



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
 Temperance, Michigan
First Sunday of Advent (*New, Trad.*)
 “The Antonian” December 1, 2024

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



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Weekend Mass Schedule - Lumen Christi Parishes

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 4:30pm: OL Mt. Carmel; **6:00pm St. Anthony-Eng.**
Sunday: **7:30am** St Joseph; **9:00am St. Anthony-Eng.;** **10:00am** OLMC;
10:30am St. Joseph; **12:00pm St. Anthony;** 4:30pm St. Joseph

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday: 9:00am - OLMC
 Tuesday: **9:00am - St. Anthony - (Eng.);** OL Mt. Carmel
 Wednesday 9:00am - St. Joseph
 Thursday: **7:00pm - St. Anthony**
 Friday: 9:00am - St. Joseph (during school year)
 First Friday: **7:00pm - St. Anthony;** First Saturday: **9:00am - St. Anthony**

Sacrament of Penance

Thursday: 5:00 - 6:00pm - St. Anthony
Saturday: No Confessions @ St. Anthony; 10:30-11:30am - St. Joseph; 2:30-3:30pm - OLMC

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This **First Saturday, December 7, 2024**, St. Anthony Parish will be offering a *Rorate Mass* at 7:30am in place of our usual 9:00am Mass.

This special Mass in honor of Our Lady celebrated only during Advent is lit entirely by candles as the sun is rising.

All are welcome to attend!

Please join us in Kenna Hall, **NEXT SUNDAY, December 8**, for the monthly Knights of Columbus **ALL YOU CAN EAT Breakfast Buffet** from 8:30am-12:00pm!




Pray without Ceasing!



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WEDDING BANNS II
Jonathan Gusmano & Rebecca Rivas

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday, December 2, 2024

St. Bibiana (Viviana), (4th C.), V., M., Pt. of single women (Trad.)

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

9:00am †Piero Cenni
by Elisa Schnur
†Living & Deceased Mem.
of Woronec Family
by Jim Woronec
†Daniel Holup
by JoAnn Dziewiatka
St. Francis Xavier (1552), Pr., Pt. of foreign missions (New, Trad.)

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

No Mass
St. John Damascene (749), Pr., D. (New)
St. Peter Chrysologus (450), B., D. (Trad.)
St. Barbara (4th C.), V., M., invoked against lightning (Trad.)

Thursday, December 5, 2024

7:00pm †Timothy Hurley
by Karenna Hurley
The People of Lumen Christi
Family of Parishes
St. Sabbas (532), Ab. (Trad.)
St. Gerald (1109), B. of Braga (Hist.)

First Friday, December 6, 2024
7:00pm For Those in Need of
Spiritual Deliverance

St. Nicholas (350), B., Pt. of children, bakers, pawnbrokers, mariners, & Russia (New, Trad.)

First Saturday, December 7, 2024

7:30am Fr. Slaton's Intentions
6:00pm Living & Deceased Members
of the George & Carrie Komorowski
Family

by Family Reunion

St. Ambrose (397), B., D., Pt. of candlemakers (New, Trad.)
Vigil of the Immaculate Conception (Hist.)

Sunday, December 8, 2024

2nd Sunday of Advent (New, Trad.)
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary, Pt. of the U.S.A. (Trad.)

9:00am †Diane Kapela
(1st Ann. Of Death)
by Bob Kapela

12:00pm People of St. Anthony

Readings for Today

Today, Sunday, December 1:

For English Mass:

Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

For Latin Mass:

Epistle: Romans 13: 11-14
Gospel: Luke 21: 25-33

This year, the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** will be celebrated on **Monday, December 9**, at St. Anthony with **7:00pm Mass in English**.



This feast day is held on December 8th, but as December 8th has fallen on a Sunday this year, the celebration of this feast day

has been transferred to the following Monday. The Faithful have been dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on this day. However, all are *highly encouraged* to attend.

This Week's Calendar



Monday, December 2, 2024

5:00pm-6:15pm Religious Ed - Sch.
6:30pm-8:30pm - OCIA - Sch.
5:30pm-8:30pm - Holy Family Society - Play Practice in Kenna Hall

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

9:00am - Holy Mass
10:00am-11:00am - Prayer Blankets in Narthex

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

6:30pm-7:30pm - PH. Devotions
7:00pm - KoC Meeting - Sch.

Thursday, December 5, 2024

9:00am - Holy Mass
8:00pm - Men's Meeting - Sch.

Friday, December 6, 2024

7:00pm - Holy Mass

Saturday, December 7, 2024

7:30am - Holy Mass
Hall Rental - Kenna Hall
6:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 8, 2024

9:00am - Holy Mass (English)
12:00pm - Holy Mass
8:30am-12:00pm - KoC Breakfast - KH

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Preparing the Manger

Where do you fall in the "Christmas-songs-in-November" debate — do you like them, tolerate them, or outright hate them? There's no theological problem with Christmas songs in November outside of worship, even if it's not everyone's cup of tea. But there is a problem with getting so caught up in the baggage of the season — the trimmings, the gifts, the celebrations, all of which are marvelous in their own way — that you forget to prepare the manger

Every good Catholic knows that Lent is a penitential season. It's hard to miss that point — Lent doesn't even have any fun songs you can groove to on the radio. We are pretty good at recognizing that Lent calls us to examine ourselves. To deny ourselves. To give of ourselves. And most of all, Lent calls us to prepare, as a good steward does, for the return of our master.

