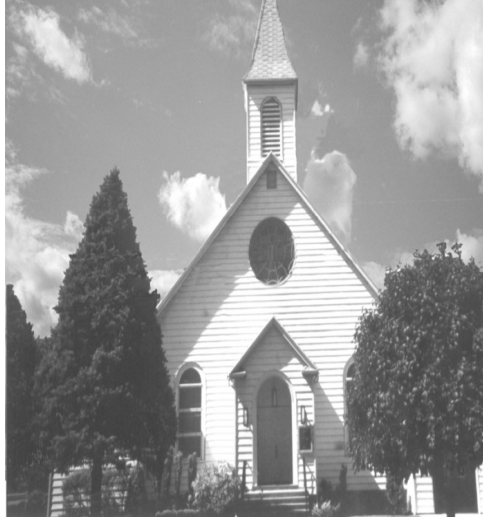


Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



St. Anthony's Church

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FAMILY PASTOR -- Rev. Timothy Koester
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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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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.

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).



Daily Masses & Intentions

Saturday, August 3

Vigil: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM - Barbara Radice - by Brachmann Family

Sunday, August 4 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM - All Living & Deceased Mothers of
St. Anthony's

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

Tuesday, August 6
9:00 AM - Ronald Simchick - by Tricia

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

Thursday, August 8
9:00 AM - MaryAnne Constantino Balon - by Loving
Children

Friday, August 9
8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood
8:30 AM - Mass at St. John Paul II

Saturday, August 10
Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 AM - All Living & Deceased Fathers of
St. Anthony's

Sunday, August 11 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM - All Faithfully Departed

This Week at St. Anthony's

Saturday, August 3
5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 4
10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

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

Wednesday, August 7
8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

Saturday, August 10
5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 11
10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Stewardship

July 28 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$1,483.00

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Ministry Schedule -- August 10 & 11

<u>Lector</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
5:30 p.m. - T. Cerabone	S. Cummings
10:30 a.m. - S. Kief	C. Bush, G. Bush



From the Pastor

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Endurance Test*

This Sunday we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. Today we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that he gives in the Eucharist. The journey of discipleship is a lifelong exodus from the slavery of sin and death to the holiness of truth on Mount Zion, the promised land of eternal life. The road can get rough. And when it does, we can be tempted to complain like the Israelites in this week's First Reading.

We have to see these times of hardship as a test of what is in our hearts, a call to trust God more and to purify the motives for our faith. As Paul reminds us in this week's Second Reading, we must leave behind our old self-deceptions and desires and live according to the likeness of God in which we are made.

Jesus tells the crowd in this week's Gospel that they are following Him for the wrong reasons. They seek Him because He filled their bellies. The Israelites, too, were content to follow God so long as there was plenty of food. Food is the most obvious of signs because it is the most basic of our human needs. We need our daily bread to live. But we cannot live by this bread alone. We need the bread of eternal life that preserves those who believe in Him.

The manna in the wilderness, like the bread Jesus multiplied for the crowd, was a sign of God's Providence -- that we should trust that He will provide. These signs pointed to their fulfillment in the Eucharist, the abundant bread of angels we sing about in this week's Psalm. This is the food that God longs to give us. This is the bread we should be seeking. Too often, we seek the perishable stuff of our everyday wants and anxieties. We think these things are what we really need.

Trust God more. If we seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, all these things will be ours as well. Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John's Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself. In the weeks ahead, we will see the offense that this gives to the people.

Choicest Blessings.

Fr. Tim

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 by those interested in having their children participate in the summer Bible School. There is no charge.

2024 MPB Fall Split Club

Winners of the drawings for the week of July 28 are **Arlene Heineman**, ticket numbered 080, and **Brian Guest**, ticket number 71. Each 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; 2nd prize is \$1,000; 3rd prize is \$500; and 4th through 10th prizes are \$100 each. Proceeds of the Fall Split Club will benefit the parish.

Pilgrimage 2025 to England, Scotland

You are invited to join host Fr. Peter Karalus, Vicar General, on a 2025 Pilgrimage, "The Majesty of England and Scotland" August 19-28, 2025.

