

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - NATHAN KNOWLTON

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

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

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

Today's first reading says, "The Lord is a God of justice who knows no favorites." While we humans show deference to people we admire or give preferential treatment to those we like, God loves all his creatures with the same perfect love. But then the reading goes on to say something that seems to contradict that opening line, even suggesting that God has a soft spot in his heart for the poor: "Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed." The text mentions that God hears the prayers of the widow and orphan, and that "the prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds." So what are we to make of all this? While God loves all perfectly, his heart is moved to mercy particularly toward the poor and lowly. And so the tax collector's humble prayer is heard, and he goes home justified, while the Pharisee does not.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT PRAY

Jesus knew how to tell stories that acted as a mirror to reveal the state of peoples' hearts. Today's Gospel opens with the line: "Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness." Because we cannot know what's going on in someone's heart the way Jesus knows, we have to be careful not to assume we know what another needs to hear. Yet, in our efforts to accompany others on the in humility and an awareness of our need for God's mercy. road to discipleship, there may be moments where we're called to speak a word that "afflicts the comfortable or comforts the afflicted." If we do, we must always do so from a place of love and humility, recognizing that sometimes we are sharing this word because God has convicted us of precisely the same thing we're sharing with another! In that way, our sharing becomes more witness to the ways God has humbled us.

There is a short, ancient Christian prayer known as the Jesus Prayer that is derived, in part, from our Gospel reading today. The entire text of the prayer is one line: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner" which is repeated over and over again. Consider praying this prayer throughout the week as a way of rooting yourself more deeply



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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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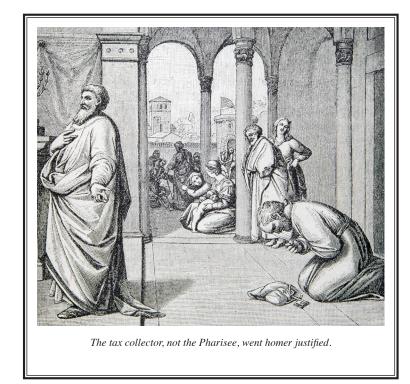
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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 26, 2025

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope, and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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, October 25

(St J) 4:00 pm Rich Kebr

by Diane Oudhuis

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

Sunday, October 26

(St A) 8:00 am Janice Quinn

by Theresa Sabinas

(St J) 9:30 am Sandy Surma

by Deborah Mott

Monday, October 27

(St A) 8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the

by Muriel Peterson

Peterson & Maltby Families

Tuesday, October 28

(St J) 8:30 am Jack Blake

by Richard & Lynda Hebert

Wednesday, October 29

(St A) 8:00 am Special Intention

Thursday, October 30

(St J) 8:30 am Intention of Celebrant

Friday, October 31

(St A) 8:00 am Daniel Barker

by Don & Sharon Barker

Saturday, November 1

(St J) 4:00 pm George Wendt

by Mr. & Mrs. William Wendt

(St A) 6:00 pm Allen Chlupacek

by Emerick Family

Sunday, November 2

(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

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.

CGS & CCD CLASSES



Drivers: Please be careful and stay alert when navigating the parking lot or dropping off children for CGS/CCD classes. Children may unexpectedly dash across the lot, so proceed with caution.

STUDENTS: Exercise care when walking to the Parish Hall for classes on Sundays. Always watch for moving vehicles in the parking lot, as drivers may not easily spot 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.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

The Community Food Pantry of Galena, Hudson, Kankakee and Wills Township offers extra items to the Pantry Clients for their Thanksgiving meal. This year members of St. John Kanty Church are asked to donate 16 oz cans of pumpkin. Any other food items are also welcomed. Please leave items in the basement of the church or in the blue bin in the south vestibule. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at (219) 778-2672.

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.