ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 3, 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 January 3, 2021

January 3, Sunday: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8:30 am: For Fr. Ferris

Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

January 4, Monday: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

January 5, Tuesday: Saint John Neumann, Bishop 7:00 pm: St. Anthony's Knights of Columbus 1 Jn 4:7-10 Mk 6:34-44 *Lector:* Sherry Free January 6, Wednesday: Christmas Weekday,

Saint Andre Bessette, Religious 1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52

December 7, Thursday: Christmas Weekday,

Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 Lk 4:14-22

January 8, Friday: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16

January 9, Saturday: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30

January 10, Sunday: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 8:30 am: Sue Reams † by Rosemary Reams Family

Is 55:1-11 1 Jn 5:1-9 Mk 1:7-11

Lector: Ralph Westbrook

Eucharistic Minister: Michele Westbrook

Counting Team: Rosemary Reams, Mary Frederiksen

January Cleaning Team: Volunteers needed

Prayer Request

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

Amy Williams, Denise Watson Dopps, Suzane Sidock, Ray Fayer, John Stehlik, Bob Wolbers,

Charles Wright, Bill Hecht Jr.

Bishop Walkowiak is extending the dispensation for all Catholics within the territory of the Diocese of Grand Rapids from their obligation of attending Sunday Mass through Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17. Public Masses and the celebration of the sacraments will continue with the appropriate COVID-19 mitigation strategies in place: the required wearing of masks, proper social distancing, and cleaning according to CDC guidelines. These mitigation strategies must be followed to ensure public Masses remain available. Those who are able to attend Mass should return, remembering that our physical presence at the Eucharistic table is irreplaceable. Pastors will be making decisions about parish programming in accordance with State epidemic orders issued Nov. 15. Please check with your parish for additional information. The dispensation however, does not release Catholics from honoring the Lord's Day on Sunday. Catholics are encouraged to make a spiritual Communion, pray the rosary, or meditate on Sacred Scripture, to keep holy the Lord's Day.

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

As we begin the new year, I need to say a quick thank you to all who have seen us through the past year. We could not continue to do what we do without the help of many.

I am so grateful for the staff at both parishes. They were flexible in taking reduced hours for a couple months to see us through lockdown. They adapted to new procedures and policies. They really stepped up their game during this time, and they deserve all of our thanks.

I am very grateful for all those who have been able to continue their ministries and services around the parish. There have been so many interruptions to Mass, religious education, and, indeed, everything, but those who have been able to continue serving have played in important role in our life together. Thank you.

I thank all of you who have continued to financially support the parish. The lights are still on; the Eucharist is still be celebrated. This is possible because of your support.

Thank you for the prayers that continue to support our communities. We can do this because God empowers us, and your prayers for one another open the channels of God's grace for all. Never underestimate the power of your prayers and sacrifices to build up God's people. Thank you.

-Fr. Ferris

"It is a profound spiritual experience to contemplate our loved one with the eyes of God and to see Christ in them. Pope Francis, Joy of Love The Franciscan Life Process Center, 11650 Downes St. NE Lowell, MI, invites all who have been affected by suicide to Touched by Mercy on February 6 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. The day will include reflection, sharing, and prayer led by Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, FSE, MA and Father Ron Huchinson, MA. Lunch included. Cost \$65 Go to https://touchedbymercy2021.eventbrite.com

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

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Bishop Walkowiak is asking all Catholics to set aside time on Friday, Jan. 22, the 48th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade, to reflect on and pray for the protection of human life from conception to natural death. Bishop Walkowiak will be celebrating Mass at the cathedral at 7 p.m.

Scrip orders will be taken next week.



www.kofcsaranaemi.org Grand Knight Tony Baumgartner

Family of the Month: Dan & Martha Brown
Knight of the Month: Ralph Westbrook
KOC Council meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 7PM
KOC Raffle Winner: This next year's raffle has been postponed
until a later date, yet to be determined.

inSpirit: Living on the Edge of Chaos –

A Reflection with Scripture (\$10 donation suggested)

January 19, 2021 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

With Fr. John Kartis, Bostor Mundelain Seminary

With Fr. John Kartje, Rector Mundelein Seminary (RSVP by January 14) Zoom Presentation

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From Cain and Abel through the persecution of the early Church, the Bible is replete with accounts of fear and violence as reactions to God's desire for humanity. What Sacred Scripture makes clear, however, is that there is a pathway through fear to hope. Join us as we carefully explore biblical examples to illustrate how the sweep of salvation history often follows a journey from order, through chaos, to a new reality shaped by the Kingdom of God.

Father John was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago in 2002. He has served in parish and campus ministry in both Chicago and Washington, DC, as well as Mundelein Seminary where he has taught scripture since 2009. He was appointed the rector at Mundelein in 2015. Father John holds doctorate degrees in scripture and in astrophysics.

The Franciscan Life Process Center, Lowell, invites you to **Once a Month Kitchen: Super Calzones** with Sister Margaret Dahl, FSE on January 19 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Impress the guests at your Super Bowl party with homemade calzones using a new twist on this standard Italian recipe. Learn to make both the dough and the filling for this scrumptious Italian dish and take one home to share. Cost: \$43. https://supercalzones.eventbrite.com to register.

Jan. 25-29, 2021 Tickets: \$50, soupsonforall.org Soup's still on for all! Due to COVID-19, Soup's On will not be a live event, but tickets still include a variety of delicious soups, breads and desserts as well as a beautiful hand-painted bowl! Each ticket will include: 3 gourmet soups made by the God's Kitchen chefs, Panera artisan bread, delicious dessert, and a free soup punch card to 12 different local restaurants.

An online silent auction will also be introduced to raise funds for God's Kitchen and our neighbors in need of extra support at bit.ly/soupsonauction. For more information, contact Karol Maurer at kmaurer@ccwestmi.org or 616.356.6207.

STEWARDSHIP for week ending December 27, 2020 PARISH INCOME:

Collection information is not available for this week. December 27th information will be published on the January 10th bulletin.

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$ 2,589.82 Arks are \$5,000.00

LOCAL AREA MASS SCHEDULE

Ss. Peter & Paul, Ionia (616-527-3610): Sat 4:00 p.m.; Sunday 8:00a.m.; 11:30 a.m.; Spanish Mass at 1:00 p.m. St. Edward, Lake Odessa (616-374-7253): Sat. 6:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:45a.m.

St. Mary, Lowell (616-897-9820): Mon, Wed-Fri 7:45a.m. Saturday: Confession: 3-4:30 pm.; Mass at 8:30 am., 5:00pm Sunday 10:30 a.m.; 12p.m.

<u>Pastoral Council:</u> Sherry Free, Michele Westbrook, Monty Simpson, Ron Mutschler, Bronson Zigmont

<u>Finance Council:</u> 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



BISHOP DAVID J. WALKOWIAK ASKS US TO

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Heavenly Father.

We give you thanks and praise for your son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit to inspire holy, faithful men to minister as priests. Lord, we pray for our seminarians, especially Zachary. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for:
Zachary J. Schmitz
St. John Vianney College Seminary
2115 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55105



The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Don't let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.

By Bud Ozar







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Right to Life of Michigan



In Service to One, In Service to All Council # 1113 Tony Baumgartner,

ony Baumgartner Grand Knight

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" Q

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.