



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN

**Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

“The Antonian” November 23, 2025

*St. Anthony of Padua,
Our Patron and Intercessor,
Pray for Us!*



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All Religious Ed. Classes for the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes will be held
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Weekend Mass Schedule - Lumen Christi Parishes:

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 4:00pm St. Anthony; 4:00pm - St. Joseph; 5:30pm: OL Mt. Carmel

Sunday: 7:30am St. Joseph; 9:00am St. Anthony; 9:00am OL Mt. Carmel;

10:30am St. Joseph; 11:00am St. Anthony; 4:30pm St. Joseph; 7:00pm - OLMC

Weekday Mass Schedule - Lumen Christi Parishes:

Monday: 9:00am - OL Mt. Carmel

Tuesday: 9:00am - St. Anthony; 6:00pm - St. Joseph

Wednesday: 9:00am - OL Mt. Carmel

Thursday: 7:00pm - St. Anthony (NLM)

Friday: 9:00am - St. Joseph

First Friday: 7:00pm - St. Anthony (NLM);

First Saturday: 9:00am - St. Anthony (NLM)

Sacrament of Penance - Lumen Christi Parishes:

Tuesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm - St. Joseph

Wednesday: 10:00am - 11:00am - OLMC

Thursday: 5:00 - 6:00pm - St. Anthony

Saturday: 1:00-2:00pm - OLMC

First Friday: 10:00-11:00 am - St. Joseph; **First Saturday:** 10:00 - 11:00am - St. Anthony

Prayer Blankets

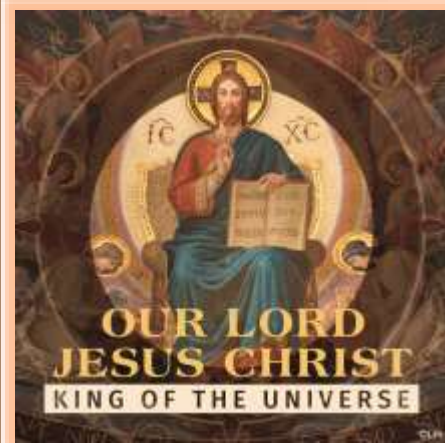
Prayer Chain

Seven Sisters Apostolate

Sandy Maenle: 734-847-7813

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Cheryl Scott: 319-296-5864



**GIVE
thanks
TO THE LORD
FOR HE
IS GOOD**

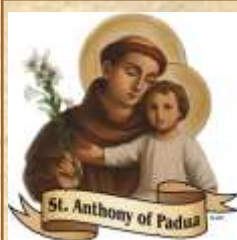


*Mass will be offered on Thursday,
November 27 at 9:00am*



All Parish Offices will be closed
Thursday and Friday this week.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!



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of Padua,
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and Intercessor,
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A memorial Book has been placed at
the side entrance to the Church.
All are invited to write in the names of
your beloved deceased.
They will be remembered in all the
Masses offered during the month of
November.

† **MASS SCHEDULE** †**Monday, November 24, 2025**

St. Andrew Dũng-Lac, Pr., & Comps. (1820-1866),
Vietnamese Ms., including a 9-year-old (*New*)
St. John of the Cross (1591), Pr., D. (*Trad.*)
St. Chrysogonus (4th C.), M. (*Trad.*)

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

9:00am ***Matthew Schnur** by Elisa Schnur
†**George Pegouski**
by Barb Korotko

***Fr. Richard Munkelt**

by Jonathan & Elisa Schnur

St. Catherine of Alexandria (307), V., M., Pt. of
philosophers & young girls (*New, Trad.*)

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

St. Sylvester (1267), Ab. (*Trad.*)
St. Peter of "Alexandria" (311), B., M. (*Trad.*)
St. Leonard of Port Maurice (1751), Pr., Pt. of
parish missions (*Hist.*)
St. John Berchmans (1621), Jesuit novice, Pt. of
altar boys (*Hist.*)

Thursday, November 27, 2025**Thanksgiving Day**

9:00am †**Deceased Members of the**
Ronald & Dolores Gorney
Family, and Diane
by Kay Shepherd

***Joseph Korotko** by Barb Korotko

***Marta Toma** by Marta Toma

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (1830) (*Trad./*
some places)

St. Maximinus (460), B. (*Hist.*)

