

St. Anthony's of Farnham

"Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community"

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Parish Office Hours are currently limited at this time. Contact Most Precious Blood at 716-549-0420 if you are in need of assistance.

> Regular Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Daily Mass Schedule: Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 9:00 AM, Thurs. 7:00 PM

> > Holy Days: As announced "Come To Me, Always"

Trustees: Sandra Hooge, Frank Zeffiro, Jr. Family Administrator....MaryLou McEvoy Business ManagerEleanor Cox Parish Council President.. Theresa White Director of Faith Formation....Kathleen Brachmann Youth MinistryKeith Dash RCIA.....Scott Schaefer Sacramental Program.....Kris Dash LiturgyDonna Roof

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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST "Do this in memory of me.."

RECONCILIATION "Peace is my gift to you..." Confessions - Thursday evening 6:00 - 6:30 PM Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 PM

BAPTISM "Unless you are born again..."

Arrangements can be made with the parish priest. Parents should be registered in our parish. Baptismal classes are held for parents the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM - only when needed. Call the rectory one week in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY "What God has joined..." Engaged couples should phone the rectory to make an appointment with the parish priest to set the date and time for their wedding at least six months in advance. Attendance at a Pre-Cana Conference is also required.

CARE OF THE SICK "Come to me you who are weary..." Please notify the rectory office for a pastoral visit to any family member who is sick, confined at home, hospitalized or in a nursing home. Arrangements for the reception of sacraments of the Eucharist can be made through the rectory office. Ministers of the sick are available to bring communion to shut-ins on a weekly basis.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick is administered each First Thursday after the 7:00 PM Mass and upon request.

ADULT INSTRUCTION AND RCIA "Go and teach all nations.." Adults interested in the Catholic faith are cordially invited to contact the rectory office for information about Adult Inquiry Classes, the Catechumenate, and preparation for adult reception of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation (RCIA).

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION "By their fruits you will know them ... "

For those who have been asked to be sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation, we gladly issue recommendations for parishioners who: (l) are baptized and confirmed; (2) are at least 16 years old; (3) are registered for at least 6 months; (4) attend Mass regularly; (5) if married, have done so in conformity with the laws of the Church; (6) if they are parents, are sending their children to Catholic School or Religious Instructions; (7) if they are students, are attending Catholic School or Religious Instructions.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP "That they may all be one..." We always welcome new members to our parish family. Please contact the parish priest or the rectory.



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 8, 2023

St. Paul wrote: "Whatever is true, honorable, pure, lovely, and gracious... think about these things." That doesn't sound like what's on TV or YouTube tonight. In a world drowning in vulgarity, we need people to preach about beautiful and holy things!

Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

Sat. 10/7 4:00 PM Fr. Walter Matuszak by Michael Parker

Sun. 10/8 9:00 AM Patricia Waskawich by Brachmann **Family**

11:30 AM Members of Cribs Donor Guild by OLV

Mon. 10/9 9:00 AM Arthur & Lillian Hildman by OLV

Tues. 10/10 9:00 AM Fr. Walter Matuszak by Michael Parker

Wed. 10/11 9:00 AM Father's Day Intentions

Thurs. 10/12 7:00 PM Harold G. & Norma M. Hamberger by **Family**

Fri. 10/13 9:00 AM Edward Cerk by O'Connell Family

Sat. 10/14 4:00 PM Mother's Day Intentions

10/15 9:00 AM Pattie Latimore by Brachmann Family Sun.

11:30 AM For the People of the Parish

Mass Intentions are \$15, and a Mass card is available please call the office or stop by the rectory.

NEXT WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	OCTOBER 14, 2023	4:00 PM
LECTOR		
MINISTERS	Marcia Ernst, Cheryl Waterman	
ALTAR SERVER		
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 15, 2023	9:00AM
LECTOR	Mary Jayne Ginnitti	
MINISTERS	Laura Nosbish, Shirley Szczublews	ki
ALTAR SERVER	Ryan Kief, Jonathan Pilski	
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 15, 2023	11:30AM
LECTOR	Sarah Kief	
MINISTERS	Steve Smith, Noreen Crane	
ALTAR SERVER	Nico and Isabella Orlando	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT Oct. 1, 2023 Weekly Offertory \$3,162.00

