOCKNOTES

We are currently in the process of arranging Flocknotes so that multiple people in each household can receive the Parish emails. This will allow us to not duplicate information on our Servant Hearts Flocknote group.

If you, or have someone in your household that currently does not receive the Parish emails (that are registered parishioners), and would like to subscribe, please email Daffodil Behal at: dbehal@charlestdiocese.org.

Provide the following information:

- Full Name
- Email
- Phone Number

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection for October 11-12, 2025 (15th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$24,461.77	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	\$374,217.07	\$438,547.95

**Our Fiscal Year starts 7/1/2025, so Year-to-Date (YTD) data is total weekly collections since 7/1/2025*

Consider Online Giving:

56% of our YTD giving this year has been online. We want this % to be as close to 100% as possible. Online contributions provide steady, reliable support — even when you are away. Sign-up for online giving by scanning the QR code below:



Leave a Legacy:

Remember St. Anthony's of Padua in your will or estate plan. Your planned gift helps ensure our parish remains a place of worship, education, and community for generations to come.

Every gift matters — together we make a difference!

PRAYER

FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

Faith That Fights: The Widow's Cry and the Unyielding Pursuit of Justice

What does it mean to have a faith that refuses to throw in the towel, even in the face of injustice? The parable of the widow and the unjust judge invites us to wrestle with this question. It's a story that lingers in our minds, layered with meaning and designed to challenge our assumptions. At its core, the parable calls us to persistent prayer. It **reminds us to trust that God hears the cries of those seeking justice.** But it's also more than that—it's **an urgent reminder of the unbreakable bond between faith, prayer, and the pursuit of justice.** In a world that so often silences or ignores the vulnerable, the widow's unwavering voice presses us to ask: how far are we willing to go to stand with those whose pleas for justice are ignored?

To fully grasp the widow's story, we must step into her world. In biblical times, widows were the epitome of vulnerability and powerlessness. The Hebrew word for widow, **almanah**, carries the idea of being "silent" or "unable to speak," while the Greek word **chera** suggests being "forsaken" or "left empty." In ancient Hebrew culture, widows lacked protection, advocates, and often the means to survive. They were completely reliant on the mercy of others, leaving them vulnerable to exploitation. Against this backdrop, the widow's demand for justice isn't just a personal plea—it's a desperate fight for survival. Her persistence in confronting an unjust judge who neither cares for God or people, reveals incredible resilience and strength. Her cry of "Do me justice" resonates across centuries, giving voice to anyone who has ever felt marginalized, silenced, or invisible.

Her story is a mirror for our world today. From refugees fleeing violence to communities demanding equality, **countless voices remain unheard—silenced by fear, oppression, or indifference.** Her unyielding pursuit of justice reminds us of the urgent need to advocate for the voiceless. Who are the modern-day widows among us? Who is being silenced, ignored, or left behind in our societies, our communities, even our churches? For the widow, persistence wasn't just about survival, it was an act of faith. It was a prayer that refused to abandon hope in the promise of justice.

Throughout Luke's Gospel, widows are symbols of the oppressed, marginalized, the forgotten. Widows, orphans, and strangers represent the powerless and their struggles mirror the larger call to seek God's kingdom and His justice. **Jesus' ministry consistently uplifted the powerless and dismantled systems that perpetuated oppression.** In this light, the widow emerges as a symbol of faith and determination, embodying the values of God's kingdom.

This parable challenges us to examine our own faith and priorities. **Is our prayer life focused solely on personal needs and desires, or does it drive us toward justice, compassion, and action on behalf of others?** The widow's persistence teaches us that prayer is not about pestering God until we get what we want. Rather, it's about aligning our hearts with His will—His justice, mercy, and love. True prayer doesn't end with words. It calls us to action, to partner with God in creating a world that reflects His kingdom.

The parable also reminds us that justice and compassion must go hand in hand. Building a just community requires more than addressing the wrongs – it demands reconciliation, healing, and transformation. How desperately do we need this today? Jesus closes the parable with a haunting question: **"When the Son of Man returns, will He find faith on earth?"** This faith isn't just passive belief—it's an active, prayerful pursuit of justice alongside God.

