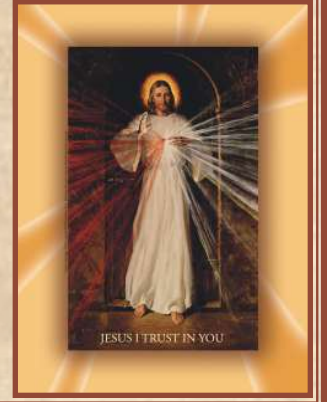




**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
CATHOLIC CHURCH
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN**
Divine Mercy Sunday

“The Antonian” † April 12, 2026
*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:

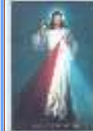
Tuesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm - St. Joseph
Wednesday: 10:00am - 11:00am - OLMC
Thursday: 5:00 - 6:00pm - St. Anthony
Saturday: 1:00-2:00pm - OLMC
First Friday: 10:00-11:00 am - St. Joseph; **First Saturday: 10:00 - 11:00am - St. Anthony**

Prayer Blankets

Prayer Chain

Seven Sisters Apostolate

Sandy Maenle: 734-847-7813 Miriam Dressel: 734-888-1192 Cheryl Scott: 319-296-5864



“Come to My Mercy”

Join us Today,
Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12
2:00-3:00pm - Confessions

3:00pm - The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass;
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament;
Singing the Chaplet;
The Litany of Divine Mercy;
Benediction

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross
2. **Opening Prayer:** You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of Mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us.
O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus, as a fount of Mercy for us, I trust in You (3 times)
3. 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.
4. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
5. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).
6. Conclude with (three times):
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
7. **Concluding Prayer:** Eternal God, in Whom Mercy is endless and the treasury of Compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your Mercy in us, so that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy Itself. Amen

April: Month of the Holy Eucharist



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Jesus, I Trust in You!

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday, April 13, 2026

St. Martin I (665), P., M. (New)
 St. Hermenegild (585), M. (Trad.)
 Bl. Margaret of Castello (1320), V., R. (Hist.)

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

9:00am *Luke & Michelle Trabbic
 by Theresa Holup
†Leeann Hite
 by Theresa Sullivan & Edith Bosler
***Holy Mother's Intentions**
For Marta, Vincent,
Lucas & Maxwell Toma
 by Marta Toma

St. Justin (165), M., Pt. of lecturers (Trad.)
 Sts. Tiburtius, Valerian, & Maximus (230), Ms.
 (Valerian--bridegroom of St. Cecilia; Tiburtius--his
 brother (Trad.)

St. Lydwina (1433), V., Pt. of ice skaters (Hist.)
 St. Lambert of Lyons (688), Ab., Archb. (Hist.)

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Sts. Basilissa & Anastasia (68) (Hist.)
 St. Paternus (550), B. (Hist.)

Thursday, April 16, 2026

No Mass †Gloria Knaggs
 by Linda Johnoff
***Matthew Schnur**
 by Elisa Schnur
***Br. Mark Moran**
& Fr. Timothy Moran
 by Colleen Clark

St. Bernadette Soubirous (1879), V., R., saint of
 Lourdes (Trad./some places)
 St. Benedict Joseph Labre (1783), Beggar (Hist.)

Friday, April 17, 2026

St. Anicetus (175), P., M. (Trad.)
 St. Stephen Harding (1134), Ab. (Hist.)

Saturday, April 18, 2026

St. Apollonius (185), M., Pt. of apologists (Hist.)

Sunday Vigil

4:00pm †Ray Shepherd
 by Kaye Sheperd

Sunday, April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter (New)
2nd Sunday after Easter (Trad.)
9:00am *The People of St. Anthony
11:00am *For Two Unborn Children, and
(NLM) Daughter, Mattea
 by Dean & Melanie Witt

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

**Pray without
 Ceasing**

Readings for Today
Second Sunday of Easter (New)
or Divine Mercy Sunday (New)

April 12, 2026:

Acts 2:42-47
 1 Peter 1:3-9
 John 20:19-31

Protecting God's Children

New employees and all volunteers
are required to take a "live" PGC
class and can register via virtus.org.

