

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



Patrick Cullars

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - PATRICK CULLARS

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

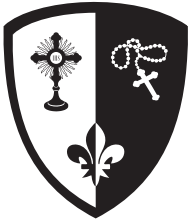
Mary, Our Mother, protect Patrick Cullars and all of our priests and seminarians. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.

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.

DIOCESE OF GARY VOCATION PRAYER

O Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call, and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocations. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their sons and daughters to God's service and cause them to rejoice exceedingly whenever one of their family is called to the religious life. Let Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, encourage both young people and parents, and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.



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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Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights and was tempted.

1st Sunday of Lent

February 22, 2026

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. 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, February 21

(St J) 4:00 pm Special Intention

(St A) 6:00 pm Wayne Maurer

by Fred Schortgen

Sunday, February 22

(St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

(St J) 9:30 am Sharon & Jack Blake

by Diane Oudhuis Family

Monday, February 23

(St A) 8:00 am Loretta Gantert

by Joseph Spence

Tuesday, February 24

(St J) 8:30 am Intention of Celebrant

Wednesday, February 25

(St A) 8:00 am Pattie Griesbach

by Don & Sharon Barker

Thursday, February 26

(St J) 8:30 am Joseph T. Cloonan

by Daniel Cloonan Family

Friday, February 27

(St A) 8:00 am Brian Barker

by Don & Sharon Barker

(St J) 6:00 pm Jerome G. Kubaszyk

by Kubaszyk Family

Saturday, February 28

(St J) 4:00 pm Special Intention

(St A) 6:00 pm Father James Seculoff

by Lorraine Borton

Sunday, March 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.

THE DISCIPLINE OF LENT

FASTING:

Fasting is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** by all Catholics who are 18 years of age through to those who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday.

THE CUSTOMARY FAST:

This fast allows for only one full meal to be taken during the day. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to one's needs. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

THE FAST OF THE EARLY CHURCH:

This fast begins upon rising, NO meals are taken until the customary workday (5PM) is ended. A glass of juice may be taken in the morning and simple liquids such as water, coffee and tea during the day. The fast ends with a brief prayer followed by an adequate meal. For many this may work as a more natural way to fast.

ABSTINENCE:

Abstinence is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **all Fridays of Lent** by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and above.

TRADITIONAL ABSTINENCE:

This is the practice of refraining from meat and meat products.

ABSTINENCE AS PENANCE:

Entering fully into the spirit of the Lenten Fast and Paschal Fast, we are also encouraged to abstain from other foods, practices or activities.

LENTEN MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Anthony and St. John Kanty Churches will have Mass and Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. Mass and Stations at St Anthony will be at 8am and at St. John Kanty at 6pm.

EXPERIENCE "THE RESCUE PROJECT"

Join us for an 8-week journey to discover the 4-part story of the Gospel: Created, Captured, Rescued, and Response. This is essentially a presentation of the retreat the priests of our Gary Diocese attended together last May. They said that it was one of the most powerful presentations that they had ever experienced and recommended that a version of it be made available to the people of our Diocese. Whether you are a life-long Catholic or new to the Faith, this journey offers a powerful message of hope through video and community discussion. It will begin on Sunday, March 1st from 10:30 to 11:30am (during religious education classes) in the St. John Kanty Parish Hall Lounge, just off the kitchen. It is open to all parishioners and parents. Those attending are welcome to remain for further discussion, fellowship and refreshments. This event is free and will run for 8 Sundays in conjunction with CGS/CCD religious education schedule breaking for 2 weeks at Easter. RSVP: Roslyn Davila at sjkdre@gmail.com. Come and see what the Lord has in store for you!

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.