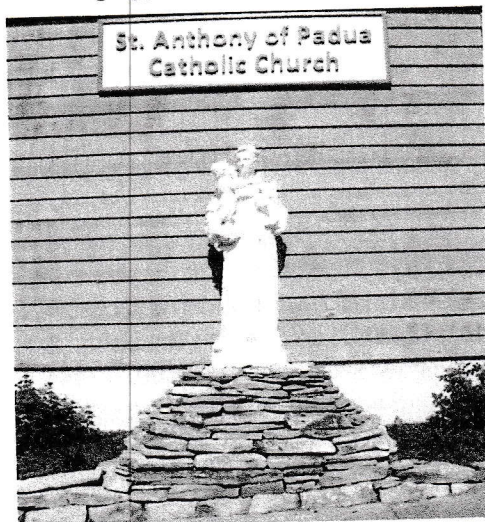


The Window



St. Anthony Catholic Church
June 2026



Feast Day - June 13

Parish Pastoral Council May 18, 2026 – 6:30 pm

Present: Fr George, Olin Yancey, Pat Bronner, Delia Colbert, Julie West-Troy, Elizabeth Ruiz, Eduvina Ruiz, Richard Paladino, Billy Pace, Aracely Castillo, Cathy Berger. Lettie Buchanan.

Absent: Patty Wright, Eli Wright, Dennis Morgan, Danielle Caudle.

Fr. George Report:

- 1. On 3-26-26 Sunday, the seven newly confirmed young men and women were recognized by the Parish Community at the 8:30 AM Mass** and a reception was followed after the mass in St. Joseph's Hall. Thanks to the DRE, Mrs. Patty Wright and her team for making all arrangements for the celebration.
- 2.** On 5-3-26 Sunday at the 8:30 AM Mass, we had a beautiful celebration of the **"Crowning of Mary"** honoring her by the lovely kids who were so many in number, lined up for the celebration inspiring every one of the congregation. Thanks to Patty Wright and the Family Life Committee for preparing the kids and making it colorful and grand.
- 3.** On the same day 5-3-26, we had a special student **Mr. Beau McNatt** brought up in Anglican background and after much thought, reflection, and training, **joined the Catholic Church and was confirmed at the 8:30 AM Mass.** His family members and friends were present on the occasion. **He was given a grand reception at the St. Joseph's Hall** and is planning to join the Seminary to become a Priest. Please kindly, keep him in your prayers.
- 4.** Again, on this same day 5-3-26, the Annual Spanish Fest "Cinco De Mayo" was celebrated by the Spanish community. A large number of people including the students attended. It was a grand success and they collected an amount of \$3400 to be spent for Debt Reduction and for other creative purposes of the community. Thanks to all organizers who worked hard for the program.
- 5.** On **Friday 5-8-26, all of you surprised me by celebrating my 75th Birthday** in the evening at St. Joseph's Hall, conducting a delicious dinner party. Thanks to the **Hospitality & Family Life committees** combined for engineering the program. I was really honored and blessed. My sincere thanks to your greetings and gift cards as well. Please keep me in your prayers to continue to serve you faithfully.
- 6. On 5-10-26 at the 8:30 AM Mass,** being it was **"Mother's Day"** all mothers were recognized and by honoring them the Knights of Columbus conducted a sumptuous breakfast after the Mass in St. Joseph's Hall. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their generosity.
- 7. On Sunday 5-17-26 at the 8.30 AM Mass,** 6 graduate students from our high schools and Riverside Homeschool Academy, were recognized and given a reception at St. Joseph's Hall after the Mass. **Thanks to Patty Wright** and her team **Congratulations and Best wishes to all graduates.**
- 8.** I am extremely sorry that in my previous report of April, I unknowingly left out to include a great spiritual event that took place on the Second Sunday of Easter- which is popularly known as **"Divine Mercy Sunday"**. It is solemnly celebrated throughout the Catholic Church on the same day. On 12 April 2026, the 25th Anniversary of "Divine Mercy Sunday" was celebrated at 3:00PM in the Church. The service included Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, adoration, the chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Benediction and divine praises. There were 49 participants altogether including visitors from Immaculate Conception Church in Pulaski and St. Catherine of Siena Church in Columbia. A light snack was served after the event.
- 9.** I use this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to Glecly Weir who rendered her heart and soul, coordinating with Michele Wilson and others for this celebration not only for this current year but in the past for many years as well. This devotional Catholic service has inspired many over the years getting closer to Jesus' Divine Heart. Due to health issues, she is stepping down from this service. Let us give a big salute and **"big thank you"** to her great generosity and commitment. Her absence will be felt and irreplaceable. Looking at her legacy in the past for many years, she has been a kind **"spiritual giant"** epitomizing the Lords' love, compassion, mercy and generosity and kindness to many in our parish and outside. She is a great spiritual asset to our parish. She spends her retirement time in prayer and refection and caring for and visiting those who are sick, homebound and nursing homes. She finds her fulfillment in giving herself in this way. She is an inspiring and welcoming person to all of us. Let us keep her in our prayers for continuing her spiritual legacy enriching everybody.

