

Welcome All



Grow as Disciples

Meet Jesus

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

We Want Improvement. He Offers Resurrection.

May 24, 2026



Sunday Worship

Vigil Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,
and 12:00 PM

*Sunday Masses are recordings of the 8:00 AM Mass and will be posted on our
YouTube page shortly after Mass has ended.*

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Our Mission

We joyfully welcome all and vibrantly worship Jesus Christ through our Catholic faith, enriched by African American spirituality. We live as a community of disciples, called to mission through evangelization, education, and works of social justice.

Our Vision

Transform our society so that the lost are found, the hungry are fed, and the community flourishes in Christ—by being a wellspring of hope for all.

Parish Pillars

Communal Worship,
Prayer, and
Evangelization

Faith Formation and
Education

Service, Justice,
and Community
Outreach

Stewardship and
Parish Vitality

Welcome to St. Anthony's!

If you are visiting from out of town, we give you a hearty "Welcome, y'all!" We hope that you have a great visit to our wonderful city and parish.

If you are new to St. Anthony's, welcome home! We want to be your sisters and brothers on your walk with Jesus, with all the treasures of our beautiful Catholic faith. Please introduce yourself after Mass or meet one of our ushers - we would love to meet you and help answer any questions you may have.

If you are new to the Catholic faith, or perhaps been away for a while, we are happy that you are here! At the front of the pew in the missalette, you can find the readings for today's Mass. Please talk to Fr. Emerson or Deacon Phil Allen, and we would be happy to help you figure out some next steps on your faith journey.

Joining St. Anthony's

Registration is the way that one lets us know, "St. Anthony's is my parish!" Even if you are a part-time resident, it's still important that you register with us. It allows us to communicate with you and keep you updated on parish news and events. It is also needed for sacramental preparation and letters of good standing.

Scan QR code to register:



Have you participated in Alpha?

We would like to talk to you if you have participated in any way in the Alpha Program at any church (attendee, host, helper, etc.). We are planning on bringing Alpha to St. Anthony and would like to gain insight from people who are prior Alpha participants. If that is you, then please contact David Quast at (864) 906-2632.

Curious about Alpha? You can check out the website at AlphaUSA.org We here at St. Anthony will be providing much more information about Alpha in the near future. Stay tuned.



Scan QR code to
learn more

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(Closed for lunch from 12:30–1:30 PM)

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parish Family,

Come, Holy Spirit, and set our hearts on fire with the love of Christ.

This weekend, we are swept up in the great and jubilant feast of **Pentecost** — that magnificent moment when the breath of God descended like fire upon the Apostles and set the world ablaze with grace. That same Spirit is alive and at work among us today, moving through this parish, this community, this family, calling us to be what we were always meant to be: a true wellspring of hope for a world that thirsts.

And Pentecost is not only a remembrance; it is an invitation. The Spirit comes not merely to inspire us, but to **recreate us**. To make us new, in ourselves, and in our life together as a community. He reshapes our weariness into wonder, our routine into mission, our parish into something radiant and alive. This is what Pentecost promises: not simply fire from above, but transformation from within.

Among the Spirit's most precious gifts are fortitude and courage. How beautifully providential that this Pentecost falls alongside **Memorial Day**. As a nation, we pause in solemn gratitude to remember the men and women who gave everything — their futures, their families, their very lives — so that we might live in freedom. Their sacrifice is not merely history; it is a sacred trust passed down to us. Let us hold our fallen heroes and their grieving families tenderly in prayer this weekend, asking God to grant them eternal rest and their loved ones lasting peace.

The Holy Spirit not only stirs hearts; He gathers them. And we witnessed that beautifully just last evening. Our **New Parishioners Dinner** was a radiant testament to what this parish is at its best: warm, generous, and alive with welcome. To every volunteer who gave their time, their hands, and their hearts to make that evening possible — thank you. You did not merely host a dinner; you opened a door and said, "You belong here." That is the work of the Spirit, and it is the work of St. Anthony's.

And yet, even as we welcome new faces into our home, we prepare to bid farewell to one of our most beloved. **Next Sunday, May 31st, immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass**, we will gather for a special farewell reception honoring our dear friend, long-time parishioner, and faithful usher, Bob Dastou, who will be relocating in June.

