



Collin Van Waardenburg

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - COLLIN VAN WAARDENBURG

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

Mary, Our Mother, protect Collin Van Waardenburg and all of our priests and seminarians. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.

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

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” For most of my life, any time I have heard these words of Jesus, the emphasis has always been on “Repent.” Recently, I’ve started to pay more attention to the second half of Jesus’ proclamation: “The kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Through his coming into our world and the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus’ reign has begun. The signs of his kingdom’s arrival are striking and immediate; we see Jesus “curing every disease and illness among the people.” This is cause for great rejoicing, like the rejoicing we hear of in today’s reading from Isaiah: “Anguish has taken wing, dispelled is darkness ... upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shown.” Jesus’ miracles reveal that the reign of darkness, sin, and death is coming to an end; this is good news, indeed! It’s also a major part of our call as disciples. We’re called to pray (“thy kingdom come”) and to work to advance Jesus’ reign on earth.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT SERVE

Like the Apostles Peter, Andrew, James, and John in today’s Gospel, we, too, have been called to help build God’s kingdom on earth. We do this in a particular way by continuing the works of Jesus here on earth. As Pope Leo XIV reminds us in Dilexi Te, “The signs that accompany Jesus’ preaching are manifestations of the love and compassion with which God looks upon the sick, the poor and sinners ... The Church, if she wants to be Christ’s Church, must be ... a place where the poor have a privileged place.” (21) Part of the way we bear witness to the inbreaking of God’s kingdom on earth is to put those who are ill and marginalized at the center of our concern. Then the kingdom of God will be manifest and visible in the world, drawing others to Christ.

This week, spend some time researching ways you can work with other Christians to serve the sick and the poor of our world. As we conclude this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (which ends Jan. 25, 2026), there’s no better witness we can offer to the dawn of the kingdom of God than being “united in the same mind and in the same purpose” (as Paul calls us to be today) in serving those in need.

END OF YEAR REPORTING

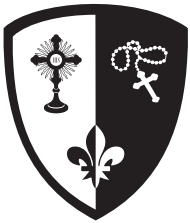
We have reached the end of another year. If you need a contribution statement for 2025 please fill in ALL information below and drop the form in the collection basket. The contribution statements will be generated the last week of January. Since we log envelopes by number, the number is required.



2025 Contribution Statement Request

Name Phone 2025 Envelope Number

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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Jesus calls Peter and Andrew to follow him and become fishers of men.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25, 2026

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. 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 24**

(St J) 4:00 pm Wegenka Family - Marty, Greg & Clem *by Lorraine Borton*

(St A) 6:00 pm Jerome G. Kubaszyk *by Kubaszyk Family*

**Sunday, January 25**

(St A) 8:00 am James Leo Spence *by Richie Family*

(St J) 9:30 am Richard Kebr *by Diane Oudhuis*

## Monday, January 26

(St A) 8:00 am James Leo Spence *by Dave & Michele Spence*

**Tuesday, January 27**

(St J) 8:30 am Mary Knapp *by Michael & Linda Knapp*

**Wednesday, January 28**

(St A) 8:00 am Intention of Celebrant

**Thursday, January 29**

(St J) 8:30 am Intention of Bishop Patrick Neary *by Kubaszyk Family*

## Friday, January 30

(St A) 8:00 am Allen Chlupacek *by Chlupacek Family*

**Saturday, January 31**

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

(St A) 6:00 pm Schortgen Family *by Fred Schortgen*

**Saturday, February 1**

(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.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The St. John Kanty Parish Council will meet on Wednesday, January 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.

## 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 219-363-9078.

## 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

Thank you to all who donated money, food or miscellaneous items to the Community Food Pantry in 2025. The Pantry serves the residents of Galena, Hudson, Kankakee and Wills Townships and is open Thursdays from 8am to 12 noon Central Time. Items needed at the Pantry are boxes of cereal, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce. 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