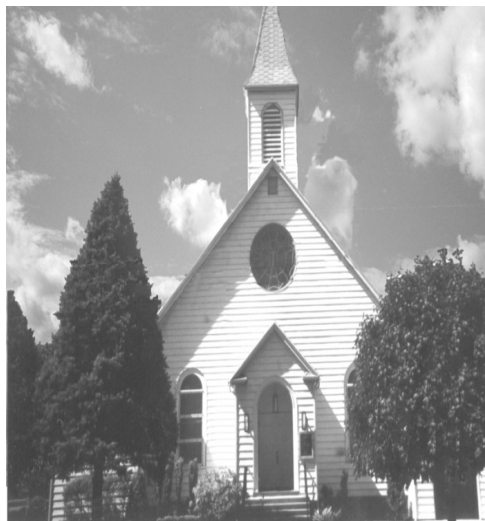


# Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



## ***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.  
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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, August 10**

**Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 PM - All Living & Deceased Fathers of

St. Anthony's

**Sunday, August 11 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 AM - All Faithfully Departed

**Monday, August 12**

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

**Tuesday, August 13**

9:00 AM - Ellen Goodie - by Sister Vern

**Wednesday, August 14**

NO MORNING MASSES

**Thursday, August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM - Rev. Edward Czarnecki - by Ron & Anne Haak

**Friday, August 16**

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood

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

**Saturday, August 17**

**Vigil: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 PM - Don Deth - by Brachmann Family

**Sunday, August 18 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 AM - Gary Brittain - by Eileen



Please pray for the deceased of St. Anthony Parish and Community, especially for **Julia Muscato**.

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

Saturday, August 10

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 11

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Tuesday, August 13

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

6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

Wednesday, August 14

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

Thursday, August 15

Mass of the Assumption - 9:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m. - Rosary in the Park (Evangola)

Saturday, August 17

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 18

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Stewardship -- August 4, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$2,552.00

Monthly Offering.....\$660.00

**Thank You for Your Generous Support.**

**From the Pastor**

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Take and Eat*

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the "Bread of Life discourse" found in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. Recall that we have been reading this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God.

Sometimes we feel like Elijah in today's First Reading. We want to lie down and die, keenly aware of our failures -- that we seem to be getting no better at doing what God wants of us. We can be tempted to despair, as the prophet was on his forty-day journey in the desert. We can be tempted to "murmur" against God, as the Israelites did during their forty years in the desert. The Gospel today uses the same word, "murmur," to describe the crowds, who reenact Israel's hardheartedness in the desert.

Jesus tells them that prophecies are being fulfilled in Him, that they are being taught by God. But they can't believe it. They can only see His flesh, that He is the "son" of Joseph and Mary. Yet if we believe, if we seek Him in our distress, He will deliver us from our fears, as we sing in today's Psalm.

At the altar in every Eucharist, the angel of the Lord, the Lord himself, touches us. He commands us to take and eat His Flesh given for the life of the world. This taste of the heavenly gift comes to us with a renewed command -- to get up and continue on the journey we began in Baptism to the mountain of God, the kingdom of heaven. He will give us the bread of life, the strength and grace we need as He fed our spiritual ancestors in the wilderness and Elijah in the desert.

So let us stop grieving the Spirit of God, as Paul says in today's Second Reading, in another reference to Israel in the desert. Let us say to God as Elijah did, "Take my life," not in the sense of wanting to die but in giving ourselves as a sacrificial offering -- loving Him as He has loved us, on the Cross and in the Eucharist.

Jesus is the bread of life, and today He adds that he is the living bread. Both statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life. Choicest Blessings.

*Fr. Tim*

Ministry Schedule -- August 17 & 18

Lector

5:30 p.m. - B. Brachmann

10:30 a.m. - S. Hooge

Ministers

K. Zukowski

S. Smith, L. Andrzejewski

### Hot Dog Roast at St. Anthony Parish

Bring a friend to Mass Sunday, August 11 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Parish and stay for fellowship and a hot dog cookout following Mass.

### Vacation Bible School

St. Anthony RC Church, 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](http://lakeshorecatholicfc.org) by those interested in having their children participate in the summer Bible School. There is no charge.

### 2024 MPB Fall Split Club

Winner of the drawing for the week of August 4 is **Maria Szczepanik**, ticket number 059. She receives \$75.

Tickets for this fundraiser are available at the Parish Office Mondays and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The ticket cost is \$60. Only 260 tickets will be sold. If you are unable to visit the Parish Office to purchase a ticket, please call 716-549-0420 to arrange for purchase by mail.

