

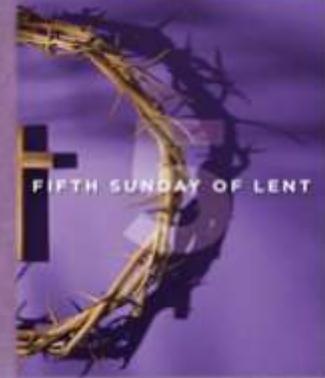


ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH
TEMPERANCE, MICHIGAN

Fifth Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday

“The Antonian” March 22, 2026

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. ANTHONY'S DIRECTORY

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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



This Week's Schedule
Lumen Christi Family



St. Anthony - Friday, 7:00pm
St. Joseph - Friday, 7:00pm
OL of Mt. Carmel - Friday, 6:00pm

Archdiocesan Restructuring Planning Process Parish Listening Session

The Listening Sessions at St. Anthony's will be held April 14 & 16 at 7pm in the church. Please refer to the insert in today's bulletin for more details and to register.



One "yes" can change the world
The Annunciation of the Lord

Wednesday, March 25
"The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, And she conceived of the Holy Spirit."

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

MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH
MARCH

*St. Joseph,
Pray for Us*

† **MASS SCHEDULE** †

Monday, March 23, 2026

St. Turibius of Mongrovejo (1606), B., Pt. of native rights (*New*)
Our Lady of Victories (*Hist.*)

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

9:00am †**Gloria Knaggs**
by Theresa Holup
†**Genevieve Scott**
by Nancy Lirardo
***Matthew Schnur** by Elisa Schnur

St. Gabriel the Archangel, Pt. of telecommunications & diplomats (*Trad.*)
St. Catherine (Karin) of Sweden (1381), V., W., Ab., daughter of St. Bridget of Sweden, invoked against miscarriages (*Hist.*)
St. Simon of Trent (1475), M. (*Hist.*)

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

The Annunciation (New, Trad.)

St. Dismas (33), "The Good Thief," Pt. of convicted criminals (*Hist.*)
St. Margaret Clitherow (1586), wife, mother, M. (*Hist.*)

Thursday, March 26, 2026

7:00pm ***Joseph Korotko**
(NLM) by Barb Korotko
***Holy Mother's Intentions for Marta, Vincent, Lucas & Maxwell Toma**
by Marta Toma
***Fr. Slaton's Lenten Intentions**

St. Ludger (802), B. (*Hist.*)

Friday, March 27, 2026

Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*Trad.; Fri. in Passion Week*)
St. John Damascene (749), Pr., D., Father of the Church (*Trad.*)
St. Rupert of Salzburg (720), B. (*Hist.*)
St. Augusta (Date Unknown), V., M. (*Hist.*)

Saturday, March 28, 2026

St. John of Capistrano (1456), Pr., Pt. of jurists (*Trad.*)
St. Guntramnus (Gontran) (592), King, Pt. of repentant murderers & divorced (*Hist.*)

Sunday Vigil

4:00pm †**Keith Dressel** by Jolene Krohn

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
9:00am **Living and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus**
by Fr. John Kenna Council

11:00am †**Ruth Smith** by Murphy Family (NLM)

St. Gundleus (Woolo) (5th C.), Welsh prince, later a hermit, husband of St. Gladys & father of St. Cadoc (*Hist.*)

Readings for Today

Sunday, March 22, 2026:

Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45



Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Social Hour - 6:00pm; Dinner - 7:00pm
San Marino Club, Troy Michigan

Keynote Speaker: Margo Damoose

Please contact the Parish Office if you'd like to reserve a seat at our table.

Lenten Fish Frys

Fridays of Lent:

OL Mt. Carmel:

Drive thru only 4:30 - 7:00pm

St. Joseph:

Dine in or Carry out; 4:30 - 7:30pm.



