



Bear Blast

September 14 - 18, 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,

We are settling into a good routine, and our students are becoming more comfortable with their classes and the school day.

Middle school interim reports will come home on Tuesday. Our elementary students will also begin MAP testing this week. Please make sure your child arrives on time, well-rested, and ready for the day.

On Monday, our four House prefects will travel with Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Smith to the South Carolina State House for the SCISA Middle School Fall Conference: Tyler Burkemper, Caua Dodge, Joseph Goffio, and Benjamin McLellan. We know they will represent St. Anthony well.

All sixth through eighth grade students are invited to join CYO, led by Mrs. Elizabeth Sun. The group kicks off its year today and meets on Sundays for fun, learning, and time together. An invitation with more information went home in last Tuesday's folder.

Our school will host the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, October 10. We need students to serve as lectors and ushers, read petitions, and bring the gifts to the altar. Please let Mrs. Thomas know if your child would like to participate so we can begin preparing.

After Mass, we will gather for our traditional Spaghetti Dinner, with a few changes to the menu this year. More information will come home in the Tuesday folders.

We have a busy week ahead, and I look forward to all that is happening at St. Anthony.

Blessings,

Mrs. Thomas

Upcoming Events

Sept. 9-30 – Fall MAP Testing

September 14 - Middle School SCISA Fall Conference (State House)

September 15 – Middle School Interim Reports; House Leader Meeting 3-4 p.m.

September 18 – Noon Dismissal; Teacher PD

Sept. 21 – Oct. 16 - Baby Bottle Coin Collection

September 25 - Confirmation Practice 6:00 pm

September 26 – Confirmation Mass 2:00 pm

September 29 - Aug/Sept. Birthday NUT Card Day

October 1 – Blessing of the Animals

October 1-30 – Rosary Challenge

October 2 – No School; Diocesan PD

October 5 - House Leader Meeting 3:00

October 8 - House Meeting

October 10 – School hosts 5 pm Mass followed by Spaghetti Dinner



Noon Dismissal on Friday

After Care will be available

Regular charges apply

Students should bring a bagged lunch.

Meeting for House Leaders

Tuesday, September 15
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.



Students in 5K – 8th grades will begin testing this week. Please help your child be successful by:

- ensuring your child gets a good night sleep
- encouraging your child to eat a good breakfast
- making sure your child arrives at school on time

**Spirit Wear Store is Open!**

Order Deadline: September 16

Online Ordering: [Spirit Wear](#)

Uniform Reminder & Links

Students are expected to wear the correct uniform daily. We understand that situations arise and want to support your family. If there is a personal or individual reason why your child does not have the proper uniform, please reach out to the office. Without proper notification, your child may receive a uniform infraction notice. Thank you for helping us maintain a respectful and consistent school environment.

Sweaters, fleece, daily uniforms, and vests are available through [St. Anthony Uniforms](#)

Plaid jumpers, skirts and ties are available through [RC Uniforms](#)

Please note that the plaid offered by French Toast is NOT the correct school plaid.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

The House Sorting Ceremony has been postponed. Follow the Bear Blast for updates.

QUIZ BOWL

Practice
Tuesday to Thursday
3:05 until 4:00 p.m.

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

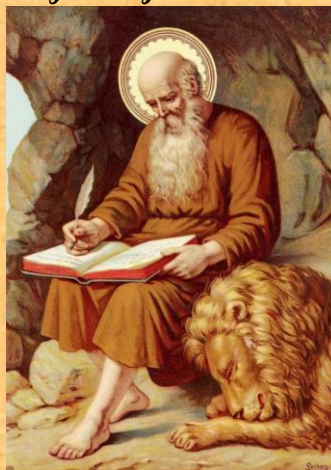
October 10th is an opportunity for students to share their gifts with our Parish Community. At the 5 PM Mass, students will serve as lectors, altar servers, gift bearers and ushers. Please let Mrs. Thomas know if you are able to serve.



Volunteers are needed to make the Italian Dinner a success. If you would like to help, please contact Marie Glinski at 803-422-6664

September Virtue: Faith**September Saint: St. Jerome**

“Let your life be a testament to your faith, not just in your words, but in the choices you make every single day.”



St. Jerome was born into a wealthy pagan family and studied in Rome where he became a lawyer. Because of his great intelligence, St. Jerome came to believe in God in his mind – but not his heart. After he was baptized he began to study about God, and it was then that he finally had a true conversion. St. Jerome lived for many years as a hermit in the Holy Land.

It was said a lion lived with him. This is why the saint is shown with a lion in many paintings. St. Jerome became so famous for knowing scripture that the pope asked him to help translate the Bible into Latin so that more people at that time and place could read it. St. Jerome is considered a Father and Doctor of the Church. His feast day is September 30.

THANK YOU Volunteers!

We couldn't do it without you

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 (e.g. room parents, field trip chaperones, classroom helpers) 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:

https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_2.cfm?theme=0&org=37845

Fall Flower Fundraiser

9" Jumbo Size Mums \$12.50

Available in:

Yellow, White, Orange, Purple, or Burgundy

Orders due October 1

Payment by cash or check (made payable to St. Anthony Catholic School)

Plants delivered the week of October 5

Order forms will be sent in the Tuesday folder. Also available in the school office.

St. Anthony School Italian Dinner

**Includes: Meat or Meatless Ziti,
Salad, Garlic Bread, Drink**



October 10

**in the Family Center
after the 5 PM Mass**

Cost

Adults \$10

Under 12 \$5

****Adult beverages and desserts
available for an additional \$2
donation.**