Prizes total \$5,400. There will be 16 drawings for \$75 beginning the week of July 28. The Reception and Final Drawings Event will take place November 9. Grand Prize is \$2,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is \$1,000; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is \$500; and 4<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> prizes are \$100 each. Proceeds of the Fall Split Club will benefit the parish.

### Spiritual Adoption Program

Everyone loves the beauty and innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, an Adoption Program will begin August 27. This is an opportunity to spiritually adopt a child conceived this month.

Not all newly conceived babies are allowed to be born. In fact, more than 4,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is for these babies spiritual adoption is being requested.

You may "adopt" a child individually or as a family by signing up on the weekend of August 24/25. You will be asked to name the child for whom you will pray, thereby providing the baby the humanity he/she deserves.

You are asked to pray for your unborn child daily for a 9-month period, for great is the power of prayer. You will receive monthly reports through the parish bulletin in addition to the availability of pamphlets describing the baby's development.

There are millions of unborn babies at risk for abortion who desperately need your prayers. Won't you please spiritually adopt and share the love of life that God has given you?



### Road to Renewal

This Wednesday, the Church rejoices as we celebrate the memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe. Kolbe was a 20th Century Franciscan priest and martyr. He had a strong devotion to the Blessed Mother, which he manifested in the publication "Knight of the Immaculata." Over 100 years later, the magazine is still being printed and distributed across the globe.

Kolbe would often write articles for his magazine. In one of his articles he wrote, "The soul offers to the Immaculate its own acts of love not as one consigns an object to just any intermediary, but as her property, as her complete and exclusive property, since it understands that the Immaculate offers to Jesus these acts as if they were her own, which means that she offers them without stain, immaculate; Jesus, then, offers them to the Father."

As we prepare to celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption, let us entrust our entire self to the Blessed Mother, for everything brought to her she brings to our Lord, who never disappoints His mother.

This week, on the memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, two representatives from each of our parishes as well as the clergy of the family will be meeting with the Renewal Team. At this meeting, the counter proposals submitted last week will be discussed. We will not receive an official answer at this meeting. Rather, the Diocese intends to release the final list of closings the first week of September.

Let us continue to pray for our Diocese, Bishop Michael, the priests, deacons, and laity. Let us entrust all of our concerns, worries, anxieties, and frustrations to our Blessed Mother and the intercession of Saint Maximilian Kolbe. For we continue with faith that God will not abandon us.

Choicest Blessings,

*Fr. Tim*

### 'Respect Life' Thanks Donors

Respect Life Ministry thanks all who donated the numerous baby items, children's clothing, maternity clothes, diapers and wipes during its recent collection drive. These items were delivered and most gratefully received Tuesday, July 30 by the Gianna Molla Pregnancy Center.

The generous monetary donations that were also collected will help the ministry serve the women and children of the Center.

*"May God's blessings be with you as our hearts beat together in Christ. Heartfelt thanks to all!"*

*--Respect Life Ministry*



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**Schedule of Masses Celebrating The Solemnity of the Assumption**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is August 15 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated within each parish of the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community according to the following schedule:

Vigil Mass -- Wednesday, August 14

Most Precious Blood (Angola) -- **6:00 p.m.**  
 St. Mary of the Lake (Hamburg) -- **7:00 p.m.**

Mass of the Assumption -- Thursday, August 15

St. John Paul II (Lake View) -- **8:30 a.m.**  
 St. Anthony (Farnham) -- **9:00 a.m.**  
 St. Francis of Assisi (Hamburg) -- **12:00 p.m.**

**Life in the Eucharist Mission**

A few months ago, the Lakeshore Family of Parishes came together for the Life in the Eucharist Mission. Every week participants met at one of the family churches to learn about the Eucharist of God's Love...as Nourishment, Reconciliation, Transformation, Abiding Presence and as Mission... all in Jesus Christ.

Each person had the opportunity to fill out a commitment card to personally and privately write down plans going forward, each living one's life in the Eucharist. The cards were placed in a jar on the altar at St. Anthony's Church with the intention of traveling to all the family churches over the next year. All commission statements will be prayed for at each location with the promise that all will meet again in a year to celebrate a Mass together.

**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, Joyce Cureo, 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.

**Rosary in the Park**

St. Anthony Parish hosts its summer gatherings to pray the Rosary, *Rosary in the Park*, at Evangola State Park every Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. (September 12 at 6:30 p.m.). All are invited.

**A Vocation View**

Nothing was more radical and shocking than Jesus' words in John 6, "the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." His true Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist -- this is the great mission and privilege of the priesthood. Sound intriguing? Call Fr. Dave Baker 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 NYS Legislature created the Town of Brant March 25, 1839. Its first Supervisor was Jonathan Hascall, Jr.**

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