

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 8, 2020

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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 March 8, 2020

March 8, Sunday: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am: Walter Schneider † By The Simpson Family

Gn 12:1-4a 2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11

March 9, Monday: Lenten Weekday, St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

March 10, Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

7:00 pm: Martha Thelen † By Ralph & Michele Westbrook

Sacristan: Mary Frederiksen Lector: Barb Hotchkiss

Servers: Gregg Hotchkiss, Mike Lamphere

Is 1:10, 16-20 Mt 23:1-12

March 11, Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20 Mt 20:17-28

March 12, Thursday: Lenten Weekday

9:00 am: Communion Service

Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

March 13, Friday: Lenten Weekday, **Abstain**

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

March 14, Saturday: Lenten Weekday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

March 15, Sunday: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am: John & William Lehman † By Wanda Lehman & Family

Ex 17:3-7 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42

Sacristan: Susann Young

Lectors: Kara Kelley, Ralph Westbrook

Eucharistic Ministers: Susann Young, Michele Westbrook

Servers: Derek Jorgensen, Elijah Lauer

Ushers: Matt Young, Dave Hill, Eric Jorgensen, Doug Thelen

Gift Bearers: Wanda Lehman Family

Counting Team: Rosemary Reams, Anita Talcott

March Cleaning Team: Monty, Chloe, Logan, & Brinn Simpson

March Hospitality: The Simpson Family



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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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday evenings after 7pm Mass

The Light is On For You!

Thu., March 26th, St. Anthony 5-8pm

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Stations of the Cross immediately following Mass

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

We continue to think about our customs and etiquette regarding Mass. We looked at the discipline regarding dress last week. This week we take a moment to consider our behavior inside the church proper. We often refer to the whole building as the church, which in our cases includes meeting rooms and gathering spaces. Specifically, though, “the church” refers to the place we gather for Mass and our other liturgical services.

The church in this sense is a sacred place. It is set aside for the worship of God and for our sanctification. This happens most commonly at Mass and in the great sacrament of Confession. We also gather to adore the Lord during Exposition and to pray outside of Mass more generally. While it is true Mass can be celebrated outside of a church and Confessions can be heard just about anywhere, the church is set aside for these sacred purposes.

How we comport ourselves in this sacred space either helps us or hinders us and those around us. The most obvious hindrance is when we simply engage in conversation in church. Obviously there is nothing wrong with having a conversation in general, but everything has its time or place. When we engage in conversation in church, we are training ourselves to be attentive to things other than the Lord who is right in front of us. We are also being distracting to people who are trying to engage the Lord in prayer.

Given how easily we can communicate with one another these days, there is generally no reason to be talking in church. Sure, a quick question may need to be answered or a child quieted or a choir member may need to ask a question of the choir director, but there is no need for a conversation. The church is a sacred place set aside for the worship of God. If we want to be doing something else, we should leave the church proper. Everything has its time and place.

Behavior matters, even when it may not be intrinsically sinful. What we do shapes how we view and appreciate things. If we act in the church as we act elsewhere, then it isn’t long before we regard as just another building, another room. If the church is not that much different than any other place, then soon enough our appreciation of what happens at church lessens. We lose our sense of the sacred, and we hand that on to others.

--Fr. Ferris

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A Family Perspective: Second Sunday of Lent

Transfiguration is a common occurrence in families.

When we commit to another, such as a spouse in marriage or a child in parenting, we are not committing to them only as they are today, but to the person they are becoming. **By Bud Ozar**

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A Journey Through Lent with Father Phil Shangraw

St. Patrick Church, 4351 Parnell Ave NE, Ada

Tuesday, March 10 - 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Join the St. Patrick parish community for a Lenten reflection.



