

CHURCH OF ST. ANTHONY FAITH FORMATION

Family & Friends in Faith!

March
Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 14: Penance (Grades 2-5)
March 16: Stations, 5:30 (no soup)
March 18: *Forgiven* Study
Parish Penance Service
(4PM @ St. A, 7PM @ EV)
March 21: Penance (Grades 6-9)
April 4: Youth Mass, 6:45
(*may be moved*)
April 14: 1st Communion Retreat 9-12
April 15: 1st Communion, 10:00 AM
May 2: Youth Mass, Mary Crowning
May 6: Confirmation, 10:00 AM

a little inspiration...

Have a hard time focusing during Mass? You're not alone! [Here](#) is a humorous, yet realistic look at distractions during Mass and reasons to overcome and be truly present.

Youth Activities

Steubenville Youth Conference, Rochester, July 12th-16th. Open to current 8th-12th graders. A combination of service, pilgrimage, conference, and camping. We will be paired with St. Augustine's and St. Mary's in St. Cloud. Cost: \$200 (reduced from \$460 due to youth fundraisers) There is a teaser trailer available at: www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/

Catholic Heart Work Camp, Twin Cities, July 22nd-27th. Open to current 8th-12th graders. The Twin Cities location will give the students a glimpse of inner-city poverty. We will be paired with Manannah and the entire group will travel by volunteer vehicles. Cost: \$150 (reduced from \$365 due to youth fundraisers) There is more information available at: www.heartworkcamp.com/

Save the date! Totus Tuus, July 8-12 (older kids, evening program) July 9-13 (younger kids, day program).

***Please let the office know ASAP if your children are interested in the Steubenville Trip or Catholic Heart Work Camp. Sign-ups have begun and we need to know to save a spot!**

Easter Triduum

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

Consider having your families attend the Triduum Masses this year! There are many special traditions that take place during the Triduum. We celebrate Holy Thursday with the Washing of Feet, a procession of the Holy Oils, along with the Blessed Sacrament procession with Adoration after Mass. Good Friday is commemorated with the Passion reading, Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion. It all concludes with the Easter Vigil/Sunday Masses. The Easter Vigil is especially wonderful with blessing of the Easter candle, the Easter Proclamation with vigil candles, Liturgy of the Word and individuals receiving sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you can't come to the Vigil Mass, you can celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with the Easter Sunday Mass. Attending all these Masses are a way to be truly present with Christ, starting with the Last Supper, his passion and death and His Resurrection.



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday: 5 PM-St. Anthony, 7 PM-Assumption
Good Friday: 3 PM-Assumption, 6 PM-St. Anthony
Easter Vigil: 8:30 PM at St. Anthony
Easter Sunday: 8 AM-Assumption, 10 AM-St. Anthony

Collecting Rice Bowls Your kids can start bringing in their rice bowls. There will be a box in the parish center available for them to put them in. Thank you for participating and helping those around the world in need!
Stations There will be Stations but no soup this Friday on March 16th. Stations of the Cross are a good way to bring the reality of the Jesus' Passion into your lives and hearts and make an impact on your Lent.
March Food Drive we will once again be collecting food shelf items in the classrooms for those in need