

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 26, 2020

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Campaign Prayer

Loving God, our needs are great
and we thirst for your presence.
Call from among us an abundance of men
to serve your Church as priests
in the Diocese of Grand Rapids.
Open their hearts to respond with faith and courage.
Open our hearts to generously support their calling
to become models of discipleship, heralds of truth,
and shepherds of your people.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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 January 26, 2020

January 26, Sunday:

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am: James Hayden † By Pennock & Emelander Family
Is 8:23-9:3 Mt 4:12-23

January 27, Monday: Weekday,

Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Mk 3:22-30

January 28, Tuesday:

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00 pm: Geraldine Swiger † By Ralph & Michele Westbrook & Lillian Overbeck

Sacristan: Gregg Hotchkiss *Lector:* Martha Brown

Servers: Dan Brown, Greg Price

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Mk 3:31-35

January 29, Wednesday: Weekday

2 Sm 7:4-17 Mk 4:1-20

January 30, Thursday: Weekday

9:00 am: Communion Service

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 Mk 4:21-25

January 31, Friday: Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Mk 4:26-34

February 1, Saturday: Weekday, BVM

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41

February 2, Sunday: **THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

8:30 am: LeAnn Bowen† By the Mutschler & Bowen Family
Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

Sacristan: Susann Young

Lectors: Blake Zigmont, Martha Brown

Eucharistic Ministers: Susann Young, Ed Zigmont,
Sherry Free, Doug Thelen, Michele Westbrook

Servers: Joseph Lauer, Ian Jorgensen

Ushers: Andrew Shipp, Eric Jorgensen, Dave Hill, Steve Yaw

Gift Bearers: Mutschler & Bowen Family

Counting Team: Rosemary Reams, Anita Talcott

February Cleaning Team: Mary Frederiksen

February Hospitality: Matt & Susann Young



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

- Clara Smith, Bob Wolbers, Bob & Karen Coulson,
- Barb Hotchkiss, Bill Brabant, Michael Johnson, John Stehlik,
- Amy Williams, Grace Starr, Jane Emelander, Joshua Hammons,
- Charlie Fischer, Rhonda Wolbers, Alyssa Czinder, Ed Helms,
- Cindy Knoop, Ava Thompson, Chuck & Doris Droste,
- Ashley Cunningham, Dave Hill, Steve Shade

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A Family Perspective: Third Sunday By Bud Ozar
When Jesus called his disciples, they came “immediately.”
Parents wish their children would respond as quickly, but they don’t. Children grow slowly into responsibility. It is a process like walking, not done “immediately”, but in small steps. Parenting demands patient encouragement.

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

Wednesday, January 22nd, was the 47th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade. The Roe decision, along with the case Doe v. Bolton, made abortion legal in the United States. Since that fateful day, tens of millions of babies have been murdered in this country. It is hard to give an accurate number, but the best estimates say that over 60 million babies have been murdered since 1973.

There are many important issues at stake in this country, but none of them compare to the issue of abortion. Without life, none of the other issues really matter. The Declaration of Independence reminds us that among our inalienable rights are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The right to liberty and the pursuit of happiness, though, depend on the first, the right to life. Without that the others are meaningless.

To put this into perspective, since the founding of our nation, about 1.3 million men and women have died in uniform serving our nation. We rightly honor their memory and their sacrifice and service. However, almost 50 times more have died from abortion than have died in service to this nation. Given the magnitude, this is certainly something we should never forget nor be silent about.

Every day is a good day to pray and to offer up our penances and sacrifices that the Lord might change the hearts and minds of our fellow countrymen. Every day is also a good day to pray for the men and women who have been scarred by an abortion. There is no going back on such a decision, but the Lord does offer forgiveness and healing. There is much in this nation that needs healing, much that the Lord calls us to do for our brothers and sisters, including those who have died.

--Fr. Ferris

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Baptized in Christ



We welcome Miss Isabelle Grace Zigmont to our Parish Family! Isabelle was baptized in Christ on January 19. Congratulations Ed, Aubrie, Catherine, & Abigail along with Godparents, Matthew Kelley and Lisa Zigmont on her Blessed Baptism!



www.kofcsaranacmi.org
Grand Knight Greg Price

Family of the Month: Tom & Cheri Hagen
Knight of the Month: Dan Brown

KOC Council meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 7PM
January 17, KOC Raffle Winner: Lillian Overbeck



Catholic Schools Week 2020

WHEN:

Sunday, Jan. 26 – Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020

WHERE:

Observed in schools and parishes throughout the diocese with various Masses, events and other activities.

The more than 6,500 students in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Grand Rapids are among nearly 2 million around the country who'll celebrate Catholic Schools Week Jan. 26-Feb. 1 This annual celebration highlights everything that makes Catholic education outstanding. Learn more, find a Catholic school near you at <https://catholicschools4u.org/#find-a-catholic-school>.



The Perfect Gift for Valentine's Day

Forget the flowers and candy. Romance your spouse this Valentine's Day with the gift of TIME WITH YOU. Renew your marriage and faith by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend Jan. 31-Feb. 2 at the Comfort Inn in Farmington Hills or Feb. 28-Mar. 1 at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. Apply at wwme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 269-953-8287 for more info.



