



# St. Anthony's of Farnham

"Serving the Lake Shore Community"

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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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

<p>Trustees .....Sandra Hooge ..... Frank Zeffiro, Jr. Secretary .....Sue Cummings Business Manager .....Eleanor Cox Parish Council President..Theresa White Director of Religious Education ..... .....Kathleen Brachmann Youth Ministry .....Keith Dash RCIA.....Needed Sacramental Program.....Kris Dash</p>	<p>Music Ministry .....Sharon Valites ..... Mike Cerabone Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Coordinator.....Marcia Ernst Liturgy .....Donna Roof Parish Advocate for the Disabled..... ..... Sharon Valites Children's Liturgy of the Word...Michele Baumgarden <b>"Witnesses for Christ"</b></p>	<p>Family Liturgy .....Theresa White Parish Vocation Coordinator.....Kris Dash Spiritual Life &amp; Worship.....Needed Respect Life.....Legion of Mary Buildings &amp; Grounds.....James Hooge Custodian .....George Cordia Cemetery Sexton .....Charles Walker Scout Troop #421 ..... Wayne Ames Marriage Preparation.....Keith &amp; Kris Dash</p>
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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: (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.

Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 9, 2018

We are urged to "prepare the way of the Lord!" God has called some men and women to show His children how to do this through their leadership as priests and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website - [www.buffalovoactions.org](http://www.buffalovoactions.org).

December 9, 2018

**DAILY MASSES & INTENTIONS**

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>12/10</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>All Souls</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>12/11</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Father's Day Intentions</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>12/12</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>To End Abortion requested by Legion of Mary</b>
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>12/13</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Mother's Day Intentions</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>12/14</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr. Medard W. Pluta requested by Family</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>12/15</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Mary Beth George Racite requested by Jim &amp; Ellen George</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Andrew Nosbisch requested by Family</b>
		<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Mary Elizabeth Palmer requested by Brachmann Family</b>

*If the Mass is being offered for your loved one, or for your intention, and you would like to carry the Offertory Gifts, please tell an Usher before Mass. ~Intentions are \$15, and a Mass card is available - please call the office or stop by the rectory. Many week day Masses Available! Dedications to your loved one can be offered by signing up for a Memorial Flower Vase, or Wine~Host~Candle offering. The available dates and sign-up sheet are located on the bulletin board near the Children's Room.*

**NEXT WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 15, 2018 4:00 PM**

**LECTOR** Keith Dash  
**MINISTERS** Kris Dash, Erik Dash, Jill Pallante, Mary Fran O'Connell  
**ALTAR SERVER** Needed

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 16, 2018 9:00 AM**

**LECTOR** Tom Postle  
**MINISTERS** Rose Cerabone, Mary Jayne Ginnitti, Marcia Ernst, Kathy Barreca  
**ALTAR SERVER** Jonathan Pilski, Ryan Kief, Shane Friend

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 16, 2018 11:30 AM**

**LECTOR** Mary Hurley  
**MINISTERS** Dawn Csati, Colleen Roberts, Linda Andrzejewski, Mary Matthews  
**ALTAR SERVER** Tyler Mitchell

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANTHONY'S**

<b>Sunday Dec. 9</b>	<b>9:00 &amp; 11:30 AM Mass</b> <b>Rel. Ed. 9:45-11:00 AM</b> <b>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
<b>Monday Dec. 10</b>	<b>9:00 AM Mass</b> <b>Legion of Mary 11:00 AM</b>
<b>Tuesday Dec. 11</b>	<b>9:00 AM Mass</b> <b>Boy Scouts 7:00 PM (Scoutmaster Conferences)</b> <i>St. Damasus I – Optional Memorial</i>
<b>Wed. Dec. 12</b>	<b>9:00 AM Mass</b> <b>AA Meeting 8:00 PM</b> <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe - Feast</i>
<b>Thursday Dec. 13</b>	<b>6:00-6:30 PM Confessions</b> <b>7:00 PM Mass</b> <i>St. Lucy - Memorial</i>
<b>Friday Dec. 14</b>	<b>9:00 AM Mass</b> <b>Barn Mass 7:00 PM, 1165 Milestrip Rd., Brant NY 14027</b> <i>St. John of the Cross - Memorial</i>
<b>Saturday Dec. 15</b>	<b>3:00-3:30 PM Confessions</b> <b>4:00 PM Mass</b>
<b>Sunday Dec. 16</b>	<b>9:00 &amp; 11:30 AM Mass</b> <b>Rel. Ed. 9:45-11:00 AM / Youth Ministry 12:15-1:30 PM</b> <b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>

**UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

December 23 – Decorate Church after the 11:30 AM Mass  
 January 5 – Altar Server training 11:00 AM

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Mary Adams, Mayme Barone, Eileen Barry, Andrea Battaglia, Laura Bley, Michael Bolistriero, John Brackett, Sheri Buczkowski, Victoria Busch, Theresa Campisi, Daniel Carriero, Penny Carriero, Diane Catalfu, Lucille Chiapparo, Gene Ciminelli, Jerry Clark, Arica Clear, Michael Collopy, Florence Conover, Joe Cook, Callan Cooke, Amy Crawford, Rev. Edward Czarnecki, Jonah Eric DeLang, Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino, Raymond Dunkel, John Durusky, Jack Fescio, Joe Ficialiano, Emily Gibbs, Debbie Godfrey, Dorothy Govenettio, Megan Granich, Sue Hall, Harold Green, Fred Gugino, Rose H aak, Billy Hamm, Martha Hunt, Kerry, Kristen Kielbasa-Cummings, Marke Lantry, Kathy Leiker, Sue Licht, Troy Little, Judy Lohr, Collin Lyford, Rebecca Hall Marshall, Mary Mazur, Barbara Morin, Sheri Niedermeier, Julie Ortel, Kira Palermo, Michael Pawelek, Rylee Pierce, Gabriel John Polizzi, Carol Privitera, Nina Reghetti, Jim Ross, Marie Ann Scalise, Justin Schmidle, Robert S. Sciandra, Eric Schultz, Ralph Schweers, Lynn Sellick, Joe Siciliano, Jim Smith, LouAnn Stevenson, Brett David Sturble, Ruth Taggart, Robert Tamulski, Lisa Thompson, Shirley Trask, Sharon Valites, BethAnne Van Horn, Don Waite, Jo Ann Waterman, Gene Welty, Gregory Winger Jr., Ed Wroz, Matthew Young, Chris Zgoda, Judith Zielinski, Doreen Zimpfer.

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.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT**

December 2, 2018 Weekly Offertory \$ 4,288.44  
Monthly Offertory \$ 889.00

Reflecting on the Gospels with Sister Janet–Dec. 9, 2018

**Second Sunday of Advent**

In this Sunday's readings we meet Jesus' cousin, John the Baptist. John prepared the way for Jesus by inviting people to be baptized for the forgiveness of their sins. This then makes the path clear for Christ to come into their lives so that all people "shall see the salvation of God."

**PARISH NEWS**

**A SPECIAL 'THANK YOU'** to the Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students, their teachers and families for their preparation of and participation in the Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Liturgy during 9:00 AM Mass.

**RELIGIOUS ED. AND YOUTH MINISTRY: WE ARE USING "REMIND"** to keep parents aware of the events going on in our program. Please stay connected by entering this number on your cell phone 81010. Next text this message - @kbrachm. That is all you need to do and we will keep you up to date on all important events with Faith Formation/Youth Ministry and any other happenings at St. Anthony's.

**BARN MASS:** Barn Mass is on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Zeffiro homestead, 1165 Milestrip Rd. in Brant. Mass will begin at 7:00 PM promptly. If you can help out in any way, please contact Dave Gardner at 462-7735. Come join us as "Witnesses for Christ" during the Season of Advent as we prepare for Jesus' birth.

