

ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Atkinson
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MASS SCHEDULE . . .
Celebrating Our Faith This Week



At this time public Mass are suspended. You will be informed when public Masses resume.

Bishop Jenky has suspended all public Divine Worship in the parishes of our Diocese. Nevertheless, he urges that churches be open during the day for the public to pray in the Divine Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. St. Anthony's in Atkinson will be open during the day. At Sacred Heart, in Annawan the Adoration Chapel will be accessible for those who wish. (You will need the combination to let yourself in). There will be Stations of the Cross booklets available for private meditation. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in Atkinson on Saturdays at 4 pm and Annawan on Fridays at 5:30 pm. Priests are asked to continue to offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass privately.

I invite all parishioners to join in prayer with the Mass, which will continue to be offered privately. This is the most important event in our parishes and the world each and every day—Jesus' eternal prayer to the Father is an outpouring of God's grace, mercy, and healing power. It is the source of life and strength for each of us as Christians, and although one may not be able to be present at Mass and/or receive Holy Communion, a person can unite himself to Jesus and the Mass and offer a Spiritual Communion.

I urge all parishioners to keep Lord's Day holy with prayer, especially with the readings for the Mass of the day (see <http://uscgb.org/bible/index.cfm>) and the rosary. Watching televised Masses is also possible for some (e.g. EWTN—Eternal Word Television Network).

Here are some prayers for Spiritual Communion:

Prayers of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.—St. Alphonsus Ligouri.

At Your feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer You repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Your holy presence. I adore You in the Sacrament of Your love, the ineffable Eucharist. I desire to receive You into the poor dwelling that my heart offers You. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess You in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to You! May Your love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in You, I hope in You, I love You. Amen.—Raphael Cardinal Merry del Val

May Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved at every moment in all the Tabernacles of the world even to the end of time. Amen—Anonymous.

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and those in my own family. Amen.—St. Gertrude the Great.

As you can appreciate, in this time we continue to receive bills that have to be paid, in spite of having no Sunday collections. So, in your charity it would greatly be appreciated if you would send in contributions in the mail. Each parish can send their Sunday contribution to: PO Box 210, Atkinson IL 61235.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please Note that Office Hours for the Parish will be temporarily changed to Tuesday's from 10 am until Noon. If you have business to attend to, that you are in need of a different time, please call the office at (309) 936-7900 and someone will get back to you or email office@stanthonyatkinson.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Parish Updates

All CCD, Altar and Rosary Society Meetings and Parish Council and Finance Meetings have been cancelled until further notice. Students and members will be contacted with updated information in the future. Thank you for your understanding.

St. Anthony's St. Patrick's Breakfast has been postponed. We are hoping to have an event at a later date. Please be on the lookout for updated information as it becomes available.

Thank you!

St. Anthony's Annual Spring Raffle 2020

Only 500 Tickets Will Be Sold *The odds of winning are an incredible 1 in 39*

Main Event Drawing - Sunday, May 3rd, 12:30 p.m.
Grand Prize \$10,000

- Seller of Grand Prize Ticket Wins \$1,000**
- 2nd Prize \$2,000**
- 3rd - 5th Prizes \$1,000 Each**
- 6th - 8th Prizes \$500 Each**
- 9th - 13th Prizes \$250**
- Ticket Price \$100.00**

Two brunch tickets are included. Brunch will be served Sunday, May 3rd from 9:30 am until Noon. Additional brunch tickets are available for \$20.00 each. For More Information please see the flyer on the bulletin board or visit our website.

Sacred Heart Cemetery Clean-Up.

Please remove items from Sacred Heart Cemetery by the April 1st Clean-up.
 Thank you!

Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.

- Connie Altman, Mary Frank, Dean Lewis, Katelyn DeRycke, Evelyn DeSplinter, Christine Sand Dunahee, Mary Ellen Hoogerwerf, Dan Longeville, Barry Miller, Vera Minnaert, Loretta Minnaert, Gia Samuels, Nick Schebler, Alice Van Kerrebroeck, Mary Lou Moens, Dick Martens, Barb DeRew, Millie Loncka, Carol Taets Bogner, Berniece Cathelyn, Elsie Van Vooren, Ashley Egan, Bill Rambo, Phyllis DeMay, Denise Haverback, Rosella Vandersnick.

St. Anthony's Music Ministry
 Practice has been postponed. We will notify you when Mass and practice will resume.

Rice Bowls are available at all the entrances of the church. Please consider taking one and adding it to your Lenten season. All donations go towards helping Catholic Relief Services to continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty.

St. Anthony's Prayer Shawl Ministry is accepting requests for those suffering critical or serious health issues. Need not be a member of our parish, but one suffering and needing our prayers for comfort. We now have several completed and available. Please contact Verna May at 309-269-3772.

After **nearly 50 years of teaching CCD at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Mary Saylor is retiring.** If you have taught with Mary, were a student of hers, or just want to congratulate her, we invite you to Mass on Sunday April 26th at 9:30 am with a light breakfast to follow afterward 10:30 - 12:30. Please share this with anyone you think would like to join us. If you would like to send a card please put your card in the collection basket or mail them to the parish office. For more information contact Katie Orwig, CCD Coordinator.

The Boys Teens Encounter Christ Weekend (TEC) will be held April 18-20, at the Believers Together Center, Moline, IL. All boys, ages 16-18, are invited to attend, they don't have to be Catholic. It is open to all faiths and denominations. This years theme is "Deeply Rooted in Faith". Reservations are required by calling Gene Denhardt at (309) 496-9363.