Bob has been an immeasurable gift to this parish. A veteran who served his country with honor, he has also served this community with quiet, steadfast dedication across so many ministries over the years. And here is something many of you may not know: the beautiful **processional crucifix** that leads us down the aisle each week — the one that opens every Mass, that walks before us as a sign of our faith — was crafted by Bob's own hands. Every time we follow that cross, we follow a piece of his heart. Please come. Share a memory. Offer a blessing. And send Bob forward with the love and gratitude he so richly deserves.

This weekend, may the fire of Pentecost warm your hearts, may the memory of our heroes inspire your souls, and may the God of all comfort grant you a safe, peaceful, and deeply blessed day.

Come, Holy Spirit. Recreate us. Make us new. Renew the face of the earth.

Peace be with you,

Fr. Emerson

Pastoral Administrator, St. Anthony of Padua



CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Challenge 1: Tell the Truth About Bitterness

Pentecost is release. Jesus breathes the Spirit on His disciples and speaks of forgiveness.

So ask yourself: "Whom am I still making pay in my imagination?"

Forgiveness is not denial. It is not instant trust. It is not the removal of boundaries.

It is saying: "This wound will not be my master. I release revenge. I place judgment in God's hands." It may feel like death. Good. Some things must die for resurrection to begin.

Challenge 2: Practice the Reversal of Babel

At Babel, pride shattered communion.

At Pentecost, the Spirit restored understanding.

So move toward one person you have stopped trying to understand.

Not to win. Not to correct. Not to fake peace.

To listen. Say: "There has been distance between us. If you are willing, I'd like to begin again."

Pentecost does not erase difference. It creates communion across it.

WORSHIP & PRAYER

FR. EMERSON'S WEEKEND REFLECTION

We Want Improvement. He Offers Resurrection.

Pentecost does not begin in Acts 2. It does not begin in the upper room, where wind roared and fire rested on frightened disciples. It does not begin at Sinai, where the mountain burned and a freed nation trembled. It does not even begin when Adam drawing his first breath. Pentecost begins before light had a name. Before silence was broken. Before there was anything to rescue. In the beginning, before the beginning, darkness covered the deep. And over it, something moved.

Ruach Elohim — the Spirit, wind, breath of God — hovered over formless void. Then God breathed, spoke, and chaos became cosmos. That is the first breath.

Fifty days after Passover broke Egypt's chains, God spoke from Sinai and gave the Law. A liberated people became a formed people. That is God's rhythm: **He liberates, then He forms.**

So when Pentecost arrives in Acts 2, the Church is not inventing a new story. It is watching the old one fulfilled. Christ, the true Passover Lamb, has delivered His people from sin and death. Fifty days later, the Spirit descends and a new covenant people is born. Not coincidence. Syntax. The syntax of redemption: Blood, then breath.

After the resurrection, Jesus comes to His terrified disciples behind locked doors. He does not begin with accusation. He says, "Peace be with you." Then He breathes on them: "Receive the Holy Spirit." John uses a rare word: *emphysaō*. The word used when God breathed life into Adam. It also echoes Ezekiel's valley of dry bones, where breath enters the dead and they rise (Ch. 37). John wants us to see it: this is **new creation**. Christ does not merely forgive them. He re-creates them.

And maybe that is why Pentecost feels dangerous. Because many of us do not actually want resurrection. We want improvement. We want inspiration. Enough religion to comfort us, but not enough Spirit to undo us. We invite God into Sunday. We keep things managed. Appropriate. Safe. And quietly, we make sure He never opens the basement door.

At Babel, language became confusion. But the deeper Babel is within us. Each of us sealed behind glass, speaking a private language of fear, grief, and ache. Surrounded by voices. Starving for communion.

Pentecost reverses Babel. Not by erasing difference. By restoring understanding across it.

When Jesus was arrested, His community collapsed. They ran. Denied. Hid. The risen Christ returned to that failure not with condemnation, but with peace. Then breath. Then the power to release what they had been holding.

Many of us have not merely failed to forgive. We have built identity around our wound. Turned old injuries into load-bearing walls. We fear that if we forgive, the whole structure collapses. It will. That is the point.

The Spirit does not renovate captivity. He rebuilds from the foundation. And often, the person most deeply freed is not the forgiven, but the one who finally lets go.

So here is the Pentecost question: What door are you hiding behind? What wound became your wall? What bitterness have you mistaken for wisdom? What fear have you renamed discernment?

The disciples did not strategize their way out of hiding. They did not self-improve their way into courage. They received breath. A small, frightened, fragmented community became a movement that shook the world. Not because they were impressive. Because they were filled.

