St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

Temperance, Michigan

Third Sunday of Easter

"The Antonian" † April 18, 2021

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00pm *(English)*
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am *(English);* 12:00pm *(Latin)*

Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday: No Mass; Tuesday - Friday: 8:30am Mass (Wed. - Latin) Thursday also 7:00pm *(Latin)*; First Friday also 7:00pm *(Latin)*; First Saturday also 9:00am*(Latin)*

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm; **Thursday:** 5:30 - 6:30pm

Prayer Blankets
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Prayer Chain
Miriam Dressel…….…734-888-1192

† 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 rectory 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.

Pray without Ceasing

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

St. Anthony Catholic Church
offers Congratulations to
Brandon Todd Speaker

Who was ***Baptized***
According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church and received the Sacraments of ***Holy Eucharist*** *and* ***Confirmation***
At the Easter Vigil Mass
Saturday, April 10, 2021

May God Continue to Bless you on your journey of Faith.

St. Anthony Catholic Church
Offers Congratulations to
Isaac Timothy Larson
Who was sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and was
Confirmed
At the Easter Vigil Mass
Saturday, April 10, 2021

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the Hearts of Your Faithful
and enkindle in them
the fire of Your Love.

I received the Living God,
And my heart is full of Joy!

Bridget Borgstahl
Benjamin Eagle
Marita Seman
Received Jesus for the first time in the ***Holy Eucharist***
Sunday, April 11, 2021
The Feast of Divine Mercy at the 10:00am Mass

May God Bless You!

St. Anthony Catholic Church, Temperance

† Mass Schedule †

Easter Monday, April 19, 2021

No Mass

St. Elphege (1012), B., M. *(Hist.)*
St. Leo IX (1054),P. *(Hist.)*

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

8:30am ***†Albert Lefere***
(English) by Edward Lefere

St. Agnes of Montepulciano (1317), V., R. *(Hist.)*
St. Marcellinus (374), B. *(Hist.)*

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

8:30am ****Maureen James & Family***
(Latin) by Barbara James
****Maximillian Strang***
by The Ondrus Family

St. Anselm (109), B., D. *(New, Trad.)*
St. Conrad (1894), R. *(Hist.)*

Thursday, April 22, 2021

8:30am ***†Letha Holup***
(English) by Dave & Yavonne Thoma

7:00pm ***†Deceased Members of the***
(Latin) ***Moran Family; and***
†The Holy Souls in Purgatory
by John & Colleen Clark

Sts. Soter (175) & Caius (296), Ps., Ms. *(Trad.)*
Sts. Epipodius & Alexander (326), Ms.;
Epipodius, Pt. of victims of betrayal & torture *(Hist.)*

Friday, April 23, 2021

8:30am ***†Thomas & Zenath Hausmann***
(English) by Mike & Larraine Dressel
****Karen Baer; and***
†Craig Baer
by Greg & Karen Baer

St. George (303), M., Pt. of England & skin disease sufferers *(New, Trad.)*
St. Adalbert (997), B., M. *(New, Hist.)*

Saturday, April 24, 2021

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (1622), Pr., M. *(New, Trad.)*
St. Euphrasia Pelletier (1868), F. of Good Shepherd Sisters *(Trad./some places)*

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Sunday Vigil Mass *(New, Trad.)*

5:00pm ***†Dean Dressel***
(English) by Ron Dressel

Sunday, April 25, 2021

4th Sunday of Easter;
Good Shepherd Sunday *(New)*
3rd Sunday after Easter; Rogation Day
(Trad.)

8:00am ***†Laura Simonis***
(English) by Matt & Michaela Dietrich

10:00am ***†Faye Reynolds***
(English) by Gregory & Patricia Pollock

12:00pm ****The People of St. Anthony***
(Latin)

St. Mark (74), Evangelist, M., Pt. of notaries *(New, Trad.)*
The Greater Litanies *(Trad.)*

Readings for the Week

Monday, April 19:
Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29

Tuesday, April 20:
Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35

Wednesday, April 21:
Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40

Thursday, April 22:
Acts 8:26-4 John 6:44-51

Friday, April 23:
Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59

Saturday, April 24:
Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69

Sunday, April 25:
For English Mass
Acts 4:-12
1John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18
For Latin Mass:
Epistle: James 1:17-21
Gospel: John 16:5-14

The Penny Catechism

CHARITY - Chapter IV

THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD

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190. What does the second Commandment forbid?