Did you know the **Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry** provides emergency rent assistance? If you are interested in helping someone pay rent, please write, "For rent assistance" in memo of your check if you wish to assist. With Spring, around the corner, we will be accepting donations of lighter coats and jackets. We are especially in need of men's clothing. "Scouting For Food" will take place Sat. April 4. Scouts will

distribute flyers. Food needs are Syrup, mayonnaise, flour, sugar and salsa. Non-food items are laundry soap, bleach, mouthwash, garbage bags and feminine hygiene. Thank you for your generosity.

There will be a **Blessing of Easter Baskets** on Saturday April 11, 2020 at 10:30 am in the St. Thomas More Chapel located in the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, 607 N.E. Madison Ave, Peoria. All are welcome to attend.

Mark your calendar for the Diocese of Peoria **Men's March Rally** - Peoria River Front at 8:30 am and the Diocesan Men's March Mass at 10:30 am at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Peoria. The Rally, March and Mass will be on Saturday April 25, 2020. More information will be provided in the future.

Henry County Right to Life is announcing its 2020 scholarship contest for area high school and college students. Applications are now available. The essay theme is -How would you respond to a friend who says "My Body, My Choice"? Students may print a copy of the application and complete rules by going to the Henry County Right to Life's website at <http://henrycountyr2l.wixsite.com/life>. Scholarship applications must be received or postmarked no later than March 31, 2020. For further information, contact Peggy Emmert, at 309-231-2657.

Knights of Columbus will be holding a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at St. Patrick's Church in Colona on Sunday March 29, 2020 (subject to change) from 8:00 a.m. until Noon. A Freewill donation will be taken.

Mark your Calendar for the Bloodmobile to be held April 13, 2020 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm at the Annawan Community Center.

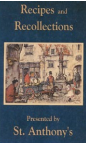
Special Persons Encounter Christ (SPEC) of Christ the King Church, Moline, IL is in need of a candidate who can fill the position of either **liturgy coordinator or music coordinator**, depending on applicant interests and qualifications. SPEC is a Rock Island Vicariate religious education program for persons with intellectual disabilities. The person in this position is responsible for collaborating with the other coordinator as well as the SPEC lead coordinator in planning and implementing the liturgies and religious themed programs for each Wednesday evening SPEC is in session. A more detailed job description of both positions is available upon request. A criminal background check, fingerprinting, and safety training will be required of potential applicants (All costs are reimbursed by SPEC). Interested persons should be comfortable and willing to work with a variety of persons with special needs, as well as teen and adult volunteers. There are stipends paid with either position. For more information, please contact: Linda Matheis 309 235 4614

St. Patrick Church, 9619 140th St W Taylor Ridge, IL will have a **Praise & Worship Concert** at 6:30 pm on Friday March 27th (subject to change). The concert will Feature The Stice Sisters Courtney & Kaitlin. A FREE-WILL donation will be taken up to help Fr. Fortunatus with various needs when he returns to Tanzania in June.

Purchase a St. Anthony's Cookbook!

Recipes and Recollections is a 444 page cookbook with nearly 1000 recipes! It is a perfect gift for weddings, birthdays or the holidays!

For more information contact Ardhith Burton at 936-7975 or Norma Gilbraith at 936-7583. Cookbooks are also available at the Church office during regular office hours.



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March 30-31 (English)
April 1-2 (Spanish)
(Dates subject to change)

Both Sessions start at 7 pm each night!

Event is free. Donations are appreciated. Books & other items will be available for purchase.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
- Silvis

FATIMA—LOURDES TRIP

You are invited to join Msgr. Paul Showalter, Vicar General Emeritus on a pilgrimage to Spain, featuring Fatima, Lourdes and Barcelona October 13-23, 2020. October is the month of Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and we will be visiting some of the most sacred shrines and places of prayer and devotion in Europe. There will be daily Mass as well as time to relax and enjoy the true experience of Portugal, France and Spain. I look forward to sharing the experience with you. For a brochure, or more information, contact Karen Small at (309) 677-7001 or by email at ksmall@cdop.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 to 3:30 pm at St. Anthony
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. at Sacred Heart or by appointment with priest.

Area Parishes

St. Malachy (Geneseo)
Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 am

St. John Paul II (Kewanee)
Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 am;
11:30pm Spanish

St. John Vianney (Cambridge)
Sunday at 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

Baptism for Infants

Please call for an appointment to schedule Baptism preparation for your family.

Holy Matrimony

Please arrange an appointment with a priest at least eight months before the proposed wedding date to allow time for all necessary marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the church anytime someone is dying. If you are unable to attend Mass (hospitalized or at home) please call so Holy Communion and pastoral care can be administered.

Upcoming TEC Weekends

April 18-20, 2020 (Boys)
June 27-29, 2020 (Girls)
Aug 8-10, 2020 (Boys)
Oct 10-12, 2020 (Girls)

Visit www.northwest-tec.com To register or for more information

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Mens: Oct 22 –25, 2020
Women's : Nov. 22-25, 2020

Visit <https://nwcursillo.com> To register or for more information.

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parishes! Please call the church office to register or if you have questions about our community.

Parish Cemeteries

St. Anthony Cemetery: Contact Bill Carmichael, Jr., (309)936-7651. Sacred Heart Cemetery: Contact Adam DeRycke at (309) 935-6080

Parish Halls Rental

The halls of both parishes are available for receptions and other gatherings. Please contact the office for further details.

Bulletin Deadline

Copy must be submitted by Wednesday at 4:00 pm to: office@stanthonysatkinson.org or mailing to PO Box 210, Atkinson, IL 61235