Protecting God's Children

In Person Workshop

Saturday, April 11, 2026

9:00am - 12:00pm

St. Joseph Parish - Erie, MI
School Cafeteria

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

More details can be found in the bulletin insert for **current employees**

who may need to take a (self-paced) recertification training.

Please take advantage of this training opportunity to gather with all the (new) employees and all volunteers of the Lumen Christi Family of Parishes.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, March 23, 2026

6:00pm - OCIA - School

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

9:00am - Holy Mass

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

6:30-7:30pm - PH Devotions

Thursday, March 26, 2026

5:00-6:00pm - Confessions

7:00pm - Holy Mass (NLM)

Friday, March 27, 2026

†7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 28, 2026

4:00pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

5:30pm - Desert Meal - KH

Sunday, March 29, 2026

9:00am - Holy Mass

K of C Corporate Communion

11:00am - Holy Mass (NLM)



Contribution Reports for 2025 for tax purposes are available from the Parish Office **upon request.**

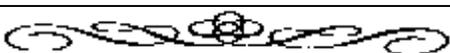
Please contact the Parish Secretary's Office to request a statement.



The Offertory Story

for March 15, 2026

# Env. assigned: 322;	# Env. used: 60
Envelope total	\$ 4,432.00
Loose:	\$ 751.48
On-line giving	\$.00
Total	\$ 5,183.48
Weekly Budget amt.....	\$ 5,900.00
+Over/-Under Budget	\$ - 716.52
Year To Date +-	\$ - 3,500.09
Other:	
Candles	178.00
Donation	1,100.00
Easter Flowers	165.00
Food Basket	20.00
Masses	120.00
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St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

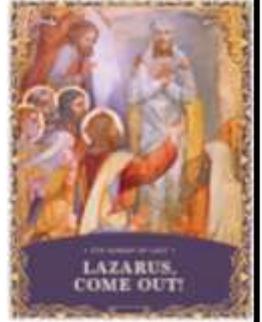
GOSPEL MEDITATION:

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 22, 2026

5th Sunday of Lent

John 11:1-45



A friend of mine wrote an imaginative reflection on the raising of Lazarus that caught me off guard. She proposed that when Jesus called Lazarus from the tomb, the man was not joyful but angry and annoyed. After so much suffering, maybe death felt like a release. He had finally escaped the pain. And then, suddenly, Jesus' voice cuts through the silence: **"Lazarus, come out!" (John 11:43)** The light stings his eyes. The pain returns. And now he is dragged back into a world that had broken him.

It startled me at first, but the more I sat with it, the more it made sense. Sometimes, people do not want to be raised. Not at first. Think of those in the grip of addiction, despair, or numbness. The tomb can feel safer than the risk of living again. Yet Jesus, moved by the grief and faith of others (Martha, Mary, the community) calls the dead man out. Lazarus obeys. But he is still bound, head to foot. Jesus says to the bystanders, **"Untie him and let him go" (John 11:44)**.

That is often how healing happens: slowly, reluctantly. Not just by a personal decision, but through the love and persistence of others. Resurrection is not always euphoric. It may begin in protest and confusion and only later turn to gratitude and freedom. But Christ's voice breaks through, anyway.

Lenten challenge: Who in your life needs to be called back to life? Pray for them. If that person is you, listen for the voice. It is calling even now.

— Father John Muir

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Foundational Pillars for Restructuring

Archbishop Weisenburger has invited all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Detroit to participate in a prayerful and Spirit-guided process of **restructuring our parishes and ministries**. This initiative is not merely an administrative adjustment, but a moment of ecclesial renewal — an opportunity to discern together how the Holy Spirit is calling us to a **renewed vision for parish life and priestly ministry** that will ensure a vibrant and sustainable Catholic presence across the Archdiocese for generations to come. This process is guided by three foundational pillars:

Vibrant Parishes: Each parish is called to be a living heartbeat of faith — a place where the faithful encounter Jesus Christ, grow in discipleship, and form authentic Christian community.