Monthly Offertory \$ 597.15

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	THIS WEEK AT ST. ANTHONY'S
Saturday	Confessions 3:00-3:30
Oct. 7	4:00 PM Mass
	Our Lady of the Rosary
	First Saturday
Sunday	9:00 & 11:30 Mass
Oct. 8	No Religious Education Classes this week
	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9:00 AM Mass
Oct. 9	Legion of Mary 9:30 AM
	Columbus Day (observed)
	St. Denis & Companions, St. John Leonardi – Optional
	Memorial
Tuesday	9:00 AM Mass
Oct. 10	9:00 AIVI IVIASS
Wed.	9:00 AM Mass
Oct. 11	AA Meeting 8:00 PM
	St. John XXIII, Pope – Optional Memorial
Thursday	Confessions 6:00-6:30 PM
Oct. 12	7:00 PM Mass
	Columbus Day
Friday	9:00 AM Mass
Oct. 13	7.00 AM Mass
Saturday	WINGS 9:00 AM
Oct. 14	Confessions 3:00-3:30
	4:00 PM Mass
	St. Callistus I, Blessed Virgin Mary – Optional Memorial
Sunday	9:00 & 11:30 Mass
Oct. 15	Rite of Calling, Confirmation students at 9AM Mass
	Faith Formation & Youth Ministry after 9AM Mass
	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

October 14 - WINGS 9:00 AM

October 15 - Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

October 15 - Rite of Calling, Confirmation students, 9AM Mass

October 22 - Faith Formation October 28 - WINGS 9:00 AM

October 29 - Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

October 29 - Trunk & Treat, Parking Lot at 3:00 PM

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bryan Ahl, Sharon Ames, Wayne Ames, Andrea Battaglia, Katelyn Bogdan, Verna Bogdan, Michael Bolistrieri, Zane Bolkman, John Brackett, Sheri Buczkowski, Nicholas Byer, Theresa Campisi, Jared Canto, Diane Catalfu, Lucille Chiapparo, Florence Conover, Joe Cook, Callan Cooke, Eleanor Cox, Glenn Cummings, Joyce Cureo, Jennifer Czyz, Mark DeCarlo, Jonah, Eric DeLang, Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino, Dave Dudek, Lorraine Dunkel, John Durusky, Tami Faraci, Jack Fescio, Joe Ficialiano, Mary Flis, Rev. James Fliss, Ellen George, Emily Gibbs, Debbie Godfrey, Dorothy Govenettio, Megan Granich, Harold Green, Fred Gugino, Ron Haak, Rose Haak, Inez Hacker, Sue Hall, Carol Hoppa, Darlean Jewell-Morales, Kerry, Kristen Kielbasa-Cummings, Stanley Kowal, Don Kraft, Dayle Kuest, Gunar & Trish Kuest, Marke Lantry, Kathy Leiker, Barbra Lewellen, Dan Lewellen Sue Licht, Troy Little, Judy Lohr, Collin Lyford, Rebecca Hall-Marshall, Renee' McMullen, Barbara Morin, Linda Muscato, Sheri Niedermeier, Kira Palermo, Alicia Parisio, Michael Pawelek, Rylee Pierce, Mark(Norm) Postle, Meagan Postle, Carol Privitera, Vinnie Puntillo, Nina Reghetti, Rev. Dr. James Reidling, Eugene & Mary Rigby, Jessie Rinehart, Joyce Rogers, Jim Ross, Jean Marie Sadowy, Robert S. Sciandra, Evan Scholl, Matt Scholl, Ralph Schweers, Lynn Sellick, Joe Siciliano, Jim Smith, Kathy Solly, James Spano, LouAnn Stevenson, Elisabeth Stoklosa, Ruth Taggart, Elizabeth Valvo, BethAnne Van Horn, Dottie & Thomas Van Wie, Don Waite, Cheryl Waterman, Laure Weidner, Gene Welty, Marian Wesolowksi, Gregory Winger Jr., Matthew Young, Chris Zgoda, Judith Zielinski.

We are happy to honor requests for prayers for the sick especially when they are in the hospital, in rehabilitation, in hospice or in a post op recovery. When they are improved we remove their names to make room for others. Those of you who call in requests should notify us when they are better.