**ST. ANTHONY'S APPAREL:** T-shirts, sweatshirts & hooded sweatshirts are available to purchase. Apparel is immediately available in certain styles and sizes.

**EUCHARDISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS:** The Holiday sign-up sheet for Christmas and New Year is now posted in the sacristy. Please take a few minutes after Mass to sign up for the day(s) of your choice.

**ATTENTION ONLINE SHOPPERS!** See back page for more information!

**MITTEN TREE:** A Christmas Mitten Tree will be on the altar for the purpose of collecting gloves, mittens, hats, scarves and socks. All items will be distributed to local charities. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**TEDDY BEAR SUNDAY:** The collection of Teddy Bears will continue through December 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. The distribution of Teddy Bears will go to hospitals and various organizations within the community. If you have a favorite organization or know of a family you would like to include, please contact Kathie Barreca at 549-2402.

**SALVATION ARMY KETTLE DRIVE:** Thank you to Nancy Klyczek, Coordinator for the Salvation Army Kettle Drive. Nancy would like to thank the following people for signing up and helping out on Thursday, 11/29 and 12/6/18, representing St. Anthony's Church: Theresa Boatner, Marcia Ernst, Darlean Morales, Sandy Hooge, Helen Schwindler, Noreen Crane, Tony Montoro, Elmer McSkimming, Nancy Rodler, Donna Ferrara, Tom Postle, Tony Borrello, Keith Dash...*Thank you and God Bless You!* ~Nancy Klyczek

**2019 HOSPITAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES** are ready and available at the side entrance of the Church for Eucharistic Ministers who participate in the Hospital Visitation Ministry.

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR  
HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

(Confessions 12/17, 12/18 7PM; 12/20 6PM)

Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – 4:00 PM Children's Mass

10:00 PM Mass

Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 AM Mass

Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – 4:00 PM Mass

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – 11:00 AM Mass

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:** Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

**THANK YOU:** Many Thanks to parishioners Tom & Maryann Postle for the 20-plus years of volunteering their time as part of the St. Anthony's Counting Team! Tom and Maryann, along with Nancy Orlando (recently deceased), have been a dedicated team, one to two times per month to count the weekend collection. Enjoy your "counting retirement" and Thank you again!

**CONGRATULATIONS:** St. Francis High School students and parishioners of St. Anthony's, Blake Dase, Nathan Eschberger and Dominik Thomas - achieved First Quarter Honor Roll – Congratulations!

**LEGION OF MARY**

December 12<sup>th</sup> – Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego: "I am a compassionate mother to you and to all of my devoted children who will call upon me with confidence"

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Sponsored by Lakeshore Assoc. of Christian Churches, Tuesday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1-3 PM at Most Precious Blood Church Hall, 17 Prospect St., Angola. Free and open to all. More info call 549-0420, 549-4281, 848-8400.

**MARRIAGE MOMENT:** Marital arguments sometimes go round in circles with each spouse trying to prove they are right. Sometimes you are right, but that's not the point. If you can recognize part of the argument that you were wrong in, simply saying "I was wrong" can help. Resist following it with, "But..."

**PARENTING PERSPECTIVE:** We have heard the apostle John say, "Prepare the way of the Lord." (Luke 3:4). There are usually many preparations to make for Christmas. Help your child focus on preparing and wait for the celebration.

**FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION:** The Advent season fills us with great hope as we reflect on God's promise that He is with us. If we look at today's readings, we see that we are called into a partnership with God. In fact, that partnership is really what Advent is all about – God is with us. The first reading reminds us that God is a faithful partner who will empower us to overcome any mountains and valleys we may encounter as He guides our lives by the light of His love. But we must keep in mind that God's empowering presence requires our participation. He works with us and through us – inviting us to be His partners – as we promote love, peace and justice on earth. Advent is a good time to think about the mountains and valleys in our lives and those of others which keep us from being a faithful partner with God. If something stands in the way, ask God for help. *Today's Faith Moment was provided by Christ the King Seminary. You can listen to Faith Moments on WBEN radio 930 AM, WLOF 101.7 FM, or at www.faithmomentsonline.org*

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**ATTENTION ONLINE SHOPPERS!!** Would you like to be St. Anthony's Supporter? The holiday season is quickly approaching! We want to help you take advantage of shopping deals from Shop.com/Stanthonyfarnham.com

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**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Needed – Someone who would like to share their Catholic faith with those who want to learn about it! Please speak to Father Jim for information and further details.