The second Commandment forbids all false, rash, unjust, and unnecessary oaths; as also blaspheming, cursing, and profane words.

191. Is it ever lawful to swear or to take an oath?

Is it lawful to swear, or to take an oath, only when God's honor, or our own, or our neighbor's good requires it.

The Offertory Story

for **April 4, 2021(Easter)**

# Env. assigned: 312;	# Env. used:	86
Envelope total	$	8,483.00
Loose:	$	505.00
Children's Envelopes:	$	2.00
Total	**$**	**8,990.00**
Weekly Budget amount..	**$**	**4,900.00**
+Over/-Under Budget	$ **+**	**4,090.00**
Year To Date +-	**$ +**	**26,045.70**
Online giving to date	**$**	**8,984.30**
Other:		
Good Friday		10.00
Total for Other:		**10.00**

This Week's Calendar

Monday, April 19, 2021

No Mass
9am - 3pm - St. Aug. Home School Enrich.
5-6:15pm - Rel. Ed. Grades 1-8

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

8:30am - Holy Mass *(English)*
9am - 4pm - Lifeline Health Screening - KH

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

8:30am - Holy Mass *(Latin)*
6:30-7:15pm - Perpet. Help Devotions

Thursday, April 22, 2021

8:30am - Holy Mass *(English)*
9am - 3pm - St. Aug. Home School Enrich.
5:30-6:30pm - Confessions
7:00pm - Holy **Mass** *(Latin)*

Friday, April 23, 2021

8:30am - Holy Mass
9:30am - 1:30pm - HFS - Kenna Hall
1-3pm - St. Aug. Concert Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, April 24, 2021

3:30-4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Holy Mass *(English)*
8pm - St. Aug. Spring Concert - Church

Sunday, April 25, 2021

8:00am, 10:00am - Holy Mass *(English)*
12:00pm - Holy Mass *(Latin)*
1:45pm - 50/50 Drawing - Narthex

The Offertory Story

for **April 11, 2021**

# Env. assigned: 312;	# Env. used:	74
Envelope total	$	4,483.00
Loose:	$	536.00
Children's Envelopes:	$	2.00
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+Over/-Under Budget	$ **+**	**121.00**
Year To Date +-	**$ +**	**26,166.70**
Online giving to date	**$**	**8,984.30**
Other:		
Candles		212.50
CD Rack		4.00
Church in Europe		10.00
Easter Flowers		25.00
Helping Hands		25.00
Holy Day		5.00
Initial Offering		25.00
Masses		50.00
Rosary Makers		50.00
Rummage Sale		500.00
Total for Other:		**906.50**

Upcoming Events

- April 20 - ***LifeLine Health Screening***
- June 14 - ***Abby Johnson Event***
- October 6 & 7 - ***Rummage Sale***

Please keep in your prayers all our service men and women, especially:

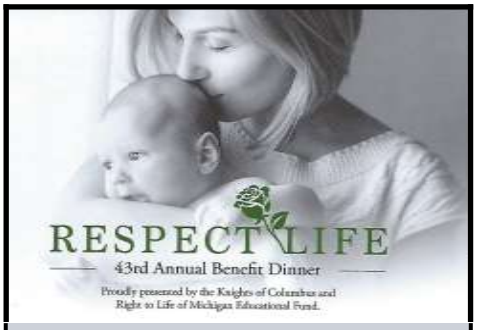
- Wes Brown, Army Reserve
- Kodie Burtscher, USAF
- Patrick Clark, Navy
- Kay Clark Thompson, USAF
- AB Aaron Ford, USAF
- Charlie Gunterman, USMC
- Eric Hite, Jr. USAF
- Alek Murphy, USMC
- Kenneth Lee Ziegler, Jr., Army

50/50 corner

The 50/50 drawing winner for March was Steve Brown. His winning annual ticket rewarded him with $314.00 plus the $50.00 seller incentive.

