

# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

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## Lent Begins Ash Wednesday

### Mass Schedule

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Mass † **Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. Mass † **Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. Communion Service  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Vespers will be held on the first Tuesday of every month following Mass.  
Confession follows Tuesday evening Mass (any changes to the schedule are listed inside).

### Office Hours

**Monday:** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. † **This Wednesday closed; Open This Thursday:** 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. †  
Closed Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday this week

**SACRED SCRIPTURE, MASS Intentions & MINISTERS**  
**for the week of February 11, 2018**

**Feb 11 Sunday: The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 am: Ken Hubbard † by John & Sherry Free

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45

**Feb 12, Monday:** Weekday, Jas 1:1-11 Mk 8:11-13

**Feb. 13, Tuesday:** Weekday, Jas 1:12-18 Mk 8:14-21

7:00 p.m.: Alan Trierweiler by Westbrook & Bill & Lill Overbeck

*Sacristan:* Susann Young *Lector:* Mary Lamphere

*Servers:* Dan Brown, Gregg Hotchkiss

**Feb. 14, Ash Wednesday: Office closed**

**7:00 PM Mass for Parish Family**

Jl 2:12-18 2Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

*Sacristan:* Gregg Hotchkiss *Lector:* Sherry Free

*Servers:* Ethan, Elliott and Emmett Kelley

Feb. 15 Thursday after Ash Wednesday - Office open

Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

9:00am Communion Service and Rosary for Alan Trierweiler

Feb. 16 Friday after Ash Wednesday, Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15

Feb. 17 Sat. after Ash Wednesday, Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

**Feb 18 Sunday: The First Sunday of Lent**

8:30 am: Harold & Margaret Simpson † by Simpsons

Gn 9:8-15 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15, *Sacristan:* M. Simpson

*Lectors:* Kara Kelley, Martha Brown

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Monty Simpson, Gregg Hotchkiss,

Sherry Free, Melinda Theisen, Ed Zigmont

*Servers:* Ethan Kelley, Kennedi Knoop

*Ushers:* Matt & Drew Young, Lucas Simpson, Rick Perry

*Gift Bearers:* Simpson Family,

*Counting Team:* Anita Talcott, Martha Brown

*Feb. Cleaning Team:* Dan and Martha Brown

*February Hospitality:* Knights of Columbus



*Please continue to pray for our homebound and ill parishioners and parish friends:*

Clara Smith, Bill Overbeck Sr., Rick Borup, Julia Wheelock

Art Nash, Bob Wolbers, Barb Hotchkiss, Ron Hartford,

Bill Brabant, Linda Griffin, Amy Williams, Grace Starr,

Carla Skytta, Jane Emelander, Rhonda Wolbers,

Ralph Westbrook, Simon Kelley, Joshua Hammons

2019 Mass Scheduling permits only 1 or 2 Masses per person.

Because there are only 52 Sundays in a year and 7 of those

Masses are reserved for Parish intentions, we have to limit

Mass intentions. We have 100 families, so even this may be

difficult to accomplish. We will be notifying those where we

need to double up intentions.



***From the hand of Fr. Ferris ....***

Ash Wednesday is this week. If you haven't come to any resolutions for Lent, then I would encourage you to consider making more time for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. For the past few weeks we have been reflecting on Jesus remaining with us in the Eucharist. Not only do we receive Him as food for our souls during Mass, but we can rest in His presence, most especially during Adoration.

I would encourage you to make more time for this because Jesus is everything. I am not sure how to say it more simply than that: Jesus is everything.

As a specific resolution for Lent, though, making more time for Jesus in the Eucharist is something we can carry on in our "regular" lives. The disciplines of Lent ought to in some way transform our lives outside of Lent. Fasting should lead to better self-control during the year. Prayers and devotions ought to in some way move our whole spiritual life forward.

One practice that we can take with us throughout the year is making time for Jesus in the Eucharist. Jesus remains with us throughout the year. We can worship Him in the context of Mass every day. We can come into His presence as individuals, and we can come as groups, families, etc. It can be done during the day or at night. There are lots of possibilities.

Given the great access we have to Jesus, what is there to stop one from putting the Jesus in the Eucharist at the center of our lives?

***--Fr. Ferris***

**Ash Wednesday Masses:**

**St. Anthony's: 7pm**

**St. Mary's: 7:45am, 12:10pm**

**SS Peter & Paul : 8am, 12:10pm, 5:30pm**

**St. Edwards: 10am, 7:30 pm**

See Bishop Walkowiak's Lenten letter enclosed.  
 "...let us take time these 40 days to reflect on the needs of our brothers and sisters..."



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Grand Knight Gregg Hotchkiss

Family of the Month: Talcott Family

Knight of the Month: Nick Price

Raffle Winner for February 2: Janis Diaz

**KOC Council meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 7PM**

**LENTEN FISH DINNERS**

**begin 2/16! Come one! Come all!**

ATTN: Men: Mark your calendars and register NOW for the 13th Annual Building a Legacy Catholic Men's conference. It's a day of dynamic speakers, powerful faith development and reinvigorating fellowship. BEHOLD THE MAN is designed to give men an opportunity to encounter the One Man - Jesus Christ. March 10 at West Catholic High School, GR. Bishop Walkowiak will celebrate Mass. To register: buildingalegacy.org Questions: call Deacon Jim 616-292-0422.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar**

The apostles were "afraid" when Jesus was transfigured in front of them. CHANGE is often frightening, especially in relationships, but inevitable. The child grows up, a parent ages and people mature. The only constant is our commitment to one another.

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*See the bulletin board for upcoming events held at Catholic Information Ctr, Franciscan Ctr or Cathedral.*

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**ALL CLASSES meet today!**

Please pray for our 2018 Confirmandi as they prepare for Mar. 6, 2018, the Sacrament of Confirmation.