Finance Board Report: Richard Paladino

Copies of the current Committee Budget July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 were given to those present.

Buildings & Grounds – Dennis Morgan

No report.

Family Life – Danielle Caudle/Aracely Castillo

Events since the last meeting include Father George's birthday party, the rosary garden cleanup, First Communion, Youth Group Trash Pandas game, and graduation recognition. The rosary garden cleanup and redo had over 30 volunteers and many donations. We spent around \$1500 on dirt and plastic, but all plants were either donated or dugout and replanted. The rock and mulch were also donated. Father George's birthday was supported by several committees working together. First Communion Mass went well with 8 students and we had cake and punch after. The Trash Pandas game had 26 in attendance. The kids loved it and we were very well behaved. We even got a compliment on their behavior from the section leader where we sat. Graduation recognition was held May 13th and cake and punch was provided after Mass. Upcoming events includes adult luau, VBS and teen lock-in. We are working on the details of the parish picnic as well. Danielle Caudle

Hospitality Outreach- Delia Colbert

April 25th - We had a luncheon for the family of Mrs. Janet Jetton after the funeral mass. Several family members were in attendance and there was a lot of food for the family to take home. Thank you everyone for your help setting up and cleaning up afterwards.

April 26th - Confirmation was held for seven young men and women, and a reception was given to celebrate their achievements.

Religious Education & Formation - Patty Wright

No report.

Altar & Rosary Society – Julie West Troy

No report.

Social Action – Lettie Buchanan

Good Samaritan – April – 40 boxes of food given. Misc. food items were also donated.

Powdered Milk – April – 50 quarts donated.

Good Samaritan Volunteers – Office open June 15, 16, 17. (Closed May 25)

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

AT-Large – Billy Pace

No report.

Update on Flocknote – Cathy Berger

Flocknote: Weekly flocknotes continue to go out to Everyone registered to receive notes. Unolytics have been very good. It would be nice to keep the running calendar to announce and remind everyone of upcoming events and meetings. It would be helpful to have a list of all regularly scheduled meetings to include in the email as I do not know when everyone typically meets and I am only made aware of them when I see them in the bulletin or hear them in announcements. Wondering if we could streamline advertising requests? If event is approved and ready to be announced, would it be advantageous to have the ministry or requestor send their content to Parish office as well Communications Committee Chair (Pat) and sub-committee members if it is their desire share on FB, flocknote and perhaps website. (Cathy/Tricia). One email to all?

Hispanic Community Integrator – Elizabeth Mejia/Eduvina Ruiz

5 Cinco de Mayo was a success. We raised funds for the playground (20%), the security cameras (20%) and the debt reduction (60%).

Youth Representative - Eli Wright

No report.