Friday, November 28, 2025

St. Catherine Labouré (1876), V. R., received Mirac.
Medal (*Trad./some places*)
St. James of the Marches (1476), Pr. (*Hist.*)

Saturday, November 29, 2025

St. Saturninus (303), Pr., M. (*Trad.*)

Sunday Vigil

4:00pm †**Clarence (Bud) Henry**
by Marie-Lynne & Thomas Henry

Sunday, November 30, 2025**First Sunday of Advent**

9:00am †**Living and Deceased Members**
of the Knights of Columbus
by Fr. John A. Kenna Council
Knights of Columbus

11:00am ***The People of St. Anthony**
(NLM)

St. Andrew (63), Ap., M., Pt. of fishermen, Russia, &
Scotland (*New, Trad.*)
St. Maura (4th C.), V., M. (*Hist.*)

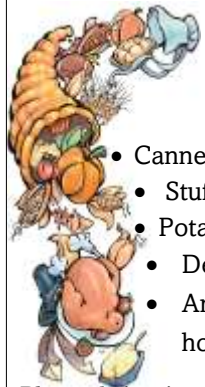
Readings for Today**Sunday, November 23, 2025:**

2Samuel 5:1-3

Colossians 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

Donations are needed for
Thanksgiving Food Baskets.

**Items needed are:**

- Turkeys, or the money/gift card to buy one,
- Canned fruits & vegetables,
- Stuffing, Rolls,
- Potatoes (bags or packages),
- Dessert Ingredients
- Any other items for a holiday meal.

Please bring in all remaining donations
by **Monday, November 24**
for distribution the following day.

Online Giving - Update

Good news....the option for online giving has been restored.

If you'd like to contribute on line, you can either scan the QR code →



or go to our website and click on the "DONATE" button in the lower left corner....then click on "Give Now".

Thank you for your patience as the issues have now been resolved.

May God bless you all for your continued generosity.

It's time for the Knights of Columbus
"Keep Christ in Christmas"
Poster Competition.

It's open to all St. Anthony kids grades K-8. Posters will be judged by the K of C on artistic merit, slogan and overall impact. A prize will be awarded in each age group. Entry forms and Posters (on 11x17 paper) should be turned in to the parish office by 3:00PM on 12/12/25. Entry forms are located in the narthex and any questions can be directed to Tim Speer at

t.speer96@gmail.com.

This Week's Calendar**Monday, November 24, 2025**

6:00pm - OCIA - 8th Grade Classroom
Nativity Play Rehearsal - Kenna Hall

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

9:00am - Holy Mass

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

6:30-7:30pm - Perpetual Help - Church

Thursday, November 27, 2025**Thanksgiving Day**

9:00am - Holy Mass

No Confessions or Evening Mass

Offices Closed

Friday, November 28, 2025

Offices Closed

Saturday, November 29, 2025

4:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday, November 30, 2025

9:00am - Holy Mass

K of C Corporate Communion

11:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)

PLEASE NOTE...**New Parish Office Hours****Secretary's Office:**

Monday - Thursday: 10:00am - 3:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Business Office:

Tuesday: 10:00am - 2:00pm

**Our CSA goal for 2025**

is \$40,210.00

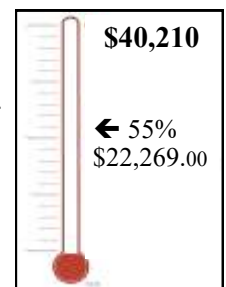
As of Friday,
November 14, we
have received 71
pledges, including on-
line gifts totaling
\$22,269.00

**We're more than
halfway there!**

We have \$17,941.00
to go.

Thank you to all who have pledged...
we're getting closer to our goal! Together,
We can do it!

Please help us make our goal. If we do
not make our goal, the remaining amount
will come out of our savings. Any amount
that is paid in excess of our goal comes
back to the Parish for our use.



*Pray without
Ceasing!*

	<i>Priest</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Ushers</i>
Saturday, 4:00pm	Fr. Slaton	R. Dressel	I. & M. Elmore	D. Thoma; J. Thoma J. Thoma; J. Komorowski;
Sunday, 9:00am	Fr. Slaton	K. Shade	J. & T. Dollison	G. Ingersoll, B. Kapela L. Komorowski, M. Miller
Sunday, 11:00am NLM	Fr. Slaton	—	--	K. Jorrey; J. Ondrus *Ushers Needed

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas, "the bad thief." I am as close to Jesus as he was, and I ask for all the wrong things.

