Bear Blast

October 12 - 16, 2026

Our Mission - *United by our core values of Faith, Family, Knowledge and Service, St. Anthony Catholic School is committed to providing a learning environment that promotes academic excellence, spiritual growth, and moral development. Preparing students to be good stewards of God's gifts.*

Message from the Principal

Dear St. Anthony Families,

Our students did a wonderful job serving at Mass! Thank you to Elena and Joseph Abarca, Sawyer Britt, Evelyn Garcia Torres, Tanner Glinski, Amelia Sears, Sabrina Shockey, Joseph Tilton, Aiden Woodall, and our alumni Damian and Stephen Woodall for serving, reading Scripture and petitions, and bringing the gifts to the altar. Our chorus sang beautifully! Thank you to Ms. Lewis for preparing them so well.

Thank you to Marie Glinski, the Men's Club, the Women's Guild, and all the parents who helped make our Italian-spaghetti dinner a success. To everyone who joined us for dinner, we loved having you with us and appreciate your support!

Our house sorting and first house meetings brought plenty of excitement last week. It was a joy to see students welcome their newest house members and cheer one another on.

This week, our Lower and Middle School Quiz Bowl teams will travel to compete at the state level. We are proud of their hard work and grateful to their coaches, Ms. Knight and Mr. Smith. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels and a great competition. Go Bears!

Thank you for the many ways you help us live out our theme, "Using God's Gifts to Spread Joy."

Blessings,
Mrs. Thomas

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 28- Oct. 23 – Baby Bottle Coin Collection

October 1-30 – Rosary Challenge

October 12 - 2:00 Dismissal; Faculty Meeting

October 15 – Regional/State Quiz Bowls

October 16 – End Quarter; Chorus sings at Mass

October 19 – PSAT Test for 8th grade

Oct. 19– Nov. 20 - Food Collection

October 22 – Chalk for Life

October 27 – Report Cards Issued; October Birthday NUT Card Day

October 28 - St. Jude Feast Day

October 29 – Classroom Halloween Parties 2:15

October 29 – House Leader Meeting 3-4 p.m.; Parent Conferences 4:30-6:30

October 30 - No School; Conferences 8-Noon

Monday is a 2:00 Dismissal. If this presents a challenge for your schedule, After Care will be provided free of charge until 3:30. After 3:30, normal fees apply.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those who helped make Saturday evening a success including students who served at or attended Mass, those who set up and prepped the meal, those who served the meal, those who cleaned up and those who attended and supported our school.

