

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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

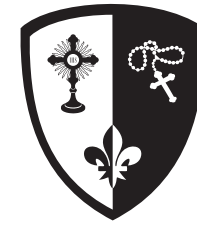
Please be aware that both St. John Kanty and St. Anthony have set aside special times for private Eucharistic Adoration of Our Lord. At St. John Kanty the Holy Eucharist is exposed on the altar each Sunday, following the 9:30 am Mass until 12:00 noon. At St. Anthony adoration follows the 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am each Friday. Use these opportunities if you can to deepen your prayer life and your relationship with Our Lord by quietly spending this time with Eucharistic Christ. Incredible graces flow into the souls of those who regularly come into the penetrating presence of the Risen Christ.

THE BROWN SCAPULAR

Our Blessed Mother presented this sacred garment to St. Simon Stock on July 16, 1251 as a gift to the Carmelite Order. She said, "Whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire...It is my garment. To be clothed in it means you are continually thinking of me and I in return am always thinking of you and helping you to secure eternal life."

DIocese OF GARY VOCATION PRAYER

O Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call, and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocations. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their sons and daughters to God's service and cause them to rejoice exceedingly whenever one of their family is called to the religious life. Let Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, encourage both young people and parents, and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.



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

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2023

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 23

(St J) 4:00 pm Thomas P Skube *by Davila Family*

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

Sunday, December 24

(St A) 8:00 am Thomas Tarnow *by Andy & Emily Chlupacek*

(St J) 9:30 am Julien Hernandez *by Hobbs Family*

(St A) 5:00 pm Edward & Mary Piotrowicz *by Jerry & Vicki Huelat*

(St J) 8:00 pm Antonette Wozny *by Diane Richardson*

Monday, December 25

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

(St J) 9:30 am Intention of Celebrant

Tuesday, December 26

(St J) 8:30 am William J. Baumgartner *by Kathy Stafford*

Wednesday, December 27

(St A) 8:00 am Frank Kosco *by Barbara Kosco*

Thursday, December 28

(St J) 8:30 am Bill Deutscher *by Diane Oudhis Family*

Friday, December 29

(St A) 8:00 am Marion Segler *by Don & Sharon Barker*

Saturday, December 30

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

(St A) 6:00 pm Ralph Grillo *by Susan Grillo*

Sunday, December 31

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

(St J) 9:30 am Larry Stafford *by Diane Oudhuis Family*

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.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

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Sunday, December 24th

St. Anthony 5:00 pm

St John Kanty 8:00 pm

Monday, December 25th

St. Anthony 8:00 am

St. John Kanty 9:30 am

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 23rd 7:00-7:30pm (St A)

Sunday, December 24th 10:30-11:30am (St J)

Sunday, December 24th 3:30-4:30pm (St A)

CHRISTMAS OBLIGATION

When Christmas and the Fourth Sunday of Advent bump against one another, the Sunday and Holy Day obligation to attend Mass may be a little confusing to some. Mass attendance is obligatory for both liturgical days. In short, you can't get two for the price of one. In other words, you must attend Mass on either the Saturday vigil Liturgy for Sunday or the Sunday morning Liturgy **AND** then attend Mass on either Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

NEW YEARS - THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

New Years Day is a civil holiday marking the beginning of a new year. It's also a religious Holy Day in the Catholic Church commemorating the motherhood of Mary. It is also normally a Holy Day of Obligation where Mass attendance is expected. However, when it falls on a Saturday or Monday, as it does this year, the liturgical celebration is still observed, but the obligation to attend Mass is dispensed with. The reason being the confusion generated with the vigil Masses of either the feast day or Sunday running into each other. Christmas this year is a good example of this, but because of the significance of the birth of Christ, the obligation to attend Mass is not dispensed with. Next weekend, therefore, the Mass schedule will be as it normally is.

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.