

**ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Atkinson**  
**SACRED HEART ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Annawan**  
**SHRINE OF ST. MARY, Hooppole**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**  
**Celebrating Our Faith This Week**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, September 12**

4:00 pm @ SA + Ray Seys by Dick & Peggy King, Kathy Rogiers

**Sunday, September 13**

8:00 am @ SH + John VanHyfte by Elaine & Family

9:30 am @ SA + Bernard Klauer by Carol Klauer

**Monday, September 14**

No Mass

**Tuesday, September 15** *Our Lady of Sorrows*

5:30 pm @ SA – For the Parishioners by Fr. Engelbrecht

**Wednesday, September 16** *Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian, Martyrs*

8:00 am @ SH + Ed & Irene Verdick by Marilyn & Family

**Thursday, September 17**

8:00 am @ SA + Bob Park by Bonnie

**Friday, September 18**

8:00 am @ SA + Deceased Marguccio/Manganello Family  
 By Jolene & Family

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, September 19**

4:00 pm @ SA + Janice DeFauw by her Family

**Sunday, September 20**

8:00 am @ SH + Private Intention by Bill & Eunice Rambo

9:30 am @ SA – For the Parishioners by Fr. Engelbrecht

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, Gia Samuels, Nick Schebler, Alice Van Kerrebroeck, Mary Lou Moens, Dick Martens, Barb DeRew, Millie Loncka, Berniece Cathelyn, Elsie Van Vooren, Bill Rambo, Phyllis DeMay, Denise Haverback, Rosella Vandersnick, Eric Smith, Pat DeSmith

**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 Ardith Burton at 936-7975 or Norma Gilbraith at 936-7583. Cookbooks are also available at the Church office during regular office hours.

**MISSALETTES**

**Due to the Corona virus restrictions we are unable to leave the missalettes in the pews. However, if you wish to carry it back and forth to Mass, just request one from the usher.**

**WARNING ABOUT RISK ASSUMED BY PARISHIONERS**

**While our parish staffs will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.**

If you have a fever or flu-like symptoms, recently traveled out of the country or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should stay home. All attendees must wear a face mask, or face covering, and keep proper distancing from each other.

- St. Anthony attendees must enter only through the middle front doors or the handicapped entrance.
- Sacred Heart attendees may enter through all of the three main entrances. We ask that you arrive early because of the new safety protocol.
- Everyone will be met at the door by an usher who will direct them to their seats and remain there until dismissed by an usher after Mass ends in order to keep the required spacing. This is a firm requirement necessary for us to keep our certification for Public Mass from the Diocese.
- Collection baskets will not be passed during the offertory. Your contributions can be left in the places indicated.
- There will be no gift procession during the offertory; There will be no sign of peace before there Lamb of God.
- You will remain at your place as communion is brought to you by the ministers. the Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- The faithful are encouraged to receive Communion in the hand and to carefully avoid any physical contact with the minister's hand when receiving. (If incidental hand contact occurs, the minister is to use sanitizer before proceeding).
- For now there will be no congregational singing. Missalettes & Hymnals have been removed so there are fewer things to be handled by multiple persons and therefore become a possible source of contagion.

We rejoice that we can come together as members of Christ's Body to worship and help each other get to heaven. May God continue to Bless our parishes and all the faithful of St. Anthony and Sacred Heart Parishes.

St. Anthony and Sacred Heart Catholic Churches + Sunday September 13, 2020

**St. Mary of the Fields Shrine**

**2019 Monthly Holy Hour Schedule**

**October 4th at 2pm: Our Lady of Velankanni**  
**October 13th: Mass & Holy Hour 103rd**  
**Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima**

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.

**Notice:**

There will be no SA Altar & Rosary Meeting on September 15

**Sharing in the Work of Christ**  
*through sacrificial giving*

**St. Anthony Monthly Financial Support August 2020**

**Sunday Collections: \$17,483**  
**Assumption: \$126**  
**Candle: \$134.25**

**Sacred Heart Monthly Financial Support August 2020**

**Sunday Collections: \$4,098**  
**Improvement: \$940**  
**Cemetery: \$252**

**The 2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA)**- Know, Love, Serve—will begin next weekend Sept. 19th - 20th. This year the ADA pledge card, a self addressed envelope and an instructional letter from Father Engelbrecht will be mailed to the households for each parish. Each family is asked to fill out the card and mail your pledge card to the parish office or return it in the collection basket. For those who wish to view the video for the 2020 campaign visit [cdop.org/ada2020](http://cdop.org/ada2020). The 2020 parish goals are St. Anthony's \$30,527 and Sacred Heart \$13,071. Please prayerfully consider your contribution in helping our parishes reach our goals.