In a world burdened by suffering, injustice, and silence, the widow's voice calls us to action. **Dorothy Day once said, "if we remain silent in the face of injustice, the very stones of the street will cry out."** Her words remind us that silence is never an option in the face of suffering.

This parable demands more than passive prayer. It calls us to embody God's justice. To live out God's love and justice in every choice, every act, and every moment. Faith, prayer, and justice cannot be separated—they are the lifeblood of God's kingdom. My friends, the widow's story is a radical declaration of hope, a faith that dares to believe in a world transformed by God's justice and love. Let us answer her call.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

The men and women who serve in the armed forces do so with a sacrificial love for our country and the world. Lifting them up in prayer to our Lord must be our humble, and yet great support for them.

Lord, may your love encircle our military as they work across the world to install justice and peace for all. And be their hope through the difficulties and stress they face each day.

Important Dates & Updates

- **Mass in the School Gym** on Oct. 18th & 19th
- **Confirmation** on Saturday, Oct. 25th at 2:00 PM
- **White Mass for Healthcare Professionals & Bishop Jacques visit** on Nov. 1st at 8:30 AM

PARISH UPDATE



NOVEMBER
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SATURDAY
8:30 AM

THE ANNUAL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS *Holy Mass and Gathering*

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH
309 GOWER ST, GREENVILLE, SC 29611

Holy Mass celebrated by
BISHOP JACQUES FABRE-JEUNE, CS

Keynote Speaker
CHRISTINE WISDOM, MS, LCMHC
Pastoral Counselor and Psychotherapist
"An Integrative Approach to Health"



Register in advance:
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/HEALTHPROFMASS](https://tinyurl.com/healthprofmass)
For more info:
FAMILYLIFE@CHARLESTONDIOCESE.ORG

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist & Lectors Needed

We're looking for parishioners to serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors at all Masses. These ministries are beautiful ways to deepen your faith - whether by sharing the Body of Christ or proclaiming God's Word.

Scheduling is simple through our online system, and training is provided at your convenience.

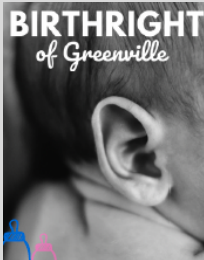
If you're interested, there are two easy steps:

1. Sign up using the QR code (we'll contact you directly).



2. Complete the VIRTUS training (details in the bulletin).

Questions? Contact Kyle Herr (kylekherr@gmail.com | 864-907-9355) or Paul Herr (pdherr@gmail.com | 864-907-9356).



THANK YOU

For Your Support and
Celebrating the Gift of Life.

Baby Bottle Boomerang

Thank you for participating in our baby bottle fundraising campaign. Your generous donations allow Birthright to continue providing loving support to pregnant women, moms, and babies. Birthright provides confidential and nonjudgmental pregnancy testing, maternity and baby clothes, and needed baby items.

It's not too late to donate.
Scan QR code or visit www.birthrightgvl.org



Thank You for Supporting Our Food Pantry!

Thank you for your generous donations of food, blankets, and sandwiches—your kindness brings comfort and hope to those we serve.

As the weather cools, we're collecting hats, gloves, scarves, coats, socks, blankets (dark colors preferred), sleeping bags, and lightly worn tennis shoes for men and women. We've already distributed all our blankets and sleeping bags, so your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Donations may also be brought to San Sebastian on Old Buncombe Rd for direct community distribution.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

OCTOBER 19TH - OCTOBER 26TH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19th

**SECOND COLLECTION:
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

Men's Club Breakfast -
Coffee & Donuts Only
School Gym

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

7:00 PM - OCIA
Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21st

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

6:30 PM - Living Waters
Bible Study
Zoom

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd

11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Daily Mass
Church

4:00-6:00 PM - Confession
Church

6:00 PM - Religious Education/CCD
Assigned Classrooms

7:00 PM - Men's Club Bible Study
Zoom

PARISH UPDATE

Join Us in the Christmas Parade!

St. Anthony Catholic Church & School will be part of the Christmas Parade on **Saturday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 PM!**

Children **ages 6-15** are invited to walk behind our float and spread the joy of Christmas. 📍 Arrive by 5:30 PM | 📄 Sign-up sheet in the Church Lobby.

Questions? Contact David Quast (864-906-2632).