God gives the Spirit to those who want Him. Not a little inspiration. Not enough God to decorate the life you already chose. Do you want the breath that raises the dead? The fire that burns away the false? The wind that carries you somewhere you did not plan to go?

Because He is already present in the wanting. The ache toward God. The hunger beneath every hunger. The homesickness no earthly home can cure. That may already be the Spirit groaning in you. Drawing you. Breathing in you.

So open the locked room. Let Him open the basement door. Stop asking only to be inspired. Ask to be remade. Breathe deep.

TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR

Individuals

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

Families

Carlos & Madalena Lopes Family	Karen Randall & Family	Susan Olson
Barb & Vern Prinzing	Scott Cely Family	Deacon Winston Wright
Dana Lacher	Michael & Ruth Walters	Juan & Christina Francisco
Duhe Family	Tessa & George Skoniecki	June Schammel & Family
Catherine & Michael Branca	Deacon Richard Murtaugh	Faye Schneider & Family
Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu		

Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair
Nicole Campbell Little

JOIN US FOR ADORATION



We invite you to step away from the noise of the busy week and join us for a powerful time of prayer and reflection during Adoration on **Wednesdays between 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM**. We encourage everyone to stop by the sanctuary to spend some personal time with the Blessed Sacrament — He is waiting for you!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 5/23

- 5 PM Mary Parella  requested by Patrick J. Richardson

WEDNESDAY, 5/27

- 11 AM
- 6 PM

SUNDAY, 5/24

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

THURSDAY, 5/28

- 11 AM

SATURDAY, 5/30

- 5 PM Michael Krummenacker  requested by Mary E. Cordaro.

Monday, 5/25

- 11 AM

SUNDAY, 5/31

TUESDAY, 5/26

- 11 AM

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

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

PARISH INFORMATION

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection for May 16-17, 2026
(46th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$24,875.21	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	\$1,452,385.13	\$1,394,480.38

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

Consider Online Giving:

49% 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!

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

- **Hours:** Monday–Thursday from 9 AM - 1 PM
- We take the first 25 contacts (phone & in-person)

Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

- **Hours:** M–Th from 9 AM - 1 PM

Catholic Charities: (864) 331-2626 (at San Sebastián Catholic Church)

VIEW OUR PARISH CALENDAR

To stay updated on the latest events and updates in our parish, please **scan the QR code to view our calendar** (link will expire on May 29th):



ST. ANTHONY JUNETEENTH 2026

A CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM, FAITH, & COMMUNITY



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

6:00 PM | MASS (Church)
6:00 PM

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS, Bishop of Charleston, presiding.

BBQ DINNER & PROGRAM
(School Gymnasium - 311 Gower Street)

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Featuring music, dance, and Black history.

LOCATION (Greenville SC 29611):
307 Gower Street

ADMISSION:
FREE (Love Offering Accepted)

Parishioners, friends and the public are invited.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Jessica Williams
- ✦ Sammy Dotson
- ✦ Bonnie Franks & The Nicholtown Community Choir
- ✦ Larry McCullough & Chosen Generation
- ✦ Jeremiah Dew (J Dew)
- ✦ Kendra Williams
- ✦ Imani Dancers
- ✦ Father Tony Ricard

Joining us for the evening are participants in the national **Archbishop Lyke Conference** held in Greenville June 16-19. The premier Black Catholic liturgical event.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS

11:00 AM & 6:00 PM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 11:00 AM

Tuesday: 11:00 AM

Wednesday : 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Thursday: 11:00 AM

Friday: **No Daily Mass** (every week)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Or by Appointment

ADORATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

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PARISH UPDATE

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Knights of Peter Claver	
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Safety and Security Ministry	
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A Special Invitation to Support Our First Communicants

On **May 30th**, our young parishioners will receive their **First Holy Communion**. To celebrate, we have placed **gift bags in the Church Lobby** for all communicants and their teachers. We encourage you to participate by **placing notes of congratulations, prayers, or small gifts** inside the bags. It is a beautiful way for our parish family to show these children and their educators that we are walking this journey of faith with them!

Friday Rosary in May

Honor the Blessed Mother this month with the Women's Council. We will gather **every Friday in May at 10:00 AM** in the school parking lot before walking to the Virgin Mary statue in the school playground to pray the Rosary together. It's a wonderful opportunity to come together in faith and reflection. We look forward to seeing you there!

Summer Retreat: Registration is Now Open!