Celebrate Mass at historical locations, 4-star centrally located hotels, breakfast daily, two lunches, scotch tasting, and afternoon tea. Included are ground transportation, guides and all tips and taxes.

This journey is filled with several unique and special experiences: the rich history, culture and natural beauty of London, Windsor, Inverness, Loch Ness, Glamis, Dundee, and Edinburgh. Also integrated into the journey are Mass at Westminster Cathedral, visiting the Tomb of St. Edward the Confessor, and Roslyn Chapel. Experience breathtaking landscapes, palaces and castles.

For access to a detailed itinerary of the trip, go to <https://www.unitours.com/client/KaralusUK.html>. Early registration discounts are available. Call 716-847-5560 for more information.



Road to Renewal

I trust we have all seen or heard about the opening ceremony of the Paris Olympics. Many have seen it as an attack on Christianity and have come to its defense. In fact, Bishop Robert Barron called it a "gross mockery." Bishop Barron said, "Christians were offended because it was offensive, and it was intended to be offensive, so please don't patronize us with this condescending remark about 'well, if you had any bad feelings, we're awfully sorry about that.' A real apology would be something like, 'this was a mistake, it never should have been done, and we're sorry for it.' I do not think Christians should be mollified. I think we should keep raising our voices."

This presumptive attack on Christian Ideals has stirred up emotions from all sides. But, I am noticing an explosion of prayer, Mass attendance, and people asking Scriptural Questions of late. I dare say FAITH is essential. People are rejuvenating their Christian faith in the midst of anger and despair.

As we continue to reshape and right size our family of parishes, I pray we keep FAITH first and can meet all hurdles with the same zeal and enthusiasm we are seeing right now. Last week we posted on our family website the job descriptions and applications for positions open in the family going forward. These positions have been carefully orchestrated to cover the needs that encompass our ministry. This hiring of our family staff will help us as we move forward in our Renewal. Please consider our expanding family and pray for each and every one of us.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim



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.

WWII Polish Remembrance Mass 2024

Each year the Polish American community remembers and honors the people of Poland who suffered and perished during World War II with a special commemoration of the martyrdom of St. Maximilian Kolbe at the Auschwitz concentration camp. This year's event will especially honor the members of religious communities -- nuns and priests -- who were victims to the horrors of war.

The Mass will take place Sunday, August 11 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus B & M Church, Fillmore & Peckham Ave., Buffalo. Immediately following the Mass, a light refreshment will be served in the Social Center where an art exhibit, developed by Dr. Eileen Lyon, will be available for viewing.

The event is sponsored by Polish American Congress, Polish Chair at Canisius College, Polish Legacy Project - WWII; and Am-Pol Eagle Newspaper. The entire Western New York Community is invited.

Celebrating the Assumption



Celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15 at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 4135 Union Rd., Cheektowaga.

An outdoor Mass, celebrated by Fr. Sean DiMaria, with the Blessing of Herbs and Flowers takes place at 10:00 a.m. Other events include a Latin Mass at 12:00 p.m.; Rosary for Peace at 3:00 p.m.; Living Rosary at 6:00 p.m.; Healing Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Other activities from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. include food trucks, bake sale, and a basket raffle. For more information, call 716-276-9288 or visit <https://www.cheektowagacatholicfamily.org/>

A Vocation View

Manna in the desert -- a miracle, but only a sign of the more amazing Bread from Heaven that Jesus would give us in His Body & Blood. This supreme gift continues through the ministry of priests. Be a part of this otherworldly ministry!

Call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

Rosary in the Park

St. Anthony Parish hosts its summer gatherings to pray the Rosary, *Rosary in the Park*, every Thursday, August 1 - 29 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Evangola State Park. All are invited.

St. Anthony's also invites you to attend its *Patriotic Rosary* that will take place in the church September 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Community Garden at St. John Paul II

St. John Paul II garden ministry meets the first and third Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m. to tend the garden. All are welcome to participate.

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.

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