

St. Anthony
of Padua
Catholic Church

Temperance,
Michigan



Third Sunday
of Advent
Gaudete Sunday
December 16,
2018

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00pm (OF-MC)

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am (OF-MC); 12:00pm (EF-MC)

Holy Days: Check Bulletin & Website

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm;

Thursday: 6:00 - 6:30pm

Devotions

First Friday: 9:00am & 7:00pm Mass (OF-LM)

First Saturday: 9:00am Mass (EF-MC)

O. L. of Perpetual Help & Prayer - Wednesday @ 6:15pm

Prayer Blankets

Sandy Maenle.....734-847-7813

Prayer Chain

Miriam Dressel.....734-888-1192

† Our Sacramental Policy †

Six-month Parish registration and participation are required for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage.

Baptisms: Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a baptism class. The Church requires that at least one of the parents be a practicing Catholic, and the Godparents must be active, practicing, fully initiated Catholics at least 16 years of age. If two Godparents: must be 1 male & 1 female; if one Godparent: may be male or female.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least nine months in advance. Please call the rectory office. Officiate at the ceremony must be St. Anthony Parish Pastor or a family member.

Funerals: Officiate must be St. Anthony Parish Pastor or a family member.

Please note: The services of the Parish Organist are used for all sacramental liturgies.



For more details regarding our Sacramental policies and procedures,
please refer to the Sacrament link on our Parish web-site.

Advent Challenge:
Week #3

Invite someone to attend Mass with
you on Christmas.
(Our Liturgical Schedule
is posted below.)

Prepare
the Way of the Lord!

Individual Confessions
Tuesday, December 18
11:00am - 12:00pm and 7:00- 8:00pm
(2 priests will be available)

Church Decorating for Christmas
Sunday, December 23,
1:30pm (Following the 12pm Mass)

Christmas Masses

Monday, December 24,
4:00pm (OF-MC, English)

Tuesday, December 25
12:00am, Midnight (EF-MC, Latin)
(The Choir will begin at 11:30pm)

Tuesday, December 25
10:00am (OF-MC, English)

Advent Giving Tree

Please remember:

Please return the items with the
tag attached and unwrapped no
later than Monday, December
17th in order to be sorted and
delivered before Christmas.



The Light
is Coming!

Traveling Vocation Chalice

December 16 The Ingersolls

December 23 The Hajdu Family

December 30 The Browns

January 6 **Host Family Needed



† MASS SCHEDULE †

Key to Abbreviations:

EF - Extra-ordinary Form (Trad. Latin Mass)

OF - Ordinary Form (New Rite; Novus Ordo)

LM - Low Mass; MC - Missa Cantata (Sung)

Monday, December 17, 2018

8:30am †Michael Katafiasz

(OF-LM) by Dick & Marilyn Halker

St. Olymпиus (410), W. (Hist.)

St. Lazarus (1st C.), whom Our Lord raised from the dead, brother of Sts. Martha & Mary Magdalen (Hist.)

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

8:30am Hannah Clark; and

(OF-mc) **Dorothea Hunyor**

by John & Colleen Clark

St. Gatian (3rd. C.), B. of Tours (Hist.)

Expectation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (c. 1 B.C.) (Hist.)

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

8:30am Holly Clark

(OF-mc) by John & Colleen Clark

† **Doris Dusseau**

by Randy & Dianne Shields

Bl. Urban V (1370), P. (Hist.)

Thursday, December 20, 2018

8:30am †Roy Knaggs

(OF-mc) by Andy Holup & Family

7:00pm †Herman & Florence Kleindienst

(EF-LM) by Jim & Carole VanBrandt

St. Dominic of Silos (1073), Ab., Pt. of captives (Hist.)

Sts. Abraham, Isaac & Jacob, Old Testament Patriarchs (Hist.)

Friday, December 21, 2018

No Mass

St. Peter Canisius (1597), Pr., D. (New)

St. Thomas (1st C.), Ap., M., Ap. Of India, baptized the Magi (Trad.)