Escape the summer heat for a weekend of spiritual renewal and connection at the serene **St. Francis Spring Retreat Center** in Stoneville, NC. We are once again blessed to be led by **Fr. Peter Trembly, OFM Conv.** For the past nine years, Fr. Peter has energized our community with his deep passion and infectious spirit. You won't want to miss the insights he has to share as we gather for fellowship, growth, and reflection in a beautiful Franciscan setting.

- **When:** Friday, July 17 – Sunday, July 19
- **Where:** St. Francis Spring Retreat Center | Stoneville, NC
- **Led by:** Fr. Peter Trembly, OFM Conv.



Ready to join us? Registration is now open! Please **scan the QR code above** to secure your spot and prepare your hearts for a refreshing weekend in the woods. For questions, please contact **Paul Herr: pdherr@gmail.com**.

Women's Council Events

Join us on **Sunday, June 7th at 1:30 PM in the Multipurpose Room** for our monthly meeting - all women in the parish are welcome to join! We will also be hosting our annual **Father's Day Breakfast** on **Sunday, June 21st after the 8:00 AM Mass**. We look forward to seeing you then!

Women's Council Meeting

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH
1:30 pm
Multi-Purpose Room

ALL ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA WOMEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN US IN HELPING TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON OUR PARISH FAMILY AND COMMUNITY!

Check us out on Facebook!

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Join the St. Anthony of Padua's Women's Council for a breakfast honoring all Fathers!

SUNDAY, JUNE 21ST
After the 8:00 am Mass
SOCIAL HALL

Check Us Out on Facebook!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, MAY 24th

Pentecost Sunday

No Men's Club Breakfast

MONDAY, MAY 25th

Parish & School Office Closed

MEMORIAL DAY

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

TUESDAY, MAY 26th

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study
Zoom

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27th

11:00 AM & 6:00 PM - Daily Masses

Church

4:00-6:00 PM - Adoration

4:00-5:00 PM - Confessions
Church

6:00 PM - Youth Ministry Virtual Meeting
Microsoft Teams (Virtual)

7:00 PM - Men's Bible Study
Zoom

MAY 24TH - 31ST

PARISH UPDATE

Formation

Living Waters Bible Study: Special In-Person Meeting

Join us every Tuesday from **6:30-8:00 PM!** We meet weekly via Zoom, with the exception of the 3rd Tuesday of each month, when we gather in person in **Classroom A**.

Zoom Log-In:

Meeting ID: 834 4618 4219

Passcode: LWBS

Participant ID: 529792



Scan QR Code for Zoom Link

Our next in-person meeting is **Tuesday, June 16th**. All are welcome to join us for scripture and fellowship, whether you are a regular member or brand new to the study!



Calling All Men: Faith & Fellowship

Calling All Men: Faith & Fellowship Join our weekly Men's Bible Study for a low-pressure mid-week spiritual recharge. No prior knowledge or commitment is needed—just drop in whenever your schedule allows!

- **When:** Wednesdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom
- **What to bring:** Your Bible and a favorite beverage.
- **Questions?** Contact David Quast at thequasts@gmail.com.

Scan QR Code for Zoom Link



Important Dates Ahead

- **May 23rd** - Pentecost Vigil after 5 PM Mass & Dinner to follow
- **May 25th** - Memorial Day (No School & Parish Office Closed)
- **May 28th** - 5th Grade Commencement at 11:00 AM
- **May 29th** - Last Day of School & Awards at 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM Dismissal
- **June 1st-5th** - Vacation Bible School (rising K5-5th Grade)
- **June 6th** - Hiking Ministry Hike (last hike until Fall)
- **June 6th** - Prayer Shawl Meeting at 10:00 AM in Classroom A
- **June 7th** - Women's Council Meeting at 1:30 PM in the Multipurpose Room
- **June 13th** - St. Anthony of Padua Feast Day
- **June 16th-19th** - 2026 Archbishop Lyke Conference
- **June 17th** - Save the Date: Juneteenth Celebration - Mass at 6:00 PM with the Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS, Bishop of Charleston, presiding & a BBQ Dinner after
- **June 21st** - Father's Day Breakfast after 8 AM Mass
- **July 3rd-24th** - Sanctuary Closed for New Pew Installation - Weekend Mass will be in the School Gymnasium; Daily Masses will be in School Chapel
- **July 17th-19th** - Summer Retreat at St. Francis Spring Retreat Center

Thank You for a Beautiful Hat Parade!

