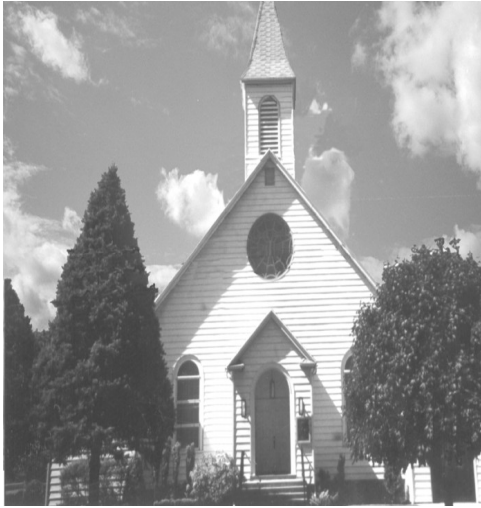


Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



St. Anthony's Church

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FAMILY PASTOR -- Rev. Timothy Koester

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PAROCHIAL VICARS

Rev. Ross Syracuse
Rev. Johnson Machado
Rev. Michael Johnson

PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Joe Gray
Deacon Neal Linnan
Deacon Steve Schumer
Deacon Bill Walkowiak

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday -- 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Daily Masses

Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

9:00 a.m.

Additional Masses

All Saints, Thanksgiving --9:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday -- 7:00 p.m.

St. Anthony's Staff

TrusteesSandra Hooge & Frank Zeffiro, Jr.
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Scout Troop #421.....Wayne Ames
Marriage Preparation.....Keith & Kris Dash
Parish Secretary.....Pat Maiorana

Letters of Recommendation

For Baptism or Confirmation sponsors, the parish issues recommendations for parishioners who: (1) are baptized and confirmed; (2) at least 16 years old; (3) registered for at least 6 months; (4) attend Mass regularly; (5) if married, have done so in conformity with the laws of the Church.

Sacramental Ministries

RECONCILIATION

Confessions: Advent, Lent Penance Services: St. Anthony's and St. Francis. Most Precious Blood - Tuesday, 5:30 -6:30 p.m.; St. Mary of the Lake - Thursday, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.; St. John Paul II - Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

Arrangements are to be made with the parish priest. Parents should be registered in the parish and attend Baptismal classes. Call the rectory one week in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

At least six months in advance, engaged couples should make an appointment with the parish priest to set the marriage date. Attendance at a Pre-Cana Conference is required.

CARE OF THE SICK

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 may also be made through the rectory office. Ministers of the Sick are available to provide Communion to shut-ins on a weekly basis.

ADULT INSTRUCTION AND RCIA

Adults interested in the Catholic faith are 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).

Parish Membership

New members are always welcome into the parish family. Please contact the parish priest or the rectory.



Daily Masses & Intentions

Saturday, February 3
Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM - All the Faithful Departed

Sunday, February 4 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:30 AM - People of the Parish

Monday, February 5
 8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood
 & at St. Francis

Tuesday, February 6
 9:00 AM - Carol Montford

Wednesday, February 7
 8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood
 & at St. Francis

Thursday, February 8
 9:00 AM - Arthur & Lillian Hildman

Friday, February 9
 8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood
 & at St. Francis

Saturday, February 10
Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM - Father's Day Novena

Sunday, February 11 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:30 AM - Deceased Members of the Vollmar & Fraser Families

Stewardship
 January 28, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$2,180.00
 Catholic Relief.....\$221.00

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Ministry Schedule -- February 10 & 11

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
5:30 p.m.	Tony Cerabone	Laura Nosbisch
10:30 a.m.	Donna Roof	Steve Smith Linda Andrzejewski

This Week at St. Anthony's

Saturday, February 3

9:15 a.m. - WINGS - Church Hall
 10:00 a.m. - 1st Reconciliation Sacramental Class -
 Children's Room.
 5:30 p.m. -- Vigil Mass

Sunday, February 4

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass
 9:15 a.m. -- Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Tuesday, February 6

9:30 a.m. -- Legion of Mary
 6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

Wednesday, February 7

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

From the Pastor...

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Raised to Serve

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

In today's First Reading, Job describes the futility of life before Christ. His lament reminds us of the curse of toil and death placed upon Adam following his original sin. Men and women are like slaves seeking shade, unable to find rest. Their lives are like the wind that comes and goes. But, as we sing in today's Psalm, He who created the stars promised to heal the brokenhearted and gather those lost in exile from Him. We see this promise fulfilled in today's Gospel. Simon's mother-in-law is like Job's toiling, hopeless humanity. She is laid low by affliction but too weak to save herself.

But as God promised to take His chosen people by the hand, Jesus grasps her by the hand and helps her up. The word translated "help" is actually Greek for "raising up." The same verb is used when Jesus commands a dead girl to arise. It's used again to describe His own resurrection. What Jesus has done for Simon's mother-in-law, He has done for all humanity; raised all of us who lay dead through our sins.

Notice all the words of totality and completeness in the Gospel. The *whole* town gathers: *all* the sick are brought to Him. He drives out demons in the *whole* of Galilee. *Everyone* is looking for Christ. We too have found Him. By our baptism, He healed and raised us to live in His presence. Like Simon's mother-in-law, there is only one way we can thank Him for the new life He has given us. We must rise to serve Him and His gospel.

Our lives must be our thanksgiving, as Paul describes in today's Second Reading. We must tell everyone the good news, the purpose for which Jesus has come, that others, too, may have a share in this salvation.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

Choicest Blessings.

