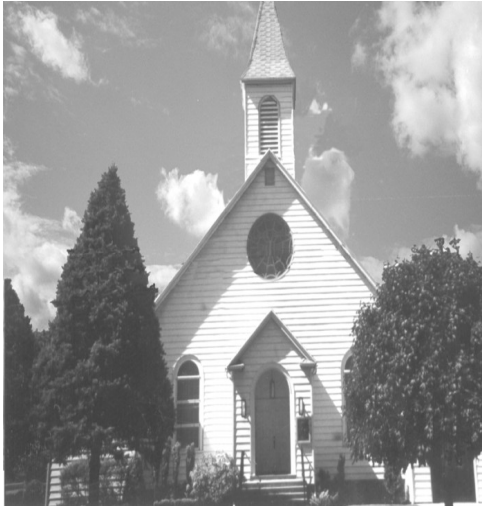


# Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



## St. Anthony's Church

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FAMILY PASTOR -- Rev. Timothy Koester

PASTOR EMERITUS -- Rev. James Fliss

### PAROCHIAL VICARS

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

### PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Joe Gray  
Deacon Neal Linnan  
Deacon Steven 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.

### St. Anthony's Staff

Trustees .....Sandra Hooge & Frank Zeffiro, Jr.  
Business Manager.....Eleanor Cox  
Parish Council Chairperson.....Theresa White  
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Sacramental Program.....Kris Dash  
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Music Ministry.....Mike Cerabone  
Children's Liturgy of the Word....Michelle Baumgarden  
Buildings & Grounds.....Larry Leonard  
Custodian.....George Cordia  
Cemetery Sextons.....Frank Zeffiro & Charles Walker  
Scout Troop #421.....Wayne Ames  
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.

### Bulletin Updates

In an effort to update information in the bulletin, names in some continuing articles have been deleted. This has occurred on the cover page and in prayers for the sick. If an error has been made, please report it to the parish office.

### 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, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.; St. John Paul II - Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

#### BAPTISM

Arrangements for Baptism are to be made with the parish priest. Parents should be registered in the parish and attend Baptismal classes. Call the rectory to schedule.

#### 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, April 13**

**Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter**

5:30 PM - All the Faithful Departed

**Sunday, April 14 - Third Sunday of Easter**

10:30 AM - Jerry Clark - by Barbara Clark

**Monday, April 15**

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood & St. Francis

**Tuesday, April 16**

9:00 AM - Barney O'Donnell - by Family

**Wednesday, April 17**

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood & St. Francis

**Thursday, April 18**

9:00 AM - Reid Scout Hamilton - by Family

**Friday, April 19**

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood & St. Francis

**Saturday, April 20**

**Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter**

5:30 PM - Frank Muscato - by Judy Burghart

**Sunday, April 21 - Fourth Sunday of Easter**

10:30 AM - Arthur & Lillian Hildman - Estate

**This Week at St. Anthony's**

**Saturday, April 13**

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

**Sunday, April 14**

9:15 a.m. - Faith Formation

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

**Tuesday, April 16**

9:30 a.m. -- Legion of Mary

6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

**Wednesday, April 17**

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

**Stewardship**

April 7, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$2,925.00

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**Ministry Schedule -- April 20 & 21**

**Lector**

**Ministers**

5:30 p.m. - K. Dash

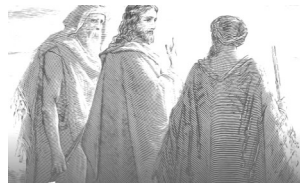
K. Zukowski

10:30 a.m. - S. Hooge

R. Cerabone, T. Cerabone

**Altar Servers:**

Please sign up in the Sacristy for future Masses.



***From the Pastor...***

*Third Sunday of Easter:  
Understanding the Scriptures*

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift -- forgiveness. And more, Jesus in today's Gospel teaches His apostles how to interpret the Scriptures.

