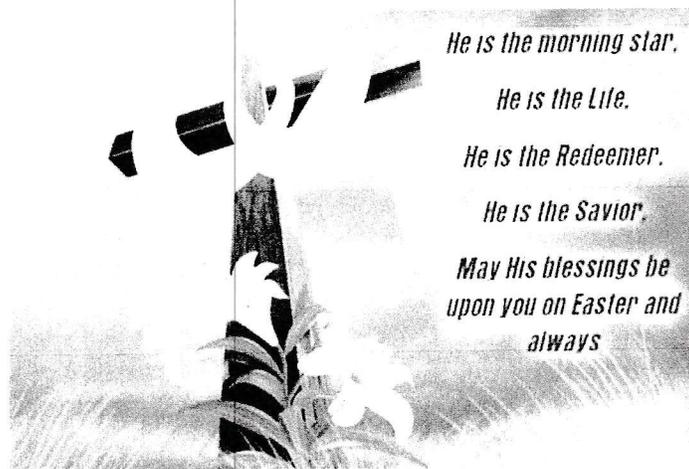


# The Window



St. Anthony Catholic Church  
March 2026



*He is the morning star.*

*He is the Life.*

*He is the Redeemer.*

*He is the Savior.*

*May His blessings be  
upon you on Easter and  
always*

Happy & Blessed Easter 4-5-26

## Parish Pastoral Council February 16, 2026 – 6:30 pm

**Present:** Fr George, Olin Yancey, Pat Bronner, Lettie Buchanan, Patty Wright, Delia Colbert, Julie West-Troy, Dennis Morgan, Richard Paladino, Danielle Caudle

**Hispanic Committee:** Not present.

**Absent:** Billy Pace, Aracely Castillo, Elizabeth Mejia.

### **Fr. George Report:**

1. On 23<sup>rd</sup> November, a long-time parishioner and active member of our Church **Mrs. Martha Emma Wolf, after duly receiving the last rites**, passed away and in loving memory of her life and legacy a funeral mass was celebrated at our Church on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November 2025, and was followed by **the Rite of Committal & Final Commendation at the Riverside Cemetery in Fayetteville**. There was a grand reception at our St. Josephs' Hall after the services. The members of her family, friends and many of our parishioners were present on the occasion. **Thanks to the Hospitality Committee and the volunteers who brought food for the luncheon and for making all other arrangements for the celebrations.**
2. All Pastors of the Diocese of Nashville had received in December a "**Communication Reminder**" quoting "All parishes are asked to ensure that their published liturgical schedules (Mass, Confessions etc.) are accurate and up to date across all major communication channels including parish websites, bulletins, parish phone recorded greetings etc. This includes both the regular weekday and weekend schedules as well as Holy days of obligation as those occur. Mass and Confession schedules are often the first and most frequent information sought by both the locals and visitors and it is critical that these are easy to find and accurate. With the upcoming occasions of Christmas on December 25 and Mary Mother of God on January I, and our welcoming to those travelling to middle TN to visit loved ones, this is a good time to review your public parish information. **Additionally, Pastors are asked to ensure that there is a way for parishioners to reach a priest after office hours in an emergency, and that a system is in place for checking voicemails left after hours in a timely manner.** It has come to our attention that there are parishes where callers not only cannot reach a live person during the week, but that voicemails left are not being returned in a timely manner if at all.
3. On Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> December, "**The Family Life Committee**" **Christmas Party** was conducted with a Christmas play and other activities for the children. Many children and most of their parents were involved. The celebration lasted till 5:30 PM on the day and concluded with dinner with lots of fun. I was very happy to become a part of it.
4. I would like **to express my deep sense of gratitude to all those who work hard to invest their time, and talents, and treasure this Christmas Celebration of 2025** - a grand and joyful spiritual experience. **The most significant attraction of our Christmas celebration is the Church Choir** under the leadership of Michele Wilson. I sincerely thank Michele and her team for organizing, practicing and presenting an ear-catching lovely music, spiritually energizing the congregation to celebrate Christmas that evening.
5. I thank sincerely, the **Decoration Committee**, the conformation students and the volunteers for beautifully decorating the Church & the Sanctuary with **the traditional Manger scene, Christmas trees and wreaths, beautiful Christmas Flowers from donors all made the Church really beautiful and eye-catching.**
6. My sincere thanks to all Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers and volunteers, for their valuable service on the occasion. **I especially thank Julie West the Chairperson of the Rosary Society and her team,** for making all arrangements of the liturgical setting for the Christmas celebration this year.
7. Mrs. Nancy Jones, mother of Vicki Richardson, **passed away on 1-2-26**. On 1-10-26 an 11am Funeral Mass and interment followed at Lincoln Cemetery. A luncheon was provided through the Hospitality Committee in St Josephs' Hall.
8. Mr. Donald Keib, a long-time parishioner of St. Anthony **passed away on Monday, 1-19-26** and in memory of him a Funeral Mass was celebrated at our Church on Friday, **1-23-26 at 11:00 AM**. After the mass the

Rite of Internment took place at our Columbarium. It was followed by a reception at St. Josephs' Hall. Thanks to the Hospitality Committee and Knights of Columbus for the wonderful luncheon served.

