

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.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Thank you to all at St. John Kanty who donated during Lent. Please remember the Food Pantry through the year. Needed are peanut butter, canned soups, canned tuna and anything you would like to donate. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at (219) 778-2672. Thank you.



Leo Marcotte

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - LEO MARCOTTE

O Lord of the harvest, send laborers into your vineyard. Pour your blessings on Leo Marcotte. Keep him faithful to your Holy Will.

Mary, Our Mother, protect Leo Marcotte and all of our priests and seminarians. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.

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.

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today’s Gospel occurs shortly before Jesus gives his Last Supper Discourses in the Gospel of John. Judas has betrayed Jesus, and now the Lord speaks to his inner circle for one of the last times before his arrest. “I will be with you only a little while longer,” he says. At these words, I imagine a hush falling over the group. Rattled by Judas’ strange actions and alarmed by the Lord announcing his impending departure, the disciples' eyes must have darted about as they held their breath, awaiting Jesus’ words. “I give you a new commandment,” he says. “Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” In a word, Jesus summarizes his teaching: love as God loves. He is using these last moments to exhort his disciples to be as he is. We know it won’t be easy – it will involve sacrifice and suffering – but the Holy Spirit is present with us to guide and advocate for us on our journey.

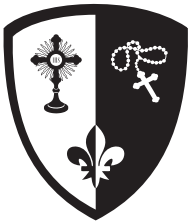
GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you ever experienced a season of suffering and wondered, “Have I done something wrong?” When we meet resistance on the narrow path, it can make us question our choices, ourselves, and sometimes even God. Let today’s first reading be a boost of confidence on your journey; remember that your suffering does not imply a misstep. “It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,” Paul and Barnabas exhort the disciples (and us). It is natural to grow fatigued, especially when we encounter hardships. This is one reason why the Lord desires that we never journey alone. By God’s perfect design, humans require companionship, from other humans and from the Creator himself. In the reading from the Book of Revelation, John the Apostle hears a loud voice saying, “God himself will always

be with them as their God.” Though the road may be peppered with pain, and the trials overwhelming, may we never forget that our God is very near!

PRAY

Today’s readings reveal themes of perseverance in faith, radical love, and the stunning reality that the Lord is truly present to us. As we pray with these Scriptures, consider asking yourself: What areas of my life feel distant from the Lord’s presence? How can I open these areas up to receive his light and his love? Take time to talk to the Lord in prayer about these things. When you do, make sure you leave space and silence for him to speak.



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

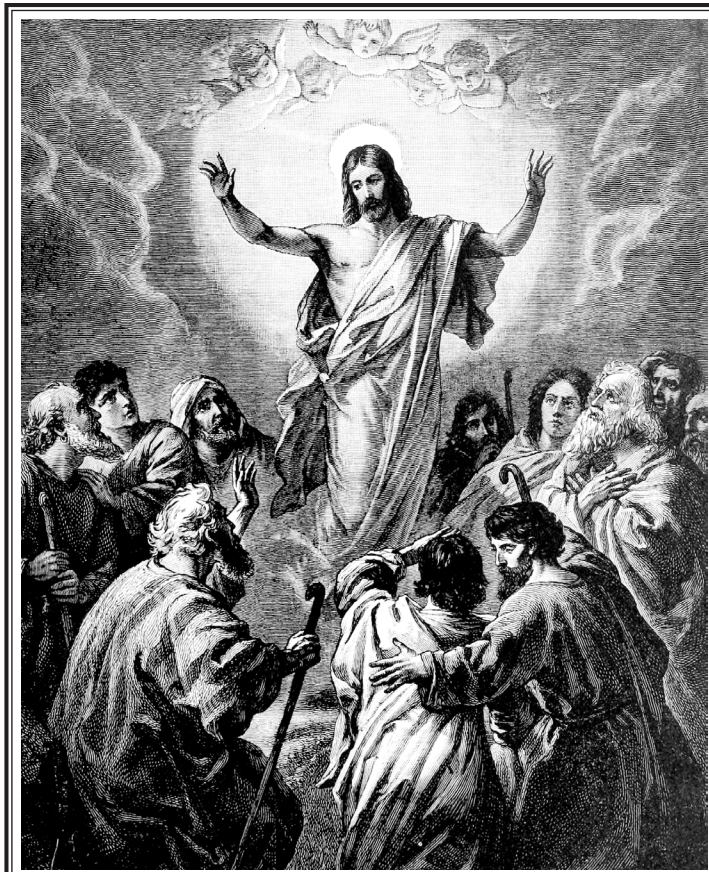
*Confessions available anytime by request*