He tells them that all the Scriptures of what we now call the Old Testament refer to Him. He says that all the promises found in the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His Passion, death, and Resurrection. And He tells them that these Scriptures foretell the mission of the Church, to preach forgiveness of sins to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

In today's First and Second Readings, we see the beginnings of that mission. And we see the apostles interpreting the Scriptures as Jesus taught them to. God has brought to fulfillment what He announced beforehand in all the prophets, Peter preaches. His sermon is filled with Old Testament images. He evokes Moses and the Exodus, in which God revealed himself as the ancestral God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He identifies Jesus as Isaiah's suffering servant who has been glorified.

John, too, describes Jesus in Old Testament terms. Alluding to how Israel's priests offered blood sacrifices to atone for the people's sins, he says that Jesus intercedes for us before God, and that His blood is a sacrificial expiation for the sins of the world.

Notice that in all three readings, the Scriptures are interpreted to serve and advance the Church's mission -- to reveal the truth about Jesus, to bring people to repentance, the wiping away of sins, and the perfection of their love for God. This is how we, too, should hear the Scriptures. Not to know more "about" Jesus, but to truly know Him personally, and to know His plan for our lives.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

Choicest Blessings,

***Fr. Tim***

**Meat Raffle Planned for May 4**

St. Mary of the Lake Parish will host its Annual Spring Meat Raffle Saturday, May 4 in the Social Center, 4737 Lake Shore Rd., Hamburg.

Meat is provided by Latina Foods and will include Mineo & Sapio Italian sausage, breaded chicken, racks of ribs, Sahlen’s hot dogs, hams, top rounds, pork loins/chops, Rosina meatballs and steak/shrimp specials.

Admission is \$10 (pre-sale available). Tables of eight may be reserved for \$70. The admission price includes beverages (no outside alcohol permitted). Bring your own snacks and single bills for wheel spins. The final raffle prize is a Weber grill, grill cover and wicker picnic basket.

Proceeds will benefit St. Mary of the Lake Church. For more information, call 716-627-7700.



**Please Remember  
in Your Prayers...**

- Bryan Ahl, Sharon Ames, Wayne Ames,  
Andrea Battaglia, Verna Bogdan,  
Michael Bolistriero, Zane Bolkman, John Brackett,  
Sheri Buczkowski, Nicholas Byer, Jared Canto,  
Diane Catalfu, Lucille Chiapparo,  
Florence Conover, Joe Cook, Callan Cooke,  
Eleanor Cox, Glenn Cummings,  
Jennifer Czyz, Mark DeCarlo, Eric DeLang,  
Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino, Lorraine Dotterel,  
Lorraine Dunkel, Tami Faraci, Jack Fescio,  
Inez Hacker, Carol Hoppa,  
Darlean Jewell Morales, Angela Jones, Kerry,  
Stanley Kowal, Don Kraft,  
Dayle Kuest, athy Leiker, Josephine Leonard,  
Joanne Leone, Barbra Lewellen, Dan Lewellen,  
Sue Licht, Troy Little, Judy Lohr, Collin Lyford,  
Rebecca Hall-Marshall, Barbara Morin,  
Linda Muscato, Kira Palermo, Alicia Parisio,  
Michael Pawelek, Rylee Pierce, Nina Reghetti,  
Eugene & Mary Rigby, Joyce Rogers,  
Jim Ross, Jean Marie Sadowy, Robert S. Sciandra,  
Ralph Schweers, Lynn Sellick, Joe Siciliano,  
Jim Smith, Kathy Solly, James Spano,  
LouAnn Stevenson, Elisabeth Stoklosa,  
Ruth Taggart, Elizabeth Valvo,  
BethAnne Van Horn, Don Waite, Laure Weidner,  
Gene Welty, Gregory Winger Jr., Matthew Young,  
Chris Zgoda.

**Road to Renewal**



When Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger was elected to the papacy and became Pope Benedict XVI, it was both a surprise and not a surprise.

