

The Window



St. Anthony Catholic Church
May 2026



Memorial Day - May 25

Parish Pastoral Council April 20, 2026 – 6:30 pm

Present: Fr George, Pat Bronner, Patty Wright, Delia Colbert, Julie West-Troy, Elizabeth Ruiz, Eduvina & Pedro Ruiz, Dennis Morgan, Richard Paladino, Danielle Caudle, Elli Wright, Billy Pace, Aracely Castillo, Cathy Berger. Lettie Buchanan.

Absent: Olin Yancey (Pat Bronner conducted the meeting in his absence).

Fr. George Report:

1. On Thursday, 3-19-26 a **Lenten Penance Service** was celebrated at 6PM in the Church and was followed by individual confessions at St. Joseph's Hall. There were three visiting priests to assist Fr. George during the service. Thanks to the Hospitality Committee for entertaining the priests at the Rectory with a delicious dinner.
2. On 3-28-26 & 3-29-26 (Saturday & Sunday) Palm Sunday was celebrated. There were three masses including one for the Spanish speaking community. The services were well attended. It is a welcome development to know that just like **the Youth mass for the English speaking community months back, the same was introduced for the Spanish speaking community.** The youth are very active in Spanish liturgical celebrations.
3. **I would like to express my deep sense of gratitude to all those who worked hard investing their time, talents and treasure for making this years' Holy Week services a great spiritual event.** I thank Michele Wilson and the excellent choir coordinating with the Spanish choir members that presented bilingual music, people who donated the Easter Flowers generously, the lectors, the servers, ushers and volunteers, **Patty Wright DRE, Billy Pace and Ashley Melton for preparing the Confirmation students, the Family Life co-chair, Danielle Caudle for training the kids for Eucharistic Procession, Richard Paladino & Ron Sherman for training the RCIA Candidates, Julie West** and her team for making all arrangements for the **"Triduum Services"**. This year the Easter Vigil Service was very solemn and grand. Eight adults including two teenagers were baptized and confirmed. Unusual this year for the Easter Day 8:30 AM mass on Sunday, April 5th, was crowded as well.
4. On Saturday, 4-18-26 at the 5:30 PM Mass eight students from our Parish Community received Holy Communion for the the first time. It was a moving moment for all of us. congratulations and best wishes to the First Holy Communicants. Let us keep all of them in our prayers for their continued training and formation. **Thanks to Patty Wright, teachers Aracely Castillo and Danielle Caudle** and the parents for training and bringing them to this great event.

Finance Board Report: Richard Paladino

Copies of the current Committee Budget were given to those present.

The Parish Council in March requested that the enhanced security and safety of a camera system was something that should be adopted in the near term.

The Building and Grounds committee has responded to that request, and obtained estimates from 3 companies. However, the funding to implement this request is not in the yearly budget.

Buildings & Grounds – Dennis Morgan

No report.

As always, if any member finds or sees something within the Church or other buildings, please make a note of the item to be addressed No report in the green folder outside the Office door, marked with Buildings and Grounds.

Family Life – Danielle Caudle/Aracely Castillo

The adult dinner party was a great night with 28 participants. Youth mass is continuing to go well. Our youth really participated in Easter week and it was great to see so many there day after day. We had 400 eggs donated for the Easter eggs hunt and 27 of our youth participated.

Upcoming Events

- . **Trash Pandas Game:** May 3rd 2:30 pm (grades 5 - 12). Leaving church at 1. Signup sheets in St. Joseph Hall.
- . **Adult Luau:** June 20th 6:30 pm.
- . **Vacation Bible School (VBS):** June 22 - 28 9 am - 12:00 pm. All Parish youth (ages 3 -18) are invited to attend.

7th grade and up will be group leaders. Several church members have volunteered to help. Sent the information to Pulaski so their children can come as well.

. **Teen Lock-In:** June 28th 9:30 am - June 29 9:30 am: Going to 7th Grade – Graduating Seniors. Provided First Communion cake and punch for the reception. Ordering cake for graduation students.

Hospitality Outreach- Delia Colbert

March 19 Priest dinner - Father George had two visiting priests join him for dinner before the Penance service. The third priest could not dine with them but we had taken out dishes prepared for him.

April 4 - We were asked to host a reception after Easter Vigil Mass for the RCIA candidates. With Eight candidates in total there was a very good crowd that attended.

Religious Education & Formation - Patty Wright

CCD:

Confirmation Retreat was held Saturday, March 28th from 8:00-2:00 at St. Anthony. Dylan Jedlovec and Brad Pepper were the speakers. Students attending Adoration and Confession during the retreat. Confirmation was held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at the Catholic Pastoral Center in Nashville. 7 students from St. Anthony received the sacrament. Confirmation Recognition will be this Sunday, April 26, 2026, at St. Anthony.