It's not too late to pick up a 2021 annual. They are a great gift for that hard-to-buy for person. As of today, we have 192 reserved tickets.

Annuals can be purchased at the church office during the week, or in the Narthex on any 50/50 weekend (4th Sunday of the month). *Brian Bischoff*



Thursday, April 22, 2021
Social hour at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00pm
San Marino Club, Troy, Michigan
Keynote Speaker: Mike Slater

St. Anthony Parish and St. Anthony Knights of Columbus have each purchased a table for this event.

We still have 1 table to fill;

Please contact the Parish Office *if you would like to be included at one of our tables.*

We plan to carpool from St. Anthony Church at 5:00pm for anyone interested.

All those who are isolated from families and friends.

Connie Albright
Rudi Amer
Sharon Bailey
Paul Bazydlo
Toni Breininger
Wayne Breininger
Dan Briskey
Jan Brissette
Bob Carey
Carey
John, Bev, & Ann Connolley
Liz Cousino
Lowell Cousino
Mandy Cousino
Sue & David Dawn
Veronica DeLeon
Marcus Demorest
Reagan Devlin

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

Martha Eades
Kristen Easton
Emily
Elaine Esper
"Family"
Scott Ferguson
Jim Fuelling
Jennifer Gibson
Sheila Greisinger
Janet Harrell
Ann Hayden
Gloria Hartman
Stephen & Nicole Hartman
Phylis Heyse
Sonya Hill
Robert Homan
JoAnn Huntwork
Rosemary Jacobs
Gloria Knaggs
Jonah Kornberg
Kathy Kapela
Richard Kopas
Wayne Langscheid
Mary LaRoy
Karen LaVoy
Harry Linebaugh
John Maenle
Sandy Maenle
Steve Murzynski
Casey Naperella
Bernadine Nusbaum
Tyler & Jen Oehlers
Austin Oehlers
Homero Ortiz
Jenny Pam
Jacob Parrish
Jimmy Pilrose
Carol Quaine
Judy Raabe
Rakebrand Family
Fr. Patrick Rohen
Joy Rokicki
Jana Schenkel
Rick Schneider
Jean Schroeder
Alexander, Andrew & Tanner Skelton
Jim Sodd
Donald Stoll
Terry Stoll
Jim Stout
Richard Strouse
Sister Serra Szalasziewicz, CSSF
Tom Szuba
Tom Townsend
Alicia Trejo
Alex Valdez
Virginia VanKirk
Christopher Warner
Kristine Wells

The St. Anthony Prayer Group has resumed our regular prayer times: Wednesdays from 6:30-7:15pm in the Church (All covid precautions will be in place!) Our prayer time includes recitation of the Holy Rosary, Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Litany. If you aren't able to join us on Wednesdays, please feel free to write your intentions on a slip of paper and drop it in the request box that is next to the Divine Mercy icon at the side entrance of the Church.

Come, join us!

Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there And unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Liturgical Assignments for May *are now available in the Narthex and on our website. Thank you to all who keep us posted with your preferences, schedules, etc.*

Looking for a bit of exercise in a safe, indoor setting? We have a great idea!

A group of parishioners have begun to ***"Walk the Hall"*** on Thursday mornings, from 10am until 12pm. This is open to both men and women, and includes recitation of the Rosary during part of the walk. ***Masks are required to participate and social distancing will be observed.***

Questions? Call Carol Fuelling: 419-350-5900

Liturgical Assignments for April 24 & 25, 2021

Mass	Priest	Lector	Altar Servers	Ushers
Saturday, 5:00pm *Mass*	Fr. Slaton	P. Gingras	J. Jemaa	D. Thoma; D. Vandergrift
Sunday, 8:00am *Mass*	Fr. Slaton	R. Dressel	P. Cousino	R. Glinski; B. Kapela
Sunday, 10:00am *Mass*	Fr. Slaton	M. Lindsey	C., J., & M. Torio	A. Hajdu; G. Baer
Sunday, 12:00pm (Latin)	Fr. Slaton	--	**MC:** T. Walker **Servers:** J. McCutchen, R. Oehlers, T. Peterson, JP. Scott, J. Ventura	M. Peterson; M. Scott

