



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
CATHOLIC CHURCH
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The Antonian” February 1, 2026

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



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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](#)

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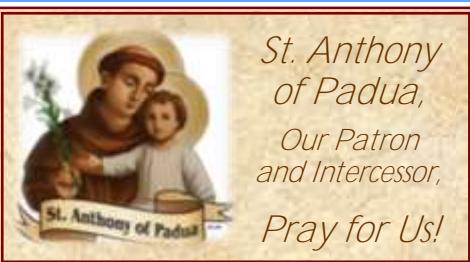
Monday, February 2
is the **Feast of the
Presentation of the Lord,**
also known as
Candlemas Day.
Holy Mass will be celebrated
at St. Anthony that day at **7:00pm (NLM);**
including the blessing of candles.
You are welcome to bring any candles
from home to be blessed.

Tuesday, February 3,
is the **Feast of St. Blaise.**
Blessing of Throats will take place:
◆ **Tuesday** after the 9:00am
Mass at **St. Anthony**
◆ **Tuesday** after the 6:00pm Mass at
St. Joseph
◆ **Wednesday**, February 4 after the
9:00am Mass at **Our Lady of Mt.
Carmel**
◆ **Friday**, February 6, after the 9:00am
Mass at **St. Joseph.**


Our Mass with Jubilarians
will take place
next Sunday, February 8
at the 9:00am Mass.
Please contact the Parish Office
before Tuesday, February 3
if you will be celebrating a milestone
Wedding Anniversary (25, 30, 35, 40,
45, 50+) in 2026.



St. Anthony Knights of Columbus is
offering a complimentary breakfast to
the Jubilarian couples that day as well.



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of Padua,
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**A Prelude
to St. Patrick's Day**
Saturday, February 14, 2026
St. Anthony's Kenna Hall
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*Details on the flier in today's bulletin.*

## † MASS SCHEDULE †

**Monday, February 2, 2026**

7:00pm \***Priests and Parishioners of the (NLM) Lumen Christi Parish Family**

**The Presentation of the Lord**, (New, Trad.); also known as the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Trad.) and as Candlemas Day (Trad.)

**Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

9:00am \***Peter Woronec** by Jim Woronec

St. Blaise (316), B., M., Pt. of those with throat ailments (New, Trad.)

Blessing of Throats (New, Trad.)

St. Ansgar (865), B., Pt. of Scandinavia (New)

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

St. Andrew Corsini (1373), B. (Trad.)

**Thursday, February 5, 2026**

7:00pm \***Rebecca Pedouskie**

(NLM) by Barb Korotko

St. Agatha (251), V., M., Pt. of nurses (New, Trad.)

**First Friday, February 6, 2026**

7:00pm \***Marta Toma** by Marta Toma

(NLM)

St. Paul Miki, Pr. & Comps (1597), Japanese Ms. Crucified (New)

St. Dorothy (303), V., M., Pt. of florists (Trad.)

St. Titus (96), B. (Trad.)

**First Saturday, February 7, 2026**

9:00am \***Fr. Slaton's Intentions**

(NLM)

St. Romuald (1027), Ab., F. of the Camaldolese Order (Trad.)

St. Richard of Lucca (722), King, father of Sts. Walburga, Willibald, & Winnebald (Hist.)

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**Sunday Vigil**

4:00pm \***Ken Tomczak**

by Catholic War Vets., Post 1958

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (New)**

9:00am \***Jack, Pat, & Peter Carey**

by Dan Carey

**11:00am \*The People of St. Anthony**

(NLM)

St. Jerome Emiliani (1537), Pr., F., Pt. of orphans & abandoned children (New)

St. Josephine Bakhita (1947), V., R. (New)

St. John of Matha (1213), Pr., F. of the Trinitarians (Trad.)

**Prayer Blankets** will be in the Narthex this weekend, **January 31 & February 1**.

Please take a moment to tie a knot and say a prayer for whoever the blanket will be given to.

The prayer blanket meeting will be **Tuesday, February 3**, following the 9:00am Mass, in the Narthex.

