

SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY

Next, Sunday, December 10th is our monthly bi-parish potluck. Bring yourself, your family and a covered dish to St. John Kanty Parish Hall at 12:30 pm and enjoy an afternoon of good food and great company.

HOMESCHOOLERS

Catholic homeschoolers will meet at St. John Kanty on Tuesday, December 5th for Mass and confessions at 8:30 am in the church and then for food, friendship, and play at the Parish Hall. All who homeschool or are considering it are welcome to attend. The first Tuesday of each month is set aside for parents and children to gather together for sacraments and social interchange.

SNOW SCHEDULE

Please note that when school at New Prairie School System is canceled due to snow, the morning 8:30am Mass (Tuesdays & Thursdays) at St. John Kanty will be canceled as well. **Delays in school starting time due to weather will not alter the start time of Mass.** Please tune in to your local radio station for information regarding school closings and apply the same information to Tuesday & Thursday morning Mass at St. John Kanty.

CGS & CCD CLASSES



DRIVERS: Please exercise caution when you are driving through and/or dropping off your children. The children sometimes forget and could dart out unexpectedly as they run to CGS/CCD classes on Sundays.

STUDENTS: Please be careful as you head over to the Parish Hall for CGS/CCD classes on Sundays. Drivers may not see you as you cross the parking lot.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

St. John Kanty is a regular contributor to the Community Food Pantry in Rolling Prairie. Current food needs for the Community Food Pantry are peanut butter, jelly and canned fruit. Monetary donations are also welcome. Pantry hours are every Thursday from 8am to 12pm. You are welcome to visit and see how the Pantry operates. Any questions call Phyllis Austin at 219-778-2672. Thank you.

ST ANTHONY FOOD COLLECTION

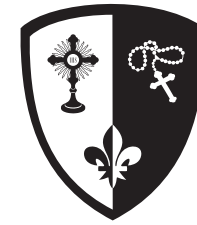
St Anthony Parish has long been collecting food for the needy. Bring your donations anytime you come to Mass. Any items left in the back of church will be removed to the parish hall following Mass. If possible, however, it would be helpful if they could be brought directly to the parish hall. Just place them on one of the tables near the entrance to the kitchen. Whatever you can spare toward the ministry of feeding the hungry is much appreciated.

ST. JOHN KANTY PRAYER LINE

Please reach out to our St. John Kanty prayer ministry if you or someone you know can benefit from divine assistance. Just provide the name of the person or persons and the prayer intention. All requests are confidential. St. John Kanty Prayer Line contact is: Sharon Blake 219-778-4419.

ST. ANTHONY PRAYER LINE

If you or someone you know needs prayer, St. Anthony of Padua at Fish Lake has a ministry from which parishioners will pray for you. Please provide the name of the person or persons, and the prayer intention. These requests are confidential. Prayers will then be offered daily by our prayer warriors. Contacts are: Phyllis Schoof 219-369-9582 or Susan Grillo 219-369-1159.



ST. JOHN KANTY & ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCHES

St. John Kanty - 7012 N 600 E, Rolling Prairie, IN 46371

St. Anthony of Padua - 7732 E State Road 4, Walkerton, IN 46574

MASS TIMES

St. John Kanty

Tue & Thur	8:30 am
Saturday Evening	4:00 pm
Sunday Morning	9:30 am

St. Anthony

Mon, Wed, Fri	8:00 am
Saturday Evening	6:00 pm
Sunday Morning	8:00 am

CONFESSION

St. John Kanty

Saturday Afternoon	3:30 pm
Sunday Morning	10:30 am

St. Anthony

Saturday Evening	5:30 pm
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Confessions available anytime by request

CONTACT

Rev. Michael G. Heimer, Pastor
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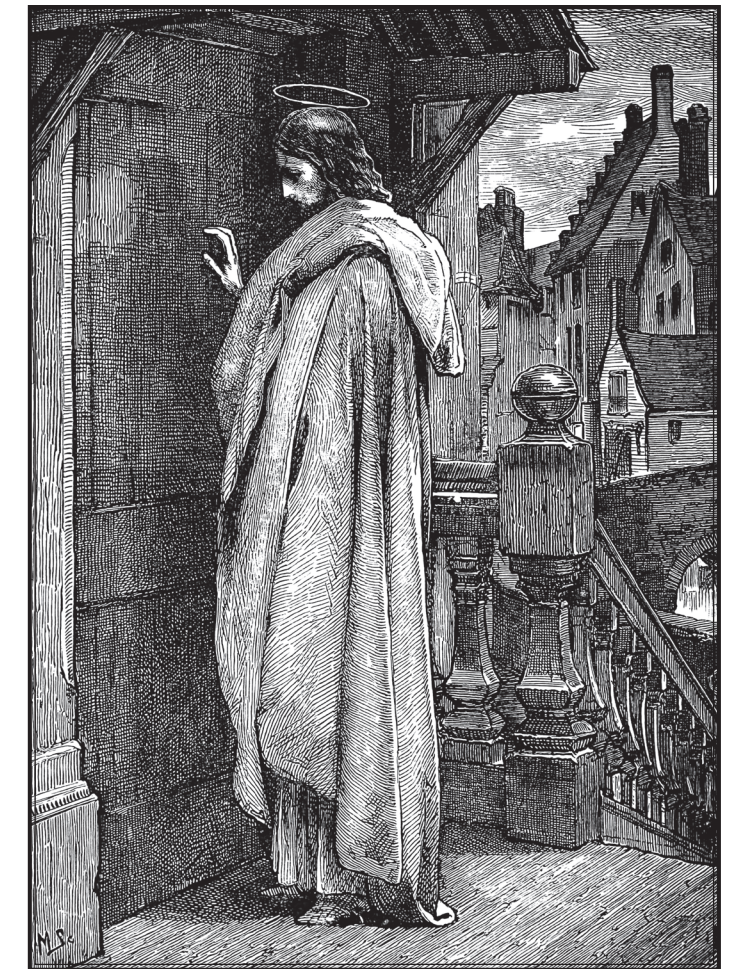
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First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2023