Flourishing Priests: Our priests are at the heart of parish life. They must be supported, sustained, and empowered to live their vocation fully — preaching the Gospel, celebrating the sacraments, and shepherding their people with pastoral charity and joy.

Mission Ready: As a missionary Church, we are sent to proclaim the Gospel beyond our parish walls — in our homes, schools, workplaces, and neighborhoods. By wisely realigning our clergy, ministries, and resources, we will strengthen our capacity to bring Christ's love to the world with renewed vigor and purpose.

Pre-registration for the listening sessions is required.

For more information, or to register, go to: restructuring@aod.org

Rooted in Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known as we restructure the parishes and ministries of our Archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together. Help us hear your voice in the quiet of our own hearts, in the wisdom of others, and in the world around us.

We know you are with us in every step of the process. Give us clarity, understanding, and direction. In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

St. Anne, pray for us. Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Schedule of Services for Lent & Easter – 2026

St. Anthony Catholic Church

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent @ 7:00pm **March 20, 27**

Sacrament of Reconciliation **Thursdays: 5:00 – 6:00pm**



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, March 29 **Masses: Saturday: 4:00pm; Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am (NLM)**
Procession with Palms before Mass, weather permitting

Holy Thursday, April 2 **7:00pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper (NLM)**
(No Confessions) *Following Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church until Noon on Friday; sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex.*

Good Friday, April 3 **12Noon - 3:00pm: Stations of the Cross; Rosary; Divine Mercy Novena, Sacred Music, Mid-day Prayer**
3:00-4:30pm: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with veneration of the cross & reception of Holy Communion
8:00pm - Tenebrae

Holy Saturday, April 4 **Church Decorating 9:00am**
Blessing of Food 12:00pm
Easter Vigil Mass 9:00pm

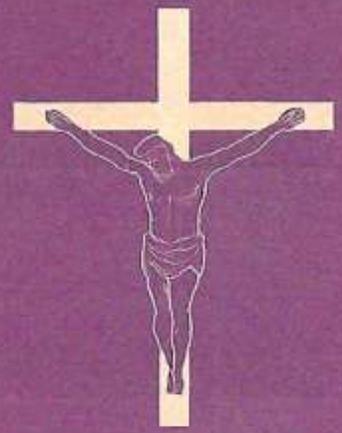
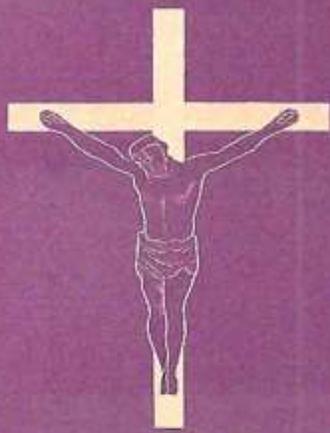
Easter Sunday, April 5 **Masses: 9:00am & 11:00am (NLM)**



Lenten Regulations on Fast & Abstinence

Abstinence from meat is observed on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent** by all Catholics 14 years and older. Abstinence forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products, or condiments made of animal fat. Permissible are soups flavored with meat, meat gravy, and sauces.

Fasting is observed on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Ordinary liquids are allowed.



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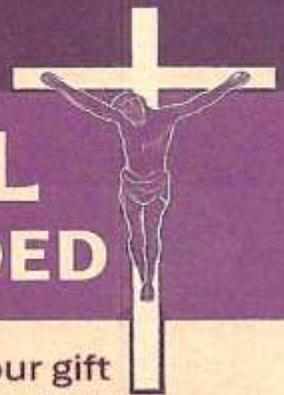
OPEN HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, APR. 1ST

6:00 PM



IN KENNA HALL
FOOD & DRINK PROVIDED



Let your Knights of Columbus Membership be your gift
to God during your Lenten journey in celebration of his
resurrection.

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



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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.