



Bear Blast

September 6 - 10, 2021



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,

Happy Labor Day! I hope everyone is enjoying their 3-day weekend with family and friends.

Labor Day is an annual celebration of workers and their achievements. I would like to give a special tribute to our teachers and staff at St. Anthony School. This excellent group of people work above and beyond their required schedule. Teachers work hours after school and on the weekends preparing lesson plans, organizing learning centers, taking online classes, and learning new digital educational platforms like IXL. Some of our faculty tutor students, coach academic teams, chair committees, spend time researching curriculum, and making connections with other professionals to bring exciting new experiences into our school. They do this all because they love their work, they believe in the mission of our school, and they love your children. Please join me on this Labor Day to celebrate them!

We are very busy preparing for our 65th Anniversary Celebration! Each class is taking a decade of the past 65 years and highlighting special events during that time which will be displayed in the library. The chorus and brass ensemble are rehearsing. The menu has been decided and the D.J. has prepared the dance card! This is going to be a wonderful family event. Please mark on your calendar and plan to attend. We will begin with Mass celebrated by the bishop and continue with an evening of great food, dancing, and fun!

COVID Updates for St. Anthony School

Student cases	0	Please remember to send your child/children with masks!
Faculty cases	0	
Students quarantined	0	
Faculty quarantined	0	

Blessings,

Mrs. Galemme

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 30 – Oct. 1 – MAP Testing

September 6 – Labor Day; No School

September 13 – Anniversary Resolution; 1:00 p.m.
@ Florence City Council Meeting

September 15 – International Lunch Day

September 18 – Mass with the Bishop; Birthday Celebration

September 20– House Sorting; new students receive their House T-shirt

September 21 – House Meeting Day; students wear their House T-shirts

September 23– Birthday NUT card day for August and September birthdays

September 24 – Noon Dismissal; PD for teachers

Prepare Students for MAP Testing



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



Our first House Day will be Tuesday, September 21. The uniform for House Day is the House T-shirt. Students may wear jeans with their House shirt.

New students will be receiving their House shirts on September 20 when we have our House Sorting Ceremony.



Meet Ms. Fisher!

Rebecca Fisher, our First-Grade teacher, has recently moved here from Lima, Ohio. Ms. Fisher graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Early Childhood Education. She loves the beach so much that she decided to move to this great city and state of Florence, South Carolina. Ms. Fisher's teaching philosophy is to make learning fun, so all children want to learn and succeed. She is so excited to work with our first graders!

News Flash!

At the September 13th City Council Meeting, the mayor of Florence will sign a Resolution recognizing the 65th Anniversary of St. Anthony School. We will take a group of students and staff to represent the school.

hotlunch orders

Don't forget to place orders for September school lunch. Online ordering will close **September 6**. After September 6, you will need to call the school office the day before you want a hot lunch.



Altar Server Training • September 25 • 1:00

You must be in the 4th grade or higher, and have already received your First Communion. If you are interested in being trained, please e-mail Cal Duncan at calduncan@sc.rr.com to confirm your attendance at the training. We look forward to working with you as you learn to serve Our Lord at His most holy altar.

Labor Day Prayer

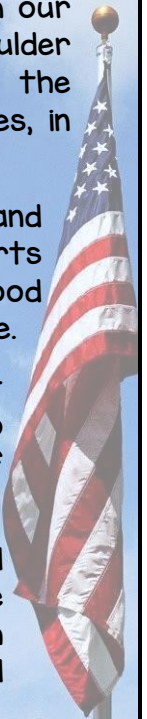
On this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor - in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living.

We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name.

We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere.

May those of us who are now retired always remember the valuable contributions we make to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity.

May our working and our resting give you praise. **Amen**



SOCCER

Parents please note: If your child will be going to Extended Care prior to the 5:00 pm practice, please remind them that they will have to be signed out by Coach Narvaez or Mrs. G before going out on the field.

Also, If the students on the 4K/5K or 1st-3rd grade team are not picked up by 4:30 they will be signed in to Extended Care. Your child's safety is our #1 priority.

4K/5K Practice on the Little Field

Wednesday, **September 8** 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

1st – 3rd Practice Son the Big Field

Wednesday, **September 8** 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

4th – 6th Practice on the Big Field

Wednesday, **September 8** 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Friday, **September 10** 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.



With the St. Anthony Birthday Bash approaching, we are asking former teachers, students and community members to share any **memorabilia** (yearbooks, pictures, T-shirts, awards etc.). We are planning to create a display for each of the decades that St. Anthony Catholic School has existed.

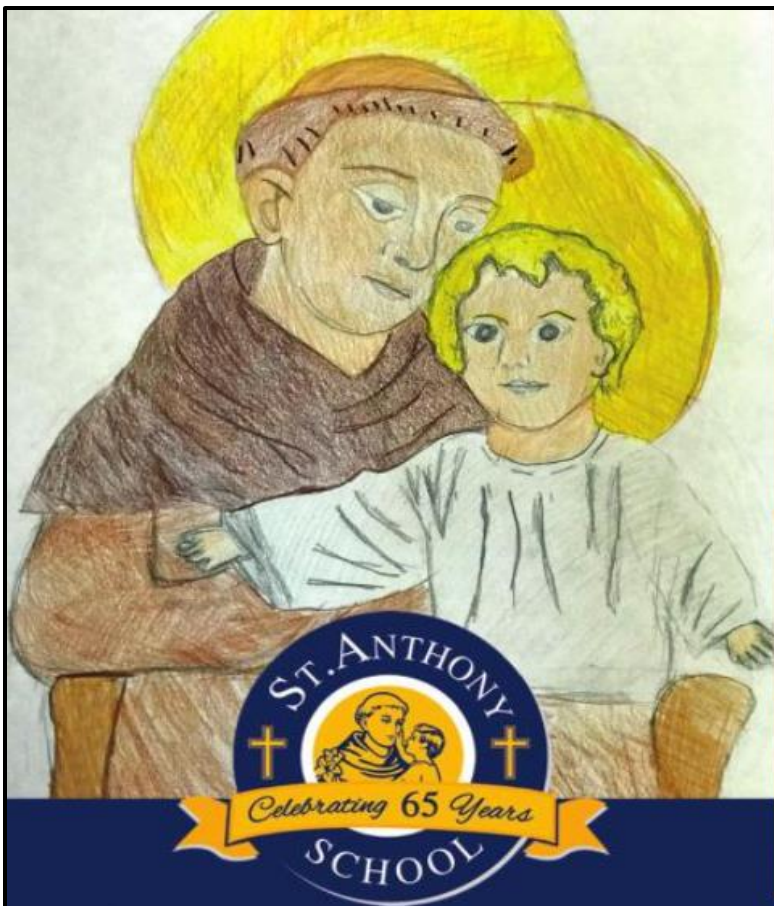
We are more than happy to accept items on loan. We will gladly return any items that are identified. Anyone interested in sharing St. Anthony School-related items can call the school office at 843-662-1910 or bring the items to the school office. Let's share our rich history!

UNIFORM EXCHANGE

If you have any uniforms or spirit wear that your child has outgrown, please consider donating to the uniform exchange.



We need **student volunteers** to serve at the Celebration Mass on September 18. We will need altar servers, readers, ushers and gift bearers. If you are willing to serve, please let Mrs. Galemme know.



Artwork by Sebastian Narvaez