9. On Friday, February 6th visits were made to the sick members of our Parish to the Homebound & Nursing Homes, and distributed Communion to them. All were happy and delighted.

#### **Finance Board Report:** Richard Paladino

A copy of the PPC Committee Budgets, and Expenses to date was provided to all of the members. Overall, the expenses are in-line with the budget with the exception of the Religious Education CCD element. It appears that some early fiscal year expenditures may have been charged to the wrong element as only 2% of the budget shows as expended. The element expenses will be investigated to correct any charges to the wrong accounts.

#### **Buildings & Grounds** – Dennis Morgan

- Repaired the electrical system for the Pavilions and added parking lot lights. **Thank you to John Macaulay for his work on the electrical upgrades.**
- Repaired South Vestibule entry door. **With the help of Grad Wright.**
- Replaced door stops in the cry room and Patty Wright's office.
- Repaired two kneelers. **With the help of TJ Wilson.**
- Installed intercom for the Church Office and "No Cash on Premises" signs.
- Installed Keypad Deadbolt on West entry door.
- Repaired St. Joseph Hall kitchen cabinet.
- Installed Memorial Angel statue for Martha Wolf.
- Purchased radios for Ushers.
- Built stairs for Hwy event banner. **With the help of Grad Wright.**

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 in the green folder outside the Office door, marked with Buildings and Grounds.

#### **Family Life** – Danielle Caudle

Youth Christmas party and play was a great success with a lot of participation from the Hispanic community. The support of all of the parents is greatly appreciated. The play was short and sweet and the kids did a good job. The Knights provided chili and hot dog dinner for the parish after the play. Bingo for January was canceled due to the ice storm. It will be rescheduled for March 15th. The Valentine's Dinner is Feb. 14th and we have 26 participants. It included dinner, games and a social hour for married couples to celebrate marriages in our Catholic family Youth mass is getting better and we keep having more students want to participate. We do see some of the same faces, because a lot of our youth attend the Spanish speaking mass. Our altar servers have also been stepping up to try to have to serving at every mass. The kids all really enjoyed the visiting singer Michelle had for the last youth mass. She brightened up mass for the youth and they were pleasantly surprised at how good she was. We also appreciate Michelle for making it a point to pick music the kids enjoy and having the song sheets.

#### **Hospitality Outreach**- Delia Colbert

December 2nd - Women's Christmas Party. Several ladies were present for this yearly event. We enjoyed the time together sharing delicious food and exchanging gifts.

December 11th - Priest Dinner. A steak dinner with dessert was prepared for the priest that helped father George with the penance service.

January 10th - A luncheon was held after the morning mass for Mrs. Nancy Jones, Mother of Mrs. Vickie Richardson. there was plenty of food for everyone and some for family and friends to take home. Thank you to our church family for sharing their delicious cooking.

January 23rd - Luncheon after the funeral mass for the family of our long-time parishioner Mr. Don Keib. He will be missed greatly. Thank you for all the volunteers that prepared food, set up the hall and clean up afterwards.

February 7th - A Bridal shower for Libby Wright was held, and was a combined effort from the ladies of the Hospitality Committee and the ladies of the Spiritual Life Committee that together we were able to shower the bride to be with delicious food, cake and presents.

## **Religious Education & Formation - Patty Wright**

CCD:

Confirmation Retreat: The diocesan confirmation retreat is at capacity so students from St. Anthony will not be able to attend. We will conduct a retreat for students at St. Anthony in St. Joseph hall. Details on that retreat will be shared as soon as they are available. Confirmation will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at the Catholic Pastoral Center in Nashville. First Communion will be Saturday, April 18, 2026, at the 5:30 mass.

CYO/St.AY:

Youth Mass – Was held Sunday, February 15, 2026. Students from various grades participated by reading, ushering, taking up the gifts and serving as acolytes and Eucharistic Ministers. Youth Groups: An all-youth skate party will be held at Star Wheels in Fayetteville on Sunday, March 1st from 2:00-5:00. Any youth under the age of 8 will need a parent to stay at Star Wheels with them.

## **Altar & Rosary Society – Julie West Troy**

**February 6th First Friday**, Father and I visited our nursing home and home bound parishioners celebrating Holy Eucharist and blessing the sick.

