

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 25, 2019

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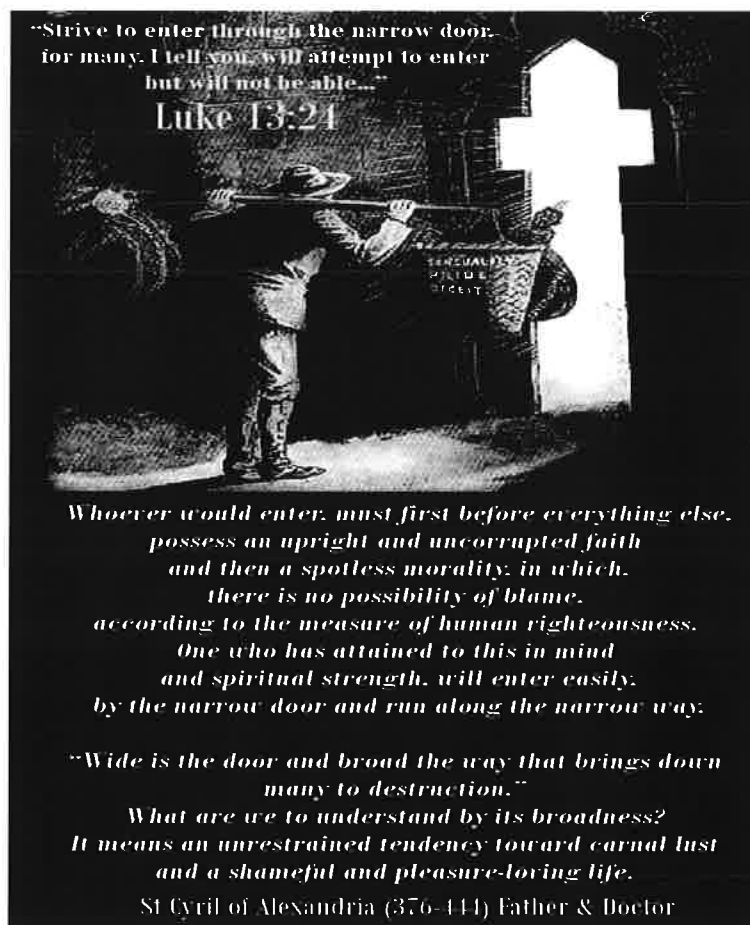
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Mass Schedule

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. - 4 p.m.
Closed Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

SACRED SCRIPTURE, MASS Intentions & MINISTERS
for the week of August 25, 2019

August 25, Sunday:

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am: Parish Family

Is 66:18-21 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30

August 26, Monday: Weekday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Mt 23:13-22

August 27, Tuesday: Saint Monica

7:00 pm: Pioneers of the Parish by the Parish Family

Sacristan: Susann Young *Lector:* Mary Lamphere

Servers: Volunteers

1 Thes 2:1-8 Mt 23:23-26

August 28, Wednesday:

Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 2:9-13 Mt 23:27-32

August 29, Thursday: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

9:00 am: Communion Service

1 Thes 3:7-13 Mk 6:17-29

August 30, Friday: Weekday

1 Thes 4:1-8 Mt 25:1-13

August 31, Saturday: Weekday, BVM

1 Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30

September 1, Sunday:

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am: All Students & Teachers by the Parish Family

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14

Sacristan: Gregg Hotchkiss

Lectors: Nick Price, Blake Zigmont

Eucharistic Ministers: Gregg Hotchkiss, Melinda Theisen,

Mary Frederiksen, Maureen Jorgensen, Rosemary Reams

Servers: Elijah Lauer, Derek Jorgensen

Ushers: Eric Jorgensen, Simon Kelley, Dave Hill, John Free

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Counting Team: Rosemary Reams, Anita Talcott

September Cleaning Team: Sherry Free, Kara & Emmett 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,

Bob Wolbers, Barb Hotchkiss, Bill Brabant,

Amy Williams, Grace Starr, Jane Emelander,

Ashley Cunningham, Dave Hill, Martha Thelen

Carla Skytta, Joshua Hammons, Rhonda Wolbers

"Our life of poverty is as necessary as the work itself. Only in heaven will we see how much we owe to the poor for helping us to love God better because of them."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

This weekend is the parish festival at St. Anthony. I hope everyone is able to stop by and enjoy the good food, great company, and (hopefully) nice weather. The parish festival in Lowell is now a month away. These are great times to be had by all.

We have all heard the old saying: the family that prays together stays together. It is certainly true that prayer is a binding force in families, but there is something more required as well. As a family you also have to play together, work together, and grow together. If all you did together as a family was pray, then the likelihood of there being a lasting bond would be small.

The same is true in our Church family. Prayer is one of the key factors that binds us together in parishes, in the diocese, and in the Church at large. If it were just about prayer, though, something would be missing. There needs to be some sort of shared life. We need to play together and work together, all those things that build our human bonds, so that God's grace can transform it into something more.

I am looking forward to the festivals, and I hope everyone else is. They are great times to build our relationships as sons and daughters of God, family that is part of a much larger family.

--Fr. Ferris



Father will be blessing Mary immediately following Mass today.