All Volunteers and employees are
 required to be registered in taking this
 training.

Please call the Parish Office if you
 have any questions or difficulty
 registering for the training.

Please note that when scheduled Mass
 times say, "No Mass" but Mass
 Intentions are listed, please be assured
 that the Intentions will still be
 remembered in Fr. Slaton's privately
 offered Masses.

Fill the Black Top Hat" fund raiser
 will be this weekend,
 April 11 & 12, 2026.



You will see SVdP members holding top
 hats at the entrances of the church at
 the end of each Mass.

For those who don't carry cash we have
 options: **checks payable to: OLMC-SVDP**
text TOPHAT to 53-555 or

visit <https://givebutter.com/OLMCSDVP>
-TopHat or scan our QR code



Archdiocesan Restructuring

Planning Process

Parish Listening Sessions

The listening Sessions at St. Anthony's
 will be held **this week** :

April 14 & 16 at 7:00pm in the Church.

Please refer to the insert in today's
 bulletin for more information and to
 register.

You must pre-register to attend the
sessions; please go to

restructuring@aod.org

This Week's Calendar

Monday, April 13, 2026

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

9:00am - Holy Mass
 7:00pm - Listening Session - Church

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

6:30-7:30pm - PH Devotions

Thursday, April 16, 2026

No Mass
 No Confessions
 7:00pm - Listening Session - Church

Friday, April 17, 2026

Saturday, April 18, 2026

4:00pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 19, 2026

9:00am - Holy Mass
First Communion during Mass
 11:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)
First Communion during Mass

Parish Office Hours

Secretary's Office:

Monday-Thursday: 10:00am - 3:30pm
 Closed for lunch: 12:30pm-1:30pm
Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Business Office:

By Appointment only



The Offertory Story

for March 29, 2026

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| # Env. assigned: 322; | # Env. used: 63 |
| Envelope total | \$ 5,134.00 |
| Loose: | \$ 2243.00 |
| On-line giving | \$.00 |
| Total | \$ 7,377.00 |
| Weekly Budget amt..... | \$ 5,900.00 |
| +Over/-Under Budget | \$ 1,477.00 |
| Year To Date +- | \$ - 2,823.09 |

Other:

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| Candles | 117.25 |
| Dessert Meal (Seminary) | 1,445.00 |
| Easter Flowers | 75.00 |
| Hall Rental/Insurance | 200.00 |
| Rummage Sale | 1,200.00 |

Total for Other: 3,037.25

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Mini reflection: There is a reason Christ showed his wounds as he said the words, “Peace be with you.” It was not just a means of identifying himself — it was a catechism lesson. *Here, he was saying. Here is the peace you will not find anywhere else.*

Within Thy Wounds

The prayer I love best in the world is the [Anima Christi](#). This private, devotional litany of supplication, begins with the phrase “*anima Christi, sanctifica me*” (“soul of Christ, sanctify me”) and continues on to appeal individually to each aspect of Our Lord’s crucified flesh: “*Body of Christ, save me; blood of Christ, inebriate me; water from Christ’s side, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me; Oh good Jesus, hear me.*”

Then comes my favorite part: “*within thy wounds hide me.*”

The Anima Christi is a prayer traditionally said after receiving Holy Communion. The ancient Celts spoke of *liminal places*, where the veil separating this world from the next is particularly thin, and I believe the moments immediately following the reception of Holy Communion, when the Host is dissolving on my tongue, create a liminal place. When I am in that place, I am as intimately connected to God as I can be while my heart is still beating.

And when I am there, holding God within me, what are the words that I speak? It’s overwhelming to think about. What could possibly be right to say?

There is no right or wrong answer, I suppose. But the best words I can think of are these: “Within thy wounds, Lord, hide me.”

There is a reason Christ showed his wounds as he said the words, “Peace be with you.” It was not just a means of identifying himself — it was a catechism lesson. *Here, he was saying. Here is the peace you will not find anywhere else.*

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Live+Jesus!

