

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.



August 2, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:1-3 | Rom 8:35, 37-39 | Mt 14:13-21

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

In one of the best homilies I ever heard on today's Gospel, the homilist pointed out that the Lord had seemingly "over-multiplied" the loaves and fish. The crowds had eaten to the point of satisfaction, and yet there were twelve baskets of leftovers remaining. "Why so many leftovers? Did the Lord not know how to count?" He asked jokingly, of course. But the point the homilist went on to share that day was that with God, there is always abundance. God doesn't simply provide the bare minimum of what we need for *survival*; the Scriptures tell us that he provides "rich fare" that will "satisfy the desire of every living thing." As we reflect on today's readings, let us not question the Lord's ways, but trust in the abundant generosity of God that satisfies all our needs.

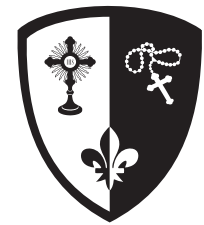
ACCOMPANIMENT

In the Gospel, God shows his loving care by providing for the needs of his people in practical ways. Consider one way you might be able to accompany others going through periods of challenge or trial by providing practical help. This might look like preparing a meal for a new mom in the throes of postpartum, helping with yardwork for a fellow parishioner recovering from surgery, or helping gather classroom supplies for a teacher serving in an impoverished district. In these simple yet concrete ways, we manifest the abundance of God's care and concern for each and every person.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Moments in which God provides for our every need strengthen our faith in him. Yet when difficulties come, we know that God never abandons us. Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans speaks about the unshakable confidence Paul has in God's love for us, despite the difficulties (including shipwreck, beatings, and imprisonment) he endured: "What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?" "No," he says. Nothing "will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus." Take stock of times in your life when God's providence has carried you through difficult times. Consider ways you can share these moments with others as part of your testimony. When our faith rests on a deep awareness of God's faithful love in our lives, we will be able to bear a compelling witness of his goodness to others.



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

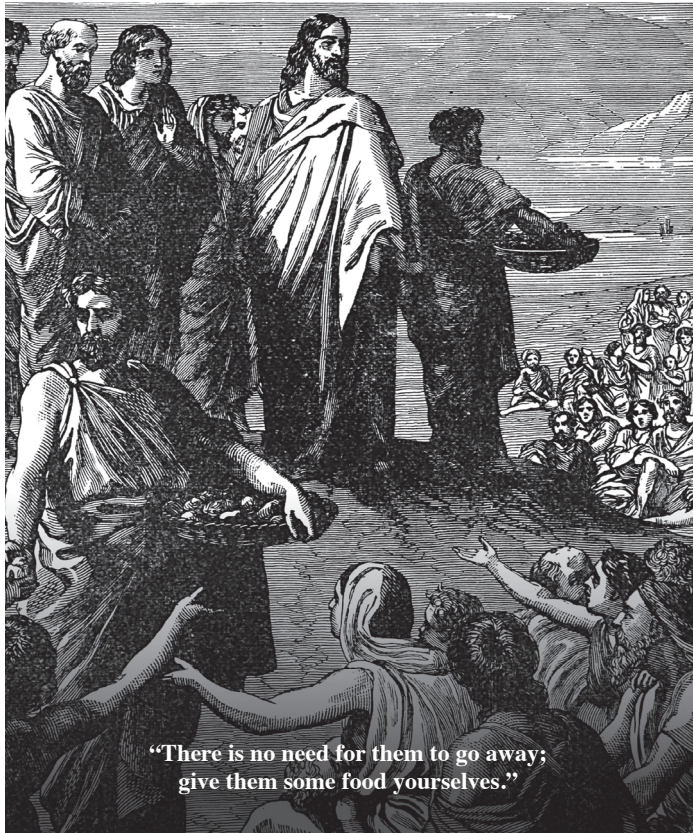
Confessions available anytime by request

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2026

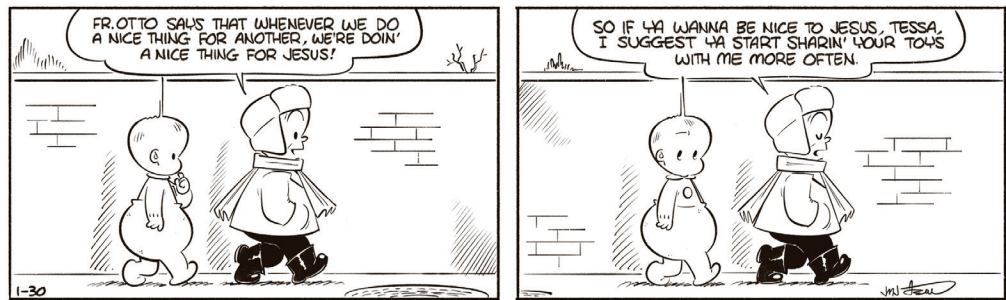
Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1

- (St J) 4:00 pm Geraldine Kubaszyk by Kubaszyk Family
- (St A) 6:00 pm St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

Sunday, August 2

- (St A) 8:00 am Ron & Joan Spence by Don & Sharon Barker
- (St J) 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Holy Name Society

Monday, August 3

- (St A) 8:00 am Barbara Chastin by Joanne Janisch

Tuesday, August 4

- (St J) 8:30 am Joseph Cloonan by Barbara Peterich

Wednesday, August 5

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

Thursday, August 6

- (St J) 8:30 am Deb Respondek by Hobbs Family

Friday, August 8

- (St A) 8:00 am Deceased Members of the Spence Family by Allen Chlupacek

Saturday, August 9

- (St J) 4:00 pm Frank Kebr by Frank & Mary Horvath
- (St A) 6:00 pm Susanna Ivanyisky by Susan Grillo

Sunday, August 10

- (St A) 8:00 am Pat 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.

ALTAR & ROSARY SODALITY MEETING

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality will have their meeting in the church basement following the 8:30 am Mass on Tuesday, August 11th. All members are invited to attend the meeting.

BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION

The Baby Bottle Collection of donations for the Women's Care Center in LaPorte starts August 1st and will continue through September 6th. Please put your spare money in a baby bottle that will be in a basket at each entrance to the Church and return it to the basket by September 6th. Our donations will help support the new mothers who choose to have their babies.

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.

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. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at 219-778-2672



Joseph Bojda

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - JOSEPH BOJDA

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

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