A Family Perspective: Twenty-First Sunday

The phrase in today's gospel, "I don't know where you come from," is often used by parents about children and children about parents. Change is so rapid one generation has little in common with another. We depend on love, trust, and mutual respect to bridge this gap. ***By Bud Ozar***



www.kofcsaranacmi.org

Grand Knight Greg Price

Family of the Month: Dan & Martha Brown

Knight of the Month: Gregg Hotchkiss

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



TODAY IS THE DAY!

If you would like to help with the festival today please see Ron & Vee Kietzman or give them a call at 616-308-2198. Please turn in your raffle tickets to Martha as soon as possible today. If you know of any high/middle school aged people who would like to help keep the dining area clean please let Ron or Vee know.

Thank you for volunteering!

St. Anthony's is truly a Parish with a Heart ❤️



Save the Date

Saturday, September 21, 2019

Shadow Ridge Banquet Center

1244 Kelsey Hwy, Ionia, MI 48846

Saranac Promise Dinner & Reverse Raffle

- Tickets \$75/person
- Dinner Buffet, 2 drink tickets & Reverse Raffle
- **\$2,500 Grand Prize**
- 5:30 pm Doors open

6:30 pm Dinner Buffet & Reverse Raffle to follow

For tickets, call 616-642-1400

Please help support this great cause!

Many of St. Anthony's youth have received scholarships through Saranac Schools!

**Franciscan Life Process Center Lowell Campus
11650 Downes St. NE Lowell MI 49331**

Attention High Schoolers!

SOMETHING TO SAY "YES" TO

Theology of the Body (TOB), is an awesome way for all of us to understand God's plan for the living of our Sexuality. These three sequenced retreats include unique, fun experiences that are grounded in solid Catholic teaching and take place on the Franciscan Sisters' farm in Lowell. Students in grades 10 - 12 are invited to join us Nov. 15-16, Jan. 24-25, Feb. 28/29. Cost: \$125. Please go to TOB4teens.eventbrite.com for more information.

STEWARDSHIP for week ending August 18, 2019

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,470.00
Loose	198.00
Mass Intentions	
Candles	4.00
Holy Day	125.00

Total Receipts Retained \$ 1,797.00

Scrip In	1,500.00
Heifer International	160.00
Total Receipts	\$ 1,957.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Payroll and taxes	1,520.25
Total Actual Expenses	\$ 1,520.25
Christian Svc	100.00
Total Expenses	\$ 1,620.25

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$3,062.00 Arks are \$5,000.00

LOCAL AREA MASS SCHEDULE

- SS. Peter & Paul, Ionia:** Sat 4:00 p.m.;
Sunday 8:00a.m. ; 11:30 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

Faith Formation

Registration for classes will be after Mass on September 8th or you may register online or by calling the parish office @ 616-642-6119.

Classes begin September 15th.

Please prayerfully consider helping our Religious Education program this year!

Aquinas College Visit Day – Friday, August 30

Aquinas College invites any high school students interested in getting the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad and more! Our next AQDay is Friday, August 30th from 8:45 AM-12:30 PM and details and registration can be found at aquinas.edu/aqday.



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

July 2019

Dear Friends in Christ,

Across the country, state legislatures have passed legislation showing us the value they place on human life. Here in Michigan, it is now our time. A citizen's initiative petition drive is currently underway to help pass legislation to end the inhumane practice of dismemberment abortion. In 2018, there were 1,908 dismemberment abortions performed in Michigan, or more than 5 per day. This drive, organized by Michigan Right to Life, is operating under the committee name, Michigan Values Life. This petition is endorsed by the Michigan Catholic Conference (MCC) and Michigan's bishops. Legislation to ban this practice was passed by the state legislature earlier this year, but Governor Whitmer promised to veto the proposed legislation when it reaches her desk. With a successful citizen's initiative, citizens can sponsor legislation which becomes law after the legislature takes a simple majority vote, bypassing the Governor. The proposed legislation would ban the procedure by amending the state's 2011 law which bans partial-birth abortion.

Right to Life is seeking to collect approximately 400,000 signatures. As Catholics this is our time to live the Gospel and show that all life is sacred! With the passage of New York's 'Reproductive Health Care Act' bill earlier this year, we have seen the devastating effects of legislation that does not protect our most innocent. We must make efforts to preserve and enhance life at all stages.

Please note that this petition drive should not be confused with the 'Michigan Heartbeat Coalition' petition. While the heartbeat petition is also gathering signatures, MCC has serious concerns with the proposal, as it could weaken existing Michigan abortion law. Michigan Heartbeat Coalition is not supported by MCC or Michigan's bishops.

Let us pray for everyone who has been affected by abortion. The Lord is always near with mercy and forgiveness. For those of us in Michigan who value life, the way forward is clear. We must let our elected representatives know our opinions on this matter and do all that we can to explain to them why the Church teaches about the sanctity of life as she does.

For additional information, visit GRdiocese.org or MichiganValuesLife.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

A statewide signature gathering effort is now underway to ban the dismemberment abortion procedure, also known as Dilation and Evacuation. Over the next few months, the signatures of 400,000 registered voters in the state are needed to bring this measure before Michigan lawmakers. The Knights of Columbus will be helping in the effort by conducting a petition signature drive Sunday, Sept. 1, after Morning Mass. Please make your pro-life voice heard by signing then! More information on the drive and how to get involved is available at www.micatholic.org/MichiganValuesLife/.

Greg Price

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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.