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

Recently, I encountered an article in a theological periodical that examined the claim of Catholicism as being the "Cadillac of Religions". While the article was rather flattering in pointing to many aspects of the Faith, its reverence, its ancient heritage, its time-tested morality; I was surprised that the article failed to feature the single most outstanding point in favor of Catholicism—that the Catholic Church is the Church established by Jesus of Nazareth. If one is accepting of Jesus' claim to be *"the way, the truth, and the life…"* (Jn. 14:6), if the divine sonship of Jesus is accepted along with His institution of the Church upon the faith of Peter (cf. Mt. 16:18), then the logical conclusion would be to declare the Catholic Faith to be the one true Faith. Interestingly, this article that praised the Catholic faith in so many different aspects, failed to bring up this point. I also think that most of my readers can conclude why such a point was omitted. With the conclusion of Second Vatican Council and the prevalent spirit that was introduced into the minds of the faithful, such a statement would seem too triumphalist, insufficiently ecumenical, and may cause offense to some of a different mindset. There are some laudable things that can be said about such an 'offend no-one' ethic. Such an ethic has opened up lines of dialogue with groups that previously would have been unthinkable. It has fostered a culture of peaceful coexistence within many nations and brought a sense of civility to many theological discussions among Christians that represent various ecclesial communities. It has also largely hindered the missionary spirit of Catholics around the world. If Catholics are ashamed to acknowledge the unique splendor of their Faith (or have lost belief in this teaching); then what would motivate them to share it with others? If the Church does not possess the "fullness of the Faith" and "all the means of salvation given to men" (both teachings which were affirmed by the second Vatican Council), then any attempt to evangelize another would seem comparable to advocating a flavor preference. Even if one were in possession of a Cadillac and endorsed it without question, could not another prefer a Lexus?

It is also alarming that while Catholics have largely embraced this "offend no-one" ethic, it is clear that other groups have not followed our lead. It is not unusual to find various tracks or publications that will offer an escape from the wrath of the Almighty by praying an evangelical 'sinner's prayer'. If one were to ask a member of the local Witness Hall about the Kingdom of God, the witness would rarely hesitate to identify the boarders of the Kingdom with the numbers of those who have joined the Witnesses. Islam does not shy away from proclaiming that hellfire awaits the infidels that do not submit to Allah. Secular-materialist are often quite rash in their denigration of 'superstitious fools' who believe in fairy tales. Indeed, it may often seem that in religious exchanges, Catholics have shown up to a gun-fight with a squirt gun and are reduced to giving a brief testimony about the quality of the parish music program or the friendly nature of the parish priest. It may seem that forces that are hostile to us as Catholics, as Americans, and even as members of rural communities, are becoming ever-more aggressive as we continue to seek common ground in dialogue.

In the midst of all this tension, the Church (universally and locally) has called us to reclaim our missionary spirit and to rekindle our zeal to fulfill the Great Mandate: *"Go forth and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you"* (Mt. 28: 19-20). Our own Archbishop has written at length about this call in his pastoral letter "Unleash the Gospel" and reminded us that no one is able to "sit on the sidelines" in this mission. I think we know this calling within our hearts, and still the challenge before us can seem overwhelming. I can not affirm to you that this calling will be easy or comfortable. I also can not assure any of you that it will be safe. I can, however, assure you that we do not face this challenge alone. As our Lord concluded His Great Mandate: *"…And surely, I am with you always, even to the end of the age"* (Mt. 20:20).

