

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

The Community Food Pantry serves the residents of Galena, Hudson, Kankakee and Wills Townships all year round. It is located in the Rolling Prairie United Methodist Church and is open from 8am to 12pm Central Time on Thursdays. All donations are welcome. Please leave items in the box in the Church basement or in the bin in the South vestibule. All donors Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at 219-778-2672



July 5, 2026
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zec 9:9-10 | Rom 8:9, 11-13 | Mt 11:25-30

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

In today's first reading, Israel's king comes riding "on a colt, the foal of an ass." This is a far cry from the horses and chariots the kings of other nations rode into battle as they sought to assert their authority and subdue their enemies. But Israel's king is not like other kings; he banishes horses and the warrior's bow, proclaiming peace to all the nations. Despite his meekness, "his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth." What we're given here is an image of peace achieved not by asserting military might, but through justice and humility. Of course, this image of a king riding a colt into Jerusalem will remind us of Jesus, who entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and destroyed his enemies (death and sin) not by political revolution but by laying down his life. If being a Christian is about claiming Christ as our king, then we must reject the temptation to seize power by asserting dominance, but instead act in ways that promote justice and peace.

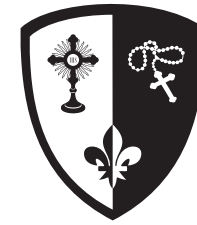
SERVE

Today's readings give us a glimpse of the heart of God: meek, humble, compassionate. This week, find one concrete way you can emulate his heart by serving those in need in your community. Through these actions, you bear witness to "his Spirit that dwells in you."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

An essential part of the Church's mission is what we call the "preferential option for the poor." In his Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexite*, Pope Leo XIV says that "this 'preference' never indicates exclusivity or discrimination toward other groups, which would be impossible for God. It is meant to emphasize God's actions, which are moved by compassion toward the poverty and weakness of all humanity. Wanting to inaugurate a kingdom of justice, fraternity, and solidarity, God has a special place in his heart for those who are discriminated against and oppressed, and he asks us, his Church, to make a decisive and radical choice in favor of the weakest." (16) What this means is that we are called to put the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized, and the suffering at the center of our concern. In our prayer, ministry, and outreach, we are called to prioritize their needs. When we live this out, we are extending the love of Jesus, whose own heart provides a place of welcome for those who are heavily burdened and in need of rest.



ST. JOHN KANTY & ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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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

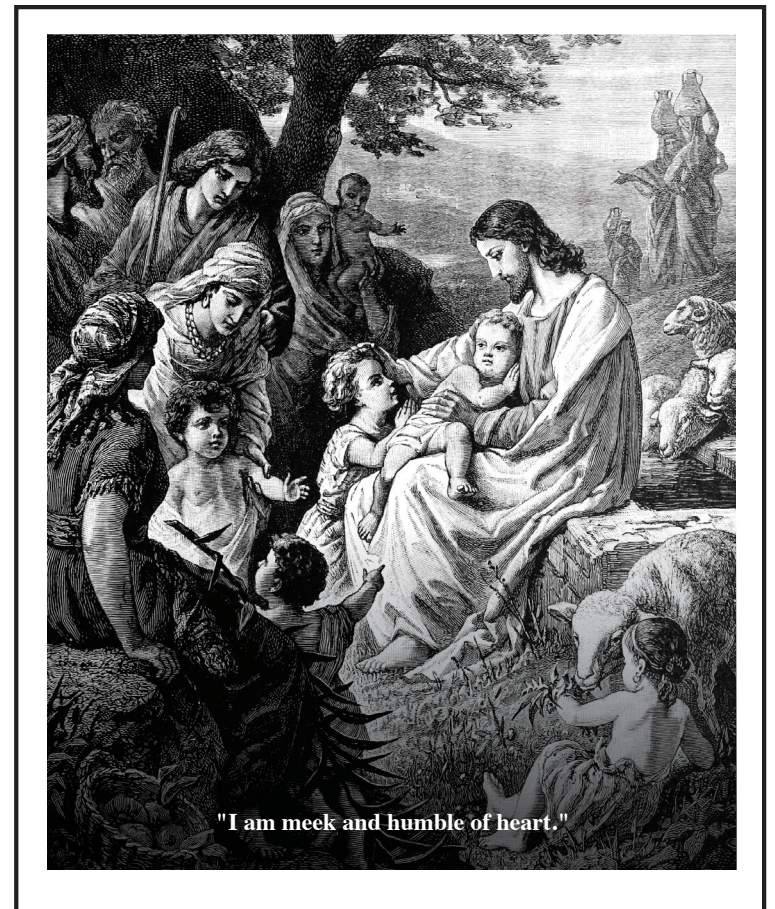
Confessions available anytime by request