**February 7<sup>th</sup>** we helped celebrate Libby Wright's Bridal Shower.

**February 18<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday** ashes were given to Sandy Rundle, Joyce Shanklin, Jean Benson, Dane Carter, Sherry Winn, Lauralee and Matthew Swann at the hospital with their new baby, During Lent Spiritual Life will visit homebound and nursing home parishioners every other week versus once a month. **Hopefully we can continue this after the Lenten season. Our goal is to offer communion each week. If you would like to help us reach our goal, please let me know.**

**Our Bake Sale is scheduled for March 28 and 29.** We will again have cinnamon bread from the Cullman monks. Our next Ladies Altar & Rosary meeting is tentatively Thursday, March 12 after mass, Holy Week will be our topic of discussion.

## **Social Action – Lettie Buchanan**

Good Samaritan – Nov '25 - 78 boxes of food given. Dec '25 - 35 boxes given out. Jan '26 – 59 boxes given out. Powdered Milk – Nov '25 - 100 qrts. were donated. Dec '25 80 qrts. were donated. Dec '26 120 qrts. were donated. Christmas kids & adult – We were able to help Amana Pre-school, Housing Authority. I received thank you cards. Thanks to my helpers and may God Bless you.

Harvest Happening Charity Donation – Debbie Morgan, Richard Paladino, & Lettie Buchanan were able to meet the donors and asked questions about the program. They appreciated the donation from St. Anthony Church.

Good Samaritan Volunteers – Office open March 23, 24, and 25.

Families Helping Families – Doctor appointments, home visits, run errands, phone calls, and shopping. Thanks to a helper for the gift cards for Christmas. May God Bless you and thanks so much.

## **AT-Large – Billy Pace**

No report

## **Hispanic Community Integrator – Elizabeth Mejia/Eduvina Ruiz**

No report

## **Communications – Pat Bronner**

Fr. George & Chairman Olin have been reporting on the new By-Laws, so no need for a Communications report.

## **New Business:**

Patty Wright - Sponsorship for the Slawburger Festival 5K Run to Benefit Always Endure (Bronze \$300, Silver \$600, Gold \$900 or Presenting Sponsor \$1200).

Richard Paladino - In the New Business element of the meeting an upcoming charity event (12th Annual Slawburger Chase 5K/10K) April 18,2026 to support "Always Endure", a non-profit assisting adoptive families, and patients with major medical diagnoses. After discussion the PPC voted to support the event with a \$300 sponsorship which will be recognized at the event.

\*\*A motion was made for a \$300 donation to "Always Endure" charity. All were in favor and accepted.

**Next meeting:** March 16, 2026

**Adjourned:** 7:55pm

Pat Bronner, PPC Secretary

**Congratulations to our RCIA Candidates**

**Kynlsigh Fanning – Sponsor Michael Anthony Gill  
Molly Hollis - Sponsor Lavonne Dunning  
Edward Lopez - Sponsor Maribel Ruiz Prado  
Lisa Plaziuk – Roman Plaziuk  
Matthew Swann – Sponsor Lauralee Swann**

**Congratulatiuons K of C Families of the Month Awards**

**Mallea Bradford  
Delia Colbert  
John & Jamie Cain  
Adam & Sarah McCormick  
Mike & Cheryl Miller  
Dennis & Debbie Morgan  
Glecy Weir  
Tommy & Michele Wilson**

**Lenten & Holy Week Schedule – 2026**

**February 27 – Spanish Speaking Retreat (Theophilus Vasquez)  
March 8 – Fr George will be available after the 8:30 Mass.  
March 12 – English Speaking Retreat at 6:30pm (Fr Jerry Koppel)  
March 19 – Penance Service at 6pm (4 priests will be available for Confessions)  
March 28, 29 – Palm Sunday masses as usual.  
April 2 – Holy Thursday mass at 8pm.  
April 3 – Good Friday Stations of the Cross at 6pm, service at 7pm.  
\*Stations of the Cross is on all Fridays during lent.  
Holy Saturday – Vigil Service at 7:30pm.  
Easter Sunday – Mass at 8:30am.**