Communications – Pat Bronner/Tricia Tito

Under the Communications Committee are the Website (Tricia Tito), Facebook (Pat Bronner) and Flocknotes (Cathy Berger and office) that are posted for public use and guidelines have to be followed when photos are shown. A call was made by Tricia Tito to Jim Casey, Office of Communications with the Diocese of Nashville. His reply is as follows: Before taking ANY photos that may be posted, we need to announce that the photo may be used on social media and if anyone does not want their picture online, then they would need to step out of the photo. Another thing he advised is that we put up a few signs on the church grounds stating that you consent to being in photos taken while on church property.

I personally think we need to ask permission before posting any pictures of minors on our website or Facebook, however there is not a specific Diocese rule saying that we can't. I also think that any posed photos (like RCIA, weddings, baptisms, etc.) should only be used if we have permission from the people in the photo. So, whoever is taking the photos will need to ask if it's okay.

We will continue, as we always have, with protocol and means best suited for this committee with all my thanks to Tricia Tito, Cathy Berger, and the office secretary Sherie Jacks.

Old Business:

Olin Yancey – **1.** I was not able to attend last month's (April) Council meeting so I obviously didn't hear what was reported, but I did not see any mention of the Divine Mercy Sunday celebration in print. I believe that celebration is a significant one. To make sure it is reported, I would like to offer this statement: On 12 April 2026 the 25th anniversary of Divine Mercy Sunday was celebrated at 3PM in the church. The service included Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Benediction, and Divine Praises. There were 49 participants including visitors from Immaculate Conception Church in Pulaski and St. Catherine of Siena Church in Columbia. A light snack was served after the event. **2.** Elections for the new Pastoral Council began after weekend masses 9 & 10 May. With two weekends done there have been approximately 100 votes cast. Polling will continue after all weekend masses and conclude on 31 May. **3.** Some of you have suggested, and I think it a necessary and proper thing, that we recognize the outgoing, current council members at mass. Perhaps on 7 June. **4.** Newly elected council members should be introduced to the parish and commissioned (similar to lectors, Eucharistic ministers and CCD teachers) at mass, perhaps 14 or 21 June. Their terms will begin with the parish year 1 July.

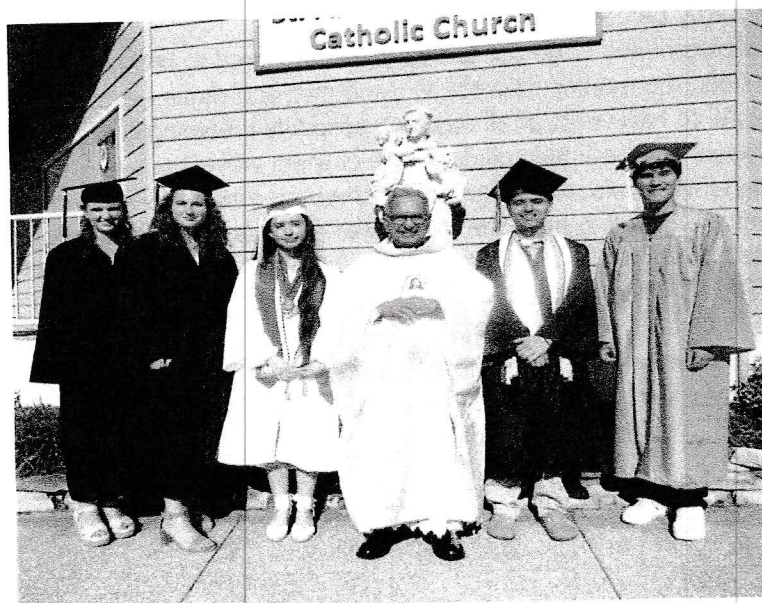
New Business:

Elizabeth Ruiz - In the upcoming years we plan to use 50% of our account to lift up the playground. This year we have chosen to add a few attachments to the playground and stain the wood. We will not recruit help for labor this year as we plan to hire a two-person job for spray paint and installation of playground attachments.