***Vanessa Contreras, Ian Jorgensen, Elliott Kelley, Sophia Wolbers***

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Parish Festival is right around the corner (August). We are in need of Festival Chairs and Co-Chairs. Please see Mary. Thx.

Dear St. Anthony,

Thank you is a small phrase to express our gratitude for your BIG Contributions to the Food Pantry this past year! We could not have served all the people (50-75 area families) without your very generous help. From all the groceries to the cash and checks and produce and gift cards, you really went above and beyond. We so appreciated your food drives and deliveries and the last gift cards came at just the perfect time to help 3 families in need. We are so thankful to God that we can work together to help others.

May He richly bless you all.

Saranac Community Church

Food Pantry, Bruce & Margaret Chadwick



**STEWARDSHIP for week ending February 4, 2018**

**PARISH INCOME:**

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,219.00
Loose	25.00
Candles	2.00
Mass Intentions	10.00
Easter Flowers	10.00
General Receipts	<b>1,266.00</b>

**Other Receipts**

Building Fund-	95.00
Heifer International	100.00
SOUPER BOWL Pantry	224.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 1,685.00</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Payroll	1,056.81
Worship	
Operating	354.24
Insurance	693.98
Buildings/Grounds	136.00
Rel. Ed/FF	69.82
Parish Life	
Utilities	1,694.05
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,004.90</b>

**HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$3,317.00 Arks are \$5,000.00**

What do you think about what St. Anthony's needs?

**Please complete your SURVEY!**

Simply drop into the collection basket. Thank You!

**LOCAL AREA MASS SCHEDULE**

**SS. Peter & Paul, Ionia:** Sat 4:00 p.m.;  
Sunday 8:00a.m. ; 11:45 a.m.; Spanish Mass at 1:00 p.m.  
**St. Edward, Lake Odessa:** Sat. 6:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:45a.m.  
**St. Mary, Lowell:** Mon-Fri (no Tuesday Mass) 7:45a.m.  
Saturday: Confession: 3-4:30 pm.; Mass at 8:30 am., 5:00pm  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

**Pastoral Council:** Sherry Free, Michele Westbrook,  
Monty Simpson, Ron Mutschler, Bronson Zigmont

**Finance Council:** Anita Talcott, Ralph Westbrook,  
Gregg Hotchkiss, Dan Brown, Eric Jorgensen

**Faith Formation:** Classes held immediately after Mass on  
Sundays, September-April. Florence Price (616-642-0052)

**Prayer Chain:** Pat Coulson 616-216-1870 or office 616-642-6119

**"SOUPER BOWL" SUNDAY!! We had SNOW!**

Our youth participated in collecting for the poor.

Due to the snow and low attendance last week the collection was only \$224. They are hoping to beat last year's collection of \$535.00. 100% goes to the Saranac Community Food Pantry. If you are not prepared today, you are welcome to donate next Sunday. Please make Payable to: St. Anthony and mark your donation: "Souper Bowl". Thank You for your generosity!



1140 AM - GRAND RAPIDS | 91.5 FM - KALAMAZOO



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**Ionia Area Right to Life**

Meeting 7 p.m.  
2nd Monday of the month  
Temple Baptist Church  
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**Saranac / Clarksville Food Pantry**

at Saranac Community Church  
Open Thursdays, 2 - 4 p.m.  
NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Please bring identification showing proof of residency.  
To volunteers to help at the Pantry,  
contact Margaret at 616-642-6322.



**Please pay patronage to our local  
businesses. Thank you!**

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**St. Anthony's Mission Statement**

**Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church strives to be**

*"A Parish with a Heart" ♥*

**Using our time, talents and treasure, our parish family is dedicated to the faith formation  
of our youth and living the gospel in our Community.**



# DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

*Office of the Bishop*

February 2018

My dear friends in Christ,

Lent is a time of conversion and encounter. During this time, we focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as we prepare our hearts to commemorate Christ's death and resurrection. Throughout His time on earth Christ encountered many people and in each instance He showed us how to love one another and treat people with compassion. Today our world is bustling, always "on" and always "connected." We fail to truly encounter those around us. Let us take time this Lent to ask "who is my neighbor?"

This Lent, Catholic Relief Services' (CRS) Rice Bowl program can help us answer that question. We are invited to reflect on how we are all neighbors, both near and far. How can we help those who are hungry and poor in our community and across the world?

Through our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving we encounter Christ in the many faces of our neighbors. And after the 40 days of Lent, we will be prepared to encounter the risen Christ who encourages us to see His face, especially in the poor.

Each year, CRS Rice Bowl raises nearly \$6 million for Catholic Relief Services with an estimated \$2 million of that total retained by dioceses in the United States to help alleviate hunger and poverty at the local level. Last year, our diocese used funds to support efforts such as Caritas Food Pantry, an outreach of St. Mary Parish in Custer and St. Alphonsus' Food Pantry in Grand Rapids.

CRS Rice Bowl brings Lent spiritually to life for families, parishes, and schools, while connecting Catholics in our diocese with our brothers and sisters around the world. Through Lenten prayers and devotions, reflections, and simple Lenten meal ideas that connect us with our neighbors, CRS Rice Bowl helps to ensure a focused, fruitful Lent.

Together, let us take time during these 40 days to reflect on the needs of our brothers and sisters, encounter them, and let them know Christ's love through us. Thank you for your prayers and care of the poor. CRS Rice Bowl is successful each year because of your sacrifices. Additional resources may be found by visiting [csrricebowl.org](http://csrricebowl.org).

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ David J. Walkowiak*

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak  
Bishop of Grand Rapids

# DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

*In the words of Pope Francis*

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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