

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



Gianni DiTola

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - GIANNI DITOLA

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

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



August 30, 2026
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 20:7-9 | Rom 12:1-2 | Mt 16:21-27

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Peter, understandably, responded to Christ’s foreshadowing of his death with shock and horror – insisting that Jesus would not suffer and die. But Christ’s words to his disciples taught them all to respond with humble obedience, trusting in the mission of God without fully understanding it. And Jeremiah in the first reading felt that God had “duped” him. Perhaps the message here is to expect the unexpected when taking on a life of holiness. In my own vocations of marriage, motherhood, and teaching, I regularly encounter challenges and surprises. As disciples, when we discern the will of God in our lives and choose to live according to his will, we do so not because we know all that it will entail, but because we know and trust the One who calls us. We are not promised an easy life, but we are promised abundant life. God calls us to a life of holiness because he knows that is what will bring us fulfillment and peace.

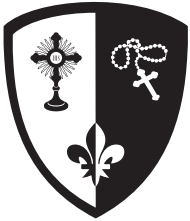
REFLECT

Spend some time this week considering the vocation to which you are being called. Reflect upon how you can grow in trust of God to depend upon his care and guidance as you serve according to his will. Although our specific call may be challenging and may seem overwhelming, we can trust in the promise that following God’s will leads to a life of joy and peace.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In the process of discernment, we consider our gifts and talents, humbly reflect upon what is needed to build the kingdom of God, and listen carefully in prayer to the voice of God. We have the immense gifts of Sacred Tradition and Scripture to facilitate the “renewal of [the] mind” (Rom 12:2) as we allow our minds and hearts to be transformed by God’s will. And in humble obedience, we must be honest with ourselves about whether we are fully open to God’s call, even when it is contrary to our plans. When we believe with our entire being that we are living according to God’s will, we will not be able to remain quiet or live in a mediocre way. Just as Jeremiah was unable to keep himself from speaking on the Lord’s behalf, the Good News of Christ will come pouring forth from our being in everything that we do. And in this outpouring of God’s love, we will give others the opportunity to encounter Christ through 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

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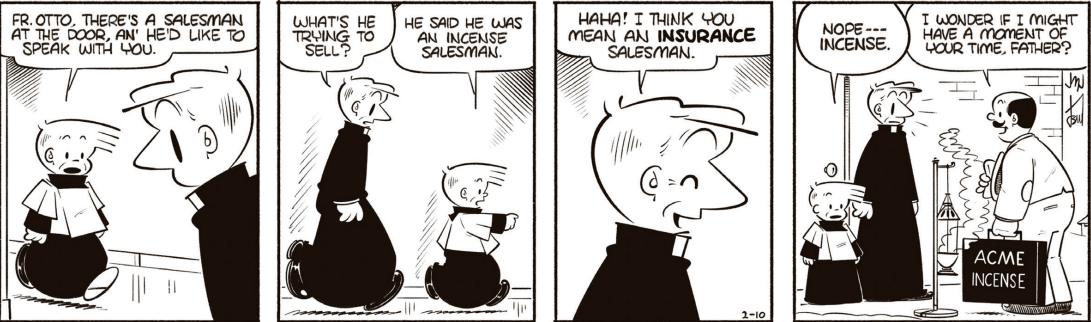
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7732 E State Rd 4
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"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself."

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 30, 2026

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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, August 29

(St J) 4:00 pm Joe & Mary Horvath by Frank & Mary Horvath

(St A) 6:00 pm Bill Quinn by Theresa Sabinas

Sunday, August 30

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

(St J) 9:30 am Father Paul McCarthy by Diane Oudhuis Family

Monday, August 31

(St A) 8:00 am Leo & Caroline Spence by Ron & Shirley Richie

Tuesday, September 1

(St J) 8:30 am Thomas Janicki by Phyllis Austin

Wednesday, September 2

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

Thursday, September 3

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

Friday, September 4

(St A) 8:00 am Joe & Carol Knowlton by Ron & Shirley Richie

Saturday, September 5

(St J) 4:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Holy Name Society

(St A) 6:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory by All Souls Day Envelope Donors

Sunday, September 6

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

(St J) 9:30 am Joseph & Helen Zurek by David & Julie Rice Zurek

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.

LABOR DAY MASS

Weather permitting, Labor Day Mass will be celebrated at St. John Kanty Cemetary on Monday, September 7th at 8:00 am central time. Father Ciesla and Brother Shawn will be there. If it rains that morning, no Mass will be held.

SERVICE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

Join us on Saturday, September 12th at St. John Kanty Parish Hall from 8:00 to 11:00 am for Service Saturday. We need volunteers to polish the pews and perform some light cleaning in the church and hall. To lend a hand, please contact Angela Ruiz at (219) 363-2896.

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR 2026-27 RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Online registration for St. John Kanty / St. Anthony 2026-27 religious education classes for our youth opened on August 1st. Access at <https://stjohnkanty.com>. Classes this year include:

- 1. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (3 levels, ages 3-12)
- 2. Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion
- 3. Ignite Confirmation Preparatory Program (2 year program beginning at age 13)
- 4. High School Faith Formation and Adapting to Adulthood in the Catholic Church (4 year program)

BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION

The Baby Bottle Collection of donations for the Women's Care Center in LaPorte started 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.

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.