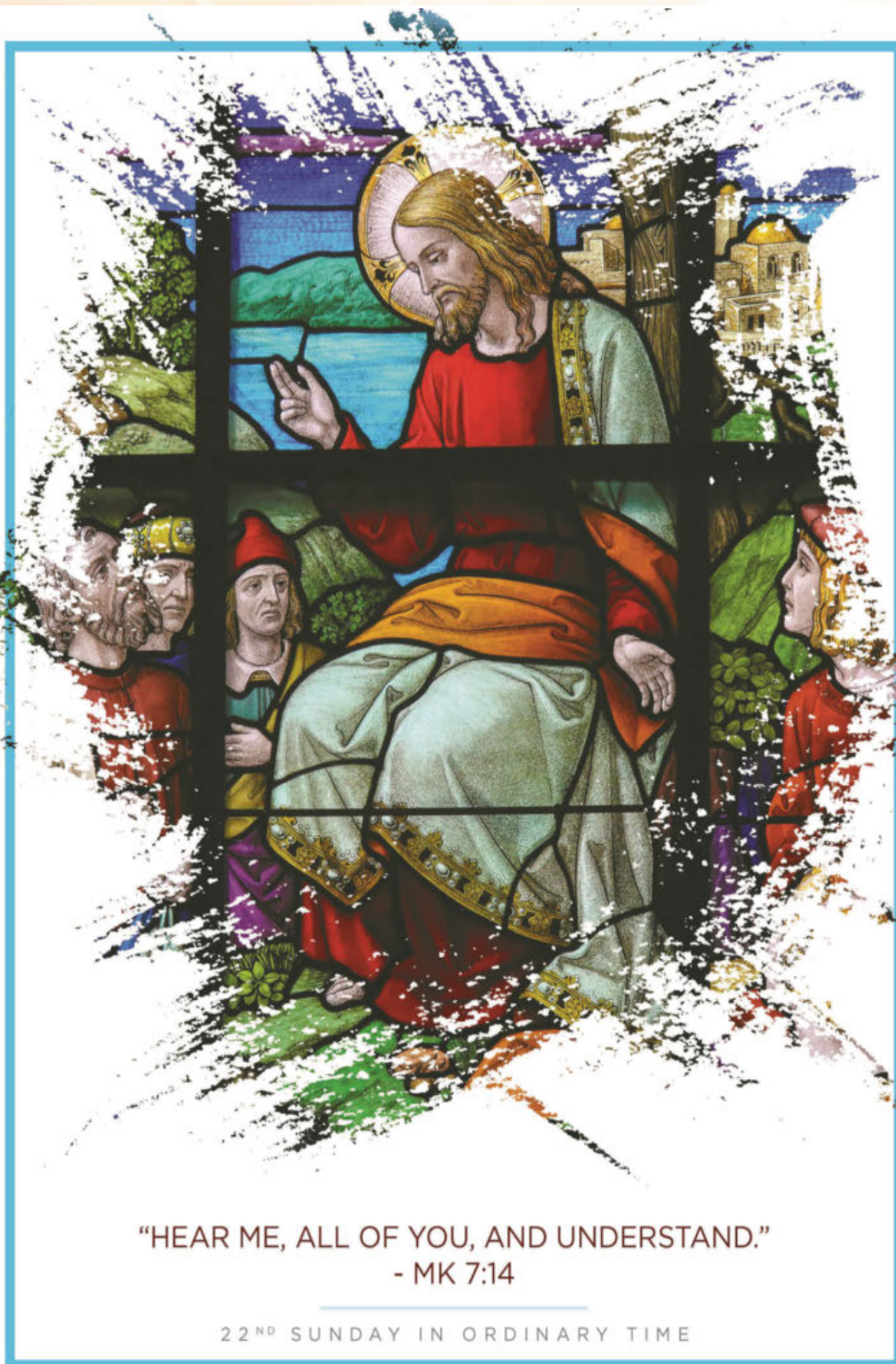


ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | SEPTEMBER 1, 2024



"HEAR ME, ALL OF YOU, AND UNDERSTAND."
- MK 7:14

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:
8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

One of the themes from the Readings for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time concerns wisdom. In modern conversation, we are more likely to use the word "smart," but there is a subtle difference between wisdom and smart, which we will learn as we listen with our heart to the scripture passages for this day. You see, I have just given you the key to the difference; wisdom is doing things with "heart" whereas smart is often aligned with cunning or serving one's personal needs. Further, wisdom is used here to denote a spirituality that comes from the heart and cannot be replaced with "smart" that serves the ego.

