

## 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.

## 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.

## EUCCHARISTIC 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.

## END OF YEAR REPORTING

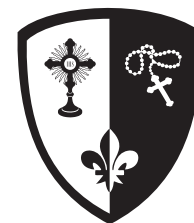
We have reached the end of another year. If you need a contribution statement for 2023 please fill in **ALL** information below and drop the form in the collection basket. The contribution statements will be generated the last week of January. NO requests will be accepted after January 21st to allow for proper processing and having the statements in the parish hall for pickup by the end of January. Since we log envelopes by number, the number is required.



### 2023 Contribution Statement Request

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Name Phone 2023 Envelope Number

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Street Address City



# 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

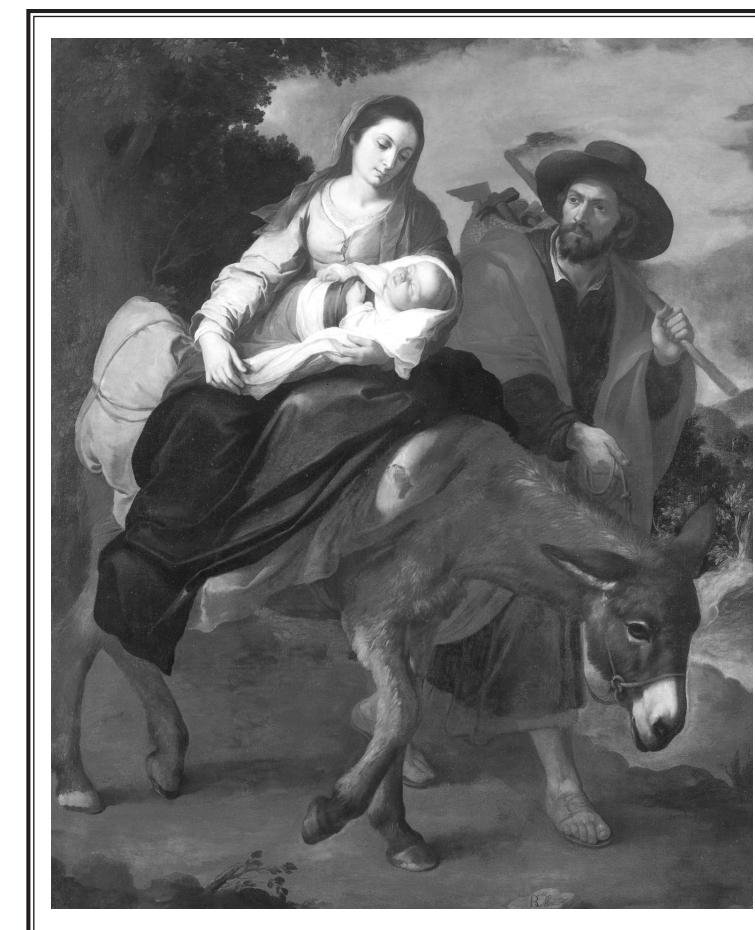
*Confessions available anytime by request*

### CONTACT

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## Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

**December 31, 2023**

*O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. 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 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*

### Monday, January 1

(St A) 8:00 am Leo M. Spence *by Spence Family*

### Tuesday, January 2

(St J) 8:30 am Donald Kopkowski *by Suezanne Gadacz*

### Wednesday, January 3

(St A) 8:00 am Leo M. Spence *by Ron & Shirley Richie*

### Thursday, January 4

(St J) 8:30 am Bill Deutscher *by Colleen Chance*

### Friday, January 5

(St A) 8:00 am Henry Richie *by Ron & Shirley Richie*

### Saturday, January 6

(St J) 4:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory *by All Souls Day Envelope Donors*

(St A) 6:00 pm Daniel Barker *by Don & Sharon Barker*

### Sunday, January 7

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

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

## 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.

## A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

My sincere thanks for your cards of greeting and your personal remembrances for Christmas. May God bless you all.

*Father Michael Heimer*

## SPECIAL THANKS

Many thanks to all those who participated in the Giving Tree at St. John Kanty. Many children have had a more joyful Christmas this year. Your generosity is appreciated.

## MITTEN WREATH FOLLOW UP

Our annual Mitten Wreath at St. Anthony was laden down with winter apparel for children in need. The winter apparel will be distributed to children in need at the local elementary school. Many thanks to those who donated to this worthy cause.

## 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.

## HOMESCHOOLERS

Catholic homeschoolers will meet at St. John Kanty on Tuesday, January 9th 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. But due to first Tuesday this month falling the day after New Years, the homeschoolers **will meet a week later than usual on Tuesday, January 9th.**

## BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus #14240 will sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, January 16th from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm central time at St John Kanty Parish Hall. Reservations recommended. Call (800) 733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).

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