ASCENSION OF THE LORD

St. Anthony of Padua Parish Church: Second & Ohio

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TUESDAY, JUNE 3 12:05 p.m. +Lucille Sheahan

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 12:05 p.m. VN Mass

THURSDAY, JUNE 5
12:05 p.m. +Barbara Sohler Murphy

FRIDAY, JUNE 6
12:05 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Anthony Fraternity of Secular Franciscans

SATURDAY, JUNE 7
4:00 pm. Intentions of Tim and Heather
Hessman

5:30 p.m. VN Mass

SUNDAY, June 8 9:30 a.m. St. Anthony Parish Family 11:00 a.m. VN Mass

Liturgical Roles for Saturday, June 7 at 4:00 pm:

Lector: C. Claycomb E. Minister: S. Oakes

Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

Liturgical Roles for Sunday, June 8, at 9:30 a.m. Lector: D. Anton

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PARISH PRAYER LINE

Jerry Warrell Kathy Hunter Johnny
Ukraine and its Citizens Julie Munoz
+Lori Born Dee Francis Mary Staab
Doug Dischner Lauren Rome
Rachel Couch Michael Prue Manny Godsey

Good News!

June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord (C)

Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 or

Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 / Luke 24:46-53

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It is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, "I am now grown up." Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not "Why doesn't God do something?" but rather "Why do we not do something?" To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new.

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May 25,2025

English: (Sat.) \$ 655.00 Vietnamese (Sat.)\$ 509.00 Combined Mass: \$ 3,860.00 Total: \$ 5,024.00

Don't Forget

Don't forget there is a Vietnamese Food Sale this weekend after aTII the Masses on Saturday and Sunday. The sale takes place in the Pastoral Center (old school). The proceeds benefit St. Anthony Parish.

Welcome Welcome

We are delighted to welcome new parishioner Vickie Orth to St. Anthony Parish. And a belated Happy Birthday to her as well (May 29). Many graces to Vickie as she continues her spiritual journey on her walk with our Savior.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to our parishioners who celebrate in June: Long-time and most faithful parishioner Larry Snider (June 7); Eucharistic Minister Kathy Hunter (June 12); and Therese Bouton (June 29).

May God's abundant blessings fill your lives on your birthdays and every day.

During the month of May, the parish had a little too much unfortunate excitement.

First, the statue of our Lady of Lourdes on the south side grotto of the church was vandalized. The entire statue was somehow lifted off its base and dropped into what used to be the bottom of the pond area. The statue was seriously damaged, with pieces of it shattered and scattered. Fortunately, the professional artisan of the 2005 Church Restoration is now also a parishioner (Robert Elliot) and took the statue to his workshop and is meticuously repairing the damage. In all of the written history of St. Anthony's, that statue has never been moved due to his weight. The grotto was built by the Boy Scouts of the parish and some male parishioners in 1961.

The second May mishap was an automobile accident at the intersection of Indiana and Second Street. One of the vehicles literally ran into the parish office located on the northwest corner of that intersection. If you have noticed the boarded up window of the parish office facing Second Street, that is a consequence of the accident. The wreck required both vehicles to be hauled off. A claim has been made with the insurance companies.

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for last week's raffle. The raffle winner was a friend of a member of the Vietnamese community. And in spite of the rainy weather, the outdoor Mass (which had to be moved indoors) was very well attended.

Holy Family Camp (July 20-July 23)

...is a Catholic summer camp designed for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities 14 years or older. All abilities shine at this camp.

Contact Baylee Holmes, Program Coordinator 316-269-9900/ holmesb@ Catholic DioceseOfWichita.org.

Apostle Build is still in need of volunteers, June 7 – August 2. Workdays are Wednesday through Saturday, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Volunteers age 16 and older are welcome to participate at the site. To sign up, contact Mary McDonald at 316-269-3935 or Mcdonaldm @catholicdioceseofwichita.org. If there are interested parties who are not comfortable building, but still wish to help, they can sign up to provide lunch and/or snacks for the build volunteers.

A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church: "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."