Men's Retreat at St. Patrick in Parnell with Fr. Phil Shangraw

"Now Is the Winter of Our Discontent"

How to protect ourselves from the cold winds of divisiveness and polarization

Saturday, February 1st

8:00 a.m. until 12 noon

Cost is \$15, including breakfast

Please contact Cheryl Emmette to register:

Pastoralassociate@sparnell.org

STEWARDSHIP for week ending January 19, 2020

PARISH INCOME:

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| Adult envelopes | \$ 1,135.00 |
| Loose | 120.00 |
| Candles | .00 |
| Mass Int. | 60.00 |
| General Receipts | 1,315.00 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

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| Payroll and taxes | 1,413.55 |
| Worship | 43.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 1,456.55 |

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$ 362.00 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 the office at 616-642-6119



OUR SHEPHERDS OUR FUTURE
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Campaign Corner

Our parish's target amount: \$104,234

Pledges as of 1/22/2020: \$67,473.39

Pledge amount still needed: \$36,760.61

Grand Rapids Diocese Goal: \$33 Million

Pledges as of 1/22/2020: \$19,093,519

This weekend is our Celebration Weekend for the *Our Shepherds – Our Future* Capital Campaign. It is one of our final opportunities to celebrate every family who has selflessly supported the future of the Catholic Church in West Michigan in prayer and pledge. We want to ensure that everyone has had the chance to participate to this important cause. If you have already donated or pledged to the campaign – thank you so much! It is not too late to donate; you may donate at any time by contacting the Grand Rapids Diocese or your Parish office. Please continue to pray for the success of the campaign.



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

January 2020

Dear friends in Christ,

We have good news to celebrate as we observe national Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 26-Feb. 1, 2020. The 31 Catholic schools in our diocese are serving more than 6,340 students this academic year, including our largest classes in preschool, kindergarten, and first grade in recent years. It is encouraging to see so many families choosing Catholic education for their children early in life.

We are committed to offering an excellent education to even more students through our “Catholic Schools: Bridging Faith and Future” strategic plan. This five-year plan enhances Catholic culture and mission, programmatic excellence, affordability and accessibility, and stewardship and sustainability among our schools. In this second year of implementing the plan, our alliance of Catholic schools is focused on:

- Teachers’ study of the Theology of the Body, Pope John Paul II’s teaching on God’s vision for the human person, in preparation for its incorporation into the curriculum next year
- Educators’ examination of the U.S. bishops’ recent pastoral letter against racism, “Open Wide Our Hearts,” as well as methods for culturally-responsive teaching, in order to serve a diverse student body representative of the universal Church
- Promoting inquiry strategies in mathematics to encourage students’ critical thinking, creativity, and problem-solving skills

I wish to thank the parents who send their children to Catholic schools. To those of you who work or volunteer in our schools, thank you for sharing your talents and Catholic faith with our students; without you the ministry of our Catholic schools would not be possible. I believe Catholic schools, like no other ministry of the Church, offer young people a daily encounter with Jesus Christ accomplished within the context of the highest-quality education.

For that reason, I invite every Catholic in the diocese to support our Catholic schools. If your family is considering Catholic school education, assistance is available through the diocese, parishes and schools to help you make this investment in your child’s future. I encourage you to prayerfully consider our Catholic schools and find one near you by visiting CatholicSchools4U.org, or by calling our Office of Catholic Schools at (616) 246-0590.

I am grateful for your support of our Catholic school ministry and your continued prayers for the young people of our diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ David J. Walkowiak

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

Celebrating a Special Day

February Birthdays

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| 2/2 | Emmery Shipp |
| 2/3 | Becky Frankowski |
| 2/9 | Michael Droste |
| 2/11 | Mark Johnson |
| 2/10 | John Brown |
| 2/15 | Nicholas Price |
| 2/16 | Elaine Williams |
| 2/18 | Sara Serne |
| 2/20 | Charles Prins |
| 2/22 | Donna Smit, Tom Hagen |
| 2/26 | Susan Lauer |



Celebrating an Anniversary

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| 2/18 | Blake & Sarah Zigmont |
| 2/28 | Michael & Judy Brunette |



Happy Valentine's Day



Three things will last forever
Faith, Hope, and Love

St. Anthony - Saranac

Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2019

| | <u>Year to Date Balance</u> |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Assets | |
| Cash and Savings Totals: | 329,460.89 |
| Property and Equipment Totals: | 624,490.80 |
| Total Assets: | <u>953,951.69</u> |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses Totals: | 3,016.39 |
| Notes Payable and Other Liabilities Totals: | 4,865.00 |
| Total Liabilities: | <u>7,881.39</u> |
| Net Assets | |
| Net Assets Totals: | 952,342.99 |
| Current Period Changes to Net Assets | (6,272.69) |
| Total Net Assets: | <u>946,070.30</u> |
| Total Liabilities & Net Assets: | <u>953,951.69</u> |

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Statement of Activities
December 31, 2019

| | <u>YTD Actual</u> |
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| Income | |
| Administration Totals: | 52,869.14 |
| Worship Totals: | 677.35 |
| Youth Ministry (9-12) Totals: | 55.00 |
| Ladies Guild Totals: | 10.00 |
| Other Affiliate 1 Building Fund | 7,382.19 |
| Income Totals: | <u>60,993.68</u> |
| Expense | |
| Administration Totals: | 39,575.55 |
| Parish Life Totals: | 980.07 |
| Christian Service Totals: | 6,230.00 |
| Worship Totals: | 4,627.80 |
| Religious Education (K-8) Totals: | 350.20 |
| Plant operations and maintenance Totals: | 15,502.75 |
| Expense Totals: | <u>67,266.37</u> |
| Income - Expense: | <u>(6,272.69)</u> |



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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.

