

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 30, 2018

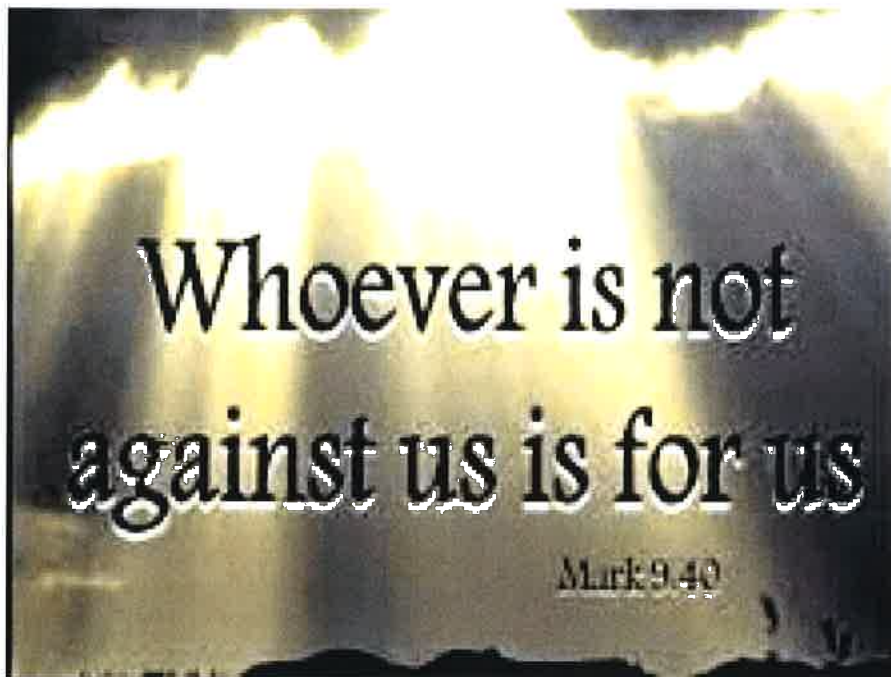
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Mass Schedule

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 September 30, 2018

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am: Leon Lauer † by Pat Coulson

Nm 11:25-29 Jas 5:1-6 Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

October 1, Monday:

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Dr. of the Church
Jb 1:6-22 Lk 9:46-50

October 2, Tuesday: The Holy Guardian Angels

7:00 pm: Parish Family

Sacristan: Gregg Hotchkiss *Lector:* Mary Lamphere

Servers: Mike Lamphere, Greg Price

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Mt 18:1-5, 10

October 3, Wednesday: Weekday

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Lk 9:57-62

October 4, Thursday: Saint Francis of Assisi

9:00 am Communion Service

Jb 19:21-27 Lk 10:1-12

October 5, Friday: Weekday, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 Lk 10:13-16

October 6, Saturday: Weekday,

Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin; BVM

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Lk 10:17-24

October 7, Sunday:

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am: Ron Beyer † by Beyer Family

Gn 2:18-24 Heb 2:9-11 Mk 10:2-16

Sacristan: Mary Frederiksen

Lectors: Sherry Free, Blake Zigmont

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Frederiksen, Ed Zigmont,
Janis Diaz, Maureen Jorgensen, Melinda Theisen

Servers: Hudson King, Ethan Kelley

Ushers: Matt & Drew Young, Lucas Simpson, Eric Jorgensen

Gift Bearers: Beyer Family

Counting Team: Tondra Reams, Mike Lamphere

September Cleaning Team: Sherry Free, Kara Kelley

September Hospitality: Overbeck & Westbrook Families



*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,

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

Jane Emelander, Ashley Cunningham, Chris Grieves

Carla Skytta, Joshua Hammons, Rhonda Wolbers, Tom Renucci

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The Knights of Columbus

**will be taking donations on 10/7 to help purchase a
new ultrasound machine for PSIC, Positive
Solutions Informed Choices, of Ionia County.**

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

Almost every news headline is about sin these days. The old adage of journalism that “bad news is good news” is alive and well today. People like salacious stories, and over the past months there have been a slew of salacious stories: the #MeToo movement, Brett Kavanaugh, the Church crisis. Not all bad news is about sex, but these often capture our attention the most.