There will **NOT** be a HOLY HOUR at the SACRED HEART CHAPEL, MONASTERY OF THE VISITATION in April as it would have been Easter Sunday.

The Next Holy Hour will be May 3rd.

The Holy Hour is held each month on the Sunday following the First Friday.



The 99th Annual Novena to the Sacred Heart

at
THE MONASTERY OF THE VISITATION,
1745 Parkside Blvd. Toledo;
will begin June 4, 2026
with daily Mass at 7 AM and 7:30 PM,
preceded by devotions at 7:15 PM
from June 4th, and each of the 9 days,
through the Feast of the Sacred Heart on
June 12th,
and preached by Fr. Joseph Mominee.

The Sisters of the
Visitation, toledovhm@gmail.com

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.



Back by popular demand

**The Retired Men’s
Light Lunch
& Cards Day**

Wednesday, April 22

11:30am - 2:00pm

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
Room 3**

RSVP by calling or texting
Dennis or Vicki Oberski

RUMMAGE SALE

ST. ANTHONY KENNA HALL

4635 ST. ANTHONY ROAD
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN

TUESDAY, MAY 5 4pm - 8pm

EARLY BIRD SALE! \$5.00 ADMISSION

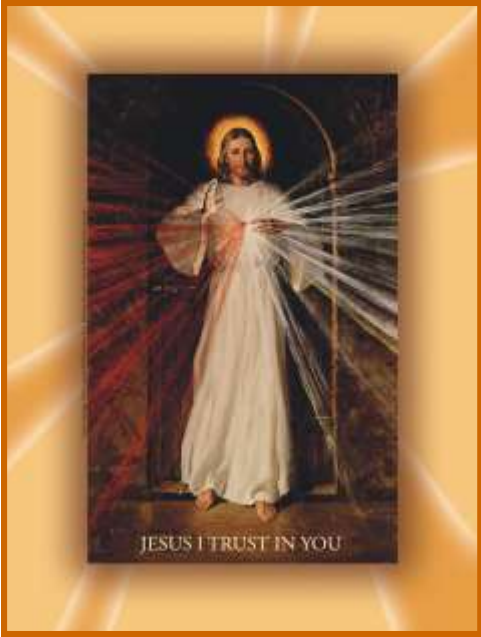
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6 9am - 6pm

THURSDAY, May 7 9am - 6pm

\$2.00 Bag Day!

FRIDAY, May 8 10am - 2pm

Take all you want for a donation!



“Come to My Mercy”

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12, 2026 - The First Sunday after Easter

St. Anthony Catholic Church

Confessions 2:00 - 3:00pm

Holy Mass at 3:00pm; followed by:

- + Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- + Singing the Chaplet
- + The Litany of Divine Mercy
- + Benediction

Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a special day when “all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened.” He also said, “I desire the Feast of Mercy to be a refuge and shelter for all souls, especially poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open.”

Our dearly beloved Pope John Paul II wrote his last and final statement, from his deathbed, on Divine Mercy. In it, he expressed to the world the importance to understand and accept the urgent message of Our Lord’s Divine Mercy.

Our Lord said to St. Faustina:

“Encourage souls to say the Chaplet, which I have given you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the time of death....When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a just Judge but as the Merciful Savior. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy....Through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will.”

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy can be said any time, but Our Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena, especially on the nine days before the Feast of Mercy. And he promised, “By this novena I will grant every possible grace to souls.”

St. Anthony Church began the Novena of Divine Mercy with the recitation of the “Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Novena”

on Good Friday.

The Chaplet and Novena prayers should be recited every day at 3:00pm.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross,
1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.
2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).
4. Conclude with *(three times)*:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
Jesus, I Trust in You!



DIOCESE OF LANSING

Totus Tuus 2026



St. Anthony Catholic Church Temperance, MI July 26th–July 31st

Day Program

Monday-Friday 9am-2:30pm
Grades 1-6

Evening Program

Sunday-Thursday 6:30-8:30pm
Grades 7-12

Join us for a fun and faith-filled week! Learn about the Ten Commandments and the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord. See you there!

REGISTER TODAY!

