

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17, 2019

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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 March 17, 2019

March 17, Sunday: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am: Walter Schneider † By The Simpson Family
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 Phil 3:17-4:1 Lk 9:28b-36

March 18, Monday: Lenten Weekday,
Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

March 19, Tuesday:
Saint Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00 pm: Knights Of Columbus
Sacristan: Gregg Hotchkiss *Lector:* Sherry Free
Servers: Dan Brown, Greg Price
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Lk 2:41-51a

March 20, Wednesday: Lenten Weekday
Jer 18:18-20 Mt 20:17-28

March 21, Thursday: Lenten Weekday
9:00 am: Communion Service
Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

March 22, Friday: Lenten Weekday
Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

March 23, Saturday: Lenten Weekday,
Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

March 24, Sunday: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
8:30 am: LaVern Coble † By The Coble Family
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Lk 13:1-9
Sacristan: Tondra Morris
Lectors: Kara Kelley, Martha Brown
Eucharistic Ministers: Tondra Morris, Sherry Free,
Ed Zigmont, Michele Westbrook, Gregg Hotchkiss
Servers: Chloe Simpson, Ethan Kelley
Ushers: Dan Brown, Joe Hayden, Simon Kelley, John Free
Gift Bearers: The Simpson Family
Counting Team: Mike Lamphere, Anita Talcott
March Cleaning Team: Monty, Chloe, Logan, & Brinn Simpson
March Hospitality: Volunteers Needed



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

Clara Smith, Bill Overbeck Sr., Rick Borup, Helen Lamphere,
Art Nash, Bob Wolbers, Barb Hotchkiss, Bill Brabant,
Amy Williams, Grace Starr, Jane Emelander,
Ashley Cunningham, Chris Grieves, Dave Hill, Martha Thelen
Carla Skytta, Joshua Hammons, Rhonda Wolbers

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A Family Perspective: Second Sunday of Lent

Jesus “went up the mountain to pray” and he was “changed.” Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of your family. Pray before each meal and if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.

By Bud Ozar

From the hand of Fr. Ferris ...

Lent has barely started, but, as with New Year’s resolutions, it can be easy to find ourselves already behind the eight ball. Who knows whether it is true or not, but some polls show most people give up their New Year’s resolutions in about ten days. We are at that mark for our Lenten commitments, so it is worth considering how we are doing in the first stretch. There are three basic possibilities: our Lenten penances and devotions are easy; they are difficult; or we haven’t really tried yet.

If we find that our Lenten practices are easy, then we have an opportunity to turn them up a notch. Remember, that is one notch. Let’s not go from fasting one day a week to fasting five days a week. Too big of bites is almost always a recipe for disaster. We can always ratchet things up in the future. Let’s stretch ourselves one step at a time.

If we find that our Lenten practices are on the difficult side, then we are, in general, in the right place. The difficulty is a sign that we are out of our comfort zone and being stretched (pushed, reshaped, or whatever other word you want to use). You could throw in a lot of clichés here, “no pain, no gain” and that sort of thing, which are true.

Then, for any number of reasons, we may find ourselves in the position of not really trying yet. This is probably the easiest position to be in because to change it means that all we have to do is start trying. Whatever the reason may be that we haven’t really started, we can acknowledge that it is a terrible reason and get over it. Even when we start, we might find that we have started on the easy side of things. No worries, we have at least started.

The great part of this is that, as we go along, we can continue to evaluate and change how things are going. Maybe what was once difficult is now easy, so it is time to ratchet up a notch. Maybe life has thrown us a serious curve ball and what was easy has now become difficult; then we are right where we need to be for the time being. Maybe we let the easy street become too normal, and we have stopped trying, which means we just have to start again. Whatever position we find ourselves in, there is an answer.

--Fr. Ferris

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Please keep Gregg & Barb Hotchkiss and their family in your thoughts and prayers. Gregg's sister, Margie Tomlinson, passed away this past week.



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Family of the Month: Ed & Aubrie Zigmont Family

Knight of the Month: Jacob Lauer

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

March 8, KOC Raffle Winner: Olivia Grieves

This week you will receive a letter from Bishop Walkowiak asking you to make a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own through the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). Your gift to CSA enables diocesan and parish ministries to reach out to people in our 11 counties in a variety of ways, including formation of our seminarians; youth programming; support for the homebound and those who are incarcerated; families who are struggling; the hungry; and the homeless. Through CSA we all work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us. Our parish goal for 2019 is **\$16,391** and **100% participation**, which means a pledge card from every parish family. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work spirituality, charity, and education.

I am confident that your generosity will enable us to exceed our goal, but everyone's participation is needed. Keep in mind that any amount raised above our goal stays in this parish. Thank you for doing your part for CSA 2019.

**Franciscan Life Process Center Presents
Spark a Conversation Speaker Series**

Banana Peels and Climate Change: A Daily Examen

Join the University of Notre Dame's Dr. Philip Sakimoto and Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE, Ph.D. for a Franciscan discussion about the connection between faith and environment. Dr. Sakimoto is an astrophysicist and the former acting director of NASA's Space Science Education and Public Outreach Program. Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE, Ph.D. is the Dean of Science and Sustainability at Aquinas College.

What about the banana peels? Join us to find out!

Date: March 21, 2019 at 6:30pm

Location: St. Robert of Newminster Parish, 6477 Ada Dr. SE, Ada, MI

Tickets: \$50 per person includes: a baked potato or salad bar as well as beer & wine. Please go to

bananapeels2019.eventbrite.com to register.



"The Light is ON for You: An Evening of Penance"

Wednesday, March 27

5 - 8 p.m. in almost every parish of the diocese

Visit GRdiocese.org/penance for details

Adoration at St. Mary's will end at 4pm.

Confessions at St. Anthony's from 5-8pm.

Come and join us!

A Lenten Mission at St. Mary's, Carson City

March 24 @ 4pm, March 25 & 26 @ 6pm

with Fr. John Geaney, CSP, A Paulist Priest

The goal of the Mission is to stir up the flames of faith!

Details on flyer in vestibule of St. Anthony's Church

STEWARDSHIP for week ending March 10, 2019

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,050.00
Loose	111.95
Mass Intentions	
Candles	3.05
Easter Flowers	

General Receipts 1,165.00

Other Receipts

Building Fund-CSA Payback	892.00
Building Fund	
Donation	

Total Receipts Retained \$ 2,057.00

Heifer International	50.00
Christian Service	00.00
SCRIP IN	675.00

Total Receipts \$ 2,782.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Payroll and taxes	
Insurance: Prop.,P/R,Etc	
Operating	18.25
Worship	603.28
Buildings/Grounds	514.30

Rel. Ed/FF	
Parish Life	
Utilities	138.53

Christian Service
Total Actual Expenses \$ 1,274.36

SCRIP OUT 654.86

Diocese
Total Expenses \$ 1,929.22

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$2,092.00 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: call office 616-642-6119



**Stations of the Cross
Immediately following Mass**



1140 AM - GRAND RAPIDS | 91.5 FM - KALAMAZOO



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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
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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.