The challenge that underlies all this, though, is what we are supposed to do about sin. While some sins are also crimes, not everything that gets splashed across the newspapers and the internet is a crime. For those sins that are crimes there is a legal process to deal with them. Whether that process is always just or correct is a question for another day. There is in principle a way to deal with crime.

What do we do with sin, though? This is a particularly challenging because we all sin. Sure, you may not have committed this or that sin, and never would, but each and every one of us is a sinner. Chances are there are plenty of skeletons in our closets that we wouldn't want the world to know about, those things that we have done, and maybe continue to do, that we are ashamed of.

We know that we are called to forgive other people's sins. This is very clear from Jesus' teaching. Even our whole sacramental system is ordered around this reality because everything begins with Baptism and the forgiveness of sins. This is a great mercy from the Lord because it means we can rise up from the wreckage of our sins. It is also a great challenge because we must deal with other people's sins and help them rise up from the wreckage of their actions.

That being said, we also have to prudentially deal with the reality of other people's sins. Someone who has robbed a bank should not be hired as a bank manager. There are consequences to our actions that need to be dealt with on an individual and a communal level. Forgiveness does not mean we throw our brains out the window. We still must be prudent and wise.

In a world that likes broadcasting sin, along with the fact that we are all sinners, it is worth considering how we deal with the reality of sin in our own lives and in our relationships with others. With the light of the Holy Spirit, we need to think our way through how we are to live forgiveness wisely and prudently. This is going to be our topic for the next few weeks.

--Fr. Ferris

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Anne Simpson will be collecting for the Baby Bottle Blessings through October. See Anne for further details.



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Grand Knight Gregg Hotchkiss

Family of the Month: Tom & Cherie Hagen

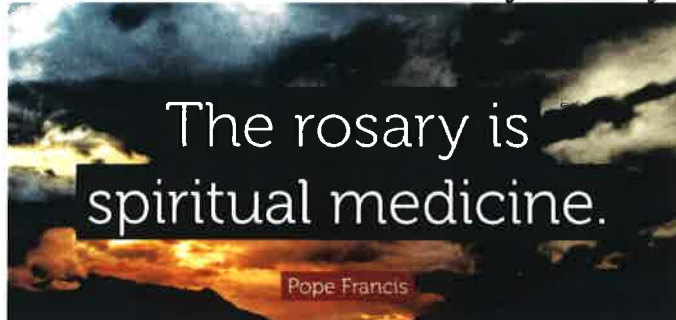
Knight of the Month: Al Schielke

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

September 21, KOC Raffle Winner: Tony Baumgartner

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October, Month of the Holy Rosary



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Please join us for the Lowell Life Chain Sunday, October 7th from 2-3:00 p.m. as we stand along Main Street and silently pray in support of life. In our current culture, it is imperative that we denounce the practice of abortion, euthanasia and all other practices that assault the sanctity of life. We stand and pray together in peaceful prayer for those who have no voice. St. Mary's will also be having a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser prior to the Lowell Life Chain in our Parish life center from 11:30-2:00 p.m. to support the pro-life committee at St. Mary's Church. All are welcome.

Special Second Collection This Weekend

Approximately two weeks ago, Hurricane Florence devastated parts of the Carolinas. The full extent of the damage is unknown. While we must continue to offer prayers for those affected, our financial support is needed as well. We can expect that Hurricane Florence will only be the first natural disaster this year where money for immediate relief efforts will be needed. In conjunction with the USCCB, Bishop Walkowiak is asking parishes in the Diocese of Grand Rapids to take up a special second collection this weekend, September 29-30, to assist in relief efforts. The second collection will be for 2018 Disasters. Funds given to the collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services and will provide funding for immediate emergency needs like water, food, and shelter, along with pastoral and rebuilding support to Catholic dioceses impacted by Hurricane Florence or other disasters that may strike this year. In addition, parishioners may donate strictly for Hurricane Florence relief through Catholic Charities USA here:

https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/CCUSADISASTER?utm_source=ccusasite&utm_medium=homepagehero&utm_campaign=mc_florence

STEWARDSHIP for week ending September 23, 2018

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,229.00
Loose	48.00
Mass Intentions	
Candles	4.00
General Receipts	1,281.00

Other Receipts

Building Fund-Festival	
Total Receipts Retained	\$ 1,281.00
Heifer International	
Festival Raffle	
SCRIP IN	
Total Receipts	\$ 1,281.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Payroll and taxes	1,528.95
Insurance: Prop.,P/R,Etc	
Operating	
Worship	
Insurance	
Buildings/Grounds	
Rel. Ed/FF	
Parish Life	
Utilities	
Festival 2018	
Total Actual Expenses	\$ 1,528.95
SCRIP OUT	

Total Expenses **\$ 1,528.95**

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$5,422.00 Arks are \$5,000.00

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.

