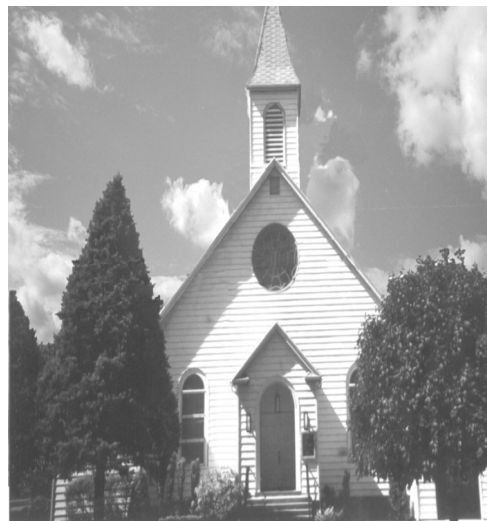


Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



St. Anthony's Church

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Email: stanthonysfarnham@aol.com Website: stanthonysfarnham.org

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 8

Vigil: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM - Philip Hill - by Family

Sunday, June 9 - Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM - Barney O'Donnell - by O'Donnell Family

Monday, June 10

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

Tuesday, June 11

9:00 AM - Mother's of St. Anthony's

Wednesday, June 12

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

Thursday, June 13

9:00 AM - Russ Battaglia, Jr. - by Jo Battaglia

Friday, June 14

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

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

This Week at St. Anthony's

Saturday, June 8

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 9

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Tuesday, June 11

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

6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 12

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

Saturday, June 15

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 16

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Stewardship

June 2, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$2,540.00

Thank You for Your Generous Support.

Ministry Schedule -- June 15 & 16

Lector

Ministers

5:30 p.m. - K. Dash

K. Zukowski

10:30 a.m. S. Hooge

S. Smith, L. Andrzejewski

Father's Day Cards

Father's Day Novena cards are available at the entrance of the church.

From the Pastor...

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Promised One

In the section of the Gospel shortly before these verses, Jesus calls his Twelve Apostles. Now he performs his first exorcism. Jesus has just been healing and casting out demons in Galilee. Along with the crowds, who flock to Him so that He can't even take a break to eat, come people who do not understand what He is doing. Even His friends think He has lost His mind and needs to be taken away for a while. But the scribes who came down from Jerusalem are not just honestly mistaken; they accuse Him of being possessed by the prince of demons.

The reality is just the opposite. Jesus is revealing Himself as the one promised in our first reading. He is the seed of the woman who has come to crush the head of the demonic serpent. In the parable of the strong man, Jesus reveals that He has come not just to punish the devil but to free those bound by him. As St. Bede explains, "The Lord has also bound the strong man, that is, the devil: which means, He has restrained him from seducing the elect, and entering into his house, the world; He has spoiled his house, and His goods, that is men, because He has snatched them from the snares of the devil, and has united them to His Church."

The scribes blaspheme by attributing this work of the Holy Spirit to demons. Jesus adds a statement that shocks us at first: "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness." That does not mean that there are any limits to the mercy of God. Rather, the only sin that cannot be forgiven is the deliberate refusal to accept the mercy offered through the Holy Spirit.

Mark then brings Jesus' family back into the picture. They are not presented in a critical light but are just trying to see him. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family for him is not based on blood. Instead, we must imitate those who sat at Jesus' feet. For, as He said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother, and sister, and mother."

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim

JP2 Men's Prayer Group to Meet

The men's prayer group at St. John Paul II will welcome Michael Specht, religion teacher at St. Francis High School, Saturday, June 15. The morning begins at 8:30 with a rosary followed by the presentation. All men are invited to attend.

'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

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, soon to be Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati, has been an inspiration to young Catholics for the last century. An avid lover of nature and prolific poet, Pier continues to be a model for all of us, no matter our age. Blessed Frassati once said, "A Catholic cannot help but be happy; sadness should be banished from their souls. Suffering is not sadness, which is the worst disease. This disease is almost always caused by atheism, but the end for which we are created guides us along life's pathway, which may be strewn with thorns, but is not sad. It is happy even through suffering."

In light of the most recent events in our Church, some of us may feel sad, upset, frustrated, even angry. We associate sadness in hard times with suffering; we become self-absorbed in our own mental and emotional roller coasters that we forget what is truly beautiful and always right in front of us -- Our Eucharistic Community. Last weekend we celebrated Corpus Christi, a call to honor and show gratitude for Jesus' never ending and real presence in the Blessed Sacrament. Always remember that Jesus remains right in front of us the whole time. Only we can choose not to see Him and adore Him!

As we anticipate the next steps in our reshaping and resizing of the Diocese, my prayer is that we answer Blessed Frassati's call, to eliminate sadness from our soul. For sadness is merely a product of us taking our eyes off the Lord and why we come to Church in the first place. Buildings may be closed and parishes may be restructured, but our end goal remains the same, to rejoice with the Angels and Saints in the glorious kingdom of Heaven with God our almighty Father. The roadmap remains Jesus. Our Blessing and bond is the Holy Spirit. That I promise you will never cease.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities Appeal 2024 is in its final month. If you haven't yet donated, now is the time. No gift to Appeal 2024 is too small because every dollar makes a difference. In fact, each dollar raised during the annual Appeal leverages an additional \$5 - \$6 of government support and contracts. Truly every dollar counts because more funding means more services for those in need in our communities.

Give HOPE today at www.ccnw.org/donation or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

Volunteers Needed at Catholic Health

Catholic Health is looking for compassionate, active volunteers 18 and over at all hospital sites and skilled nursing facilities. Needed are friendly visitors, greeters and much more. Catholic Health LIFE center is also seeking senior companions.

For more information, call Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106 or visit <https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer>.

Healing Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas

A Mass for the healing of body, mind and spirit will take place Thursday, June 13 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 450 Abbott Rd., Buffalo. June 13 is the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua.

A first-class relic of the saint and the sacrament of the anointing of the sick will be available. All are invited to come and experience the healing presence of the Lord. For more information, call 716-822-1250.

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.

A Vocation View

A house divided against itself cannot stand. But the Church has the Eucharist as our point of unity. Who will provide this sacrament to unify tomorrow's Church?

Perhaps God is calling you to this mission? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocation.org.



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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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9:30 a.m. -- Noon
Everyone is welcome.*