The King Who Hangs Beside Us

We love to hate the bad thief.

Ancient Christian tradition has called him by the name "Gestas." In contrast to Dismas, "the good thief" who recognized and repented of his own sins, Gestas goes down bitter and swinging. With his last breaths he taunts Jesus, poking fun at the absurdity of a deity who allows himself to be crucified by mortals. "Are you not the Christ?" he sneers.

But his final words betray an undercurrent of desperation. Of terror. In the end, Gestas just wants Jesus to save him.

It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas. I hang from my own cross — we all do, in this life. But I'm lucky enough that my cross is right beside Jesus, because the sacraments bring him as close to me as he was to Gestas — closer, even. How unfathomable is the mercy of God.

And yet, I am not grateful. I don't rejoice at my proximity to my Lord, to the flesh and blood that have bought my salvation. I don't do what I should do, and what Dismas does. I don't say, "Wherever you are King, please, let me be your subject. Wherever you are going, please, take me with you."

"Are you not the Christ?" I say instead. And what I mean is exactly what Gestas meant: "Get me down. Take this cross away. I don't want it. I can't take it."

What a tragedy it would be, if all Christ had to offer us was an easier life.

None of this looks like anyone thought it would. The long-foretold Messiah, whose majesty and might would eradicate violence and establish peace. The guy who was going to make everything okay again. The King of the Jews. And here he hangs: bleeding and dying and doing what looks like nothing. Staring at Gestas. Staring at me. Staring at you.

What will you say to him?

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Euchre Night

Our St. Anthony Euchre night (November 15) was a delightful evening! Many thanks to Our St. Anthony Knights of Columbus, as well as the Rummage Sale Queens for organizing this event, as well as providing refreshments and snacks - even utilizing our St. Anthony Popcorn machine. We had enough players for several teams, and even a few games for non-Euchre players.

At the end of the evening, there were even a couple of awards:

- ☺ For High score, Cecelia Mallin;
- ☺ For Low score, non other than Fr. Slaton.

Thank you again for all who participated.... we hope to have more fun events like this in the future.



The Offertory Story for November 16, 2025

# Env. assigned: 322;	# Env. used: 75
Envelope total	\$ 7,451.00
Loose:	\$ 290.00
On-line giving	\$ 65.00
Total	\$ 7,806.00
Weekly Budget amt.....	\$ 5,900.00
+Over/-Under Budget	\$ + 1,906.00
Year To Date +-	\$ - 326.00
Other:	
Candles	57.10
Catholic Charities	50.00
Christmas Flowers	805.00
CSA	300.00
Donation	350.00
Holy Day	69.00
Masses	20.00
Rummage Sale	600.00
Thanksgiving Baskets	170.00
Total for Other:	2,421.10



ARCHBISHOP OF DETROIT

November 15, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Since arriving in Detroit this past March, I have had the great joy of meeting many of you at parish celebrations, diocesan gatherings, Mass, and other liturgies. In every encounter, I have seen something truly beautiful. I have witnessed your deep love for Christ, your local parish, and our Archdiocese. I also have witnessed your intense desire to see the Church of Detroit flourish for generations to come.

Along with our many blessings, I have also heard the candid expression of your concerns and your understanding of the challenges we face now and into the future. Please know that I hear you and that I see these challenges, too. Many of our churches were built during a time of tremendous growth, when more than 1.5 million Catholics called this Archdiocese home. Today, our Catholic census is closer to 900,000, with a smaller number regularly attending Mass. We have been struggling to maintain buildings, ministries, and structures that were designed for a much larger Church. The situation that unfolded in the last 50 years has left us stretched—sometimes stretched too thinly to serve as well as we want. Moreover, as we struggle to care for buildings and parish structures where there are very few people, we are also seeking to ensure the presence of the Church as we follow the Catholic population in those areas where the Church is growing.

While I believe that our commitment to Christ and his Church means that we must face these challenges, I do not believe that this moment in time need be marked primarily by anxiety or despair. Rather, I believe the situation we are facing is one that holds real and blessed opportunities. I believe with all my heart that God is inviting us to reimagine parish life, priestly ministry, and our mission. I believe God is asking us to face our future with creativity and deeper faith and trust that if we ask Him, then He will show us the way toward building something vibrant, sustainable, and enduring into the future.