PARISH NEWS

RITE OF CALLING will be celebrated at our 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, October 15th. Please pray for our youth as they finish their final year of preparation for Confirmation.

LIVING ROSARY We are looking forward to having the Living Rosary in May, 2024. Have a safe and healthy winter. Love and God Bless, Walter and Nancy Klyczek

INVITATION TO ALPHA:. Alpha is currently running at St. Mary's on Saturday mornings at 10:00 until Dec. 2nd. For more info, contact Jonathan Molik at jmolik@jp2parish.org.

MOVIE, "MARY OF NAZARETH", on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 5:30 PM presented by Most Precious Blood Respect Life Committee. Movie is at the MPB Annex, 25 Prospect St., next to the school. Please bring your own drinks. Snacks provided.

ST FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL: Have you ever considered sending your son to St. Francis High School? Looking for a school with a rigorous academic curriculum, strong athletics, clubs and leadership opportunities where your son can become the best version of himself? If so feel free to attend any of the Youth Nights: Oct. 10^{th} , Oct. 13^{th} for $5-8^{th}$ grade boys at 5:30 PM . Questions contact us at 716-627-1200 ext 582

CHICKEN/RIB DINNERS St. Mary of the Lake Parish will host a drive-thru dinner of chicken or ribs by Chiavetta, October 8th from noon until 6:00 P.M. cash or card.

BIBLE STUDY: Most Precious Blood Fall Bible Study held at the Parish Annex Building next to the school. "The Holy Spirit in the Bible". Registration required, \$20 per participant. Call 716-549-0420. Six week program begins on Wednesday, October 18th, two sessions, 10AM and 7PM. Specify which session you will be attending.

MEAT RAFFLE: St. Mary of the Lake Meat Raffle held on Saturday, October 28th. Doors open at 5:30 PM.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Looking for ways to give back and stay busy this Fall and Winter? Try volunteering! The Catholic Charities' Immigration & Refugee Assistance Program has many opportunities for volunteers, including: English language tutoring, drivers and transportation guides, organizing donations and more! www.ccwny.org/volunteer.

SOUTHTOWNS CATHOLIC SCHOOL is in need of a part-time nurse for Monday, Wednesday and Friday's. For more specific information, please contact school Principal, Barb Manley, bmanley@southtownscatholic.org, or call 716-627-5011.

FROM THE PASTOR

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Alive in the Vineyard

Today's Gospel follows directly after <u>last Sunday's Gospel</u> in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist. In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable.

Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God. Thus the symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood: God is the owner, and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine, Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially spaded and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So, God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading.

Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls.

In a dark foreshadowing of His own crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls. For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants; the leaders of the Church, who will produce its fruit.

We are each a vine in the Lord's vineyard, grafted onto the true vine of Christ, called to bear fruits of the righteousness in Him and to be the "first fruits" of a new creation.

We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briars of worldly anxiety. As today's Second Reading advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near. Let us humbly walk in the Way of the Lord, embracing and sharing "Jesus" – Alive in His Vineyard! Choicest Blessings, Fr. Tim

Road to Renewal

I remind you of the last few weeks here in this post; this has been a careful task performed over time by many of the dedicated members in our community of faith. We did our best to embrace what you have become familiar with while making the necessary changes to function more comprehensively and efficiently as a family of believers. My hope is that we can look at not what we have "lost," or "gotten rid of," but rather what we have been able to improve through our sharing with each other and working together. This weekend's bulletin contains Faith Community, it is the most visible and symbolically important image of our Road to Renewal. It does take in all the things we have been explaining; take some time to look at it, see how sometimes the best place to accommodate our schedules may be a few minutes farther away, but that means are family and our familiarity is growing, always a good thing. Please pray over it and allow your heart to be open.

Let's be mindful of gossip and spite. As Fr. Mock has been heard to say(sort of) – If you have any questions or concerns please leave a message at your Rectory; and if you love it and understand it please pass it on. Okay, it's time to be inviting family and friends back to Church and now you have our Family Schedule to begin Monday, October 30.

One different thing; this past Wednesday marked the opening of the Synod on Synodality in Rome. Cardinals, Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Religious, and Laity gathered with the Holy Father to discuss the future of the Church. Although it is uncertain whether changes will be coming, we pray for those in attendance that the Holy Spirit will guide their efforts.