Saturday, December 22, 2018

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1917), V., R., F. of

Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, Pt. of

immigrants (Trad./some places)

Sts. Chaeremon & Ischyriion (3rd C.), Ms. (Hist.)

Sunday Vigil Mass

5:00pm The People of St. Anthony

(OF-MC)

Sunday, December 23, 2018

4th. Sunday of Advent (New, Trad.)

8:00am †Jack, Pat, & Peter Carey

(OF-MC) by Dan Carey

On Behalf of the Family

10:00am †Don Sloan by Delores Thorn

(OF-MC)

12:00pm Lorraine & Kevin Noelke

(EF-MC) by Mary Mclver

St. John of Kanty (John Cantius) (1473), Pr., Pr. of Poland (New)

St. Yvo of Chartres (1115), B. (Hist.)

St. Servulus (590), Beggar (Hist.)

Readings for the Week

Monday, December 17:

Genesis 49:2,8-10; Matthew 1:1-17

Tuesday, December 18:

Jeremiah 23:5-8; Matthew 1:18-25

Wednesday, December 19:

Judges 13:2-7,24-25a; Luke 1:5-25

Thursday, December 20:

Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38

Friday, December 21:

Songs 2:8-14; Luke 1:39-45

Saturday, December 22:

1Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56

Sunday, December 23:

Micah 5:1-4a

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45

The "O" Antiphons

The O Antiphons are seven verses in the Liturgy of the Hours that contain powerful pleas for the coming of the Lord. They are chanted or recited during Vespers on the last seven days of Advent. They are:

*December 17: O Sapientia
(O Wisdom)*

*December 18: O Adonai
(O Sacred Lord)*

*December 19: O Radix Jesse
(O Flower of Jesse's Stem)*

*December 20: O Clavis David
(O Key of David)*

*December 21: O Oriens
(O Radiant Dawn)*

*December 22: O Rex Gentium
(O King of All the Nations)*

*December 23: O Emmanuel
(God with Us!)*

If you take the first letter of each Latin title starting backward at December 23, you will form the Latin words "Ero Cras" which means: "Tomorrow I will come."

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!

ATTENTION

Lectors and Altar Servers: Liturgical Assignments for **January** will be prepared this week. Please contact the Parish Office with any restrictions or preferences.

This Week's Calendar



Monday, December 17, 2018

8:30am - Mass

5 - 6:15pm - RE: Grades 1-8

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

8:30am - Mass

11:00am - 12:00pm - Confessions (2 Priests)

7:00 - 8:00pm - Confessions - (2 Priests)

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

8:30am - Mass

6:15 - 7pm - Perpetual Help & Prayers

Thursday, December 20, 2018

8:30am - Mass

3:00pm - Practice for Carolers

5:00pm - Carolers to Aspen Grove

6-6:30 - Confessions

7:00pm - Mass

Friday, December 21, 2018

3:30-5pm - Troops of St. George

- Kenna Hall & Padua Hall

Saturday, December 22, 2018

3:30-4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 23, 2018

8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00pm - Mass

Coffee & Donuts Following Mass

1:30pm - 50/50 Drawing -Narthex



The Offertory Story

December 9, 2018

Env. assigned: 289; # Env. used: 110

Envelope total \$ 3,578.00

Loose: \$ 617.00

Children's Envelopes: \$ 12.50

Total \$ 4,207.50

Weekly Budget amount..\$ 5,400.00

+Over/-Under Budget \$- 1,192.50

Year To Date +- \$ - 9,693.76

Other:

Adoration Cards \$ 24.00

Candles \$ 125.38

Catholic Charities \$ 20.00

CD Rack \$ 12.00

Christmas \$ 1,555.00

Christmas Flowers \$ 170.00

Donation \$ 2.00

Holy Day \$ 1,379.00

Ladies Luncheon \$ 11.00

Masses \$ 120.00

Memorials \$ 285.00

Mission Appeal \$ 10.00

Religious Retirement \$ 20.00

Rummage Sale \$ \$ 500.00


Total for Other: \$ 4,231.38


Pray
without ceasing

Upcoming Parish Events:
 • **K of C Breakfast - January 13**

Directory Update
 The photography phase of our 2018 Parish Directory has been completed. If you were not able to make one of our photo sessions, submitted photos will be accepted. We will need either an original photo (not a copy), preferred size: wallet or 4"x6"; or a digital image: jpg, pdf, or tif files; resolution 600x900 minimum.
 Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.