Next meeting: August 17, 2026

Adjourned: 7:45pm

Pat Bronner, PPC Secretary



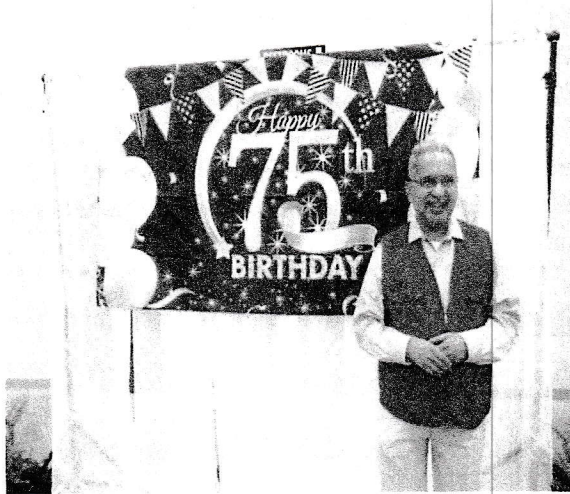
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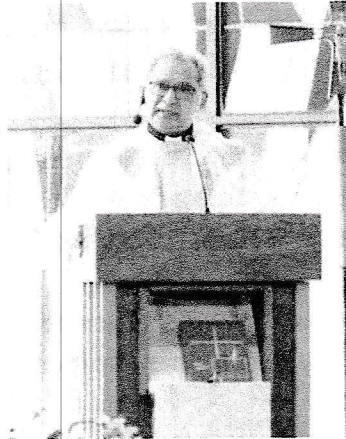
***Celebrating our Pastor, Fr. George,
on his 75th Birthday...***

On May 12, the Hospitality Ministry along with the Family Life Ministry did a spectacular job in coordinating the celebration of Fr. George's 75th Birthday! St. Joseph hall was decked out and there was plenty of delicious food for all.

While the party itself was not a surprise, Fr. George was pleasantly surprised with the amount of folks who turned out to share their company and well wishes.

It was a great evening and perfect event to show Fr. George that he is appreciated, truly blessed and warmly loved.





Let us not forget Happy Anniversary Fr. George! Father George was ordained in India, as a member of the Congregation of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, on May 13, 1983...43 years! Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of Your faithful servant, who answered Your call to serve as a shepherd of Your people. On this anniversary of his ordination, renew in him the joy of his "yes" to You. Fill his heart with the fire of the Holy Spirit, that he may continue to preach Your Word with courage, celebrate the Sacraments with reverence, and guide Your flock with wisdom and compassion. Bless his mind with clarity, his hands with strength, and his soul with peace. May Mary, Mother of Priests, wrap him in her mantle of love and protection, and may Christ, the Eternal High Priest, be his constant companion and source of strength. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

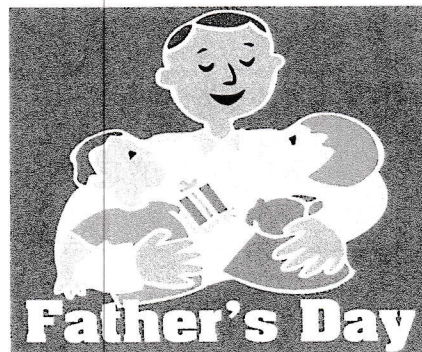
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Church Activities

- Eucharistic Adoration for First Friday will be held on June 5 at 9:30 AM.
- First Saturday Mass & Devotion will be held on June 6 at 9:30 AM, followed by brunch in the Memorial Hall.
- The Feast of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on Saturday, June 6, and Sunday, June 7. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, and Benediction will be at 5:00 PM on Saturday and at 8:00 AM on Sunday.
- Join us for the Novena to St. Anthony, held on June 4-12 at 7:00 PM each evening as we gather in prayer and devotion.
- Celebrate the Feast of St. Anthony Mass on Friday, June 13 at 7:00 PM. Dinner will follow in St. Joseph Hall. Everyone is welcome. Please see the bulletin for additional details.
- Adult Luau: June 20th 3:30 pm. See flyer below for sign-up info and more details.
- Vacation Bible School (VBS): June 22 - 28 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. All Parish youth (ages 3 - 18) are invited to attend. See flyer below for details and additional information!
- Teen Lock-In: June 28th 9:30 am - June 29 9:30 am: Going to 7th Grade - Graduating Seniors. See flyer below for sign-up info and more details.

