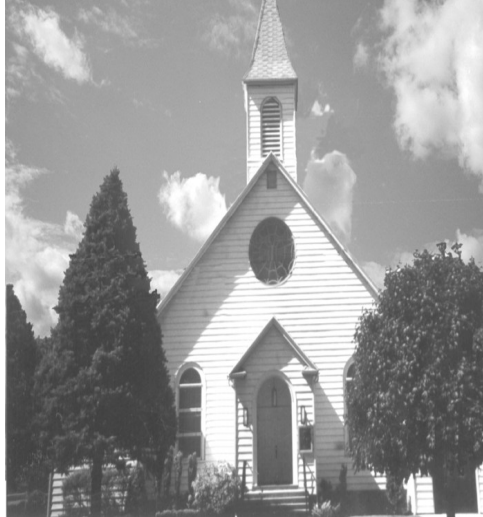


# Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community



## ***St. Anthony's Church***

417 Commercial Street / PO Box A9  
Farnham, NY 14061

Rectory: (716) 549-1159 / Fax: 549-7742 / Parish Hall (716) 549-2867  
Email: [stanthonysfarnham@aol.com](mailto:stanthonysfarnham@aol.com) Website: [stanthonysfarnham.org](http://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  
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, September 14

**Vigil: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:30 PM - John Maiorana - by Staff of MPB

### Sunday, September 15 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM - Joan Tamulski - by Family

### Monday, September 16

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

### Tuesday, September 17

9:00 AM - Mothers of the Parish

### Wednesday, September 18

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

### Thursday, September 19

9:00 AM - Faithfully Departed

### Friday, September 20

8:00 AM - Mass at Most Precious Blood

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

### Saturday, September 21

**Vigil: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 PM - Joan Tamulski - by Family

### Sunday, September 22 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM - Harold & Norma Hamberger

### This Week at St. Anthony's

Saturday, September 14

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, September 15

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Tuesday, September 17

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

6:30 p.m. -- Boy Scouts

Wednesday, September 18

8:00 p.m. -- AA Meeting

Saturday, September 21

9:00 a.m. - WINGS

5:30 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, September 22

10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

### Stewardship -- September 8, 2024

Weekly Offering.....\$1,802.00

**Thank You for Your Generous Support.**

### Ministry Schedule -- September 21 & 22

#### Lector

5:30 p.m. - B. Brachmann

10:30 a.m. - B. English

#### Ministers

S. Cummings

C. Busch, G. Busch

## From the Pastor

*Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Following the Messiah*

Today's reading is the turning point in Mark's Gospel. In the presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus found in the Gospel of Mark, the deeds of Jesus have shown Jesus to be the Son of God. Yet many, including Jesus' disciples, have not yet realized his identity.

Even more, today we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is. Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David.

Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls Himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions. But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world. And the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death.

Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in today's First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words -- as He gives Himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in today's Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death. As Jesus tells us today, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial, losing our lives to save them in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in today's Second Reading, must express itself in works of love.

Notice that Jesus questions the Apostles today "along the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life. We, too, are on a journey with the Lord. We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel. Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us until that day when we reach our destination and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

We can easily miss the fear that Jesus' words must have evoked in his disciples. Death by crucifixion was all too familiar as a method of execution in Roman occupied territories. It was also an omnipresent danger to the Christian community for whom Mark wrote. The path that Jesus was inviting his disciples to share meant tremendous suffering and death. This is the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel.

Choicest Blessings,

*Fr. Tim*

**Faith Formation / Youth Program**

Registration for the Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs is now open. The forms can be found at [www.stanthonyfarnham.org](http://www.stanthonyfarnham.org) or at the entrances of the church.

**Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)**

RCIA is the initiation process for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic. It is for those who have never been baptized or who were baptized in a Catholic or non-Catholic church and now wish to consider fully joining the Catholic Church.

The RCIA is a step-by-step process, with no pressure to commit to the Catholic faith, in which interested persons explore the beliefs and traditions of the Catholic Church over a period of several months or years, as needed.

Sessions take place at St. Mary of the Lake every Sunday morning, 9:00-11:00, with Deborah Keenan and at Most Precious Blood, 9:00-10:30, with Marie O'Connor.

**Fall Bible Study at MPB**

*The Bible and the Church Fathers*, the fall Bible Study at Most Precious Blood Parish will meet Wednesdays in two sessions (10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.) from September 25 to December 18 in the Annex. The fee is \$20, which covers the cost of the book and the sessions.

Christians should want to know about their family tree, who has gone before them in the Faith, where they came from and what they believed. This study offers lessons on who the early Church Fathers were and how they shaped the way we read Scripture.

To register, fill out the form below, place it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket at a weekend Mass or mail to: *Most Precious Blood Church, 22 Prospect St., Angola NY 14006.*

**MPB Fall Bible Study**  
*The Bible and the Church Fathers*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mark X to indicate your preference of time.