The First Reading is from the Book of Deuteronomy (4:1-8). This passage refers to Moses' instructions to the Israelites shortly before his death and the Israelites' entrance into the Promised Land. In these instructions, Moses is telling the people that they must be models of virtue, for they represent the God of heaven and earth. Today, Christians are called upon to be role models of virtue so that our "light will shine among mankind and give glory to God." Our Lord Jesus Christ also gave us various statutes and decrees to live by, and we will be judged accordingly.

The Responsorial Psalm is (15:2-5). This is the prayer of a wise person who recognizes the importance of living a life by observing the statutes and decrees that come from the Ten Commandments and the teachings of Christ. Although the Psalms were written hundreds of years before Christ, their wise message still applies.

The Second Reading is from the Letter of St. James (1:17-27). In his one and only letter, St. James gives us many practical suggestions for living the true Christian life. It is one of the most "pastoral" of all the Letters in the New Testament. Here he makes a most sublime statement that sums up what all the readings are trying to say: "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and Father is this." He then goes on to name only a few of the virtues that are covered in his message. You are encouraged to read this important Letter often and with heart.

The Gospel Reading for today is Mark (7:1-23). The Jews' practice of washing hands, cups, etc., began as simple dietary laws imposed by Moses for the health and welfare of the Israelites. (Moses was way ahead of his time in hygiene.) However, over a long period of time, these practices became imbedded in the religious rituals of the Jews and were observed as rites of worship. Jesus admonishes the Jews for their strict observance of some spiritually unimportant rites while overlooking more serious evils.

Some Catholics and Christians of all denominations today are guilty of the same thing. We often repeat certain devotions or religious observations that become so much a part of us, or part of our daily or weekly routine, without giving much thought as to their meaning. The readings above challenge us to think about how we go about our routines, but more specifically, about our religious observances. Do we act out of habit or from the heart? Do we give sufficient thought to the way we worship, or do we attend Mass because it is a routine? If so, then we are no better than the Jews that Jesus is admonishing in the Gospel reading above.

Something to think about during your prayer time this week!

Rev. Edward J. Smith **2**

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 4th Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: "You shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it." (Dt 4:2)

PSALM: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)

SECOND READING: Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. (Jas 1:22)

GOSPEL: "You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." (Mk 7:8)

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Sunday - Sept 1st - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Liz Kiely
Requested by: Obermiller Family

Monday - Sept 2nd - Labor Day

8:30 am - †Living & Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday - Sept 3rd - St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

8:30 am - †Sheila Strauser
Requested by: John Strauser

Saturday - Sept 7th - 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Vigil Mass

4:00 pm - †Robert Rottman
Requested by: Amy Rottman

Sunday - Sept 8th - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Mary Palmer
Requested by: Jim Palmer



READINGS FOR THE WEEK SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."

— Mk 7:5b-6

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Saturday, September 7th at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Marybeth B.

Eucharistic Ministers: Marybeth B., Laura P., Lynne K.

Sunday, September 8th at 10:00 am

Lectors: Anna S.

Eucharistic Ministers: Hilaire T., Karen L., Dan L.

OFFERTORY REPORT

FISCIAL YEAR (7/1/24-6/30/25)

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$5,779.00
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (8/11/2024) \$15,236.00
 7/1/2024 TO DATE +/-) BUDGET..... + \$8,597.00



MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.



THE PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER ENTRUSTED TO THE POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK

SEPTEMBER 2024 FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton	Lynn Coscho
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Renee Golowenski	D'Arie Gonzalez	Delores Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.	Juan Gonzalez
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Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth	Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

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Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm

