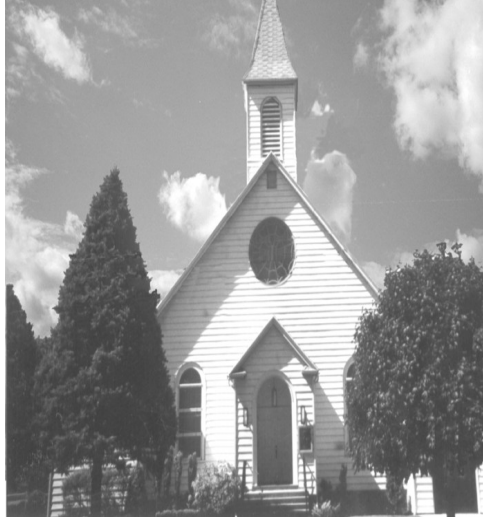


Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



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
Faith Formation Director.....Kathleen Brachmann
Youth Ministry.....Keith Dash
Sacramental Program.....Kris Dash
Liturgy.....Donna Roof
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

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).

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.

Parish Membership

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



Daily Masses & Intentions

Saturday, June 15

Vigil: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM - Fathers of St. Anthony's

Sunday, June 16 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM - Fathers of St. Anthony's

Monday, June 17

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

Tuesday, June 18

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

Wednesday, June 19

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

Thursday, June 20

9:00 AM - All Souls

Friday, June 21

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood

8:30 AM - Mass at St. John Paul II

Saturday, June 22

Vigil: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM - Joanne O'Grady - by Judy & Ashley Smith

Sunday, June 23 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM - John Tonjes - by Bachmann Family

This Week at St. Anthony's

Saturday, June 15

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 16

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Father's Day Breakfast

Tuesday, June 18

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

6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 19

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

Saturday, June 22

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 23

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Stewardship

June 9, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$2,589.00

Catholic Communications.....\$308.00

Thank You for Your Generous Support.

Ministry Schedule -- June 22 & 23

Lector

5:30 p.m. - D. Roof

10:30 a.m. Brian English

Ministers

E. Brittain

R. Cerabone, T. Cerabone

Father's Day Breakfast

Join us in the Church Hall for the Father's Day Continental Breakfast Sunday, June 16 following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



From the Pastor...

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Tree of Righteousness

After Lent, the Easter season, three Sundays of feast days -- Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity, and Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -- the Church returned to Ordinary Time last Sunday. This Sunday's Gospel from Mark continues the Sermon on the Mount, which carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God. Let's look at our Readings this week: In the cryptic message of the prophet Ezekiel, long centuries before the Lord's coming, God gave His people reason to hope. Ezekiel glimpsed a day when the Lord God would place a tree on a mountain in Israel, a tree that would "put forth branches and bear fruit." Who could have predicted that the tree would be a cross on the hill of Calvary, and that the fruit would be salvation?

Ezekiel foresees salvation coming to "birds of every kind" -- thus, not just to the people of Israel, but also to the Gentiles, who will "take wing" through their new life in Christ. God indeed will "lift high the lowly tree," as He solemnly promises. Such salvation surpasses humanity's most ambitious dreams. And so we express our gratitude in the Psalm: "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you." It is indeed good, and better still to give thanks with praise. The Psalmist speaks of those who are just upon the earth, but looks to God as the source and measure of justice, of righteousness. Like Ezekiel, he evokes the image of a flourishing tree to describe the lives of the just. The image, again, suggests the Cross as the measure of righteousness.

The Cross is a sign of contradiction to those who would rather "flourish" in worldly terms. As St. Paul emphasizes to the Corinthians, we need courage. Our faith makes us strong, and it is proved in our deeds. He reminds us that we will be judged by the ways our faith manifests itself in works: "so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil."

God Himself will empower the works He expects from us, though we freely choose to correspond to His grace. In the prophetic oracles, He scattered the seed that sprang up and became the mustard tree, large enough to accommodate all the birds of the sky, just as Ezekiel had seen. He gave this doctrine to His disciples in terms they were able to understand, and He provided a full explanation. In the sacraments He provides still more: the grace of faith and the courage we need to live in the world as children of God. Let us renew our commitment today. Choicest Blessings.

Fr. Tim

Chicken BBQ at St. Anthony's

St. Anthony's Parish will host a Drive-Thru Chicken Barbecue by Chiavetta's Sunday July 7 from 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The dinner includes 1/2 chicken, boiled red potatoes, chef's salad and roll. The price of the dinner is \$15.

'Music in the Garden' in Lake View

Everyone is invited to "Music in the Garden" Thursday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish prayer garden of St. John Paul II. The evening will feature Tom Stahl and the Dangerfields.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring a lawn chair and their own refreshments. A free-will offering will be taken during the evening.

The church is located at 2053 Lakeview Rd., Lake View. For more information, call 716-627-2910.

