

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

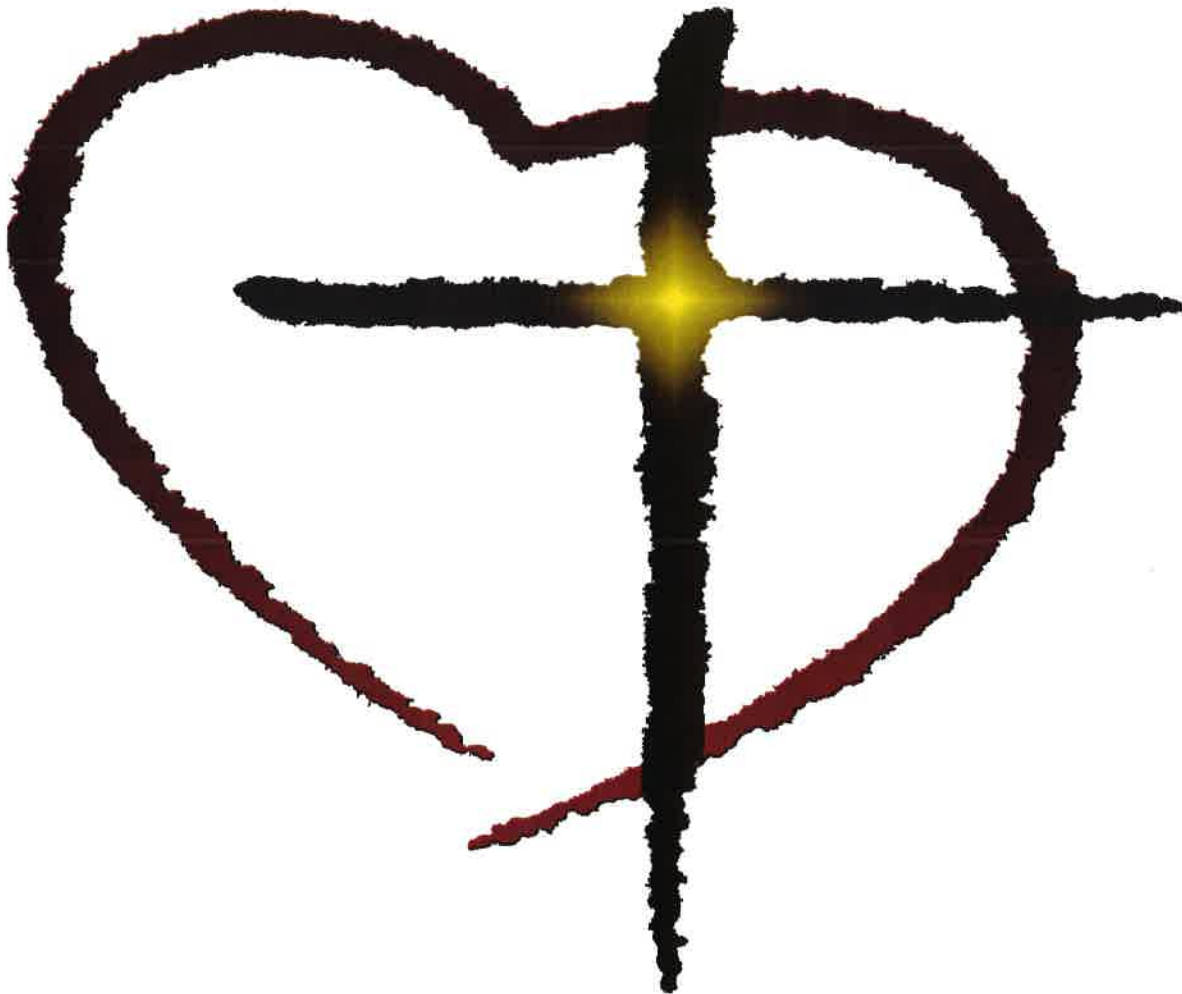
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Mass Schedule

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. † Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Closed Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

SACRED SCRIPTURE, MASS Intentions & MINISTERS
for the week of April 15, 2018

April 15, THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER,

8:30 am: Leon Lauer † by Bertrand & Rita Laure
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

April 16, Monday: Easter Weekday,
Acts 6:8-15 Jn 6:22-29

April 17, Tuesday: Easter Weekday,
7:00 pm: Nancy Schielke † by Lois Ary
Acts 7:51--8:1a Jn 6:30-35

April 18, Wednesday: Easter Weekday,
Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40

April 19, Thursday: Easter Weekday,
9:00 am Communion Service and Rosary
Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51

April 20, Friday: Easter Weekday,
Acts 9:1-20 Jn 6:52-59

April 21, Saturday: Easter Weekday,
Saint Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Acts 9:31-42 Jn 6:60-69

April 22, Sunday, FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:30 am: Deceased Hayden & Piggot Family † by Hayden Family
Acts 4:8-12, 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

Sacristan: Susann Young

Lectors: Sherry Free, Martha Brown

Eucharistic Ministers: Susann Young, Rosemary Reams,
Melinda Theisen, Ed Zigmont, Shari Bassett

Servers: Gabrielle & Elijah lauer

Ushers: Jo Hayden, Dan Brown, Eric Jorgensen, Andrew Shipp

Gift Bearers: Hayden Family

Counting Team: Dan Brown, Mary Frederiksen

April Cleaning Team: Cathy Emelander & Barb Eden



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,
Ralph Westbrook, Mary Frederiksen, Jane Emelander
Carla Skytta, Joshua Hammons, Rhonda Wolbers



**Thank you to everyone for the prayers and Special Intentions Mass for Dad from his passing. We are very blessed to be a part of such a warm, friendly parish.
Jerry, Rhonda, Olivia & Sophia Wolbers**

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

Once Easter is over, people often ask me if things slow down. My general answer is that life doesn't start to slow down until part way through May. There are First Communions and other celebrations throughout April and the first part of May that keep us hopping around here.