*St. Anthony of Padua,
 Our Patron and Intercessor,
 Pray for Us!*



Christmas Carols at Aspen Grove
Thursday, December 20
 St. Anthony Parishioners will be bringing the gift of music to the residents of Aspen Grove Assisted Living facility in Lambertville, in celebration of the Christmas season. There will be practice at the Parish beginning at 3:00pm; Carolers will begin to sing at Aspen Grove at 5:00pm.
 We would like to have a group of at least a dozen people participating.
 *Please contact Ron Oehlers or Eric Hite if you are interested,*

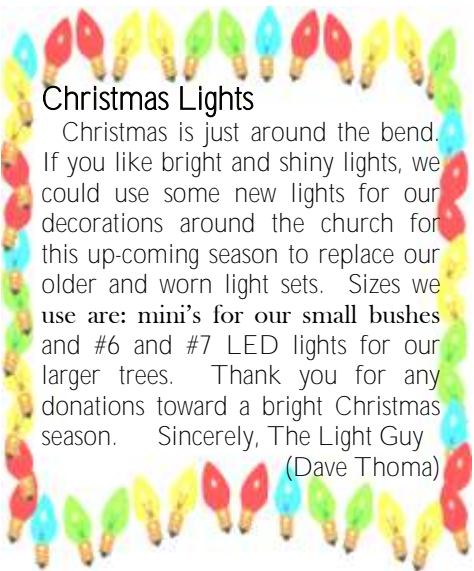
....Let us Pray for....

All the Recipients of the Prayer Blankets and Prayer Squares


- Maria Baer
- Sherry Bailey
- Jennifer Bellamy
- John Bordine
- Fred Borowski
- Nancy Brancheau
- Toni Breininger
- Jan Brissette
- Jack Burns
- James Callahan
- Michael Callahan
- Bob Carey
- Karen Cornwell
- Dcn. George Cousino
- Prudy Cousino
- Sarah Cousino
- Elaine Esper
- Jeanne Fenton
- Scott Ferguson
- Ed Fish
- Jordon Frye
- Jim Fuelling
- Joe Gouin, Jr.
- Ken Grycza
- Olivia Haley

- Eric Hall
- Janet Harrell
- Gloria Hartman
- Fr. John Hedges
- Barbara Hite
- Nicholas Hochrein
- JoAnn Huntwork
- Bill Hurley
- Heather Hyden
- Rosemary Jacobs
- Gloria Knaggs
- Wayne Langscheid
- Audrey Lawrence
- Jim Lemble
- Judy & Gary Lowen
- Sister Bernard Lynch
- Dick MacAdams
- John Maenle
- Sandy Maenle
- Edward Malik
- Barbara Mata
- Hudson Joseph Mata
- Cameron Minney
- Diane Miscannon
- Robert Moeltner
- Eugene Molnar
- Steve Murzynski
- Sue Meyers
- Josh Nolan

- Julia Nusbaum
- Tim O'Brien
- Tyler & Jen Oehlers
- Austin Oehlers
- Jenny Pam
- Bob Quinell
- Judy Raabe
- Rakebrand Family
- Harriet Rochowiak
- Carol Romero
- Rick Schneider
- Jean Schroeder
- Margaret Scott
- Robert Shute
- Alexander, Andrew & Tanner Skeldon
- Linda Slaton
- MaryLou Steiger
- Randy Stowell
- Tom Townsend
- Carole VanBrandt
- Virginia VanKirk
- Aaron Vyse
- David Wahr
- Devin Watkins
- Rebecca Williams
- Casie Yeager
- Judy Zimmerman