**Readings for Today****Sunday, February 1, 2026:**

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 5:1-12a

**Looking Ahead.....**

 **Ash Wednesday 2026** will be February 18. Palms from last year's Palm Sunday are burned for this year's ashes.

Please bring any palms from home to the container in the Narthex by Sunday, February 15 so we can be ready for Ash Wednesday.

Thank you.

**Parish Office Hours****Secretary's Office:**

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

**Friday:** 10:00am - 1:00pm

**Business Office:**

**Tuesday:** 10:00am - 2:00pm

**Live + Jesus!****SACRED HEART CHAPEL,  
MONASTERY OF THE VISITATION**

1745 Parkside Blvd., Toledo Ohio

There will be a **HOLY HOUR**, Sunday, February 8 at 4:00pm, to give glory, love, and reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Vespers, homily, the Rosary, Sacred Heart devotions, and Benediction.

**The Offertory Story**

for January 18, 2025

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| # Env. assigned: 322;         | # Env. used: 62      |
| Envelope total                | \$ 4,640.00          |
| Loose:                        | \$ 227.00            |
| On-line giving                | \$ 105.00            |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>\$ 4,972.00</b>   |
| <b>Weekly Budget amt.....</b> | <b>\$ 5,900.00</b>   |
| +Over/-Under Budget           | \$ - 928.00          |
| <b>Year To Date +</b>         | <b>\$ - 7,353.57</b> |

**Other:**

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Candles                | 76.25           |
| Christmas              | 25.00           |
| Holy Day               | 50.00           |
| Initial Offering       | 95.00           |
| Masses                 | 70.00           |
| Rummage Sale           | 900.00          |
| <b>Total for Other</b> | <b>1,216.00</b> |

**This Week's Calendar****Monday, February 2, 2026**

7:00pm - Holy Mass; Candle Blessing

**Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

9:00am - Holy Mass; Blessing of Throats  
Prayer Blankets - Narthex,

 *Following Mass*

Church Undecorating - *Following Mass*

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

6:30-7:30pm - PH Devotions

7-8pm - K of C - School

**Thursday, February 5, 2026**

Blessing of Items

5:00-6:00pm - Confessions

7:00pm - Holy Mass (NLM)

**First Friday, February 6, 2026**

9:00am - 1:30pm - HFS - K.Hall; School

7:00pm - Holy Mass (NLM);

Benediction, Exposition

**First Saturday, February 7, 2026**

K of C Breakfast Set-up - Kenna Hall

9:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)

4:00pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

8:30am - 11:30am - K of C Breakfast  
- Kenna Hall

9:00am - Holy Mass

11:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)

**Contribution Reports for 2025** for tax purposes will be available at the end of January **upon request**.

Please contact the Parish Secretary's Office to request a statement.

**The Offertory Story**

for January 25, 2025

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| # Env. assigned: 322;         | # Env. used: 49      |
| Envelope total                | \$ 3,170.00          |
| Loose:                        | \$ 199.00            |
| On-line giving                | \$ 180.00            |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>\$ 3,549.00</b>   |
| <b>Weekly Budget amt.....</b> | <b>\$ 5,900.00</b>   |
| +Over/-Under Budget           | \$ - 2,351.00        |
| <b>Year To Date +</b>         | <b>\$ - 9,704.57</b> |

**Other:**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Candles                 | 58.00         |
| Church in Europe        | 10.00         |
| Initial Offering        | 20.00         |
| Masses                  | 60.00         |
| Prayer Requests         | 32.00         |
| <b>Total for Other:</b> | <b>180.00</b> |

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 Please keep in your  
 prayers all our service  
 men and women, especially:  
 ★★ Wes Brown, Army Reserve  
 ★★ Kodie Burtscher, USAF  
 ★★ Jed Clark, USMC  
 ★★ SMSgt. Joseph Korotko, USAF  
 ★★ Kay Clark Thompson, USAF  
 ★★ Eric Hite, Jr. USAF  
 ★★ SSGT Alexa Long, USAF  
 ★★ A.J. Ondrus, USN  
 ★★ Alexander Strang USAF  
 ★★ Victoria Urben - USN  
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† Fr. Slaton blesses items †

the 1st Thursday of each month.

**Our next scheduled day will be  
 Thursday, February 5, 2026**

Please bring any items to be blessed  
 before Thursday; be sure to include your  
 name and number on the items.

