

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 14, 2021

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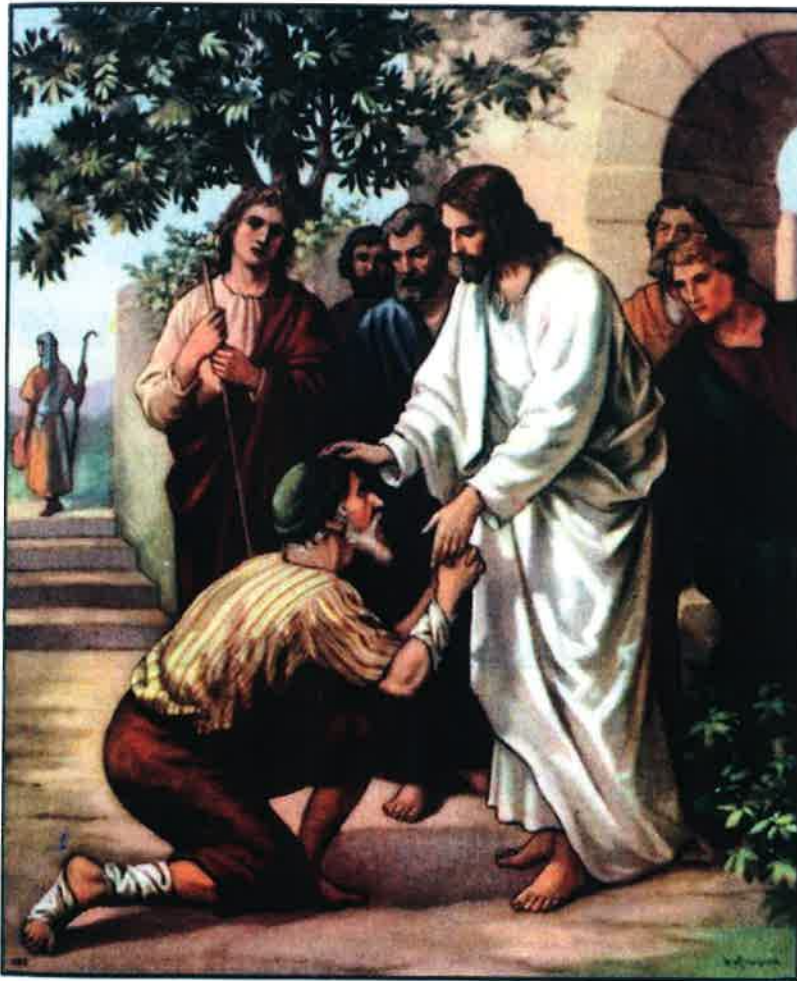
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Mass Schedule

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 February 14, 2021

February 14, Sunday:

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8:30 am: Danilo Montenegro † by Emelander & Pennock Family
 Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45
 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

February 15, Monday: Weekday

Gn 4:1-15, 25 Mk 8:11-13

February 16, Tuesday: Weekday

7:00 pm: Alfred "Duke" Thomet † by His Loved Ones
 Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21 *Lector:* Martha Brown

February 17, Wednesday: 7:00 pm: Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Lector: Sherry Free *Eucharistic Minister:* Mike Lamphere

February 18, Thursday: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

February 19, Friday: Friday after Ash Wednesday

Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15

February 20, Saturday: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

February 21, Sunday: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am: Harold & Margaret Simpson † by Simpson Family
 Gn 9:8-15 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15

Lector: Kara Kelley

Eucharistic Minister: Rosemary Reams

Counting Team: Mike Lamphere, Martha Brown

February Cleaning Team: Dan & Martha Brown

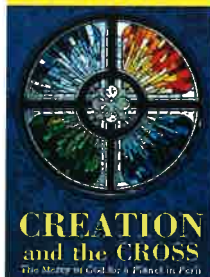


*Please continue to pray for our
 homebound and ill parishioners and parish friends:*

**Amy Williams, Denise Watson Dopps, Suzane Sidock,
 Gary Emelander, John Stehlik, Bob Wolbers, Bill Hecht Jr.**

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ELIZABETH A. JOHNSON



A book study on God's love and mercy:

**"Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a
 Planet in Peril" By Elizabeth Johnson**

Thursdays, February 18 – March 25, 7-8:30pm

Presented by Fred Johnson \$10 donation requested

**Registration Required by Feb. 15. This will be a Zoom
 presentation; a link will be emailed to you.**

Register at <http://bit.ly/CICLentBookStudy2021>

Book is required for this class:

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/offer-listing/](https://www.amazon.com/gp/offer-listing/1626983097?condition=new&tag=bookfinder-test-b2-20)

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Assignment for the 1st class is Introduction and pages 1-31.