It's harder for us to remember that with Advent, but Advent is just as much of an opportunity for penance, preparation, and reconciliation to God — and just as much reason, too. The very name of the season — "advent" — encourages us to focus on what is coming, not what is already here. Be on guard, the readings tell us today, "so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and (the coming of the Lord) catch you unexpectedly, like a trap."

So let us not forget — our master's advent is upon us. And let us ask ourselves: how can we prepare the manger?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 1, 2024

1st Sunday of Advent

When I was a young priest, about one year after ordination, I was called to the hospital to anoint a dying mother of three young children. She had a painful, terminal cancer. After celebrating Last Rites with her, I said, "Don't be afraid." She looked me square in the eye from her hospital bed and said, "Oh Father, I am in a lot of pain, but I am not afraid. Something wonderful is about to happen." A few days later she died.

Christians face the ending of our personal various "worlds" in a totally unique way. This first Sunday of Advent, Jesus says that when people see their world falling apart, they find themselves "fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world" (Luke 21:26). In our fear, our natural response is to check out, to hide our heads in drunkenness, distraction, and false securities. But Jesus commands us to "look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." He then compares what's coming to a lovely summer in full bloom. That's what the cross and resurrection empower us to do, as strange as it may seem.

Advent challenge: What world in your life is collapsing? A relationship, a dream, a work opportunity? Maybe you're troubled by a crumbling world in the political or economic sphere. Or maybe someone you love is seriously ill or dying. Name that world or worlds. Then pray: "Lord, help me to not faint with fear. Help me to raise my head and see your redemption coming."

— Father John Muir

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The Advent Giving Tree is in the Narthex. We are working with Veterans and their families, as well as a few local families that can use our help. Ornaments will be on the tree indicating what kind of gift/card is being requested. Please stop by the narthex, take an ornament, and return any donations, **unwrapped, and with the tag attached, no later than Wednesday, December 18**, in order to be sorted and delivered before Christmas. Thank you!

Ready to grow in daily prayer, your spiritual life, and your discipleship to Christ?

All men 18 and up of the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes (St. Anthony in Temperance, St. Joseph in Erie, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Temperance) are invited to join the men's group forming at St. Anthony Parish! Meetings will be held the **1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month, at 8:00pm** in St. Anthony School Building, Classroom 2. For more information, please email Kevin Kukla at kasper8421@protonmail.com.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Please Note!

This time of year, when multiple bulletins are due for submission in succession, it becomes increasingly difficult to catch all errors & misprints before submission. One such instance in this bulletin is under "**This Week's Calendar**" for Thursday, December 5th. Please note that **Mass will be at 7:00pm, following 5:00pm-6:00pm Confessions, as usual for Thursdays.** There will be **no morning Mass on December 5.** Please be patient with us as we enter into the busyness of the holiday season!



DECEMBER
Month of the Immaculate Conception

The Offertory Story for November 24, 2024

# Env. assigned: 315;	# Env. used: 56
Envelope total	\$ 3,554.00
Loose:	\$ 534.00
Online giving	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 3,554.00
Weekly Budget amt.....\$	5,900.00
+Over/-Under Budget	\$ - 1,762.00
Year To Date +- \$ -	5,800.34
Other:	
Candles	65.50
Catholic Charities	370.00
CDs	20.00
Christmas	20.00
Christmas Flowers	270.00
Donation	5.00
Holy Day	40.00
Masses	155.00
Missionary Appeal Loose	10.00
Total for Other:	955.50

St. Anthony Catholic Church
Advent ♦ Christmas ♦ New Year's – 2024/25

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday – 6:00pm (English)

Sunday - 9:00am (English); 12:00pm (Latin)

Weekday Mass Schedule:

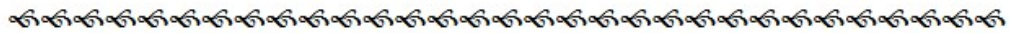
Tuesday, 9:00am Mass (English)

Thursday 7:00pm (Latin)

Immaculate Conception of Mary – Holy Day of Obligation (not obligated this year)

Transferred to December 9 (Monday)

7:00pm (English)



Sacrament of Reconciliation - Individual Confessions

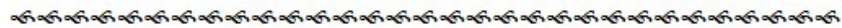
Every Thursday, 5:00 - 6:00pm

Thursday, December 19:

5:00pm - 8:00pm (through 7:00pm Mass)

3 Priests will be available for Confessions until 7:00pm Mass begins;

2 priests will be available for confessions during Mass



Christmas Masses

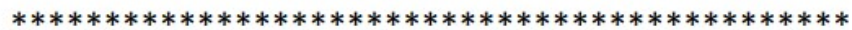
Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24

4:00pm (English)



Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25

12:00 Midnight (Latin); 10:00am (English)



Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day)

Mass:

Tuesday, December 31st, 2024

4:00pm (English)

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

10:00am (Latin)

Advent Daily Prayer:

Heavenly Father, as You sent Jesus into the world to make You known and loved, inspire us to continue Your mission in our daily living and choice of vocation. Amen.