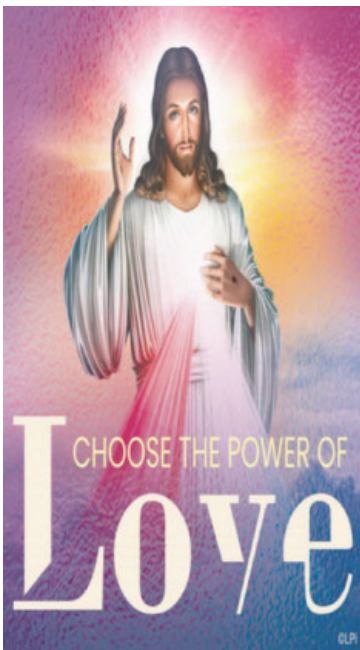
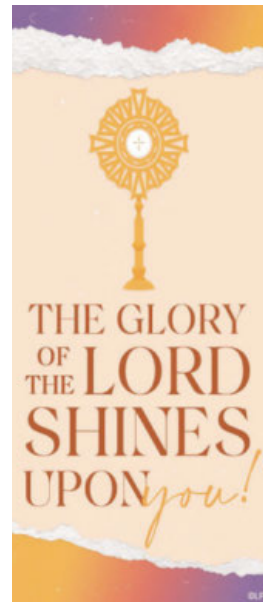
ADORATION CHAPEL

“If you are looking for vocations, as a community have adoration every day.”
St. Teresa of Calcutta, Religious Founder, Patron of the Gutters & World Youth Day,
Albania 1910-1997; Feast Day: *September 5*

“Do not be fainthearted, do not cry, do not fear difficult times. For He who did not refuse to shed His own blood for everyone and even made us partakers of His body and blood; what will He refuse to do for our salvation? Take heart therefore with this hope. Let us call on Him continually and give ourselves to prayer and supplication.”

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, Patron of Orators,
Syria, c. 347-407; Feast Day: *September 13*

“My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.” (John 6:55)
The Eucharist is *“support, light and consolation in trial and suffering. Find in this sacrament energy to live the great love of Christ of which He gave us proof when giving us His Body and Blood.”*
~Pope Benedict XVI, 6/14/2006



DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION - A CASE OF MURMURING

My daughter, I have something to tell you. I replied, “Speak, Jesus, for I thirst for Your words.” **It displeases Me that, because the sisters were murmuring, you did not ask to have Father Andrasz hear your confession in your cell.**

Know that, because of this, you gave them even greater cause for murmuring. Very humbly I begged the Lord’s forgiveness. O my Master, rebuke me; do not overlook my faults, and do not let me err (*Diary, 1460*).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

My Prayer Response:

Lord, help me not to be a cause of murmuring among my family and friends nor react to their murmuring. May I avoid offending You and be quick to beg Your forgiveness when I sin. Amen.

Get daily mediations emailed to you at forms.thedivinemercy.org/dmdsignup/.

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM [PROLIFECORNER.COM](https://www.prolifecorner.com)

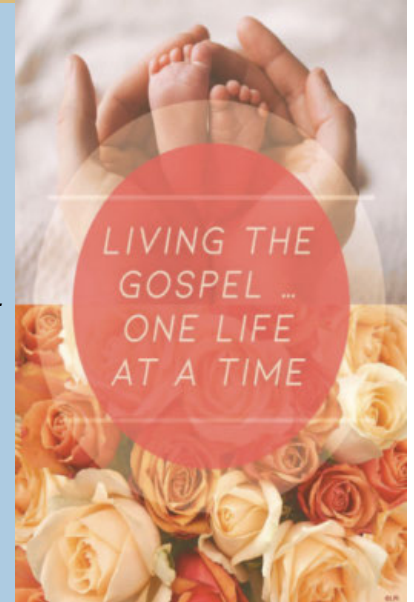
Let us throw ourselves on the mercy of God, our Creator, and unceasingly ask Him for an end to abortion and euthanasia. Then and only then can we have peace in our hearts, in our families, and in the streets of America.

Think about this:

“Abortion is no more a single issue than was slavery. It is instead a defining issue - one which shapes the future of the nation. In some of our states the present legal policy of abortion often permits the killing of infants being delivered.

This weakens the social contract that has kept this country together. To cooperate willingly in evil is morally wrong, and these present laws make us all at least passive cooperators in the crime of abortion” ~Cardinal Francis George

Lord, let us not be cowards; give us the courage & wisdom necessary to stand up & fight the evil of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!



REGISTER NOW FOR ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PSR CLASSES!!

Registration is open for PSR classes for all children in Grades 2-8 at St. Anthony, St. Teresa of Avila & St. Thomas parishes.

Classes are held on Monday evenings from 6:15-7:30 pm.

First class begins on October 21st.

Registration forms, class schedule and information can be found at www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/psr/.

Any questions, please contact psr@stanthonylorain.com.