**ST. ANTHONY'S SHIRTS:** T-shirts, sweatshirts & hooded sweatshirts are available to purchase. They are here at St. Anthony's! If you would like to purchase or order a non-stock item, please fill out an order form (at Church entrances). Great Christmas Gifts !!

**\*KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CAR MAGNETS** can be purchased for \$3 each or two for \$5. If you would like to purchase, please call or stop by the Church Office.

**ST. ANTHONY'S COOKBOOK** can be purchased for \$3 each or two for \$5. If you would like to purchase, please call or stop by the Church Office.

**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. Your support helps fight hunger 365 days a year!

**ST. PADRE PIO** Anointing of the Sick Healing Mass at St. John the Baptist R.C. Church, 6895 Boston Cross Rd., generally held the second Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM, also offering Eucharistic Adoration the same day following 8am morning Mass. 941-3549.

**ST. FRANCIS H.S. CONCERTS:** 12/13/18 – Vocal Christmas Concert, 7PM in Alumni Hall Theatre; 12/18/18 Instrumental Christmas Concert, 7PM. All Free!

**SOUTHTOWNS CATHOLIC:** Fundraiser by SC Basketball Team to give back to the community- please bring a monetary donation, 12/16/18, 9-1pm, Southtown Catholic School Gym, 2052 Lakeview Rd. Have your gifts wrapped and enjoy snacks/beverages. Questions/Info call Coach Rosie 716-587-2711

**TRIP TO CATHOLIC SPAIN:** Msgr. Richard Siepa, Spiritual Director of Christ the King Seminary is leading a trip in June to the Best of Catholic Spain. June 10-21, 2019, include stays in Madrid, Cordoba, Seville, Valencia, Barcelona, w/stops in Avila, Segovia, Toledo, Montserrat. Cost is \$3,899 includes airfare from Buffalo, 1<sup>st</sup> class hotel, sightseeing, most meals, departure, taxes. More info email [moates@cks.edu](mailto:moates@cks.edu), or call Nadine Oates at 716-655-7092.

LOOK FOR THE TOWN OF EVANS SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Any articles to be published must be submitted by Wednesday 10:00 AM to be included in the weekend bulletin. Pulpit announcements will be limited to emergency announcements only. Please plan ahead. Thank you.



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*Town of Brant Historian, Patty Friend*  
 Meetings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM- Everyone is welcome!



**PLEASE JOIN US!**

**BARN MASS CELEBRATION  
ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 AT 7:00 PM**

Held at the Zeffiro Homestead,  
1165 Milestrip Rd., Brant NY 14081

Fr. James Fliss of St. Anthony's Church, Farnham – Officiating  
Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus arriving



**PLEASE DRESS WARM!**

**FOLLOWING MASS,  
REFRESHMENTS AND BAKED GOODS WILL BE SERVED**

**DIRECTIONS:** From Thruway Exit 57A – Turn right onto Eden Evans Center Rd. – take to Rt 20 (signal) – Make a left onto Rt 20 (heading toward Indian Reservation). Travel approx. 6-7 miles and take a left onto Rt. 249 – go over the Thruway bridge to Hammond Road which is on your right. Take Hammond Road to the end (approx. 1 mile). Make a left onto Milestrip Road and approx. one mile you will arrive at the Zeffiro Homestead on the Right hand side.

**-OR-**

From Rt. 62, North Collins, take Milestrip Road (5-6 miles) to arrive at the Zeffiro Homestead on the Left hand side.