



Nathan Knowlton

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

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GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

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INVITATION

One of the best presents we can offer to someone is our presence. Make an effort this week to intentionally spend time with someone who may feel lonely or forgotten, setting aside other tasks to focus entirely on them. The goal is to help them feel special and chosen as a way of giving a glimpse of God's love that chooses each of us out of the many. May the gift of your presence help them to remember how very loved they are.

END OF YEAR REPORTING

We have reached the end of another year. If you need a contribution statement for 2025 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. Since we log envelopes by number, the number is required.

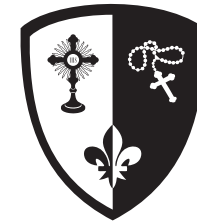


2025 Contribution Statement Request

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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

CONTACT

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7732 E State Rd 4
Walkerton, IN 46574



We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2026

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. 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, January 3

(St J) 4:00 pm William Granning *by Coffinger & Keck Families*

(St A) 6:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory *by All Souls Day Envelope Donors*

Sunday, January 4

(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

Monday, January 5

(St A) 8:00 am Special Intention

Tuesday, January 6

(St J) 8:30 am Barbara Abram & Helen Garvey *by Judith Cloonan*

Wednesday, January 7

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

Thursday, January 8

(St J) 8:30 am Jack Blake *by Claudia A Christensen*

Friday, January 9

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

Saturday, January 10

(St J) 4:00 pm Improved Health for Michael Eggen *by Mr. & Mrs. William Wendt*

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

Saturday, January 11

(St A) 8:00 am Bill Quinn *by Theresa Sabinas*

(St J) 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality

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

SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday, January 11th is our monthly bi-parish potluck. Bring yourself, your family and a covered dish to St. John Kanty Parish Hall at 12:30 pm central time and enjoy an afternoon of good food and great company.

HOMESCHOOLERS

Catholic homeschoolers will meet at St. John Kanty on Tuesday, January 6th 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.

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.

SNOW SCHEDULE

Please note that when school at New Prairie School System is canceled due to snow, the morning 8:30am Mass (Tuesdays & Thursdays) at St. John Kanty will be canceled as well. **Delays in school starting time due to weather will not alter the start time of Mass.** Please tune in to your local radio station for information regarding school closings and apply the same information to Tuesday & Thursday morning Mass at St. John Kanty.

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.