† Our Sacramental Policy †

Six-month Parish registration and participation are required for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage.

**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.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made at least nine months in advance. Please call the Parish Office. Officiate at the ceremony must be St. Anthony Parish Pastor or a family member.

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

**Please note:** The services of the Parish Organist are used for all sacramental liturgies.

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

|                   |                      |                     |                       |
|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Norb Abel         | Jeff Grycza          | Kevin Martin        | Cherryl Stout         |
| Easton Aitson     | Gloria Hartman       | Elizabeth McChesney | Delores Thorn         |
| Baby Girl         | Nicole Hartman       | Jodi Miller         | Jackie Tomaszewski    |
| Paul Bazydlo      | Diane Heidelberg     | Ruth Miller         | Katie Tomaszewski     |
| Jackie Biler      | Phyllis Heyse        | Kelly Reese Morgan  | Mark Tomaszewski      |
| Gary Brink        | Sonya Hill           | Adelaide Munk       | Flossie Townsend      |
| Charley Bussey    | Phyllis Hinkelman    | Steve Murzynski     | Alicia Trejo          |
| Caleb             | John                 | Nusbaum Family      | Lily Tussey           |
| Gerald Carto      | M. Johnson           | Ken Nusbaum         | Conor Vermett         |
| Linda Chaney      | Devin Kacher         | Fran O'Connor       | Murl Waidelich        |
| Elizabeth Corey   | Bill Kniss           | Tyler Oehlers       | Christopher Warner    |
| Carl Cornprobst   | Joanne Kolinski      | Austin Oehlers      | Diane Webber          |
| Lowell Cousino    | Jonah Kornberg       | Armando Ortiz       | Kristine Wells        |
| Marcus Demorest   | RoseMarie Komorowski | Karen & Tom Penney  | John & Helen Williams |
| Caleb Dershem     | Earl Kramer          | Dianne Petrilla     | Mary Beth Wise        |
| Ken & Miriam      | David Larner         | Veronica Rakebrand  | Rick Wolneiwicz       |
| Dressel           | Mary Laroy           | Fr. Patrick Rohen   | Jim Woronec           |
| Elaine Esper      | Patrick Lyndsay      | Leo Sancrant        | Dawn Wyse             |
| Joe Everer        | Sandy Maenle         | John & Marge Scott  | Charlie Yacuone       |
| Barbara Francis   | Peg Mallin           | Aaron Shreffler     | Amy Yates             |
| Sheila Greisinger | Bridget Marie        | Patty Smith         | Rita Zeller           |
| Pete Grundy       | Gary Martin          | Cheryl Stanford     |                       |

## GOSPEL MEDITATION: ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 1, 2026  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Matthew 5:1-12a

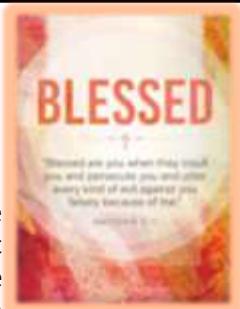
A priest I know was once falsely accused of a terrible crime. The claim was wild and easily disproved, but for a while, it didn't matter. In the atmosphere shaped by the abuse crisis of the early 2000s, the public assumption was guilty until proven innocent. His name was dragged through the mud, and his ministry placed on hold. I had the privilege — and the burden — of walking closely with him during that time.

He was angry. He was confused. He felt abandoned and deeply disoriented. The last thing on his mind was the words of Jesus in today's Gospel: **"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me ... Rejoice and be glad"** (Matthew 5:11-12). Rejoice? He felt anything but.

And yet... something holy slowly grew in him. Not overnight, and not without pain. But as the truth came to light and his name was cleared, I watched him become more Christlike — more patient, more compassionate, more detached from human approval.

Maybe you haven't faced something so dramatic. But where do you feel judged? Misrepresented? Overlooked? Maybe someone else got the credit or the promotion. Maybe someone you love isn't getting their due. In those moments, the Cross of Jesus is near. When we feel accused, that's when we ask him for the grace not just to endure, but somehow, mysteriously, to rejoice and be glad.

