



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Temperance, Michigan

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Antonian" September 21, 2025

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



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):

All Religious Ed. Classes for the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes will be held
 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish

For more information: 734-848-6125 ext. 6 faith.formation@stjosepherie.com

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 Sandy Maenle: 734-847-7813 **Prayer Chain** Miriam Dressel: 734-888-1192 **Seven Sisters Apostolate** Cheryl Scott: 319-296-5864



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*September is
dedicated to
Our Lady
of Sorrows*



OCIA Do you or someone you know want to learn about joining the Catholic Faith? **Beginning Monday, September 22**, Ron Oehlert will be offering a comprehensive instruction on Monday evenings at 6pm in the 8th grade classroom in St. Anthony School. **For more information, or to register for classes, please call the Parish Office 734-854-1143**

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First Communion - Confirmation 2025/26

The dates for First Holy Communion for the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes have been set for 2026:

St. Anthony: April 19
OL Mt. Carmel: April 26
St. Joseph: May 3

If you have a child who will be receiving their First Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office ASAP.

The date for **Confirmation** has been set for **April 29, 2026** at OL Mt. Carmel.

† **MASS SCHEDULE** †**Monday, September 22, 2025**St. Thomas of Villanova (1555), B., R., Pt. of Valencia (*Trad.*)St. Maurice & Comps. (c.285), Ms. (*Trad.*)**Tuesday, September 23, 2025**9:00am †**James Taggart**

by Pat & Jamie Jemaa

†**Marge Hoffheinz**

by Nathan & Theresa Bylicki

†**Gloria Knaggs** by Dee MitchellSt. Pio (Pius) of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) (1968), Pr., R., stigmatist (*New*)St. Linus (79), P., M. (*Trad.*)St. Thecla (1st C.), V., M., invoked for the dying (*Trad.*)St. Constantius the Sacristan (1st C.) (*Hist.*)**Wednesday, September 24, 2025**Our Lady of Ransom (1218) (*Trad.*)St. Pacific of San Severino (1707), Pr. (*Hist.*)Ember Wednesday (*Trad.*)**Thursday, September 25, 2025**7:00pm †**Jan Brissette** by Robert Glinski (NLM)†**Rita Creque** by Dave Sedlar***The Liedel Family**

by The Larsen/Farley Families

Bl. Herman the Cripple (1054), R., author of the Salve Regina (*Hist.*)St. Finbar (Barry) (633), B. (*Hist.*)St. Cleophas (1st C.) (*Hist.*)**Friday, September 26, 2025**Sts. Cosmas & Damian (283), twins, Ms., Pts. of physicians, pharmacists (*New*)Sts. Cyprian & Justina (3rd C.), Ms. (*Trad.*)Sts. Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf, Prs., & Comps. (1642, 1646, 1648, 1649), Ms., Secondary Pts. of Canada (*Trad./some places*)Ember Friday (*Trad.*)**Saturday, September 27, 2025**4:00pm ***Dave & Yavonne Thoma, and*****Brandon Speaker**

by Meghan (Thoma) Speaker

St. Vincent de Paul (1660), Pr., F., Pt. of all charitable societies (*New*)Sts. Cosmas & Damian (283), twins, Ms., Pts. of physicians, pharmacists (*Trad.*)Ember Saturday (*Trad.*)

Sunday, September 28, 2024**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time** (*New*)9:00am ***Living and Deceased Members** of the **Walter & Pearl Urbaniak Family** by Dan Ron & Ruth Miller11:00am ***The People of St. Anthony** (NLM)St. Wenceslaus (929), M., Duke, Pt. of Bohemia and brewers (*New, Trad.*)St. Lawrence Ruiz, husband, father, & Comps. (1633-1637), Ms. (*New*)Bl. John of Dukla (1484), R. (*Hist.*)**Readings for Today****Sunday, September 21, 2025:**

Amos 8:4-7

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Luke 16:1-13



**Pray without
Ceasing!**

PRAYER FOR THE RETURN OF NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS

Good Shepherd, You never cease to seek out the lost, to call home the stray, to comfort the frightened, and to bind up the wounded.