Christmas Lights
 Christmas is just around the bend. If you like bright and shiny lights, we could use some new lights for our decorations around the church for this up-coming season to replace our older and worn light sets. Sizes we use are: mini's for our small bushes and #6 and #7 LED lights for our larger trees. Thank you for any donations toward a bright Christmas season. Sincerely, The Light Guy (Dave Thoma)



TROOPS OF SAINT GEORGE
 VERITAS. HONOR. FRATERNITAS.

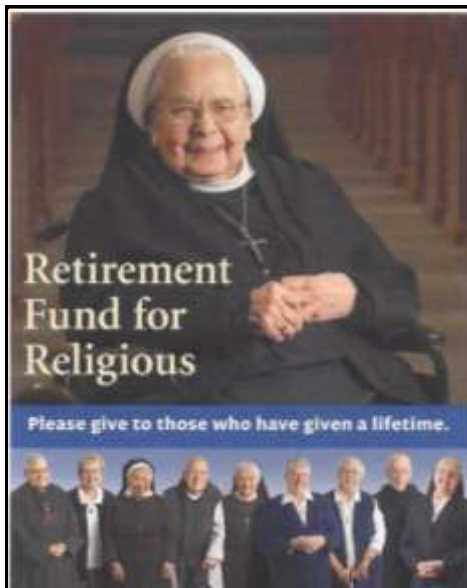
Boys Group will meet Friday, December 21, 3:30-5pm.
 This is a great organization that teaches young men a wide variety of practical skills, all the while focusing on the teachings of the Magisterium of the Holy Catholic Church.
 For more information regarding the Troops of St. George, please call Justin Ritenour 734-854-1265.



Calendar

Calendars for 2019 are now available in the Narthex. One per family, please.
Oplatki Christmas breads are also available in the Narthex. \$1.00 suggested donation.


Liturgical Assignments for December 22 & 23, 2018

Mass	Priest	Lector	Altar Servers
Saturday, 5:00pm Mass	Fr. Slaton	J. Holup	J. & J. Jemaa
Sunday, 8:00am Mass	Fr. Slaton	L. Cousino	A. Vaughn
Sunday, 10:00am Mass	Fr. Slaton	J. VanBrandt	J. Clark
Sunday, 12:00pm (EF-LM)	Fr. Slaton	--	J. Hajdu; T. Peterson; T. Walker



Envelopes for this collection are found at the ends of the pews. The second collection **this** weekend, December 15 & 16 is for Religious Retirement.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS, SELF-EMPLOYED AND FAMILIES!

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Available ADVERTISING SPACE

Sheri Fischhaber from LPI, our bulletin printer, can be reached to place an Advertisement. Please consider purchasing an ad to promote your business. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, you attract customers and your support for the church is so appreciated! **Please ask about our Holiday Promotion!**

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- Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
- A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

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*St. Anthony of Padua,
Our Patron and Intercessor,
Pray for Us.*

The Monthly Prayer Request for Priests
Would You Pray for a Priest each Day?
Before each Holy Mass, parishioners pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary. We include the names of the priests for the day, with our intentions. Please join us.

St. Anthony's
Fr. John A. Kenna
Knights of Columbus Council #11430
Catholic Information Service booklets are available in the kiosk at the entrance to the Narthex. This series, **"Building the Domestic Church"** is a collection of popular books focused on issues of vital importance for Catholic families seeking to build up and strengthen the church at home. 15 different titles are available; stop by the kiosk & browse the selection. *All booklets are free for the taking through the generosity of our St. Anthony Knights of Columbus.*