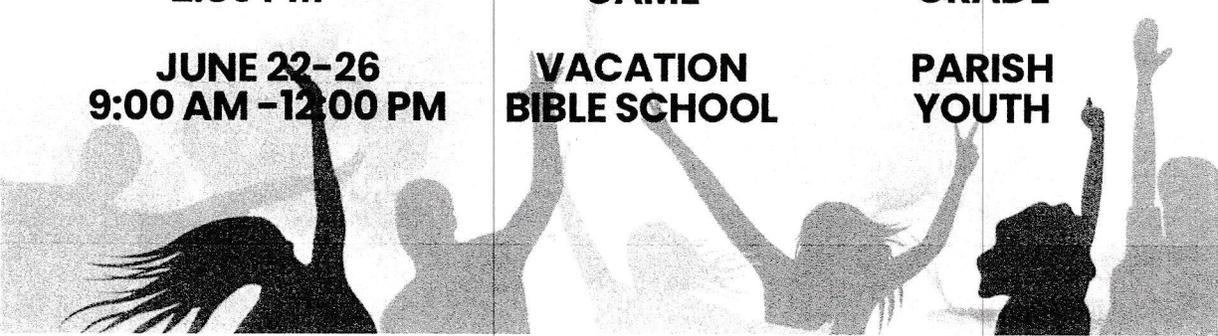




# Youth and **FAMILY LIFE**

## Upcoming Events

WHEN	WHAT	WHO
<b>MARCH 1</b> 2:00-5:00 PM	<b>SKATING AT</b> <b>STAR WHEELS</b>	<b>ALL</b> <b>YOUTH</b>
<b>MARCH 15</b> 11:00 AM	<b>ST. PATRICK'S</b> <b>DAY PARTY</b>	<b>ENTIRE</b> <b>PARISH</b>
<b>APRIL 5</b> AFTER MASS	<b>EASTER EGG</b> <b>HUNT</b>	<b>ENTIRE</b> <b>PARISH</b>
<b>APRIL 11</b> 6:30 PM	<b>DINNER</b> <b>PARTY</b>	<b>PARISH</b> <b>ADULTS</b>
<b>MAY 3</b> 2:30 PM	<b>TRASH PANDAS</b> <b>GAME</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup>- 12<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>GRADE</b>
<b>JUNE 22-26</b> 9:00 AM -12:00 PM	<b>VACATION</b> <b>BIBLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>PARISH</b> <b>YOUTH</b>



# Happy St. Patrick's Day

MARCH	HAPPY BIRTHDAY	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
1	Aubrey Schmidt, Saulo Espino	
2	Marilyn Haendel, Thomas Anderson, Mary Rose Carney, Desiree Brewer Smith	
3	Miguel Martinez, Luis Solis	
4	Daisy Slater, Zahir Hernandez	
5	Alejandro Solis-Zenteno	
6	Grace Starr Uriostegui	Adam & Angela Prince Clarence & Nancy Eck
8		Timothy & Mary Dempsey, John & Kiley Riley
9	Jacob Smith, Magaly Diaz	
10	Sara Madden	
11		Curtis & Molly Hollis
13	Libby (Wright) Hall	
14	Christopher Smith	
15	James Jetton, Natalia Hernandez	Henry & Lisa Plaziuk
17	Monica Oosting	
18	Toby Holmes, Misty Slater, Roberto Sanchez	
20	Ariel Lopez	
21	Michael Anthony Gill	Matthew & Ria Crow
22	Vincent Brown Sr.	
24	Elliot Adams	
25	Tommy Wilson, Katie Slater	
26	Kaelynn Johnson	Rick & Becky Harris, Ricardo & Jacqueline Pozos
28		Octavio & Dolores Paredes
29	Jonna May Ostulano, Makayla Welch	
30	Alex Suszczynski, Salvador Ruiz, Jonhatan Espino	Roger & Michele Johnson, Vincent & Pattie Brown, Eduardo & Janet Pozos

31 Brycen Fontenut



## MARCH 2026 SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTORS	MINISTERS	SERVERS	GIFTS	USHERS
March 1	Dennis Morgan Billy Pace	Sherrie Gill Jake Peavey Jimmie Caudle	Luke Peavey Kai Macaulay	Garcia Family	Tommy Wilson Bill Dunning
March 7	Roger Johnson	Makayla Johnson Julie West-Troy Donnie Keib	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Julie West-Troy Jim Anderson
March 8	Jimmie Caudle Jake Peavey	Debbie Morgan Mary Krack Billy Pace	TJ Wilson Christian Perez	Caudle Family	Grad Wright Alfredo Perez
March 14	Larry Schaefer	Debra Schaefer Larry Schaefer Chris Smith	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Julie West-Troy Richard Paladino
March 15	Youth	Becky Harris Callie Caudle Carrie Caudle	Thomas Caudle William Caudle	Youth	Youth Tony Gill
March 21	Richard Paladino	Need Volunteer Makayla Johnson Donnie Keib	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Donnie Keib Barry Yuhas
March 22	Jordan Greene Mary Krack	Lavonne Dunning JoAnn SantaMaria Eli Wright	Jovany Ruiz Christian Martinez	Pace Family	Rick Harris Jordan Bolton
March 28	Barry Yuhas	Need Volunteer Julie West-Troy Chris Smith	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Jim Anderson Donnie Keib
March 29	Rose Loiacono Mike Loiacono	Sherrie Gill Jimmie Caudle Jake Peavey	Luke Peavey Kai Macaulay	Perez Family	Tony Gill Jim Weir