



St. Anthony's of Farnham

"Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community"

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REV. TIMOTHY KOESTER, FAMILY PASTOR

PAROCHIAL VICARS: FR. ROSS SYRACUSE,
FR. JOHNSON MACHADO, FR. MICHAEL JOHNSON

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 5:30 PM and Sunday 10:30 AM

Daily Mass Schedule: Tuesday's and Thursday's 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 9:00 AM

(All Saints Day 9AM, Thanksgiving Day 9AM, Ash Wednesday 7PM)

"Come To Me, Always"

*Trustees: Sandra Hooge, Frank Zeffiro, Jr.
Family Administrator....MaryLou McEvoy
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.....Kathleen Brachmann
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RCIA.....Scott Schaefer
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Robin Sarvas
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Word.....Michelle Baumgarden
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Brachmann & Theresa White*

*Parish Vocation Coordinator.....Kris Dash
Respect Life.....Legion of Mary
Buildings & Grounds.....Larry Leonard
CustodianGeorge Cordia
Cemetery Sexton.....Frank Zeffiro
& Charles Walker
Scout Troop #421 Wayne Ames
Marriage Preparation.....Keith & Kris Dash*

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

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

RECONCILIATION "Peace is my gift to you..."

Confessions – Advent / Lent Penance Service at St. Anthony's and St. Francis. Most Precious Blood Tuesday's 5-6PM, St. Mary's Thursday's 6:30-7:30 PM, St. John Paul II Saturday's 3-4PM

Always available for confession via appointment

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. 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.

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: (1) 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.



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 19, 2023

"Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master's joy." When we pass out of time and into eternity, we will want to hear these words. What is Jesus calling you to do as His faithful servant?

If it's a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

November 19, 2023

DAILY MASSES & INTENTION

Sat. 11/18 5:30 PM For the People of the Parish

Sun. 11/19 10:30 AM Richard Bogdan (birthday remembrance) by wife Vern

Mon. 11/20 8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis & Most Precious Blood

Tues. 11/21 9:00 AM Michelle McSkimming (anniversary of death 11/22) by Family

Wed. 11/22 8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis & Most Precious Blood

Thurs. 11/23 9:00 AM Anthony Paternostro by Katie & Family

Fri. 11/24 8:00 AM Mass at Most Precious Blood, 8:30 AM Mass at St. John Paul II

Sat. 11/25 5:30 PM Walter Kaznowski (birthday) by Lori Dunkel

Sun. 11/26 10:30 AM Pat Jones by Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Hall

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

*November 18/19: **MEMORIAL FLOWER VASES** – In Loving Memory of Alicia Tortorice & Anthony & Christine Tortorice donated by Nicholas & Alyssa Orlando.

*November 18/19: **WINE~HOST~CANDLES** – In Loving Memory of Charles Ganger donated by Nicholas & Alyssa Orlando

NEXT WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 25, 2023	5:30 PM
LECTOR	Donna Roof	
MINISTERS	Sue Cummings	
ALTAR SERVER		
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 26, 2023	10:30AM
LECTOR	Sarah Kief	
MINISTERS	Steve Smith, Kathy Brachmann	
ALTAR SERVER	Ryan Kief, Jonathan Pilski	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

Nov. 12, 2023 Weekly Offertory \$ 2,269.00

*If you are able to make a Church donation, please mail to the Church, or donate electronically by the following ways: A donation can be made through our website: www.stanthonyvsfarnham.org. Smartphone: You can Text to Donate: Text to *716-215-2401 (Simply text amount to the *number and follow prompts to complete) "Give+ Mobile App": Download "GivePlus Church" to set up donation. Search zip code 14061 for our church.*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

November 19 – LACC Thanksgiving Service 6:00 PM
 November 23 – Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 AM
 November 26 – NO Faith Formation or Youth Ministry Classes
 December 2 – WINGS 9:00-10:30 AM

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANTHONY'S

Saturday *Nov. 18	WINGS 9:00-11:00 AM 5:30 PM Mass <i>The Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter & Paul, Apostles, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Blessed Virgin Mary – Optional Memorial</i>
Sunday *Nov. 19	Faith Formation Class 9:15 AM 10:30 AM Mass 6:00 PM Lakeshore Assoc. of Christian Churches Thanksgiving Service <i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Monday Nov. 20	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM <i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini - Memorial</i>
Tuesday Nov. 21	9:00 AM Mass Legion of Mary 9:30 AM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM <i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial</i>
Wed. Nov. 22	<i>St. Cecilia - Memorial</i>
Thursday Nov. 23	9:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass <i>St. Clement I, St. Columban, Glessed Miguel Agustin Pio – Optional Memorial</i> HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
Friday Nov. 24	<i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions - Memorial</i>
*Sat. Nov. 25	5:30 PM Mass <i>St. Catherine of Alexandria, Blessed Virgin Mary – Optional Memorial</i>
*Sunday Nov. 26	10:30 AM Mass OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - Solemnity

