

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

The Community Food Pantry is in need of cream of chicken soup, pancake mix and peanut butter. Please leave donations in the basement of the church or in the blue bin in south vestibule. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at (219) 778-2672. Thank you.

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.



Nicholas Emsing

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - NICHOLAS EMSING

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

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

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

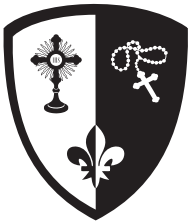
Have you ever felt as though God is punishing you? Throughout the course of our lives, we experience what might seem like a barrage of hardships. This battering down of our interior and exterior fortresses over time can test our faith and weaken our resolve. If you find yourself in this position, read today’s passage from Hebrews again: “Do not disdain the discipline of the Lord,” St. Paul reminds us, “for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.” In our human nature, we may find these “disciplines” painful (and rightfully so). But Paul urges us to shift our mindset, recognizing that just as a good father disciplines his children for their greater good, so our heavenly Father does the same for us. Paul goes on to explain that we may consider every trial we endure in this sense, as a loving “discipline” – a sign of the Lord’s attention and desire for our sanctity.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Modern society loves the concept of a God who is soft, inviting, sweet, and tender. Of course, our Lord in his goodness and mercy can be described by those adjectives. But today’s Gospel reminds us of an equally important characteristic of the Lord: He is the supreme and final judge, and at the final judgment we will be held accountable for our lives. In the end, we will stand before the Lord, and he will put all things in proper order. Will it be glorious, loving, and merciful? Yes. Painful and piercing? Perhaps. Our Lord’s love knows no bounds, and he withholds his mercy from no one. It is precisely from this place of perfect love and profound mercy that rightful judgment emerges. May we live a life worthy of welcome when we meet him face to face.

REFLECT

In addition to accepting the discipline that the Lord sends our way, we can engage in voluntary practices to strengthen our spiritual lives. These practices are necessary, as Jesus tells us that many “will not be strong enough” to enter through the narrow gate that leads to life. Our second reading exhorts us to “strengthen [our] drooping hands and [our] weak knees.” What spiritual disciplines have you found helpful to foster your growth in holiness? What areas are weak or need strengthening?



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

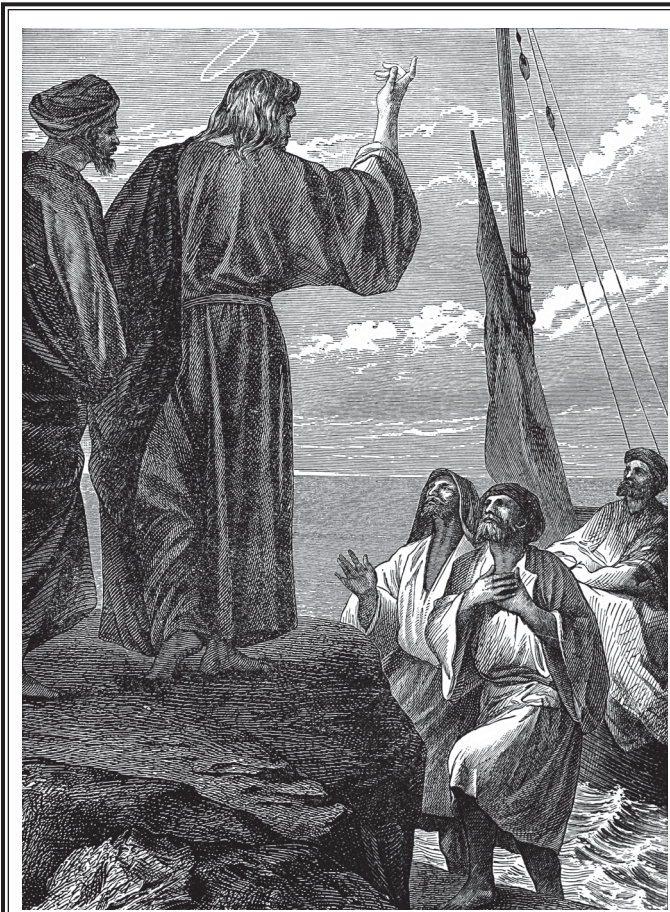
Confessions available anytime by request

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 24, 2025

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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, August 23

- (St J) 4:00 pm Peg Willner by Diane Oudhuis Family
- (St A) 6:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory by All Souls Day Envelope Donors

Sunday, August 24

- (St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God
- (St J) 9:30 am Jack Blake by John & Mary Smith

Monday, August 25

- (St A) 8:00 am Frank & Arthur Chlupacek by Allen F. Chlupacek

Tuesday, August 26

- (St J) 8:30 am Special Intention

Wednesday, August 27

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

Thursday, August 28

- (St J) 8:30 am Jon Coy by Kubaszyk Family

Friday, August 29

- (St A) 8:00 am Julius Okrzesik by Chlupacek Family

Saturday, August 30

- (St J) 4:00 pm Joe & Mary Horvath by Frank & Mary Horvath
- (St A) 6:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Schortgen & Carpenter Families by Bonnie Maurer

Sunday, August 31

- (St A) 8:00 am Frank & Judith Blackmore by Sandy & Kevin True
- (St J) 9:30 am Joseph & Helen Zurek by David & Julie Rice Zurek

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.

WITH MUCH GRATITUDE...

The St. John Kanty Religious Education Program would like to thank all of the parents and grandparents whose dedication to bringing their children to class, volunteering to assist, providing snacks, and overall support of their children's faith formation at home has made the year not only possible, but also enjoyable and fruitful. This perfect ending to one Catechism year has paved the way for us to embark on a new year.

CATECHISM BEGINS SEPTEMBER 14TH

Online registration will open August 27th on the parish website: stjohnkanty.com. Fees will remain the same at \$30 (1 child), \$40 (2 children) and \$50 (a family of 3 or more). This year you will have the ability to make your payment online. Payment by cash or check may also be brought to in-person registration on Sunday, September 7th at St. John Kanty at 10:30am central time in the Parish Hall. There will also be a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program parent orientation meeting in the Parish Hall on Sunday, September 7th following the 9:30am Sunday Mass. All parents of CGS students (ages 3-12) are invited and strongly encouraged to attend, especially if you are new to the CGS program. Again classes will begin Sunday, September 14th and will meet this school year each Sunday from 10:30am to 12:30pm. Please call or text Roslyn Dacila, DRE with questions and to reserve your spot at 219-405-7709.

BABY BOTTLES BACK AGAIN!

The Baby Bottle Collection of Donations for the Women's Care Center in LaPorte will start August 2nd and will continue through September 7th. Please put your spare money in a Baby Bottle that will be in a basket at each entrance to the Church and return it to the basket by September 7th. Our donations will help support the new mothers who chose to have their babies. God Bless You.

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 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 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.