— Father John Muir



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## Liturgical Assignments for February 7 & 8, 2026

|                         | <b>Priest</b> | <b>Lector</b> | <b>Altar Servers</b> | <b>Ushers</b>                                       |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Saturday, 4:00pm</b> | Fr. Slaton    | R. Dressel    | J. & J. Jemaa        | J. Komorowski;<br>D. Thoma; J. Thoma                |
| <b>Sunday, 9:00am</b>   | Fr. Slaton    | M. Lindsey    | I. & M. Elmore       | G. Ingersoll, B. Kapela<br>L. Komorowski, M. Miller |

# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini reflection:** How similar we all are in sin. How similar we all are in potential. How different we look to the world. And yet, how wondrous it is that we are all offered the same hope: “Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven.”

### What Stays the Same

Somewhere, there is a monk whose life is very quiet and who devotes long hours to prayer. And somewhere there is a nun, cloistered in a life of contemplation, who speaks very little except to God.

Somewhere, there is a father whose days are filled with noise, who hasn't finished a Rosary in years because he keeps falling asleep. Somewhere there is a mother whose voice is weak with giving direction and offering counsel.

Somewhere, there is a teenage girl with much to say, but few people to listen — fewer, at least, than she would like.

Somewhere there is a woman who holds a positive pregnancy test in one hand and a phone in the other, and somewhere there is a man on the other end of that phone who waits for her to speak.

In the Beatitudes, Jesus utilizes a literary device called *anaphora*. Both as a reader and a writer, I love anaphora. It's a clean, unfussy way to communicate a point. By repeating the same word or phrase at the beginning of successive clauses, you're basically saying the same thing over and over again, just a little bit differently each time. Those small differences tease at your audience's brain, gently highlighting the consistencies.

Discipleship is a lot like anaphora. It's the differences — those little aberrations from person to person, life to life — that so beautifully illustrate what remains the same across the broad spectrum of what it means to live out the Beatitudes.

Me. You. The monk. The nun. The father. The mother. The lonely girl. The man and woman who decided their own future without realizing it. How similar we all are in sin. How similar we all are in potential. How different we look to the world.

And yet, how wondrous it is that we are all offered the same hope: “Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven.”

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**“Ground Hogs’ Day”**  
**Retired Men’s Light Lunch & Cards/Games’ Day**  
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Rm. 3  
**Monday, February 2 11:30AM-2PM**  
Open to all Lumen Christi Families  
**FREE Fellowship & Fun**



**RSVP to Dennis at  
937-554-0525**

Accepting good will donations

Join us!

**OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

COME PRAY. CONNECT.

Lumen Christi FOP

**YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR**

January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026  
6:00PM  
ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
4605 St. Anthony Road  
Temperance, MI 48182

OPEN TO YOUNG ADULTS AGED 18-35.

Evening Includes

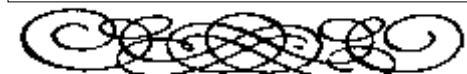
- Evening Rosary
- Adoration
- Confession
- Holy Hour Reflection with Father Giesen
- Final Mass at 8:00 PM

FIND PEACE IN HIS PRESENCE

Join our welcoming Family of Parishes on our mission to create a united and peaceful community devoted to the Blessed Sacrament.

**Church Undecorating** will take place **Tuesday, February 4**, following the 9:00am Mass and Throat Blessing.

This usually takes a couple of hours....help is welcome!



### 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



**Any child receiving First Communion must fill out a registration form at the Parish Office ASAP**

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



ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## Breakfast Buffet

**FEBRUARY 8**

**8:30AM - 11:30AM**

**OUR LAST BREAKFAST OF THE SEASON**

**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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PRELUDE TO  
**ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

PRESENTED BY  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 11430**

FEATURING THE BAND  
**MEN FROM THE BOG**

**FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 6PM**  
ST ANTHONY'S KENNA HALL  
4635 ST. ANTHONY ROAD  
TEMPERANCE MI

SNACKS PROVIDED  
CASH BAR

JIGGS DINNER  
AVAILABLE FOR  
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TICKETS \$10  
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CHILDREN 12 & UNDER \$6  
TABLE OF 10 FOR \$80

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