This past Sunday, our parish was filled with incredible style, joy, and fellowship during the Women's Council Hat Parade. It was truly a spectacular sight!



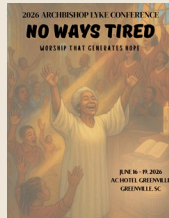
We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the fabulous participants who stepped out in their Sunday best and showcased their creativity. A special thank you also goes out to our entire parish family for your enthusiastic support and presence. Events like this beautifully highlight the vibrant spirit and deep community bonds here at St. Anthony's.

Thank you for helping the Women's Council continue its vital work and for making the day such a wonderful success!



The 2026 Lyke Conference: June 16-19

Greenville is proud to host the nation's premier Black Catholic liturgical event! This year's theme, "No Ways Tired - Worship That Generates Hope," offers a powerful week of faith formation, evangelization, and soul-stirring contemporary gospel music.



Conference Highlights:

- Workshops: Focused on liturgy, mission advancement, and Sacred Scripture.
- Music: Performances by choirs and musicians from across the U.S.
- Fellowship: An enriching experience for anyone passionate about worship and ministry.



Scan QR Code to Register



Scan QR Code for List of Speakers

Opportunities to Serve

Volunteer Needed: Finance Assistance Team

St. Anthony's Financial Assistance team needs a dedicated volunteer every **Friday morning (9:00 AM - 12:00 PM)**. The primary role is to assist those in our community struggling to pay utilities by helping them access financial aid and connecting them with the right local resources and ministries. If you are patient, empathetic, and organized, your help could be a lifeline for someone in need. Questions? Contact **Julia Mullen at 864.233.7717 ext. 0**.

Help Feed Our Neighbors: Food Pantry Needs

Our Parish Food Pantry is a vital "wellspring of hope" for our community, but we need your hands to keep it running! We are currently **seeking 3 to 4 weekly volunteers**, as well as **"on-call" backups** to help as their schedules allow.

New Way to Help from Home! Can't make it to the pantry? You can still make a direct impact by preparing **individually bagged sandwiches** at home. Whether it's peanut butter and jelly or deli meat, these grab-and-go meals are a huge blessing to our brothers and sisters in need.

Get Involved: To join our volunteer team or for details on dropping off sandwiches, please contact **Carol Moeller at 864-380-4155**. Thank you for helping us live out the works of mercy in our own backyard!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

THURSDAY, MAY 28th

11:00 AM - 5th Grade Graduation Mass
Church

12:00 PM - Graduation Reception
SAP Social Hall

FRIDAY, MAY 29th

No Daily Mass

Food Pantry Closed
Parish Office Closes at 12 PM

Last Day of School
10:00 AM - School Awards
School Gymnasium

10:00 AM - Women's Council Rosary Walk
Church Parking Lot

SATURDAY, MAY 30th

11:00 AM - First Communion
Church

11:00 AM - First Communion Reception
SAP Social Hall

4:00-4:45 PM - Confessions
Church

5:00 PM - Vigil Mass
Church

MAY 24TH - 31ST

SUNDAY, MAY 31st

The Most Holy Trinity

Sunday Masses: 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM
Church

No Men's Club Breakfast

11:00 AM - Bob Dastou Farewell Reception
(all are invited)
SAP Social Hall

6:00 PM - Youth Ministry's Alpha Night
SAP Social Hall

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Field Day Fun & 5th Grade Graduation Mass!

What a wonderful week it has been at our parish school! This past Friday, our campus was filled with laughter, teamwork, and school spirit as our students celebrated **Field Day**. It was an incredible day of outdoor fun, games, and camaraderie, and I want to thank all the teachers, staff, and volunteers who worked so hard to make it a safe and memorable event for our kids.

As we wrap up these final days of the school year, we turn our attention to a very special milestone. I warmly invite our entire parish community to join us for our **5th Grade Graduation Mass this Thursday, May 28th, at 11:00 AM**.

Our 5th graders have worked so hard, grown in faith and knowledge, and are ready to take their next steps. Your presence and prayers mean the world to our students and their families as we celebrate their achievements and send them forth into their next chapter. We hope to see you there to help us honor our graduates!



Looking Ahead in May

- May 28th - 5th Grade Graduation Mass at 11:00 AM in the Church & Reception after
- May 29th - Last Day of School, Awards at 10:00 AM in the School Gym & 12:00 PM (Early Dismissal)

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