“HAPPY FATHER’S DAY”

JUNE	HAPPY BIRTHDAY	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
2	PEDRO RUIZ, COURTNEY WEST	
4	MICHELE JOHNSON, JESUS MENDOZA	
5	MAKAYLA JOHNSON, CARLOS ESPINO, JACOB MAHONEY	MARK & PAM BROWNING, KYLE & KAREN DAVIS
6	JIMMIE CAUDLE, DENIS LOPEZ, MATTHEW SWANN	DON & EILEEN HICKS
8	DIEGO ESPINO, TIMOTHY DEMPSEY	
9	RONALD WHITE, AVA RILEY, HANNA PRADO-HERNANDEZ	
10		BEN & REGINA KING
11	STAN BREWER, SOPHIA HOSMER	
12	LARRY WEST, JEFFERSON ORTIZ, EMILY CONTRERAS-FLORES, KYNLEIGH FANNING	JACEK & SELENA SUSZCZYNSKI
13	JULIE WEST-TROY	
15	REGINA KING, JACK SUSZCZYNSKI, ABIGAIL OLMOS-RICO	MIGUEL & GABY MARTINEZ
16	VICKI RICHARDSON	
17	TINA COLE, KAREN DAVIS	
18		TONY & SHERRIE GILL
19	PABLO RUIZ, JULIA FAGUNDES	
22	SARA McCORMICK, JORGE TORRES	
23	OCTAVIO PAREDES	JOHN & JENNIE MACAULAY
25	DAISY RUIZ	TED & MARY ZALENSKI, JOHN & MICHELLE OXFORD, ALFREDO & AMALIA MARTINEZ
26		BILL & DEBBIE HEATH
27	ANGELA PALACIO, SANDRA COOPER, ARACELY CASTILLO, RIA CROW	
28	LAURIE SUMMERS, ADOLFO VELAZQUEZ	
29	HAILEY SMITH, JAZTON RILEY	STEPHEN & KATHLEEN ROGERS
30	MICHAEL LOIACONO	MATTHEW & AMY HANCOCK



June 21, 2026

JUNE 2026 SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTORS	MINISTERS	SERVERS	GIFTS	USHERS
June 6	Tommy Anderson	Makayla Johnson Julie West-Troy Wyatt Prince	Wyatt Prince	Donnie Keib Barry Yuhas Jim Anderson	Donnie Keib Barry Yuhas
June 7	Dennis Morgan Heath Jacks	Becky Harris Billy Pace Jimmie Caudle	TJ Wilson Christian Perez	Jake Peavey Tommy Wilson Bill Dunning	Grad Wright Alfredo Perez
June 13	Rose Loiacono	Donnie Keib Mike Loiacono Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Jim Anderson Richard Paladino
June 14	Mary Krack Jordan Greene	Lavonne Dunning JoAnn SantaMaria Chris Smith	Thomas Caudle William Caudle	Pace Family	Rick Harris
June 20	Larry Schaefer	Debra Schaefer Larry Schaefer Wyatt Prince	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Barry Yuhas Donnie Keib
June 21	Billy Pace Eli Wright	Sherrie Gill Mary Krack Jake Peavey	Jovany Ruiz Christian Martinez	Perez Family	Jim Weir Tony Gill
June 27	Donnie Keib	Makayla Johnson Julie West-Troy Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Julie West-Troy Richard Paladino
June 28	Jimmie Caudle Jake Peavey	Carrie Caudle Carrie Caudle Eli Wright	Luke Peavey Kai Macaulay	McCormick Family	Tommy Wilson Bill Dunning