FIRST FRIDAY FORUM - 9/6

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will present Shawn Witmer, director of the Diocesan Social Action Office (DSAO) for Lorain County & Diocesan Director for Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for the Diocese of Cleveland, who will be speaking on "How DSAO provides opportunities" at our luncheon on Friday, September 6th. Come join us for good food, fellowship and faith formation. Lunch begins at 11:30 am at the Spitzer Conference Center of Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Rd. Elyria with Mr. Witmer speaking at Noon. All reservations need to be received by 6 pm on Monday, September 2nd. Call 440-320-3272 or email fflorain@gmail.com with your reservation. Cost is \$25.

CALVARY CEMETERY PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR - 9/14

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, September 14th at 1 pm in the main office building of Calvary Cemetery, Lorain.

Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite.

Please RSVP to this event to Calvary Cemetery, 216-641-7575 ext. 6 or email bstrauchon@clecem.org.

ADULT FAITH SERIES: THE CHOSEN SEASON 2 - 9/25

Immerse yourself in Jesus this Fall! Join us for an 8 week study at St. Vincent de Paul Church, Elyria. Two sessions to choose from; either Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm or Thursday mornings at 9:30 am beginning September 25th & 26th. To register, visit svdpelyria.com or call 440-324-4212

EMHC TRAINING - 10/6

Interested in becoming a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at St. Anthony's?

You must be fully initiated and in good standing with the church.

The next training is Sunday, October 6th from 2:00-4:30 pm at St. Raphael's in Bay Village.

If you would like to register, please contact the Parish Office, 440-288-0106.

WE ARE SCHEDULING 2025 MASS INTENTIONS NOW

Please use the Mass Request Form below, and include the completed Request Form with your Mass offering (*checks only please*) in an envelope. For those who are inexperienced with scheduling Masses, please be aware the Diocese sets a \$10 minimum charge for each Mass requested. Each parish family can request 2 Weekend and 2 Weekday Masses.

Please drop your envelope either in the collection basket, place in the Parish Office mailbox by the side door or mail to P.O. Box 2199 Sheffield Lake, OH 44054.

Once your Mass is scheduled, you will be contacted by the Parish Secretary.

REQUEST FOR 2025 MASS INTENTIONS

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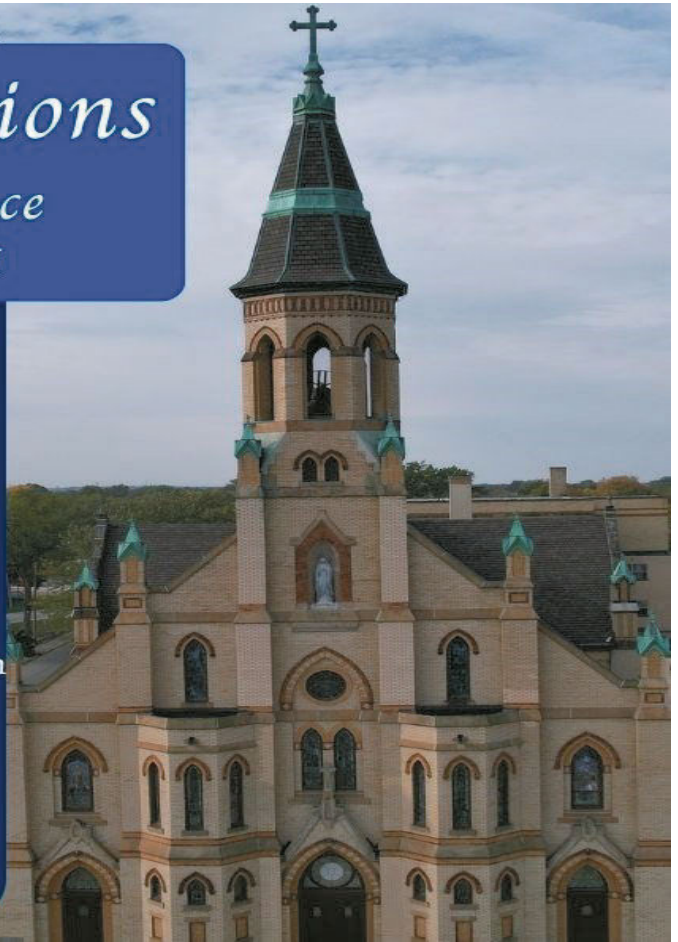
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