WWW.SJYPSI.COM/DIOCESE-OF-LANSING-TOTUS-TUUS

Dear Staff and Volunteers of the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes:

It has been brought to my attention that there has been some tension and conflict regarding the safety requirements the Archdiocese has in place for volunteers. It is my hope to be able to navigate this issue in a fair manner and provide a path forward for our parishes and volunteers alike.

I would begin by acknowledging and thanking our volunteers. Your generosity is far more than a gesture to be appreciated. Our parishes have become reliant upon the efforts you provide in a substantial manner. We would be hard pressed to provide the ministerial and educational services across the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes without your generous support and assistance. May God reward you for your generosity of heart.

That being said, we all know the scandal and heartbreak caused by the child-abuse crisis. When we discovered that God's precious little ones were being abused and harmed by those we trusted and looked to for spiritual leadership (many of whom were priests) we felt betrayed and deceived. We demanded (and rightly so) accountability from our leadership. The question was asked (and fairly asked): "Why wasn't something done to stop this? What are we going to do to prevent these horrible situations in the future?" In response to this crisis, our bishops have established safety criteria for the protection of our children and our parishes.

I am aware that these requirements might seem invasive or even offensive. I will state that I do not believe that any of our volunteers are in any way a threat to the safety of our children. Nevertheless, I am mindful of the painful truth that child abuse remains a serious problem in our society and the majority of this harm is caused by perpetrators that were trusted and deemed safe by those with the responsibility to protect these innocent little ones.

Furthermore, with the additional focus and scrutiny that all the parishes and schools in the Archdiocese are undergoing in the "restructuring" process, a failure to follow such procedures could easily endanger our parishes, our school, our staff, and even our priests on a serious professional level.

Therefore, I am suggesting that we all work together to bring our volunteers and staff into compliance with the standards. We will be providing the means and avenues to assist all of you to make this happen in a manner that is respectful and causes the least inconvenience. Assistance will be offered through the parish offices for those of you who have difficulty registering for the Virtus training, and evenings will be provided for the viewing of the training sessions in St. Joseph school building. We will even provide refreshments. While more details will be forthcoming in the near future, I want to thank you all again for your generosity and for your willingness to work with us to protect our parishes and our children.

In Christ,

Fr. Slaton



ARCHDIOCESE
of DETROIT

The Archdiocese of Detroit's Office of Safe Environments adheres to the USCCB – Dallas Charter and its requirements by providing programs to assist parents and children - and all those who work and volunteer in Archdiocesan parishes, schools, agencies, and Curia offices- with training and screening in preventing harm to young people and vulnerable adults.

These requirements apply to any volunteer at a parish or school-coordinated ministry or event, whether that happens on or off school property. Whether or not a volunteer or employee interacts directly with children or vulnerable adults, all volunteers play a role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our parish and school communities.

Please read the following information –

- NEW employees and volunteers are required to take a “live” PGC class and can register through [VIRTUS® Online](#).
 - There are in-person and Zoom options for the “live” class.
 - The training for new employees/volunteers takes around three hours.
- A Background Check is required every two years for our volunteers and every year for employees.
- Individuals who completed the *Protecting God's Children* training BEFORE (Today's Date) 2023 are required to take our recertification course.
 - The recertification class is self-paced. You can pause, save, and resume the class as needed, based on your schedule.
 - The recertification training should take approximately 30 minutes.
 - Recertification training will then be required every three years and is automatically assigned to your account 15 days prior to current training expiring.
- Once a Background Check has been processed, a Code of Conduct has been signed, and the *Protecting God's Children* training has been completed then you will be authorized to volunteer/be employed at your school or parish. Please note that all three of these components are required prior to employment or active volunteering status.

Not our compliance, but our calling.

Often when we hear about the efforts of the Church regarding sexual abuse, we hear about the importance of compliance with the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. From a faith environment perspective, the importance is not in our compliance, but in our calling. As Catholics, we are called to respect the life and dignity of every human person from conception to natural death. The Charter guides us in action to our calling. Our calling furthers the Gospel message of Christ. Thank you for your cooperation in protecting all of God's children.