WE REMEMBER

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Harold P. JGreen, whose soul has returned to the care of God. We pray that the Lord will grant eternal rest and peace to his soul and bring comfort and consolation to his family and friends

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, Jared Canto, Diane Catalfu, Lucille Chiapparo, Florence Conover, Joe Cook, Callan Cooke, Eleanor Cox, Glenn Cummings, Joyce Cureo, Jennifer Czyn, Mark DeCarlo, Jonah, Eric DeLang, Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino, Dave Dudek, Lorraine Dunkel, John Durusky, Tami Faraci, Jack Fescio, Joe 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, Joanne Leone, 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, Marge Puntillo, 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 Wesolowski, 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

YOUTH MINISTRY: St. Anthony's Youth Ministry is holding a toy drive during the weeks of November 26th and December 3rd. Please consider donation a new unwrapped toy for those children who are unable to experience the joy of Christmas. We will be working with Toys for Tots again this year. Red tote collection bins will be at the entrances of the church for your donation. Any questions, please contact Keith Dash 716-867-9198

LAKE SHORE ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES: Sunday, November 19th, the LACC will have the Annual Thanksgiving Service here at St. Anthony's, 6:00 PM. The evening will include music, prayer, and a light reception. A collection will be taken up to benefit Operation Good Neighbor. Everyone is welcome!

LACC is inviting everyone to join them for Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday November 23rd from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. at MPB School Hall. Dine in or take out. Reservations can be made by calling 716-549-0420.

THANKSGIVING MASSES: Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day at the following churches: St. Anthony's at 9:00 AM; St. Francis at 9:00 AM; St. John Paul II at 10:00 AM. Any monetary or food donations will benefit local charities and organizations.

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

FROM THE PASTOR

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Settling Accounts

Read in light of last week's parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this week's parable teaches that God's judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God's judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities.

So let's look more carefully at the message from all the readings. The day of the Lord is coming, Paul warns in today's Second Reading. What matters isn't the time or the season, but what the Lord finds us doing with the new life, the graces, the talents He has given to us.

This is also at the heart of Jesus' parable in today's Gospel. Jesus is the Master. Having died, risen, and ascended into heaven, He appears to have gone away for a long time. By our Baptism, He has entrusted to each of us a portion of His "possessions," a share in His divine life. He has given us talents and responsibilities, according to the measure of our faith.

We are to be like the worthy wife in today's First Reading and the faithful man we sing of in today's Psalm. Like them,

we should walk in the "fear of the Lord" - in reverence, awe, and thanksgiving for His marvelous gifts. This is the beginning of wisdom. This is not the "fear" of the useless servant in today's parable. His is the fear of a slave cowering before a cruel master, the fear of one who refuses the relationship that God calls us to.

God has called us to be trusted servants, fellow workers, using our talents to serve one another and His kingdom as good stewards of His grace. In this, we each have a different part to play.

Though the good servants in today's parable were given different numbers of talents, each "doubled" what he was given. And each earned the same reward for his faithfulness, greater responsibilities, and a share of the Master's joy. So let us resolve again in this Eucharist to make much of what we've been given, to do all for the glory of God. That we, too, may approach our Master with confidence and love when He comes to settle accounts.

These Readings remind us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbor. God's grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven. Choicest Blessings, Fr. Tim

ROAD TO RENEWAL

Saint Gianna Molla once said, "The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness." As we prepare to cook Thanksgiving meals and sit in front of the TV with our family and friends to enjoy a slate of games or Movies. Or as we embark on deep discussions and memories; it is important to remember why we do these things.

God in his infinite wisdom, love, and mercy continues to shower us with his blessing and protection every day, even those days we don't notice. We tend to get caught up in the darkness surrounding the world and culture, the challenges and fears. We make excuses and rush to judgment, even negativity. But let us not forget each day is a blessing when you open your eyes. When you take a breath, when you feel the elements on your face.

I am thankful for the parish communities entrusted to my care. I am thankful for each and every one of you who have given of your time and talents to grow these parishes and bring the Word of God to those who need it most.

I pray this Thanksgiving that we see our family of parishes as a blessing from God, and an opportunity to double the talents God has given to us. We should face the angry and dark aspects of this moment also as challenges for us to use the talents God has given to us to encourage His Way in our time.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Choicest Blessings, Fr Tim

~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

RURAL TRANSIT SERVICE 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.



FEED THE HUNGRY: Please remember to support those in need in our community by donating **NON-PERISHABLE** 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! **OPERATION GOOD NEIGHBOR:** 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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