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 2

(St J) 4:00 pm Larry Stafford *by Diane Oudhuis Family*

(St A) 6:00 pm St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

Sunday, December 3

(St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

(St J) 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Holy Name Society

Monday, December 4

(St A) 8:00 am Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, December 5

(St J) 8:30 am Poor Souls in Purgatory *by All Souls Day Envelope Donors*

Wednesday, December 6

(St A) 8:00 am Andrew Daniel *by Don & Sharon Barker*

Thursday, December 7

(St J) 8:30 am Special Intention *by Karen Grothouse*

(St A) 6:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory *by All Souls Day Envelope Donors*

Friday, December 8

(St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

(St J) 9:30 am Rose Keber *by Frank & Mary Horvath*

(St J) 6:00 pm Julien Hernandez *by Hobbs Family*

Saturday, December 9

(St J) 4:00 pm Julien Hernandez *by Debbie Mott*

(St A) 6:00 pm St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

Sunday, December 10

(St A) 8:00 am Brad Boilini *by Andy & Emily Chlupacek*

(St J) 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality

MASS DATES AVAILABLE

The most powerful gift you can give is to have a Mass offered for someone. If you would like to have Mass said for relatives or friends who have passed away or for personal intentions a large number of dates are available both now and in the foreseeable future. Drop your intention(s) in an envelope marked MASS, with the requested date(s) in the collection basket. In most cases the date that you requested is usually available, if not, the next available date will be scheduled. The usual stipend for a Mass in the Diocese of Gary is \$10.

REST IN ETERNAL PEACE

Please remember in your prayers William (Bill) Deutscher who recently passed away. May he rest in peace in his new and eternal home.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is the Patronal Feast Day of the United States, and a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is as listed below:

Thursday, December 7th

St. Anthony 6:00 pm

Friday, December 8th

St Anthony 8:00 am

St John Kanty 9:30 am

St. John Kanty 6:00 pm

SPECIAL BAKE SALE NEXT SUNDAY

St. John Kanty will be sponsoring a bake sale next Sunday, December 10th, in the hall beneath the church following the 9:30am Mass. The seminarians from Sacred Heart Apostolic School will be selling freshly baked cookies and cakes to fundraise for their Mexico Mission Trip January 12th - 20th. While there, the seminarians and Legionaries of Christ from the seminary will assist in the building of a school and the teaching of the Faith to the local children. Let those on this Mission Trip be your hands and feet to help bring Christ to the people of Mexico.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

A Christmas tree has been placed at the interior entrance of St. John Kanty church with tags of different children's names, ages and gift requests. This is sponsored by Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities will disperse these gifts to the children of needy families in LaPorte County. Be sure to attach the tag to your gift and return it wrapped to the hall beneath the church by Sunday, December 10th.

MITTEN WREATH

St Anthony has placed the annual Mitten Wreath on the outside of the cry room again this Advent season. It will remain in place until the 4th Sunday of Advent. The people of St Anthony are asked to decorate this special wreath with mittens, scarves, and hats for needy children. The winter apparel will be distributed locally. Your gifts can provide warmth for many children, so hopefully our wreath will be filled with a beautiful display of colorful knit and fleece apparel.

CHRISTMAS FOOD & TREAT PACKAGES

St. Anthony Parish is once again putting together Christmas food & treat packages for distribution through the LaPorte St. Vincent de Paul Society. Items needed include: oatmeal packets, hot cocoa packets, candy canes, snacks, raisin boxes, juice boxes, toiletries, or whatever you think would be good choices. Please bring your donations to the St. Anthony Parish Hall by Sunday Decembet 17th.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOLLOW UP

St Anthony's Thanksgiving Food Drive, sponsored by Our Lady of the Lake Women's Group, was able to donate 27 bags of food to people in need in the vicinity of Fish Lake. These families were very grateful to receive them. Thanks to everyone who donated and made this all possible.

BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION FOLLOW UP

The Baby Bottle Collection brough in \$550! It will be donated to the Women's Care Center in LaPorte. Many thanks to all who donated toward this very worthy cause.