Singles Get-Together Planned

If you are single within the ages of 21 to 35, you are invited to a "Single's Mingle" Sunday, June 22 at 2:00 p.m. at Sad Boy's Brewing, 567 Exchange St, Buffalo.

Contact Rosalie Constable for details and to RSVP by June 20 (rosaliecon15@gmail.com).



Please Remember in Your Prayers..

Bryan Ahl, Sharon Ames, Wayne Ames,
Andrea Battaglia, 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, Jennifer Czyz, Mark DeCarlo,
Eric DeLang, Katlin DeMaria, Carol A. Doino,

Lenore Doetterl, Lorraine Dunkel, Tami Faraci,
Jack Fescio, Inez Hacker, Carol Hoppa, Angela Jones,
Kerry, Stanley Kowal, Don Kraft, Dayle Kuest,
Kathy Leiker, Josephine Leonard, Joanne Leone,

Barbra Lewellen, Dan Lewellen, Sue Licht, Troy Little,
Judy Lohr, Collin Lyford, Rebecca Hall-Marshall,
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

"Knowledge can last, principles can last, habits can last; but feelings come and go."

That is the nature of human life. C.S. Lewis believed that we live between various vicissitudes, which he dubbed "The Law of Undulation." He put this into The Screwtape Letters, where the senior devil, Screwtape, is counseling his junior apprentice against making too much of dry periods in human beings for the purpose of temptation. Humans are half spirit and half animal:

"As spirits they belong to the eternal world, but as animals they inhabit time. This means that while their spirit can be directed to an eternal object, their bodies, passions, and imaginations are in continual change, for as to be in time means to change. Their nearest approach to constancy, therefore, is undulation -- the repeated return to a level from which they repeatedly fall back, a series of troughs and peaks. If you had watched your patient, carefully you would have seen this undulation in every department of his life -- his interest in his work, his affection for his friends, his physical appetites, all go up and down. As long as he lives on earth, periods of emotional and bodily richness and liveliness will alternate with periods of numbness and poverty. The dryness and dullness through which your patient is now going are not, as you fondly suppose, your workmanship; they are merely a natural phenomenon which will do us no good unless you make a good use of it."

A long quote to try and help us understand our present situation. What we are feeling is real. Our emotional attachment to our parishes, the investments we have made into their survival and our feelings about the current crisis in our Diocese are real, yet merely human. Evil thrives on our downfall into these natural phenomena if we allow it to. But if we remember our relationship with God and the faith we profess, we are armed to combat the undulations and the evil. Recall that each of us carries the love of God and the relationships we have made. Our soul is what needs to be at the center of our actions. Our learning to discern and interact with the law of undulation will directly dictate our response and ability to grow out of the ashes that we encounter. You and I were made for much more. We are the work of God's hands in our time.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Vacation Bible School Planned In LS Catholic Faith Community

Two parishes will offer Vacation Bible School this summer for children within the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community.

St. John Paul II Parish, 2052 Lakeview Rd., Lake View will have *VBS Scuba, diving into friendship with God*, July 8-12 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Daily lessons are designed for children ages 3 to 10. The cost is \$30 for all five days.

St. Anthony RC Church, 421 Commercial St., Farnham, will present its Vacation Bible School, *Come to the Table*, August 19-23 from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m. Registration forms may be downloaded at lakeshorecatholicfc.org by those interested in having their children participate in these summer Bible Schools.

Trip Planned to Pirates Game

The Holy Name Society of St. John Paul II Parish will sponsor a trip to Pittsburgh for a Pirates baseball game Saturday, June 22. The trip is open to members of parishes in the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community.

The time of departure from the Hamburg church is 11:30 a.m. and the return trip directly follows the game. The cost of the trip and attending the game is \$100 per person.

The Holy Name Society will provide snacks and refreshments for the journey. Reserve by contacting Jonathan Molik at 716-627-2910.

Catholic Charities

Help Catholic Charities finish out the historic 100th Appeal strong!

Started in 1924, the first Appeal carried a goal of \$262,116. Today the Appeal looks quite different, including a much larger goal. But the tradition of raising money to help those in need continues. Be part of the historic 100th Appeal and give HOPE to those who need it. Every dollar makes a difference. Give today at www.ccwny.org/donate or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

A Vocation View

On this Father's Day, we honor the vocation of marriage and earthly fatherhood. For unmarried men, might God be asking you to be a *spiritual* father? To learn more, call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

Knights of Columbus



Catholic men, 50 years and older, who are not affiliated with a Knights of Columbus organization or who do not have access to a senior Knights division, are invited to attend luncheon meetings of the Hamburg Council 2220. These meetings take place the first and third Thursday of the month at 12:00 Noon at the Hamburg Knights of Columbus, 69 Pierce Ave. For more information, contact Joe Pietrocarlo at 716-627-7497.

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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Located in Brant Town Hal

Patty Friend - Town Historian

Clint Holmes, singer, songwriter and Las Vegas entertainer,
was raised in Farnham and graduated from Lake Shore Central.

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