Fr. Tim

Sacramental Meeting for Parents

A Sacramental meeting for parents of children making their First Penance or First Eucharist this year will take place Saturday, February 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall. Refreshments will be served.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

The following is a schedule of Masses on Ash Wednesday (February 14) in the parishes of the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community:

- 8:00 a.m. -- St. Francis & Most Precious Blood
- 8:30 a.m. -- St. John Paul II
- 12:00 p.m. -- St. Mary of the Lake
- 7:00 p.m. -- St. John Paul II & St. Anthony

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
IN THE FAMILY OF PARISHES

With the start of Lent in less than two weeks, parishes in the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community are preparing for special events during the Lenten Season. Here is a schedule of the celebration of the Stations of the Cross during Lent in all of the parishes of the Family.

St. Francis - Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary of the Lake - Fridays at 12:00 p.m.

St. John Paul II - Fridays at 9:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Most Precious Blood - Fridays at 5:00 p.m.

St. Anthony's - Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Pancake Breakfast at SJP2

A Pancake Breakfast, will take place in the Community Room of St. John Paul II Sunday, February 11 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Hosted by the Holy Name Society, the breakfast also includes sausage, coffee, tea, milk and juice. The cost is \$5 per person (Children 5 and under -- free). Proceeds will benefit the society's scholarship fund.

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, Bob Cummings, Glenn Cummings, Joyce Cureo, Jennifer Czyz, Mark DeCarlo, Jonah, Eric DeLang, Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino, Lorraine Dotterel, 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, 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 Sciliano, 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.

Road to Renewal

February in the Catholic Church is consecrated to the Holy Family. Although the feast day is recognized in December, the month of February allows us to focus on and meditate upon the Holy Family and their model for Christian family life. Pope Saint John Paul II in his 1981 Apostolic Exhortation titled "Familiaris Consortio" wrote:

"Willed by God in the very act of creation, marriage and the family are interiorly ordained to fulfillment in Christ and have need of His graces in order to be healed from the wounds of sin and restored to their "beginning," that is, to full understanding and the full realization of God's plan. At a moment of history in which the family is the object of numerous forces that seek to destroy it or in some way to deform it, and aware that the well-being of society and her own good are intimately tied to the good of the family, the Church perceives in a more urgent and compelling way her mission of proclaiming to all people the plan of God for marriage and the family, ensuring their full vitality and human and Christian development, and thus contributing to the renewal of society and of the People of God."

Let the great saint's quote, be our prayer this month -- that the Christian family is protected from danger and that all married couples seek to return to God, to fulfill his will and restore order to our world.

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Our new family website is up and running. Visit lakeshorecatholicfc.org to find the information regarding our family. We dedicated a special page on the website to each parish in our family for information specifically regarding each worship site. There is more work to be done but we hope centralizing our information will help communication in our family. For now, each parish will retain its individual website, but we will slowly be transitioning down to a united family website.

By the end of February we plan to have a family app, a mobile friendly way to stay connected, and a great tool to get out information to all quickly. We are working on standardizing funerals and Sacraments for the family. By sharing our resources, knowledge, and understanding, we can better strengthen the sacramental life of the people of God in the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim

The Jack MacDonald 9 & Dine

The Jack MacDonald 9 & Dine event takes place Saturday, February 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the Southtowns Catholic School gymnasium. Admission is \$40 per person or \$75 for two for nine holes of miniature golf, hors d'oeuvres and beverage at every hole and a sit down chicken cordon bleu dinner. To purchase a ticket, call 716-627-5708 or email twest77@verizon.net with subject "9 and Dine."

Bible Study: Book of Revelation

St. Mary of the Lake is hosting a Tuesday bible study on the *Book of Revelation* that began January 16 and runs through March 26. Sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. in the RCIA room (Enter the parish center and proceed downstairs to the first classroom on the right). No registration is required.

Please bring a Bible. If you have any questions, call Jonathan at 716-627-2910.

Adult Catechesis: Second Vatican Council

An in-depth look at the Second Vatican Council and the four major constitutions is the focus of Thursday classes at St. John Paul II from January 25 to March 21. Sessions begin at 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room. No registration is necessary. For more information, contact Jonathan at 716-627-2910.

MPB Bible Study -- 'The Turning Point'

The Turning Point is a nine-session Bible study experience for people who want to get to know Jesus in the Scriptures but don't know where to start. It takes place Wednesdays from January 24 through March 27. Participants have the choice of one of two sessions: 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The fee is \$15.

The study will introduce you to people and stories in the Gospel of John not found anywhere else in the Bible: the woman at the well; a man named Nicodemus; the woman caught in adultery; and Lazarus, the friend Jesus raised from the dead. It includes stories about Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding in Cana and Jesus washing the feet of his disciples,

Praise for Performance in *Lion King*

Congratulations to the cast of LSC Middle School's *Lion King Jr.* for an outstanding performance. Special praise goes to St. Anthony's young parishioners: Brooke Manning, Colt Maracle, Isabella Orlando, Emma Schultz and Camila Sills.

LITTLE LAMBS BOUTIQUE

Visit the Little Lambs Boutique after Sunday's 10:30 a.m. Mass. See the many gift items and the section from Medjugorje. All proceeds go directly to the Faith Formation program.

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Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of the month - 9:30 a.m. -- Noon
Everyone is welcome.

**MPB Bible Study: The Turning Point
Registration**

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mark to indicate your preference of time.

Wed., 10:30 a.m. Wed., 7:00 p.m.

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