www.kofcsaranacmi.org
Grand Knight Greg Price

Family of the Month: Mary Frederiksen Family

Knight of the Month: Tyler Frederiksen

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

February 28, KOC Raffle Winner: Derek Jorgensen

Saint Joseph Feast Day

The St. Joseph Table is a religious and traditional custom that started centuries ago in Sicily. When Sicilians were affected by a severe drought, they turned to St. Joseph, the Father of Jesus and head of the Holy Family, to rescue them by asking St. Joseph to intercede before God for their cause. As a result of their prayer and intercession of St. Joseph, an abundance of rain was poured over the fields to save their crops. As a sign of gratitude to God, the Sicilians committed themselves to share the fruit of the earth with the poor. The tradition was started all over Sicily and spread throughout the world. On March 19th, the Noto family will 'make' the table of this tradition for the honor of St Joseph. 6:30pm Mass/Dinner to follow. RSVP at 616- 493-6686 or online at NotosOldWorld.com. \$35 per person, \$15 per child 4-12yrs. Bring non-perishables for the food pantry if you wish. Proceeds and donations will be made to local seminarians. Noto's, 6600 28th St SE, Grand Rapids



St. Anthony's Knights of Columbus

Lenten Fish Fry

Fridays 5-7pm:

March 13, 20, 27, April 3

Adults: \$9.00 Seniors: \$8.00 Children: \$5.00

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**St. Anthony's Knights of Columbus**

**Annual Pie Sale**

**Blueberry, Apple, Cherry**

**\$9 each or 3 for \$25**

**Get yours while you can! Sale ends 3/15.**

**See a Knights member to order yours today**

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**American Red Cross Blood Drive**

**Saranac Community Church**

**Monday, March 23 12:30-6:15**

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Mid-life Singles(mid-30s-50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI, April 17-19. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$185 for meals and a single room.

Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for more information.

STEWARDSHIP for week ending March 1, 2020

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,607.00
Loose	184.00
Candles	38.00
Flowers	75.00
Mass Int.	20.00

Total Receipts Retained **\$ 1,924.00**

Heifer 100.00

TOTAL Receipts **\$ 2,024.00**

DISBURSEMENTS:

Payroll and taxes	1,349.04
Insurance: Prop.,P/R,Etc	705.75
Operating	448.67
Worship	345.60
Parish Life	79.68
Utilities	1,502.77

Total Expenses **\$ 4,431.51**

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$ 662.00 Arks are \$5,000.00

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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

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This week, you will receive a letter from Bishop Walkowiak asking you to make your commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries through the Catholic Services Appeal. Our parish goal for 2020 is **\$18,130** and **100%** participation, which means a pledge card from every parish family. Please join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, charity, and education.

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



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

March 2020

Dear Friends in Christ,

Throughout his earthly ministry Jesus regularly forgave the sins of others. He wants to do the same for us. The Church offers us the Sacrament of Penance so that we can receive Jesus in the Eucharist with a renewed faith free from sin. God knows our struggles. He knows that we often fail. Yet His love never fails. No matter how many times we stumble, we find Him ready to receive us again. In the sacrament of penance, we encounter a God who does not simply wait for us but rushes out to meet us. This is the beauty of the sacrament.

This Lenten season I encourage you to take the opportunity to meet Christ in this way through our annual initiative entitled, "The Light is ON for You: An Evening of Penance." Although there are many opportunities to experience the joy of this sacrament throughout the year, "The Light is ON for You" is a special opportunity to witness the forgiveness of God. During this event on **Thursday, March 26**, almost every church in the diocese will be open for the sacrament of reconciliation from **5 - 8 p.m.** See the diocesan website, GRdiocese.org, for locations and details.

To accordingly prepare our hearts for Easter we take this Lenten season to focus on conversion and reconciliation. I encourage you to join us for this special evening and to invite a family member or friend to attend as well. Let the Lord use you to extend His invitation and mercy to someone in need.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

Preventing the spread of illness during cold and flu season

During cold and flu season, and in general throughout the year, please follow these basic guidelines to help prevent the spread of illness in our parish:

- If you suspect you have the flu or are suffering from a serious cold, please stay home. Your Sunday obligation is waived.
- Cover your mouth/nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands frequently and for the appropriate length of time using soap and water, or hand sanitizing products.
- Please do not hold hands during the "Our Father."
- Instead of shaking hands during the sign of peace, clasp your hands together, make eye contact with those around you, and say "Peace be with you," or "Peace of Christ."
- If you are feeling sick, please receive Holy Communion in the hand, rather than on the tongue, and refrain from receiving Communion from the cup.