First Communion retreat was held on Saturday, April 11th from 9:00-12:00 at St. Anthony. Students made banners and received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. First Communion was last Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 5:30 mass. 8 students received their First Communion. A reception honoring the communicants was held after Mass.

May Crowning will be Sunday May 3rd during Mass.

Graduate Recognition will be Sunday, May 17th. All high school and college graduates will be recognized.

CYO/St.AY:

Youth Mass – Was held Sunday, April 19, 2026. Students from various grades participated by reading, ushering, taking up the gifts and serving as acolytes and Eucharistic Ministers.

Youth Groups: Trash Panda game on Sunday May 3rd at 2:30. Sign-ups are in the gym.

Altar & Rosary Society – Julie West Troy

. March 28 – 29 Bake Sale was fantastic. Proceeds went to Always Endure organization.

. We had a very successful Holy week. After mass on Palm Sunday we covered all the statues in purple.

. Holy Thursday - the Memorial Hall was decorated for the Repose Adoration. Very well attended.

. Good Friday - Altar and banners in red in preparation for the Veneration of the Cross.

. Easter Vigil – Saturday morning we prepared the church with white altar, white banners and beautiful Easter lilies.

Celebrated baptism with two of the 8 new catholic members.

. We will be helping with the Janet Jetton funeral luncheon on April 25th at 10am

. Our nursing home visits were to Sherry Winn, Dane Carter and Jean Benson.

. Our next meet will be on Thursday, May 14 after the 9am mass in the Memorial Hall.

Social Action – Lettie Buchanan

Good Samaritan – March – 43 boxes of food given. Misc. food items were also donated.

Powdered Milk – March – 120 quarts donated.

Good Samaritan Volunteers – Office open June 15, 16, 17.

Families Helping Families – Doctor appointments, home visits, phone calls, etc.

AT-Large – Billy Pace

Nominations Discernment Committee submitted final names for review.

Update on Flocknote – Cathy Berger

It is my intention to send flocknotes out weekly. The flocknotes will contain the following information:

- Activities and Events with either links to events, PDFs, or supplied graphics/photos.
- Important news and information
- 2nd collection information
- Information and Link to Push Pay for giving.
- Link to St. Anthony Website
- PDF of weekly bulletin
- Ministry Information/Introductions

Following all Easter and Special Celebrations, we will be setting up following Mass in St. Joseph Hall to assist parishioners with their flocknote registration. We have a list from the flocknote happiness engineers of all St. Anthony's flocknote registrants and their current group affiliation. Our focus will be up and:

- Registering parishioners (adults) who would like to receive flocknote and are not registered and,
- Help those participating in ministries to be part of their ministries sub-group.

If anyone (or ministry) is having an event that they would like to have included in the weekly flocknote, it would be helpful to have the content and any graphics and/or photos timely (by Wednesday) so that the Flocknote can be finalized on Thursday for Friday morning release. The office shares announcements to be included as well as the bulletin to be added.

Hispanic Community Integrator – Elizabeth Mejia/Eduvina Ruiz

Report under Old and New Business.

Youth Representative - Eli Wright

Always Endure is a local nonprofit organization that helps children and their families who are undergoing medical issues. They serve families in Lincoln County in a variety of ways. One of their main fundraisers every year is the Slawburger 5k race. It was held on April 18th at Lincoln County High School. There were over 200 participants and it was a major success! St. Anthony was a sponsor for this event, and I am extremely grateful for our parish's generosity. With the help of our faithful parish, we raised over 1,300 dollars for Always Endure. The proceeds this year benefited two local children battling cancer, Grayson and Hannah Joy. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. I am amazed and thankful at their impact our small church had on these two children. Your generosity and prayers are greatly appreciated. God bless!

Communications – Pat Bronner

1. Easter weekend pictures were taken and displayed in the vestibule. Thank you Danielle Caudle, Mary Krack, and Jake Peavey for sharing their photos with me.
2. Eight RCIA Candidates were given cards and thumb drives of their participation during Easter week.
3. A report was made from Cathy Berger at the April 20, 2026 meeting on "Flocknote" as she is working alongside the office secretary Sherrie Jacks as part of Communications.

Old Business:

Elizabeth Ruiz - We are coming up with different ideas and ways to improve the kids playground.

New Business:

Elizabeth Ruiz - Cinco de Mayo Festival will be held in the back parking lot as every year. It will be Sunday May 3rd from 9:30am to 2pm. (we are aware this is May flower day, just like every year).

We are taking donators for piñatas, candy and miscellaneous items which we want to use for games. You'll find a registration sheet in the vestibule.