O God of all the nations, the One God who is and was and always will be, in your providence you willed that your Church be united to the suffering of your Son.
Look with mercy on your servants who are persecuted for their faith in you. Grant them perseverance and courage to be worthy imitators of Christ. Bring your wisdom upon leaders of nations to work for peace among all peoples.
May your Spirit open conversion for those who contradict your will, that we may live in harmony.
Give us the grace to be united in truth and freedom, and to always seek your will in our lives.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.
*Prayer composed by
Archbishop William E. Lori,
Supreme Chaplain
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS*

Guide Book and Directory 2019
The **Guide Book** is an annual publication, provided at no cost to the Parish. **Guide Book Publishing** is able to provide this valuable publication through the paid ads. Copies are mailed to all registered parishioners, also at no cost to the Parish.
A representative from **Guide Book Publishing** will be at St. Anthony Church in the next few weeks to solicit advertising for our new edition. Please respond graciously if you are called; or if you own a business, please give us a call if you would like more information.

Advent Challenge
On the front of today's bulletin is a small box containing an **"Advent Challenge"**. Each week, we hope to offer suggestions for personal preparation for the coming of our Blessed Lord, as we anticipate the celebration of His birth.
This week's challenge is to invite someone to attend Mass with you on Christmas.
Our schedule of Masses is listed on the front of today's bulletin. Invite them to Worship with us as we joyfully welcome the King of Kings!
Don't forget to continue to pray for the previous 2 weeks intention: for those who will be visiting St. Anthony during this Advent and Christmas Season; and for all those who may not honor Our Lord's birth this season.
Come Lord Jesus!

PRAYER FOR THE RETURN OF NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS
Good Shepherd, You never cease to seek out the lost, to call home the stray, to comfort the frightened, and to bind up the wounded.
I ask You to bring the people I hold in my heart back to the practice of the Faith, and to remove all obstacles that prevent them from receiving Your abundant mercy, which flows sacramentally through the heart of Your holy Church.
Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, their Guardian Angels, their Patron Saints, and the ever-prayerful St. Monica, may You pardon their sins and unshackle them from whatever hinders their freedom to come Home.
For You, O Good Shepherd, have loved us to the end and offered Yourself to the Father for the salvation of all.
Amen.



The Forgotten Person **by Joe Sixpack**

Everything in Catholicism, as in all Christianity, focuses on Jesus Christ. We focus on Him for a great variety of reasons: **His sacrificial death on the cross, our redemption through Him, He's the founder of the faith we profess... The list could go on and on.**

The Mass, of course, is the highest form of worship of God. In fact, the Mass is the worship of God the Father with a re-presentation of the sacrifice of the Lamb (the Son) in atonement for the sins of man. So the Mass is, to **most Catholics' way of thinking, all about the Father and the Son. But when it comes to the Holy Spirit, most of us sort of neglect Him—He's a dove in most of our minds, a sort of "holy flitterer". Sure, we give Him lip service, because we think we're supposed to. After all, the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Holy Trinity. But most of us don't really know much about Him or how we're supposed to practice devotion to Him.**

The Holy Spirit proceeds eternally from the Father and the Son. He is indeed God, completely equal to the Father and the Son. Like the Father and the Son, the Holy Spirit is almighty, eternal, and infinite.

Although the Holy Spirit is alluded to all the way back in Genesis (1:2, 26), we learned about Him via divine revelation from Jesus. When Jesus told us about Him, Christ placed Him on an equal level with the Father and the Son.

The Holy Spirit first manifested Himself in a visible way as tongues of fire over Mary and the apostles on the first Christian Pentecost Sunday. So great was this event and revered throughout history that Christian religions have been founded by mere men that are focused entirely on the second chapter of Acts, where the first Pentecost Sunday is recorded for Christian posterity. Through this manifestation of the Holy Spirit the apostles received the light to understand all that Jesus had taught them. This new light, which is the power of the Holy Spirit, gave the apostles the zeal to preach what Jesus taught without fear.