Throughout his predecessors’ tenure as the successor to Saint Peter, Ratzinger was the Prefect for the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, an office that held so much esteem and importance, it used to simply be called the “Holy Office.” Gaining a reputation as a conservative theologian, many feared his black and white approach would be completely the opposite of Pope Saint John Paul II. Thus, his opening address from the balcony in Saint Peter’s Square was quite astounding and laid the foundation for his papacy. He said, “Dear brothers and sisters, after the great Pope John Paul II, the Cardinals have elected me, a simple, humble laborer in the vineyard of the Lord.”

In this Easter of our Renewal let us not forget that everyone brings a unique gift and talent to our community of faith. When we lose sight of this and desire to paint everyone with the same brush, we lose precious gifts and graces the Lord is trying to bring to us. We are all but humble and simple beings, created in the image and likeness of God. Let us continue to work in the vineyard of the Lord, each according to the talents and gifts the Lord has given us so, thus coming together as one body of believers, we may be whole. Together.

Choicest Blessings,  
*Fr. Tim*

**Catholic Women’s Conference**

*Be Still*, a Catholic Women’s Conference, will take place Saturday, April 27 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph’s Collegiate Institute, 845 Kenmore Ave., Buffalo. The day includes: continental breakfast, Vigil Mass, national speakers, lunch, confession, adoration, vendors.

More information and tickets are available by visiting [www.catholicwomenofbuffalo.org](http://www.catholicwomenofbuffalo.org), email [catholicwomenbuffalo@gmail.com](mailto:catholicwomenbuffalo@gmail.com) or call 716-725-9551

**Healing Mass Scheduled in May**

A Healing Mass will take place Wednesday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, 1032 Central Ave., Dunkirk.

**‘She Did It All’ Presentation**

*She Did it All*, a live, one-man theatrical work about the life of Venerable Nelson Baker, will be presented Monday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Pompeii auditorium, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster. It strives to educate, inspire and entertain and is meant for all ages.

See how Father Baker recovers from a deadly infection and discovers a lasting devotion to the Blessed Mother. Witness how his trust in Mary’s intercession transformed a bankrupt orphanage into one of the greatest institutions of its kind in America.

Learn more as Father Baker guides thousand of orphaned and wayward boys, educating their minds and hearts by providing them with the tools necessary to become respectable citizens, husbands and fathers. Listen to how he built a basilica to give thanks and honor to the Mother of God for her constant patronage.

Refreshments will be served following the performance. While there is no admission charge, a free will offering will be accepted.

**Life in the Eucharist**

*“The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesial ministries and work of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch.” (CCC 1324)*

As Catholics, we draw our strength and nourishment from the Eucharist Jesus made present to us every time we attend Holy Mass or Eucharistic Adoration.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to a five-session retreat, *Life in the Eucharist*. Attend one session for five consecutive weeks to learn more about the Eucharist and to be drawn into a deeper relationship with it. Registration forms can be found on the family website [lakeshorecatholicfc.org](http://lakeshorecatholicfc.org) or in the church vestibule. Please return the form to the parish office via mail or collection basket. Each session begins at 7:00 p.m. and lasts approximately 90 minutes.

Please note the schedule and place of each session: May 1- St. Francis; May 8 - St. Mary of the Lake; May 15 - St. John Paul II; May 22 - Most Precious Blood; May 29 - St. Anthony.

**MPB’s Pork Chop Dinner**

Most Precious Blood Parish will have its spring Pork Chop Dinner in the Hall (17 Prospect St.) Saturday, April 20 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Dinner includes: breaded boneless pork chops, roasted potatoes, sweet & sour cabbage, green beans, applesauce, chef salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Please call the rectory office (716-549-0420) for tickets. The donation is \$15.

**A Vocation View**

Today’s first reading from Acts of the Apostles begins Peter’s first sermon in the streets of Jerusalem. Our Church is in need of good preachers today! Do you have a clever way with words? Maybe God is calling you to the pulpit. Find out by contacting the Vocations Office at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

**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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Patty Friend - Town Historian

**The Brant Courtroom was dedicated March 22, 2014 to Peter F. Gugino, who was a Town Justice for 22 years.**

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