I ask you to bring the people I hold in my heart back to the practice of the Faith, and to remove all obstacles that prevent them from receiving your abundant mercy, which flows sacramentally through the heart of Your holy Church.

Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, their Guardian Angels, their Patron Saints, and the ever-prayerful St. Monica, may You pardon their sins and unshackle them from whatever hinders their freedom to come Home.

For You, O Good Shepherd, have loved us to the end and offered Yourself to the Father for the salvation of all. Amen.

**Special Guest Speakers:**

Sister Deirdre "Dede" Byrne

Leisa Marie Carzon, Ph.D.

Doors open at 5:30pm**Dinner & Program at 7:00pm**

St. Anthony Parish and St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Council 11430 have purchased tables for this event. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to be included at one of our tables.

This Week's Calendar**Monday, September 22, 2025**

6:00pm - OCIA begins

- 8th Grade Classroom

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

9:00am - Holy Mass

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

6:30-7:30pm - Perpetual Help - Ch.

Thursday, September 25, 2025

5-6pm - Confessions

7:00pm - Holy Mass (NLM)

Friday, September 26, 2025**Saturday, September 27, 2025**

9am - 4pm - Padua Hall Rental

4:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday, September 28, 2025

9:00am - Holy Mass

11:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)



We are looking to recruit new **Ushers** to add to rotation for our **11:00am Sunday Mass.**

If you are interested in Ushering, or have questions, please contact the parish office.

Online Giving

It has come to our attention that there is a glitch for those who make their contributions online. We apologize for the inconvenience....the problem is being resolved.

Thank you for your patience and your generosity.

The Offertory Story

for September 14, 2025

# Env. assigned: 322;	# Env. used: 63
Envelope total	\$ 4,559.00
Loose:	\$ 1,043.00
On-line giving	\$ --
Total	\$ 5,602.00
Weekly Budget amt.....	\$ 5,900.00
+Over/-Under Budget	\$ - 298.00
Year To Date +-	\$ - 3,807.75

Other:

Candles	154.00
CSA	20.00
Masses	100.00
Rummage Sale	600.00
Total for Other:	874.00

The Wait is Over!

Directories will be available in the Narthex after Masses this weekend... please be sure to check the name label to get your copy. The directories will also be available in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

† Our Sacramental Policy †

Baptisms: Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a baptism class. The Church requires that at least one of the parents be a practicing Catholic, and the Godparents must be active, practicing, fully initiated Catholics at least 16 years of age. If two Godparents: must be 1 male & 1 female; if one Godparent: may be male or female.

Funerals: Officiate must be St. Anthony Parish Pastor or a family member.

....Let us Pray for....

Theresa Grycza
J. Hall
Janet Harrell
Gloria Hartman
Nicole Hartman
Diane Heidelberg
Phyllis Heyse
Sonya Hill
Gene & Phyllis
Hinkelmann
Fr. Jim Holup
John
M. Johnson
Devin Kacher
Joanne Kolinski
Jonah Kornberg
RoseMarie Komorowski
Bob Kuhlman
Aggie Langscheid
Mary Laroy
Patrick Lyndsay
Sandv Maenle

Peg Mallin
Bridget Marie
Gary Martin
Kevin Martin
Elizabeth Mcchesney
Jodi Miller
Ruth Miller
Bea Montri
Kelly Reese Morgan
Adelaide Munk
Steve Murzynski
C. Nikazy
Nusbaum Family
Ken Nusbaum
Fran O'Connor
Tyler Oehlers
Austin Oehlers
Armando Ortiz
Karen & Tom Penney
Dianne Petrilla
Cliff Renn
Fr. Patrick Rohen

Tami Ross
John & Marge Scott
Patty Smith
Cheryl Stanford
Cherryl Stout
Delores Thorn
Katie Tomaszewski
Mark Tomaszewski
Flossie Townsend
Alicia Trejo
Lily Tussey
Muri Waidelech
Christopher Warner
Diane Webber
Kristine Wells
Mary Beth Wise
Rick Wolneiwciz
Jim Woronce
Dawn Wyse
Charlie Yacuone
Amy Yates
Rita Zeller

GOSPEL MEDITATION -

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 21, 2025 ♦ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 16:10-13

Before I was a priest, I was a lazy worker for a retail Apple store. Hearing a rumor that my boss was going to fire me, I secretly sold iPhones for half-price, gave away dozens of free iPads, and donated several brand-new laptops to managers in other stores in the mall. After a week, my boss called me into his office. He knew what I was up to. He said I had cost the store thousands of dollars. “Really great work, John,” he said. “I am going to recommend you to be my assistant manager and double your pay.” I was amazed.