Thank you! And continue to pray, always. Choicest Blessings, Fr. Tim

~ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

NYS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: OUR LADY OF MARTYRS SHRINE, AURIESVILLE NY, OCTOBER 20-22, 2023. Held at the sacred spot where the North American Martyrs gave their lives for Christ and where St. Kateri Tekakwitha was born. Great Speakers, Mass with Cardinal Dolan and NY Bishops, Confessions, Eucharistic Adoration and Procession. Worship with 10,000 other Catholics in the Shrine's Coliseum, the largest church in North America! To register and find out more, visit nysecharisticcongress.org.

<u>RURAL TRANSIT SERVICE</u> is currently looking for volunteers by driving, dispatching or becoming a driver aide. We will work with your schedule; call today to find out how you can begin your new adventure volunteering with us! NEED A RIDE? We are a non-profit transportation organization servicing seniors, disabled and income eligible residents in selected areas of Erie County. 716-549-5098; www.ruraltransitservice.org

STAY CONNECTED with all the latest information and events in our parish by signing up on our Facebook page. We share bulletin announcements, pictures of events that happen at St. Anthony's, and meditations to enhance spiritual growth.

<u>FEED THE HUNGRY:</u> Please remember to support those in need in our community by donating <u>NON-PERISHABLE</u> food OR clothing to Operation Good Neighbor. Collection boxes are at the entrances of our church. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE FRESH FOOD IN THE COLLECTIONS BINS AT CHURCH. Your support helps fight hunger 365 days a year! <u>OPERATION GOOD NEIGHBOR</u>: Operation Good Neighbor in Evans at 2030 South Creek Rd., Evans NY 14112, Food Pantry 12:30-5:30PM. 716-627-5194

ABORTION EXPANSION BILL: Contact your state legislator and express your view of their vote on the abortion expansion bill. https://www.nyscatholic.org and click on Action Center OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES - TELEPHONE HOTLINE NUMBERS. Unplanned Pregnancy, Abortion Alternatives & Healing: 716-847-2205. St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Centers, helping mothers and fathers in need: 716-842-BABY (2229) Buffalo, 716-203-7593 Chautauqua County, 716-284-BABY (2229) Niagara County. Project Rachel, post-abortion reconciliation: 716-847-2211

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ROAD TO RENEWAL: PARISH FAMILIES:

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Town of Brant Historian, Patty Friend

Meetings are the 3rd Saturday each month, 9:30 AM - Noon. Everyone is welcome!

Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community

- St. Francis of Assisi- Hamburg, NY
- St. Mary of the Lake- Hamburg, NY
- St. John Paul II- Lake View, NY
- Most Precious Blood- Angola, NY
- St. Anthony's- Farnham, NY



Effective: Monday, October 30th

Saturday Mass Schedule

Savar any 171055 School					
St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's	
4:00 PM	5:30 PM	4:30 PM	4:00 PM	5:30 PM	

Sunday Mass Schedule

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
8:30 AM	11:00 AM	9:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
6:00 PM		11:30 AM		

Weekday Mass Schedule

	St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
Monday	8:00 AM			8:00 AM	
Tuesday		8:15 AM	8:30 AM		9:00 AM
Wednesday	8:00 AM			8:00 AM	
Thursday		8:15 AM			9:00 AM
Friday			8:30 AM	8:00 AM	
Saturday	8:00 AM				

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
Advent / Lent	Thursday	Saturday	Tuesday	Lent / Advent
Penance Service	6:30-7:30 PM	3-4 PM	5-6 PM	Penance Service

Confession Schedule

Always available for confession via appointment

Ash Wednesday

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
8:00 AM	12:00 PM	8:30 AM / 7 PM	8:00 AM	7:00 PM

Thanksgiving Day

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's	
9:00 AM		10:00 AM		9:00 AM	Ì

All Saints Day (November 1st)

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
12:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:30 AM	6:00 PM	9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation

St. Francis	St. Mary's	St. JP2	MPB	St. Anthony's
12:00 PM	7:00 PM (Vigil)	8:30 AM	6:00 PM (Vigil)	9:00 AM

Please note that if you are a member of one parish but attend a Mass at another in our family, your offertory envelopes or other donations marked for your "home" parish will be delivered to that parish, regardless of which Mass they are collected at.