Wed., 10:00 a.m       Wed., 7:00 p.m.

\$20 enclosed: Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

**Road to Renewal**

Saint Paul, in his letter to the Romans, wrote, "Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer." (Romans 12:12). Saint Paul describes three core pillars of the Christian life. God, who justifies believers through their free-will offering of themselves, sends the Holy Spirit with gifts to assist in the preservation of the Christian life. Saint Paul in his letter to the Church in Rome is speaking primarily to a Jewish audience -- a Jewish audience bound in the mindset of the Mosaic Law. Saint Paul reminds them to stay steadfast in their new duties as a Christian.

Hope is God's greatest gift in troubling times. We often find ourselves lost, knocked down, defeated, anxious for the future. However, God is merciful and knows our human limitations. He calls us to His great love and His great promise to us through the Passion and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. When we hold onto hope, we hold onto an eternal promise of salvation and love. Sometimes hope is easier to carry when we see the obvious evils of our times or individuals who think differently than we do. However, when the evil seems to be coming from within or from close or trusted sources, we struggle just to keep hopeful.

We have been notified of the final merging and closure plans of parishes in the Diocese of Buffalo. Emotions are running high in many different ways for everyone, but now is the time for this weekend's Gospel, to embrace the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel. It is important now more than ever to seek hope; to come together with hope; to hope for the future of our Church; to hope for holy vocations. We must hope in our divine physician to heal sorrowful hearts; hope in our unity as Christ's body on earth, a unified bride awaiting her bridegroom to return and bring us to our eternal home. It may not be easy, but we must "Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, and persevere in prayer."

Choicest Blessings,

*Fr. Tim*

**2024 MPB Fall Split Club**

Winner of the drawing for the week of September 8 is **Ed Conboy**, ticket number 044. He 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, call 716-549-0420 to arrange for purchase by mail.

**WINGS to Meet**

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit) offers a six session, faith sharing of *Living in the Father's Love* Saturday mornings 9:00-10:30 in St. Anthony's Church Hall, Farnham.

The purpose of these meetings is to discover how much God loves us and how the Gospels are deeply relevant to our relationship with God and those we love. The first session is September 21.

To register for these sessions, contact Kathy Brachmann at 716-553-6525; Terri Hatton at 716- 472-1293; or Audrey Walkowiak at 716-725-4086.

**LAKESHORE CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY**

**Holy Movie Nights**

All movies are shown in the Community Room Of St. John Paul II Parish.

**Thursday, September 26**

*The Letters: The Untold Story of Mother Teresa*

**Thursday, November 21**

*The Mission*

**Thursday, January 23**

*The Two Popes*

**Thursday, March 27**

*Passion of the Christ*

**Thursday, May 22**

*All That Remains: Based on the True Story Of Takashi Nagai*

**A Vocation View**

Jesus challenges us to take up our cross and follow Him. Is he leading you to the sacrificial life of a religious sister or brother, or the priesthood? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 to start the conversation or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).



**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, 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.

**Alpha Sessions Planned**

All are invited to participate in the fall Alpha sessions taking place Mondays, September 16 through November 25, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the basement of the Little Church of St. John Paul II Parish (2052 Lakeview Rd., Lake View). Attend when you can

Alpha is a series of sessions in a welcoming environment where people can grapple with questions of life without judgment or expectation. For more information, contact Jonathan Molik at (716) 381-7386.

**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.



THOMAS "TOM" VAN WIE  
Licensed Real Estate

**The Certo Team**

"Helping you find your way HOME"

**4779 Transit Rd., Rte. 17  
Depew, NY 14043**  
716-668-7000 Fax: 716-668-680  
CELL: 716-984-8661

**LATIMORE - SCHIAVONE  
FUNERAL HOME, INC.**

549-3311

Plan Today for  
Peace of Mind Tomorrow

"Personalized Service"

**BARONE LIQUOR STORE**

Mike & Karyl Lyn Kreuter

Local

Wine and Liquor Store

364 Central Avenue  
Silver Creek, NY 14136

**TIMM HEATING  
& AIR CONDITIONING  
PLUMBING HEATING  
COOLING**

SINCE 1953

716-549-5113

BILL TIMM - Owner

458 SYCAMORE AVE.  
ANGOLA, NY 14006

**ADDISON  
FUNERAL HOME**

262 North Main St.  
Angola, NY 14006

716-549-1100

[www.addisnfuneralhome.com](http://www.addisnfuneralhome.com)

"Pre-planning today will relieve  
loved ones the stressful decisions  
of tomorrow - Guaranteed Price

Pre -Need Contract"

**BRANT-FARNHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Located in Brant Town Hall

Patty Friend - Town Historian

In 1870 Brant No. 4 school was a one room schoolhouse.  
A teacher's salary was \$17.25 per month.

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