

## 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 to the Community Food Pantry during Lent. Dry spaghetti, canned pasta and boxed potato flakes are still needed. Any donation is welcome. Please leave items in the box in the Church basement or in the bin in the south vestibule. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at 219-778-2672



William O'Donnell

### PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - WILLIAM O'DONNELL

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

Mary, Our Mother, protect William O'Donnell and all of our priests and seminarians. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.



May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 | 1 Pt 3:15-18 | Jn 14:15-21

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

Several years ago, while praying in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, I heard the words, "I just couldn't bear to leave you." It was one of the clearest responses to prayer that I have experienced, and it occurred at a time when I was feeling incredibly lonely. I have spent years reflecting on those words, which resurface often as I receive Christ in the Eucharist. In the Gospel today, I hear echoes of those words again as Christ explains to the Apostles the many ways in which they - and we - will not be abandoned after his ascension into heaven. As the rest of the Gospel unfolds, the events of his passion and resurrection reveal the Lord's faithfulness to them. After the resurrection, the Apostles know they can trust his word because they remember Jesus' promise that the Father will send an Advocate to be with them. We, also, can trust him believing that out of complete and utter love for humanity, Jesus remains with us.

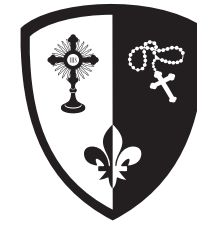
### ACCOMPANY

In this joyful season of Easter, we continue to celebrate those who entered or were fully welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. This week, consider reaching out to someone who is new to the Church to celebrate with them, offer your continued prayers for them, or invite them to a parish event.

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The Apostles accompanied one another in their community of faith, and they walked with those who had recently responded to God's call to know the truth, as we see with the newly baptized in Samaria. In our lives today, the value of accompaniment cannot be underestimated. In our busy world when it is easy to feel disconnected and alone, being with one another is a powerful way to be a vessel through which Christ proclaims his promise to never leave us. By sitting with another in a time of grief, listening to the questions of a friend who is struggling, or rejoicing with a friend in response to good news, we accompany each other through life's ups and downs. Sometimes accompaniment consists of proclaiming the Good News of Christ's love and thereby helping others to have the courage to do the same. In whatever ways we are called to accompany another in their journey of faith, we do so with the promise that Christ is doing the same for us.



# 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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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

*Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. 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, May 9

(St J) 4:00 pm Pat Geitz

*by Frank & Mary Horvath*

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

### Sunday, May 10

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

*by Muriel Peterson*

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

### Monday, May 11

(St A) 8:00 am John F. Spence

*by Ron & Shirley Richie*

### Tuesday, May 12

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

*by Amanda Cloonan*

### Wednesday, May 13

(St A) 8:00 am Sylvester & Tessie Kaminski

*by The Sylvester & Tessie Kaminski Foundation*

### Thursday, May 14

(St J) 8:30 am Poor Souls in Purgatory

*by All Souls Day Envelope Donors*

### Friday, May 15

(St A) 8:00 am Tacho Martinez

*by Don & Sharon Barker*

### Saturday, May 16

(St J) 4:00 pm Larry Robinson

*by Johnny Vanek*

(St A) 6:00 pm Marty, Greg & Clem Wegenka

*by Lorraine Borton*

### Sunday, May 17

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

(St J) 9:30 am Ellen & Henry Coffinger

*by Keck & Coffinger Families*

## 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.

## POTLUCK MOVED TO NEXT SUNDAY

Because Mothers Day falls on the second Sunday of May, our second Sunday bi-parish potluck will move to Sunday, May 17th. 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.

## ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality will have their meeting following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, May 12th. All members are invited to attend the meeting.

## FUNERAL LUNCHEON CHANGE

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality has in the past provided luncheons in the Parish Hall following funerals for parishioners. It regrets that it will no longer be able to provide this service. It will, however, both coordinate and donate homemade desserts for these events, but individual families will be responsible for obtaining a catering service from the restaurant of their choice. In the future please let Father Heimer know if a luncheon is planned in order that the Parish Hall can be setup and the Altar & Rosary Sodality can be notified to prepare desserts for the event.

## BURN & BURY BONFIRE

Once a religious object is blessed, it must be treated with reverence and must not be used in either an improper or profane way (cf. Code of Canon Law #1171). Religious sacramentals (rosaries, statues, dried out palms, etc.) that have been blessed but are broken or unrepairable should be burned or buried. We should never just throw into the trash that which has been dedicated to God. If you have broken or unrepairable sacramentals that you would like to dispose of properly, please come to the Burn & Bury Bonfire beside the St. John Kanty Parish Hall in June. If you are unable to be there, a collection box has been placed inside the front entrance doors of St. John Kanty Church to collect your religious items and we will see that they are properly disposed of.

## CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

Our annual diocesan fund drive has begun. Parishioners should have already received an offering envelope mailed to them from the Diocese of Gary. Please return your donation directly to the Diocese and not to the parish. If you have not received an envelope from the Diocese, one will be available at the church entrances. In that case, place it in the Sunday collection and the parish will send it to the diocese processing center. This year's assigned goal for St. John Kanty is \$9,724 and the assigned goal for St. Anthony is \$6,581.

## 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.

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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.