And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the “master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently” (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us?

Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he wants us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

— *Father John Muir*

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Liturgical Assignments for September 27 & 28, 2025

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

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: Jesus' parable of the untrustworthy steward sums up all our anxieties surrounding material wealth and the delicate balance we have to strike of caring for our physical needs while prioritizing our spiritual ones.

God and Mammon

Dealing with money is unpleasant.

You might be good at dealing with money (I am not). You might even do it for a living (I do not). You might be careful to use as much of your money as you can for good purposes (I try to, but man, these skyrocketing grocery prices are killing me).

But ultimately, money does not bring out the best in us. We waste it. We manipulate it. We hoard it. We become obsessed by it. We let pursuit of it define our decisions. Money is something akin to — it corrupts by touch, it seems. But unlike witchcraft, you can't avoid money altogether. It's necessary. These dollars and cents keep us alive in this world, for a time. We need them for food, for warmth, for health.

Jesus' parable of the untrustworthy steward sums up all our anxieties surrounding material wealth and the delicate balance we have to strike of caring for our physical needs while prioritizing our spiritual ones. But the parable reminds us that we can't escape money, just like we can't escape the world and all the barriers forged by this world between man and the happiness his Creator intends for him. We could retreat to the highest, remotest mountaintop, but the human condition would follow us there.

We would still feel doubt. We would still feel pain. We would still feel fear. We would still sin.

And we would still be hungry and cold. We would still need money.

Money will never be something that is easy to handle virtuously. But guess what? Nothing in this world is. And it's probably best that we remember that.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What's Most Important?

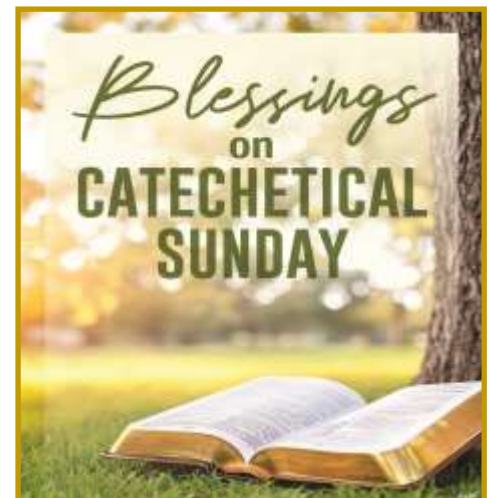
I hold to the belief that you cannot have allegiances to both Duke and UNC, the Packers and the Bears, or the Yankees and the Red Sox. In Matthew 6:24, it says, "He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other." That verse isn't talking about sports! It's talking about God and money. Most of us love both of those and that can be a problem. If you were to love any of the sets of teams mentioned above, you have a huge problem as well.

Simply put, you can only have one thing that is the most important in your life. When I ask my children what is the most important thing in their lives, they know to respond, "God." But just because you know that is the right answer doesn't make it the truthful answer. Total allegiance to a sports team seems easier. You won't find a Packers fans secretly wearing a Bear's jersey. However, we can find Christians secretly hoarding their money or doing things based solely on the love of money.

Maybe the problem lies in the fact that, at times, we are merely lukewarm fans of Jesus and not disciples. If we truly have matured in our faith and strengthened our relationship with him, then real commitment comes easier. There will always be a temptation for money to take the place of Jesus, but the more committed we are, the harder it is to allow anything to come between us and our God. The question we all must continually ask ourselves is, "Is God truly the most important thing in my life?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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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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Catholic Services Appeal 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year, all parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit embark upon the CSA (Catholic Services Appel) 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

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

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