From the hand of Fr. Ferris

After offering Jesus back to God in the Eucharistic Prayer, the drama of the Mass again shifts in tone. We have entered into a great mystery of the heavenly liturgy, and we turn to God not just as God to whom we offer sacrifice, but as Our Father. Jesus' sacrifice is what restores our Communion with the Trinity and our participation in the divine relationships. Because of His great work, we dare to call upon God as Our Father. We look to Him for fatherly care, to forgive our sins and to free us from distress.

The Father cares for us through His Son whom He has given to us. Jesus is the one who brings peace, and so our attention turns and we engage with Jesus present in the Eucharistic species on the altar. We look to Him for peace as He brought peace to the Apostles. The priest, again acting *in persona Christi capitis*, turns to the Body to offer the peace of Lord.

Our focus stays on Christ our peace who is now coming to us as food for our souls. We sing His praises as the Lamb of God, bringing together so many rich symbols. We remember St. John the Baptist, who called out Jesus as the Lamb of God (John 1:29). We remember the many lambs sacrificed for sin, beginning with Abel's sacrifice (Genesis 4:4), the Abraham's sacrifice of a ram in place of Isaac (Genesis 22:13), the Passover lamb (Exodus 12), and many more. Jesus, of course, present on the altar, is the true Lamb of God offered to the Father to restore communion between God and man.

When the priest turns and holds up the Eucharistic species, inviting the Body to "Behold the Lamb of God..." it is proper, of course, to fall to our knees in worship. There before our eyes is Jesus, the one announced by St. John the Baptist, the one who hung between heaven and earth, the one who ascended to heaven before the eyes of the Apostles, the one whom saints and angels fall down before in worship. We are not worthy to be in His presence, and yet He comes to us. We certainly are not worthy to receive Him, yet He comes as food for our souls. He comes to us in humility; the best response is our own humility in gratitude.

--Fr. Ferris

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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.**



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Grand Knight Tony Baumgartner

Family of the Month: Mario & Janis Diaz

Knight of the Month: Jerry Lillie

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.



Ash Wednesday February 17

St. Anthony: 7:00pm

St. Mary: 7:45am, 12:10pm

St. Edwards, Lake Odessa: 1:00am, 7:00pm

Saints Peter & Paul, Ionia: 12:10pm, 5:30pm

Saint Robert, Ada: 9:00am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm, 7:00pm

Ash Wednesday Mass to be livestreamed from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew

The 12:05 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass will be broadcast from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew on the diocesan website, grdiocese.org, and Facebook. Bishop Walkowiak will be the celebrant.

IS LENT IN THE BIBLE?

While Lent is not mentioned, per se, Jesus' 40 days of preparation in the Judean desert for His public ministry gives the Church a strong biblical basis for her Lenten practices. Our Lord fasted and prayed during those weeks, as well as faced, and overcame, the temptations of the Evil One.

We are called during lent to imitate His resolve.

What are the three things we do during Lent?

In the Sermon on the Mount, Our Lord explains three special ways to orient our hearts to God, and these principles are especially helpful as we journey through Lent. Traditionally called the three pillars of Lent, they include almsgiving (cf. Matthew 6:1-4), prayer (cf. Matthew 6:5-15), and fasting (cf. Matthew 6:16-18).

Give Up Worry for Lent: 40 Days to Finding Peace in Christ
With Guest Author, Gary Zimak

Catholic Speaker/Author/Radio Host

Wednesday, February 24, 7-8 p.m. (RSVP by Feb. 20)
Zoom Webinar

Zimak offers fellow worriers practical, scripture centered advice on how to relinquish the need to control the uncontrollable—not just for Lent but for good—and how to find peace in Christ. Join us and learn how to give up “worry” this Lenten Season. (\$10 donation requested)

STEWARDSHIP for week ending February 7, 2021

PARISH INCOME:

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,527.00
Loose	51.00
Candles	14.00
Mass Intentions	20.00

General Fund Receipts \$ **1,612.00**

Other Receipts

Heifer 100.00

TOTAL Receipts \$ **1,712.00**

DISBURSEMENTS:

Worship 181.66

Buildings/Grounds 760.90

Utilities and Phones 149.00

TOTAL Expenses \$ **1,091.56**

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL = \$ 3,689.82 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.

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



St. Anthony's KOC Lenten Fish Fry has been cancelled for this year. There are other Churches that will be having them, please try and support them. For a list of Churches that will be having take-out or drive-thru dinners go to:

<https://grdiocese.org/fish-fry-lenten-meal-guide/>

We look forward to having them again in 2022!

A Family Perspective: SIXTH SUNDAY

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when He said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it. **By Bud Ozar**

Don't forget to recycle at St. Anthony!



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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.