For additional information, visit: <https://grdiocese.org/flu-and-mass-guidelines/>

Prevención de la propagación de enfermedades durante la temporada de resfriado y gripe

Durante la temporada de gripe y en general durante todo el año, por favor siga estas recomendaciones básicas para ayudar a prevenir la propagación de enfermedades en nuestra parroquia:

- Si sospecha que tiene gripe o sufre un resfriado grave, por favor quédese en casa. Su obligación dominical está exenta.
- Cúbrase la boca/nariz al toser o estornudar.
- Lávese las manos con frecuencia y de tiempo adecuado con agua y jabón, o con productos desinfectantes de manos.
- Por favor, no se tome de la mano durante el "Padre Nuestro".
- En lugar de extenderle la mano a otra persona durante el signo de la paz, cierre las manos, haga contacto visual con los que están a su alrededor y diga "La Paz este contigo" o "Paz de Cristo".
- Si se siente mal, por favor reciba la Santa Comunión en la mano, en lugar de en la lengua, y absténgase de recibir la Comunión del cáliz.

Para obtener más información, visite: <https://grdiocese.org/flu-and-mass-guidelines/>




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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.

St. Anthony Liturgy & Counter Schedule March 2020

REVISED

Date Sacristan	Time	Ushers	Altar Servers	Lectors	Ministers	Counters
3/1//2020	8:30am	Simon Kelley	Joseph Lauer	Blake Zigmont	Tondra Morris	Pam Grieves
Tondra Morris		Dan Brown	Ian Jorgensen	Nick Price	Rosemary Reams	Mary Frederiksen
		Rick Perry			Maegan Shipp	
		Lucas Simpson			Sherry Free	
					Doug Thelen	
3/3/2020	7pm		Dan Brown	Martha Brown		
Gregg Hotchkiss			Greg Price			
3/8/2020	8:30am	John Free	Emmett Kelley	Elissa Mutschler	Monty Simpson	Dan Brown
Monty Simpson		Joe Hayden	Elliott Kelley	Sherry Free	Shari Bassett	Mike Lamphere
		Andrew Shipp			Ed Zigmont	
		Steve Yaw			Melinda Theisen	
					Maureen Jorgensen	
3/10/2020	7pm		Gregg Hotchkiss	Barb Hotchkiss		
Mary Frederiksen			Mike Lamphere			
3/15/2020	8:30am	Matt Young	Derek Jorgensen	Kara Kelley	Susann Young	Rosemary Reams
Susann Young		Dave Hill	Elijah Lauer	Ralph Westbrook	Michele Westbrook	Anita Talcott
		Eric Jorgensen				
		Doug Thelen				
3/17/2020	7pm		Greg Price	Mary Lamphere		
Monty Simpson			Dan Brown			
3/22/2020	8:30am	Dan Brown	Chloe Simpson	Martha Brown	Gregg Hotchkiss	Tondra Morris
Gregg Hotchkiss		Rick Perry	Ian Jorgensen	Blake Zigmont	Sherry Free	Martha Brown
		Simon Kelley				
		Steve Yaw				
3/24/2020	7pm		Mike Lamphere	Sherry Free		
Susann Young			Gregg Hotchkiss			
3/29/2020	8:30am	Andrew Shipp	Elliott Kelley	Elissa Mutschler	Mary Frederiksen	Pam Grieves
Mary Frederiksen		Matt Young	Joseph Lauer	Ralph Westbrook	Mike Lamphere	Anita Talcott
		Joe Hayden				
		John Free				
3/31/2020	7pm		Greg Price	Martha Brown		
Gregg Hotchkiss			Dan Brown			