Youth Ministry Meeting Reschedule

The Youth Ministry will pick back up with a meal, icebreaker, and a talk about the 7 deadly sins on **Sunday, October 26 at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall**. For questions, please contact Kyle Hall at Kyle.hall@charlestandiocese.org.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Saturday, Oct. 25th at 2:00 PM in the Church

All are invited to join us as our young parishioners receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in this beautiful sacrament of Confirmation. A reception will follow in the Social Hall—please come celebrate and show your support for our confirmands and their families!

For those who would like to **offer a note or small token of encouragement**, bags have been placed in the Church Lobby for each confirmand.

Women's Bible Study – Thursdays

All women are invited to join us Thursdays, **9:00-10:45 AM in the Multipurpose Room**, as we read *Jesus and Women: In the First Century and Now* by Kristi McLelland. Come for fellowship, prayer, and reflection – contact Nancy (414-736-6290) or Rita (864-979-7544) for details.

Join Living Waters Bible Study

All are welcome to grow in faith and fellowship with our Living Waters Bible Study! To join, log into Zoom (free), click **"Join Meeting"**, enter **Meeting ID: 834 4618 4219**, type your name, and click **"Join."**

Men's Bible Study

Grow in faith and fellowship with our Men's Bible Study, meeting every **Wednesday at 7 PM via Zoom**. All men are welcome! For details or the Zoom link, contact David Quast at thequasts@gmail.com or 864-906-2632.

Parish Mailboxes & Card Ministry

Our parish has mailboxes available for parishioners to use – a wonderful way to share notes, greetings, and encouragement within our faith community.

The **Card Ministry**, led by Delores "Dee" Martinez, **provides thoughtful cards for parishioners throughout the year**, including special cards for the children of our parish. **Please note** that if mail is left in a child's mailbox for more than three months, their name will be removed from the list.

VIRTUS Training for All Volunteers!

All parish and school volunteers must have **current VIRTUS training**.



Scan QR Code for
VIRTUS Training

Stay Connected

We are excited to launch a shared calendar, please **scan the QR code below to view our calendar**:



Follow our Socials: Facebook & Instagram



www.facebook.com/stanthonygvl



@stanthonysgvl

Sign-up for Flocknote Emails/E-News

Don't miss out on the latest parish news, upcoming events, and faith-filled updates! Sign up for our Flocknote emails (E-News), sent every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. It's the best way to stay informed and connected to parish life.

👉 **Sign up today:**

<https://AnthonyPaduaSC.flocknote.com>



OCTOBER 19TH - OCTOBER 26TH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

9:00 AM - Women's Bible Study
Multipurpose Room

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24th

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25th

10:00 AM - Pickleball
School Gym

2:00 PM - Confirmation
Church

4:00-4:45 PM - Confessions
Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26th

9:00 AM - Men's Club Breakfast
SAP Social Hall

6:00 PM - Youth Ministry
Meeting
SAP Social Hall

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

Autumn at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School

Our students are embracing the beauty and spirit of the fall season with a variety of engaging and faith-filled learning experiences.

In **Pre-K**, students are continuing their nature studies, focusing on the life cycle of the pumpkin. Through hands-on exploration, they're discovering how God's creation changes and grows with each season.

Kindergarten students are deepening their faith by learning the Nicene Creed in theology and will begin studying the sacraments next week—building an early foundation for understanding and celebrating the life of the Church.

In **First Grade**, students are strengthening their math skills as they master the 6 fact families, while in social studies they are journeying through the Age of Exploration. In science, their curiosity takes them beyond the classroom as they learn about the wonders of our solar system.

During **Art** with Ms. Michelle, students are expressing their creativity by designing picture frames made from natural materials collected outdoors—blending imagination with the beauty of God's creation.

As we move further into the school year, we are grateful for the enthusiasm of our students and the dedication of our teachers who make each day a meaningful opportunity for growth in faith, knowledge, and community.



St. Anthony's Catholic School Needs You!

Can you volunteer some of your time and talents to our school?

We are looking for **volunteers to read with students, monitor students during lunch in the cafeteria, and work in the library.**

If you are interested in any of these tasks, please send your name and contact information to one of the contacts listed below. There will be a meeting scheduled soon to discuss details and schedules.

Thanks in advance for your help!

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