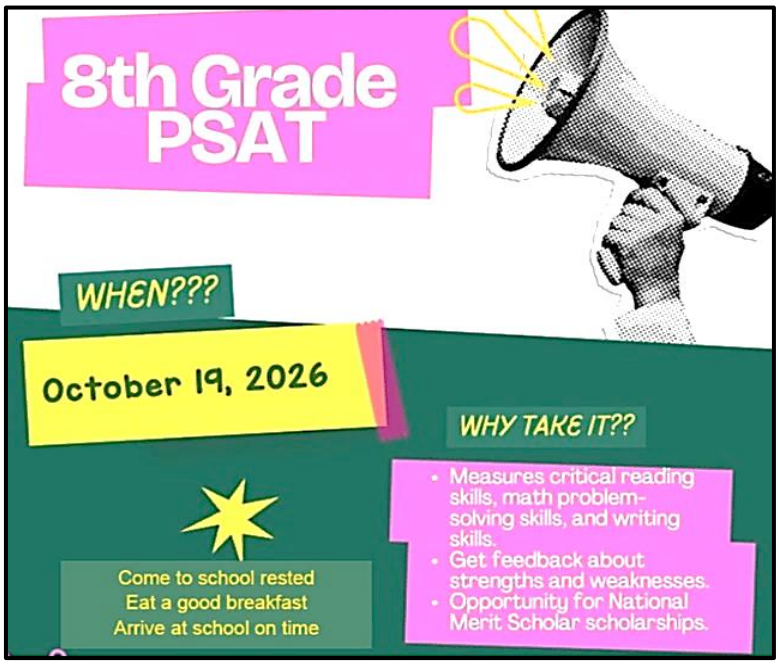
QUIZ BOWL

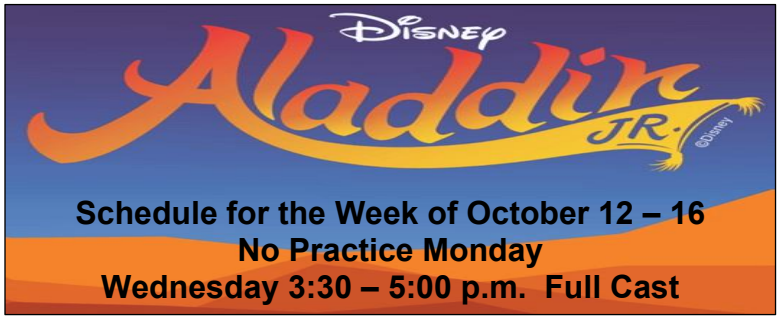
Middle School and Lower School Quiz Bowl competitions will be held October 15th in Orangeburg. **Lower School Team Members**: Audrey Henriquez, Kyla Khuong, Luciano Medina Sierra, Jason Nguyen, Mo Tran and Ben Tran. **Middle School Team Members**: Tyler Burkemper, Bryson Hall, Hunter Jaco, Christopher Juarez Sierra, Benjamin McLellan and Joseph Tilton.

St. Anthony Teams will be traveling to compete with other teams from all over the state. Please pray for safe travels!

Just a reminder

As it gets chillier, non-uniform sweatshirts and hoodies may be worn outside during recess and before and after school. However, only approved items are allowed to be worn in the classrooms during the school day. **Please make sure your child's name is on all items.** We want to be able to return items to the correct owner.





Schedule for the Week of October 12 – 16
No Practice Monday
Wednesday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Full Cast

Rosary Challenge

Mrs. Thomas challenged the school to build 2 complete Rosaries in the Library. If students meet the challenge, student representatives will be able to spray paint her hair and she will proudly wear the colors for the entire school day. Each time your family prays a Rosary for life, complete and return **one** of the beads. We are building Rosaries with the beads in the Library. Each bead turned in earns one House Point.

Current Counts:

St. Joan of Arc 8	St. Jude 3
St. John Bosco 3	St Paul 4

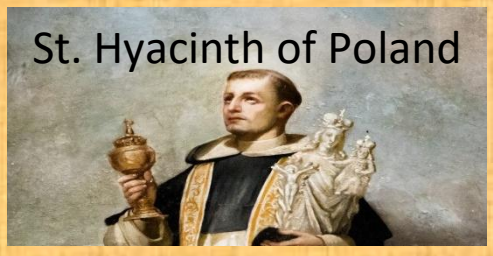
Ends October 23

Our Baby Bottles have started filling up with change and bills. All money collected will go to Lighthouse Ministries Working Mothers Education and Support Program. The amounts collected to date are:

St. Joan of Arc - $132.44
St. John Bosco - $9.86
St. Jude - $57.39
St. Paul - $55.80

October Virtue: Reverence

Reverence – showing your deepest respect for God and the things of God.



Together as a school we will be learning about the life of Saint Hyacinth (1185-1257), whose Feast Day is August 17.Saint Hyacinth was born 1185 in Poland to noble parents. He became a Doctor in Sacred studies and a priest. Knowing that robbers were coming to the church, against all risks, Saint Hyacinth removed Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and a statue of Mary from the church to a place that was safe. He did so to show his love and reverence for Jesus and Mary, but most of all he did so because of his faith.

Volunteers
The HEART Of The COMMUNITY

If you would like to volunteer at the school, please be aware that the Diocese of Charleston requires all adults who work with or encounter our students to take a training course (Safe Haven) and submit to a background check. Registration is accomplished online. After the training, you are asked to bring your certificate to the office so that we may keep a copy on file. Link for training: Volunteer Training

SOCCER

Schedule for the Week of October 12 - 16

1st – 3rd Team**

Tuesday	**4:30 – 5:30 p.m.**	Home Game **vs** Maranatha
Wednesday	**5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**	Practice
Friday	**5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**	Practice

4th – 6th Team**

Tuesday	**5:30 – 6:30 p.m.**	Home Game **vs** Maranatha
Wednesday	**5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**	Practice
Friday	**5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**	Practice

**Link for schedules: Fall Soccer Schedule
(Check text messages and What's Up App for reminders.)

CROSS COUNTRY

Schedule for the Week of October 12 - 16

Tuesday	**5:30 p.m.**	Emmanuel Christian Meet @ Emmanuel Christian Hartsville
Thursday	**5:30 – 6:45 p.m.**	Practice
Saturday	**9:00 a.m.**	Hornets Invitation @ Darlington Raceway

(Please check the group text daily for any updates.)

Uniform Store Note

For sizing questions, exchanges, or returns, please call the school office, and we will connect you with the uniform store.

Sweaters, fleece, daily uniforms, and vests are available through St. Anthony Uniforms

Calling all Harvest Helpers!

September 28 - October 16

We are asking St. Anthony families and staff to help us to celebrate the first day of Autumn and the Fall season by dropping off pumpkins, mums, scarecrows, gourds, and other fall decor for our front entrance.

We would love for you to take a picture when you drop off your contribution, and we will share it on our Facebook page! Happy Harvest Time!