This is why I am inviting every Catholic in our Archdiocese to join me in a serious two-year process of Archdiocesan restructuring. It will be a journey of discernment that I believe we can accomplish only together—a time for us to chart the best path forward for each of our parish communities and regions. In such an endeavor, every voice matters, just as every prayer matters. The end result will affect each parish and community of our Archdiocese, so each of you has a part to play in shaping the future of our Church.

It is important to be honest about what this restructuring may bring. We know that we cannot maintain the same number of parish buildings that we have today. Some parish communities may see changes in how or where they gather, while others may be called to see church buildings closed—structures that have been dear to their hearts for generations. But just as there will be mourning over losses or changes in parish life, there likewise will be new blessings with enhanced locations, renewed communities, and the ability to redirect our efforts toward sharing the Gospel and making disciples. I believe that as we work to *right-size* the Archdiocese and reallocate our personnel and financial resources, the footprint of the Church's presence—her mission, her faith, and her people—will remain.

Our work will be guided primarily by three key pillars:

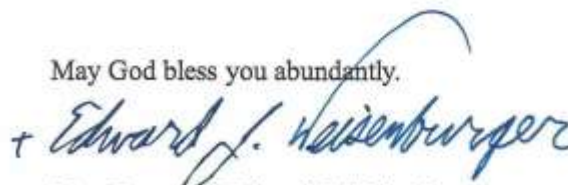
- **Vibrant parishes:** We want every parish to be a living heartbeat of faith, where people encounter Christ, grow in discipleship, and build real community.
- **Flourishing priests:** Our priests are at the heart of parish life. They must be supported and free to focus on what they do best: preaching the Gospel, celebrating the Sacraments, and caring for the faithful.
- **Mission ready:** By realigning our clergy and financial resources wisely, we will bring the joy of Christ to the next generation with energy and purpose. We will hand the next generation a Church that is vibrant, thriving, and alive in every way.

Next spring, each parish will host two listening sessions where you will have a chance to share your insights, hopes, and dreams for the future of your local parish and the Archdiocese. In the meantime, I ask for your prayers. Special prayer cards will be made available for this purpose at each parish. You can also access the prayer at restructuring.aod.org, along with other resources related to this effort.

Additionally, every step of the restructuring will be covered in *Detroit Catholic*, the Archdiocese's free online news source. The best way to be kept up to date with how our restructuring unfolds is to sign up to get *Detroit Catholic* delivered to your email inbox either daily or weekly at detroitcatholic.com/subscribe.

Brothers and sisters, thank you for your generosity of time, prayer, talent, and faith. Together, and with God's grace, we will fashion a Church in this Archdiocese that is vibrant, flourishing, and fully alive in the mission of the Gospel.

May God bless you abundantly.



Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Archbishop of Detroit



Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

	<u>OLMC</u>	<u>St. Anthony</u>	<u>St. Joseph</u>
Monday	9:00am	12:00pm	9:00am
12/08/2025	6:00pm	7:00pm (NLM)	7:00pm

Advent Reconciliation Schedule

<u>St. Joseph</u>	<u>OLMC</u>	<u>St. Anthony</u>
12/16/2025	12/17/2025	12/18/2025
5pm-8pm	5pm-8pm	5pm-8pm

Christmas Mass Schedule

	<u>OLMC</u>	<u>St. Anthony</u>	<u>St. Joseph</u>
Christmas Eve	4:00pm	4:00pm	4:00pm
12/24/2025	6:00pm		(Children's Liturgy)
Christmas Day	10:00am	Midnight (NLM)	Midnight
12/25/2025		10:00am	9:00am





ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

*Present their world famous
All You Can Eat*

Breakfast Buffet

DECEMBER 14

8:30AM - 11:30AM

(2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

ST. ANTHONY'S KENNA HALL

4635 ST. ANTHONY RD. ♦ TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN 48182 ♦ 734-854-1143

Menu

Eggs Toast Potatoes
Bacon Sausage
Pancakes Biscuits & Gravy
Orange Juice Coffee

Suggested Donation:

Adult	\$9.00
Senior Citizens	\$8.00
Children(12 & under)	\$6.00

**All
are Welcome!!**



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St. Anthony Reliquary

St. Anthony Parish is truly blessed to have in our reliquary 24 relics. We also have on our Altar a relic of the true cross, as well as of our Patron, St. Anthony of Padua.