Of course, slowing down is relative. There may not be as many things on the calendar as during Lent and Holy Week, but as with so many of you, regular life goes on apace. You with regular jobs know that, while there are busier times, regular working days and weeks are plenty busy in their own right. That one season is filled with tight deadlines and long days does not mean the rest of the year is somehow not busy.

No, I am not comparing myself to someone with a regular job, but I think it is useful to remember that parish life continues on apart from the special celebrations and seasons. Masses are still being celebrated during the week; times for Confession are still offered. Faith formation continues in different forms. Sick and homebound brothers and sisters still need to be visited; the dead still need to be buried.

It is good to remember this because as we get back to "normal" life, we are called to see how we can carry forward to spiritual growth of the special seasons. During Lent, you engaged in different spiritual practices to help you grow in holiness, to overcome sin, and to live the faith more fully. These ought to be carried on in some fashion now that life has returned to "normal". The work continues, even if it is not at the same pace as during the crunch times.

It is useful to think about how the work of developing our faith, overcoming sin, and growing in holiness will continue. We cannot always live in a crunch time, but the work continues, and we are invited to give ourselves to the tasks at hand. It isn't always pleasant to think of our faith and growth in holiness as work, but it can be helpful. It helps us to remember that it requires time, energy, and dedication. It isn't always fun or easy, but it does bear fruits in the long run, for ourselves and for those we love. It is work, but it is work that brings the greatest meaning to our lives.

--Fr. Ferris

First Holy Communion is May 6, 2018.

Please pray for our 2nd graders preparing for their First Holy Communion! Aislynn King, Veronica Lauer, Charlotte Prins and Logan Simpson.

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Free: Brother fax/copier & HP color copier in hall area. Help yourself before they go to be recycled.



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Grand Knight Gregg Hotchkiss

Family of the Month: Charles & Doris Droste
Knight of the Month: Joe Hayden

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

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We welcome Miss Abigail Rose Zigmont to our Holy Family! Abigail was baptized in Christ on April 8. Congratulations Ed, Aubrie, and Catherine along with her Godparents, Blake and Sarah Zigmont on her Blessed Baptism!

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"I would like to say thanks to everyone from the church for sending me so many nice birthday cards. It was great to hear from so many friends!"
Darold Simpson

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Playgroup: We will be meeting on Thursday, April 19th from 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. in the St. Mary's room at St. Mary Great Mother of God, Lowell. Bring your baby, toddler, and/or preschooler and join us in sharing the journey of parenthood. Kids can play while parents get to know each other, provide support and prayers for one another.

Vacation Bible School is being held June 25-28, 2018 at St. Mary's. We will be having a meeting for volunteers interested in helping with VBS on Thursday, April 26th at 7 p.m. in the St. Joseph room.

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Aquinas College Visit Day – Friday, April 20th Aquinas College is hosting an AQDay for all high school juniors and seniors interested in visiting their beautiful 117-acre campus. The Admissions Office invites you to come and discover what life at AQ is really all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more. Please visit aquinas.edu/aqday for more details or to register for the event on April 20th.

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We have tickets left for Mathew Kelly at the Delta Plex on May 19th. They are \$39.00 a piece. Please call Dick or Kathy Noskey for tickets. Call Kathy at 616-481-5689 or Dick at 616-897-0868.

STEWARDSHIP for week ending April 8, 2018

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,599.00
Loose	111.00
Mass Intentions	0.00
Ladies Guild-Rummage Sale	366.70
Ladies Guild-Bake Sale	128.70
Candles	47.00
General Receipts	2,252.40

Other Receipts

Building Fund	5.00
Total Receipts Retained	\$ 2,257.40
Heifer International	100.00
CSA 2018	25.00
Rice Bowl	67.31
Total Receipts	\$ 2,449.71

DISBURSEMENTS:

Payroll and taxes	00.00
Insurance: Prop., P/R, Etc.	000.00
Worship	108.00
Operating	57.25
Insurance	
Buildings/Grounds	277.00
Rel. Ed/FF	
Parish Life	00.00
Utilities	1,325.47
Festival 2018	
Total Actual Expenses	\$ 1,767.72
CSA 2018	25.00
SCRIP	
Total Expenses	\$ 1,792.72

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$3,797.00 Arks are \$5,000.00

***Did you turn in a Rice Bowl? A 3V disc battery was in one. If you would like it back, it is in the vestibule.**

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 (except Tuesday) 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