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*"As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."*

5th Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

*Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal. 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, May 17

(St J) 4:00 pm Don Kopkowski by Pat Geitz  
(St A) 6:00 pm St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

Sunday, May 18

(St A) 8:00 am Barbara Kosco by Ron & Shirley Richie  
(St J) 9:30 am Doris Truyaert by Gamble Family

Monday, May 19

(St A) 8:00 am Fred Conners by Kogut Family

Tuesday, May 20

(St J) 8:30 am Ellen Coffinger by Keck & Coffinger Families

Wednesday, May 21

(St A) 8:00 am Larissa Baumann by Anna Miles & John Robertson

Thursday, May 22

(St J) 8:30 am Intention of Johnny Vanek by L. E. Robinson

Friday, May 23

(St A) 8:00 am Phyllis Logan by Don & Sharon Barker

Saturday, May 24

(St J) 4:00 pm Charles Hendricks by Mr. & Mrs. William Wendt  
(St A) 6:00 pm Wayne Hudak by Susan Grillo

Sunday, May 25

(St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God  
(St J) 9:30 am Jen Clingenpeel by Hobbs 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.

SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK TODAY!

Because Mothers Day fell on the second Sunday of the month of May, our Second Sunday Potluck will he held today, Sunday, May 18th at 12:30 pm in the St. John Kanty Parish Hall. Bring yourself, your family and a covered dish to St. John Kanty Parish Hall and enjoy an afternoon of good food and great company,

BAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality will sponsor a bake sale Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 24th and Sunday, May 25th following the weekend Masses. Members are asked to bring their donations to the hall beneath the church prior to Saturday's 4:00 pm Mass. This is the only fundraiser the Sodality now holds, so your support will be greatly appreciated. Also, any baked goods donated to the cause by parishioners would be welcomed by the Sodality members.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS AT THE CEMETERY

Memorial Day Mass at the Cemetery will be held at 8:00am on Monday, May 26th. Father Ciesla and Brother Shawn will be there. All are welcome to come and pray for the Veterans of our parish community and also other family members and friends who are buried in our cemetery. Please bring your own lawn chairs for seating if your wish. If it rains that morning no Mass will be held.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The St. John Kanty Parish Council will meet on Wednesday, May 28th at 6:00pm central time in the parish hall. Parishioners are welcome to attend as observers but if they wish to speak, they are asked to notify Father Heimer in advance.

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

Our annual diocesan fund drive has begun. Parishioners should have already received an offering envelope mailed to them from the Diocese of Gary. Please return your donation directly to the Diocese and not to the parish. If you have not received an envelope from the Diocese, one will be available at the church entrances. In that case, place it in the Sunday collection and the parish will sent it to the diocese processing center. This year's assigned goal for St. John Kanty is \$9,223 and the assigned goal for St. Anthony is \$5,578.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Totus Tuus program is back! Two separate programs, one for elementary children (ages 6-11) and one for middle and high schoolers (ages 12-18), will be held at St. John Kanty Sunday, July 12th through Friday, July 18th. The goal of the program is to help youth know the Lord and love Him more deeply. The entire week is filled with fun and faith events. The facilitators are four college students – two Catholic young ladies and two Catholic young men. More details will follow as the event draws nearer.

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: Rose Schoenfeld. Call or text 219-575-2050.

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.