Many of you have asked for a guide to our treasure....hopefully, this will increase your devotion to the holy men and women who intercede for us.



S. Crucis D.N. (True Cross)
(Left Side of Altar)



S. Antonii Patav
(Right Side of Altar)



1. S. Antonii, **CD** (Confessor, Doctor)
2. **Ex Oss**, S. Jo. Neuman (Piece of bone)
3. S. Francisci Xav. **C** (Confessor)
4. S. Augustini **ECD** (Bishop, Confessor, Doctor)
5. S. Teresiae a Jesu
6. S.M. Marg Alacoque
7. S. Luciae **V.M.** (Virgin, Martyr)
8. S. Patriti **E.C.** (St. Patrick; Bishop, Confessor)
9. Praesep. D.N.J. (Crib of Our Lord, Jesus)
10. **a: EX USS.** S. Elizabeth **b:** Alphonsi NC Lig
c: S. Stanislai Kostka **d: ExVes** s. Rosae Viterbo V.
(Piece of clothing)
11. St. Elenae, Imp. (St. Helen, Empress)
12. **ex oss.** St. Camilli (Piece of bone)
13. St. Martin De Porres
14. St. Michael the Archangel (Stones)
15. s. Basilii **E. D.** (Bishop, Doctor)
16. S. Teresae
17. S. Dominici **C.** (Confessor)
18. St. Elizabeth Seton
19. S. Pii Pp.X, **C** (Pope St. Pius 10th) (Confessor)
20. St. Maria Goretti
21. St. Joannis a. Cr. Doct. (St. John of the Cross, Doctor)



Catholic Services Appeal 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year, all parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit embark upon the CSA (Catholic Services Appeal) Drive. The CSA is a required collection taken up for the general operational expenses of the Archdiocese of Detroit. It helps to subsidize Catholic institutions that may not necessarily be connected to or funded by a particular parish. Among these special services are maintaining Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Campus Ministry, Telecommunications, Hospital and Prison Chaplaincies, Central Service Offices, which provide direct assistance to individual parishes, the Marriage Tribunal, and the like. Since the CSA provides for 62% of the operating budget of the Archdiocese, we are assessed or taxed a specific amount we are asked to meet. Our assessment is based upon many factors, including parish registration, Sunday collections, and financial status of the area within our parish boundaries. The detail of how our assessment is calculated, as well as how the money is used may be found on the insert included with today's bulletin.

The amount assessed to St. Anthony Parish this year is **\$40,210**. In order to reach our goal, the recommended pledge amount will be **\$275.00** from each family.

For your convenience, pledge forms can be found at the bottom of this page. Please complete the form and designate the amount of your pledge and the payment plan you prefer and return to the Parish Office. Pledges may also be made by calling the Parish Office 734-854-1143; sending your pledge via email (stanthony@bex.net) or by stopping by the Parish Office during regular business hours.

Your pledge can be made in several ways: paid in full and returned with your pledge form; a down payment returned with your pledge form, with the balance divided into quarterly payments, or divided evenly among 9 monthly payments. Credit card and automatic withdrawal payments and electronic funds transfers (EFT) will also be accepted. If you wish to contribute this way, please go to: give.aodcsa.org. Please select "St. Anthony, Temperance" on the online form where indicated. Donors may also call (888) 331-8695 to make an online or EFT request.

Please note: If you sign up to make payments on your pledge, the payment schedule will not begin until July 2025.

Please remember that we are required to make an accounting of all CSA cards for our Parish, so even if you are unable to pledge, we ask that you indicate that to the Parish Office as well.

I am grateful for your continued stewardship and prayers.

God Love you!

Father Robert J. Slaton
St. Anthony Parish

CSA - 2025

Name _____

Address _____ Phone # _____

Amount of total Pledge \$ _____ Amount paid today \$ _____

Balance due \$ _____. Please bill me quarterly _____ or monthly (9 monthly payments) _____

____ I will pay by credit card (or) by automatic withdrawal payments per the information above.

Please make checks Payable to: St. Anthony - CSA