We are not going to take pre-orders; however, we will cook plenty of tamales for everyone

Richard Paladino - In order to implement an enhanced camera system the Parish Council approved the use of a second collection on May 2 and May 3, 2026 to raise the needed funds, or the majority of the funds needed.

Since the Debt Reduction second collection is usually on the first weekend of the month, it will be delayed until the second weekend of the month for May 9 and May 10, 2026.

The above statement should be implemented in the May 2/3 Bulletin, and statement before Mass, and in the summary Flock Note for the week.

Patty Wright - Motion was made and passed by all present for the funding of the camera system.

** Many questions, issues, and discussions were made by the council members on various topics working together in finding solutions. Thank you all for your feedback.

Next meeting: May 18, 2026

Adjourned: 7:45pm

Pat Bronner, PPC Secretary

May	Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
1	Roger Johnson, Clarence Eck, Christian Martinez, Mary Hunt, Christina Sirman, Hovocio Perez- Padilla	Floyd & Mary Krack
3	Rita Holdmeyer	Randy & Mary Patterson
4	Alejandro Ruiz-Sanchez, Matias Roblero-Garcia, Diego Roblero-Garcia	
5	Anna Catharine Prince, Maricela Martinez, Beatriz Eugenio	
6	Carrie Caudle, Diego Hernandez	
8	Stacey Pace, Fr. George, Daniela Ruiz-Torres	
9	John Haendel, Luciano Solis, Maria Zenteno-Torres	
10	Jennie Macaulay	
11	Patty Wright, Mayla McAlister, Maria Ruiz-Sanchez	Donald & Catherine Berger, David & Martha Knowles
12	Donna Kirkwood	
13	Glecy Weir	Fr. George Ordination (1983), Daniel & Lisa Johnston
15	Donald Keib Jr.	
16	Norma Huerta-Ruiz Lewis Winn Jr	
17	Jontae Johnson, Charlotte Pace, David Heath, Debbie Heath	William & Lavonne Dunning
18	Claire Catanese	
19		Jimmie & Danielle Caudle, Todd & Jessalyn Butillo
20	Nicki Painter	Adam & Sara McCormick, Jose & Montserrat Garcia- Reynoso
21	Evelyn Sanchez-Contreras, Jesus Contreras	
24	Susana Caballero	Ricky & Lisa Patterson, Larry & Debra Schaefer
25	Evan Pozos	Marcelino & Maria Espino
26	Emma Wright, Gael Lopez, Alma Torres-Otero	
27	Lisa Johnston	Gordon & Barbara Ellacott
28	David Solis	
29	Walker Prince, Adam Suszcynski, Susan Helums	
30	Mary Patterson, Cordell McCurry	
31	Joe Donaldson, Kimberly Mireles, Tristyn Gray	

MAY 2026 SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTORS	MINISTERS	SERVERS	GIFTS	USHERS
May 2	Rose Loiacono	Mike Loiacono Donnie Keib Volunteer	Landyn Dickinson	Donnie Keib Barry Yuhas Richard Paladino	Richard Paladino Barry Yuhas
May 3	Dennis Morgan Heath Jacks	Debbie Morgan Jake Peavey Jimmie Caudle	Luke Peavey Kai Macaulay	Smith Family	Tommy Wilson Bill Dunning
May 9	Barry Yuhas	Debra Schaefer Makayla Johnson Larry Schaefer	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Donnie Keib Jim Anderson
May 10	Jimmie Caudle Jake Peavey	Becky Harris Patty Wright Chris Smith	Christian Perez TJ Wilson	Crow Family	Grad Wright Alfredo Perez
May 16	Roger Johnson	Julie West-Troy Donnie Keib Volunteer	Landyn Dickinson	Volunteer Family	Julie West-Troy Barry Yuhas
May 17	Jordan Greene Mary Krack	Lavonne Dunning JoAnn SantaMaria Billy Pace	Thomas Caudle William Caudle	Garcia Family	Jordan Bolton Rick Harris
May 23	Kathy Anderson	Makayla Johnson Julie West-Troy Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Julie West-Troy Jim Anderson
May 24	Rose Loiacono Mike Loiacono	Sherrie Gill Mary Krack Mike Loiacono	Jovany Ruiz Christian Martínez	Caudle Family	Jim Weir Tony Gill
May 30	Larry Schaefer	Debra Schaefer Larry Schaefer Donnie Keib	Landyn Dickinson	Volunteer Family	Donnie Keib Richard Paladino
May 31	Billy Pace Eli Wright	Callie Caudle Carrie Caudle Eli Wright	Luke Peavey Kai Macaulay	Pace Family	Tommy Wilson Bill Duning