Nevertheless, we do not go into such a struggle unprepared. We would do well to prepare our minds, our hearts, and our spirits for such an undertaking. To prepare our minds we ought to refresh ourselves in some of our core beliefs. We turn back to our little catechism, our books on apologetics and the Sacred Scriptures. We should be prepared to answer some anticipated questions. (*Continued*)➔

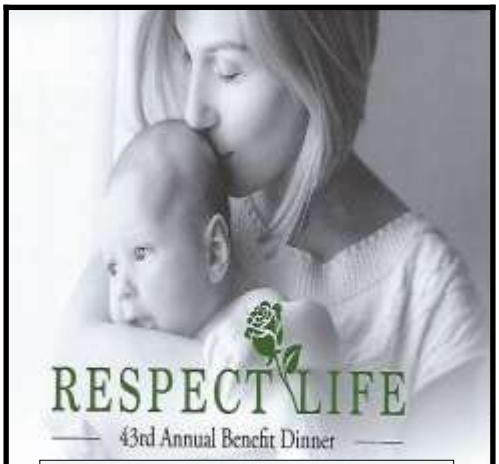
Why do we believe there is a God? Why do we believe in the divinity of Jesus? How do we conclude that the Catholic Church is the Church Jesus founded? Nevertheless, I would suggest that we all be mindful of the distinction between those who question and those who mock. The former group can be engaged and this effort often may lead to a deeper desire to seek truth, the latter are usually a waste of time and an exercise in frustration. Still, they do offer us an opportunity to practice charity.

The preparation of our hearts and spirits consists in prayer and penance. I know that these are everyone's favorite topics (especially after lent has concluded) but they remain an essential aspect of our efforts. We cannot move hearts and minds through mere conversations and human efforts. Even the secular 'woke' movement realizes that they must rely upon intimidation and shaming in order to change peoples' perspectives. *"If the Lord does not build the house, in vain does the builder labor"* (Psalm 127). I think it would be a wise practice to dedicate some aspect of our prayers or devotions for the conversion of sinners. Perhaps a decade of our rosary could be dedicated to this intention. Also, some small act of self-denial could be offered for this intention on Friday's. We could abstain from sweets, eating between meals, or some other act of penance that we offer explicitly for the intention of the success of evangelization efforts. Indeed, if we seek to build a stockpile of grace our efforts will not be reliant upon our own brilliance and eloquence.

Of course, all of these efforts presuppose that our faith is an integral faith. We are Catholics. We have been called to be the "*Salt of the earth and the light of the world*" (Mt. 5:13). If we hope to embrace this calling then we must live our faith in a manner that is bold and visible. We must move our hearts beyond the temptation of a 'cultural Catholicism' that merely holds the faith because of our parents or our upbringing. We have been led to the "Cadillac" of religions, the faith that withstood the Roman persecutions, stood fast against Islamic invasions, outlasted the atheistic programs of the Soviets, and has endured the scorn of the secular world for two millennia. This history of hope and grace has not been due to the brilliance of our leaders but to the promise of our founder: *"I am with you always, even until the end of the age"* (Mt. 28:20). Let us strive to embrace this calling and gift with all of our hearts. Let us truly strive to be the "salt and the light of the world".

God love you,

Fr. Slaton



UPDATE

Due to extended covid restrictions, the following changes have been made as of Wednesday, April 14, 2021:

This Event will take place at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Rochester, Michigan.

- Dinner will not be included
- Parishioners from St. Anthony will not be attending/carpooling
- The tables reserved by St. Anthony Parish and K of C will be considered a donation.
- The event will be livestreamed on Thursday, April 22 at 7:00pm: RespectLifeMI.org
- Any online donations may be made by clicking: https://efdonation.rtl.org/events/respect-life-benefit-dinner/

Easter Flowers, etc.

Many, many thanks to the great crew of people who came Holy Saturday morning to decorate the church for Easter. Within 2 hours, the church was transformed from the starkness of Lent and Holy week, to the beauty of celebrating the resurrection of the Lord!

The flowers lasted through the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, and are now mostly spent. We have placed them (mostly the Easter lilies) along side Padua Hall, next to the sacristy steps; please help yourselves to any that you can use at your home. Lilies typically bloom around 4th of July each year; you will enjoy these for years to come.