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

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*Starting next week, October 7, Faith Formation will start at 9:45
 and end at 11. This is a correction from last week's
 announcement. You may sign up online if you haven't already.*

Celebrating a Special Day

- 10/1 Judy Jorgensen, Tondra Morris
10/2 Florence Price
10/6 Phil Hughes, Hudson King
10/8 Aislynn King, Elijah Lauer
10/9 Molli Ann Shipp
10/14 Ashley Beyer, Germaine Thompson
10/17 Shari Bassett, Garrett Prins, Rob Simpson, Theodore VanKuiken
10/19 Judy Wekenman
10/22 Elliott Kelley
10/27 Dick Knoop, Michael Brunette



Celebrating an Anniversary



- Charlie & Doris Droste on 10/6
Ron & Mandy Mutschler on 10/8
Luke & Sarah Simpson on 10/13
Kevin & Melinda Theisen on 10/16
Scott & Becky Frankowski on 10/17
John & Sherry Free on 10/18
Tom & Cherie Hagen on 10/31

Celebrating a Special Day

PROTECTING OUR *children and youth*

Safe environment policies and practices in the Diocese of Grand Rapids

- The Diocese of Grand Rapids encourages anyone who has been sexually abused as a minor by a priest, deacon or church employee, or who has knowledge of any such offense against a minor or vulnerable adult to contact the appropriate civil authority or the diocesan victim assistance coordinator at **616-243-0491**. There is no timeframe for bringing forth such a complaint.
- After early 2002, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) created a document that would guide the efforts of the Church in the United States in creating safe environments. The Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People was promulgated in June 2002 and has since been revised three times.
- Today, the Catholic Church in the United States has the strongest measures in the world in place for protecting children and young people, including safe environment training for children and adults, background checks and a zero-tolerance policy.
- All members of our clergy, volunteers, staff members, and teachers must complete the following requirements to be around children:
 - attend the Virtus – Protecting God’s Children Program
 - agree to compliance with the Standards for Ministerial Behavior
 - undergo criminal history background checks
 - Certain staff members must also be fingerprinted
- Every seminarian, prior to admission, undergoes an extensive psychological evaluation and background check. There is also ongoing evaluation while in formation.
- Since 2002, the Diocese of Grand Rapids has held VIRTUS: Protecting God’s Children training sessions in which more than 23,000 clergy, teachers, staff, volunteers and others have been trained to identify and report abuse of minors. In this past fiscal year alone, 65 sessions were held.
- The Diocese of Grand Rapids takes every allegation of clergy sexual abuse seriously. Every allegation is immediately turned over to the appropriate county prosecutor and then to our diocesan review board.
- Our diocesan review board is made up of two clergy members and seven members of the laity, including a retired judge, a retired FBI agent, therapists, and an educator.
- The Diocese of Grand Rapids has participated in annual charter compliance audits since their inception and we have passed every year.
- The Diocese of Grand Rapids will temporarily remove from ministry any priest or deacon who is under investigation for a credible allegation of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult. The name of any man who is permanently removed from ministry is publicly released.
- Money given to our parishes or the Catholic Services Appeal does not fund settlements with survivors of clergy abuse. Money for our legal defense and counseling for survivors is paid through our insurance policy with the Michigan Catholic Conference.





1140 AM - GRAND RAPIDS | 91.5 FM - KALAMAZOO



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In Service to One,
in Service to All
Council # 11113

Gregg Hotchkiss, Grand Knight

Ionia Area Right Life

Meeting 7 p.m.
2nd Monday of the month
Temple Baptist Church
1979 S. State Road
Ionia • 989-855-3633



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.