The Catholic Church is a living, breathing organism, not merely an organization or denomination. Jesus Christ is her head, and we all are her members—Jesus and we make up the Mystical Body of Christ. In order for a body to live, it must have a soul. The Soul of the Church, then, is the Holy Spirit, making her holy by the grace of Jesus Christ. He enables the Church to teach all that Jesus taught without the possibility of error. He also transforms the members of the Church into witnesses of Christ, and He was sent by the Father and the Son to live in the Church until the end of time.

But what of our relationship to the Holy Spirit? How are we supposed to relate to Him? Whether we think of it or not, we have a relationship to the Father by the mere fact that we participate in the holy sacrifice of the Mass. Since we are Christian, we develop a relationship that can even be called a friendship with Jesus. But what about the Holy Spirit? We all actually already have a lot more going on with the Holy Spirit than most of us think. That relationship started at our baptism. Provided we are in a state of grace, the Holy Spirit dwells in

our souls to make us holy with sanctifying grace. This Delightful Guest enlightens our minds to know God, **strengthens our wills to carry out God the Father's will, and He sets our hearts on fire to love God and neighbor.**

Those are the “mechanics” of the Holy Spirit, but what else is there? We are taught throughout our Catholic religious education to develop a personal relationship with the Father and the Son. But is it possible to develop a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit too?

If you want to have a deep, abiding, and loving relationship with the Father and the Son, it is imperative that you first develop a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit. As Christ described the Holy Spirit, He is pure love. It is **only through the Holy Spirit that we can love the Father and the Son... much less anybody else, for that matter.** He transforms the heart of man into the heart of God. The human heart longs for a holy, loving soul. That is our new nature after baptism. The human soul that is holy and loves can only do so through a direct movement of the **Holy Spirit, if we will let Him move. It's up to us, as we have free will, and God in all three Persons will never force Himself on us.** So we have to actively seek the Holy Spirit out to let Him know we want to grow in Him. **That's where it all starts.**

I decided to write about the Holy Spirit today because of my own personal journey. About thirty years ago, over the course of two succeeding years, I made three consecrations: to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and to the Holy Spirit. I suppose every serious Catholic makes an act of consecration to the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts at some point. At least I hope so. But relative to the number of people who make those **acts of consecration, not too many people make an act of consecration to the Holy Spirit. I probably wouldn't** have either, except for one thing.

In the early '90s, a book almost quite literally fell into my hands. It was a long out of print book written in the 1950s by Archbishop Luis Martinez (RIP) called *The Sanctifier*. That book about the Holy Spirit was so captivating and exciting, I read all 350+ pages in one sitting. When I finished, I read it all over again, but this time slowly and meditatively. **When I finished, I'd made up my mind to do two things.**

One thing I decided to do was find a way to bring this highly polished and nearly flawless spiritual diamond back into print. After all, with as much good as I got out of it, Catholics everywhere deserved to learn the benefits the book has to offer. But before I could claim the copyright and republish it, the Daughters of St. Paul at Pauline Books and Media brought it back into print (thanks be to God). And I highly recommend that you purchase and **read this book. I've read over one-thousand Catholic books, and it's rare that I go out of my way to recommend any of them, but when I discover a book so life-changing and exciting as this one, I can't help but shout it from the rooftops.**

The other thing I decided to do was consecrate myself to the Holy Spirit. Technically, you are already consecrated **to the Holy Spirit by virtue of your Confirmation. The sort of consecration I'm referring to is an act of the will—**spiritual and physical; the active affirmation that one devotes oneself to living for the one being consecrated to.

Recent events in my life made me realize that all three of my previously made acts of consecration mentioned above had lost some of their fire and zeal. So I decided to renew all three of those acts of consecration, beginning **with the Holy Spirit. As a matter of preparation for the act of consecration renewal, I've recently re-read *The Sanctifier*. I've got to tell you, this book is as awesome today as it was for me thirty years ago. Buy it!**

The Holy Spirit is our link of divine love to the Father and the Son. Without Him divine love is not possible. **That's What We Believe... Why We Believe It.**

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and visit JoeSixpackAnswers.com to get your answers or ask questions.