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 5, 2026

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. 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, July 4

(St J) 4:00 pm Geraldine Kubaszyk

by Kubaszyk Family

(St A) 6:00 pm Allen E. Chlupacek

by Al, Mitch & Ann Chlupacek

Sunday, July 5

(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, July 6

(St A) 8:00 am Phyllis Logan

by Joseph Spence

Tuesday, July 7

(St J) 8:30 am Sylvester & Dorothee Ostroski

by Linda Ostroski

Wednesday, July 8

(St A) 8:00 am Allen Chlupacek

by Boilini Family

Thursday, July 9

(St J) 8:30 am Ray & Betty Hobbs

by Hobbs Family

Friday, July 10

(St A) 8:00 am Special Intention

Saturday, July 11

(St J) 4:00 pm Frank & Rose Kebr

by Frank & Mary Horvath

(St A) 6:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory

by All Souls Day Envelope Donors

Sunday, July 12

(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 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 PRAYER FOR AMERICA'S SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL

Heavenly Father, we bow before You with grateful hearts as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of America's independence. We thank You for the priceless blessings of liberty, the courage of our founders, and the generations who have worked to build this nation. As we look toward the future, may America always remain a beacon of hope, freedom, and opportunity. Help us to protect the unalienable rights of Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness, and give us the strength to face the challenges ahead as one united people.

BAKE SALE TODAY

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality is sponsoring a bake sale on the July 4th weekend, Saturday, July 4th and Sunday, July 5th following the weekend Masses. Members are asked to bring their donations to the hall beneath the church prior to Saturday's 4pm Mass or Sunday's 9:30am Mass. This is the only fundraiser the Sodality now holds, so your support will be greatly appreciated.

RESCUE PROJECT BREAKFAST

We have had some great discussions in both groups during the Rescue Project sessions. Please join us in the St. John Kanty Parish Hall after 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, July 12th (There will not be a 2nd Sunday Potluck in July) from 10:30am to 12:30pm. There will be food, fellowship, and faith formation as we conclude the final chapter of Father John Riccardo's Rescue Project series. Dan Davila will be making his famous biscuits & gravy. If anyone would like to bring a dish, you are welcome to. The Parish Hall will be open before Mass to drop things off if needed. Please call or text with any questions or to RSVP. Roslyn Davila (219) 405-709.

SUNDAY POTLUCK CANCELED FOR JULY

Please be aware that the Second Sunday Potluck at St. John Kanty has been canceled for the month of July.

HOMESCHOOLERS

Catholic homeschoolers will meet at St. John Kanty on Tuesday, July 7th 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.

SAVE THE DATE FOR TOTUS TUUS

Our Totus Tuus program is back! Two separate programs, one for elementary children (6-11) and one for middle and high schoolers (ages 12-18), will be held Sunday, July 19th through Friday, July 24th. The goal of the program is to help youth know the Lord and love Him more deeply. The entire week is filled with fun and faith events. The facilitators are four college students - two Catholic young ladies and two Catholic young men. Because of a conflict with another week-long event at St. John Kanty, the morning and afternoon sessions for elementary children will be held at the second gym facility at the Sacred Heart Apostolic School at 5901 N 500 E in Rolling Prairie. The evening sessions, however, for middle and high schoolers will be held at the St. John Kanty Parish Hall. More details will follow as the event draws nearer.

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.