**It's time for St. Anthony's CCD** registration for 1st - 8th grade. Registration will be conducted digitally this year with no in-person signup. If you would like to register a new student, please visit our website at [theheartandthelily.org](http://theheartandthelily.org) and click on the "About" tab for the digital forms or contact Katie Orwig at [korwig104@hotmail.com](mailto:korwig104@hotmail.com) or 309-696-4167 for digital forms. All payments may be mailed to the Church office or dropped in the collection. **Due to the Geneseo School District On-line learning, CCD will not begin until October. We plan to have the first class on Wed. Oct. 7th.**

**Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry** - The Food Pantry will be open to take food and clothing donations on **MONDAYS ONLY** from 9-12 and 1-4. There will be carts outside for you to place your donations in. We will continue to distribute food on Tuesdays from 9-11:30. We will remain closed all other hours. Current food needs: Instant oatmeal, powdered sugar, brown sugar, microwave popcorn and unsweetened cereal. Non food needs are dish

soap, antibacterial wipes and toothpaste.

**Project Pride Food Pantry**, in Annawan is open to serve you this Fall. Hours of service are: Fridays Sept 18th, and October 16th 3-5pm. Fridays September 4th, and October 2nd 1-3 pm: Saturdays **September 5th** and Saturday October 3 8:30 to 10:30 am. Thank you for your generous support, you are a blessing to many. For more information, or a special need, please call 309-945-2337

**Cursillo update:** Sadly, the weekends planned for Fall will be postponed given the current health situation. This is a disappointing reality. However, we've come up with an idea to engage with the Cursillo Community. Starting Tuesday, September 8th @7pm we will broadcast a Mass with a "Witness Talk" immediately afterwards. The witness talks will be given by fellow Cursillistas! These events will be live-stream ONLY from our Believer's Together Center Chapel. The live-stream will be viewable exclusively through the following website: <https://nwcursillo.incms.net> These services will also be available for later viewing should you not be able to attend the event. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out at [events@nwcursillo.com](mailto:events@nwcursillo.com) Mark your calendars: Sept. 22, Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov. 10 and Nov. 24

In March of 1920, the US Conference of Catholic Bishops established the **National Council of Catholic Women**. The Council continues its efforts to help Catholic women grow in Spirituality, Leadership, and Service. The Centennial Celebration has been postponed to next year's convention in August 2021. Individual and parish members of NCCW can continue accessing resources to

use on the parish level. These include: Rosary Meditations, Prayer Services for vocations and other needs, educational materials on domestic violence and human trafficking and numerous parish activities in the "We are Called to Witness" resource. NCCW has practical resources for developing or revamping your parish women's organization, such as recruiting members and facilitating meetings. Go to [www.nccw.org](http://www.nccw.org) to learn more. Mark Your Calendars!! The NCCW is still planning to hold our Biennial Diocesan Convention on Sat. October 10, 2020 at St. Louis Church in Princeton III! Our scheduled keynote speaker is Judy Hehr. Judy has been a guest on EWTN's The Journey Home and was a keynote speaker at the 2016 NCCW National Convention. Learn more about her at [www.judyhehr.com](http://www.judyhehr.com)

**Women's Choice Center Annual Fundraiser** will be on Tuesday, September 29, 2020. Luncheon @ 11:30 OR Dinner @ 6:30 at the Waterfront Convention Center. Keynote Speaker: Kirk Walden Heartbeat International Advancement Specialist Author of "The Wall." No Cost to attend. Registration is Required. All monies raised help serve women and families in need of free medical services including pregnancy tests and limited obstetric ultrasounds, plus counseling, resources and programming after baby's birth. Please note that at the events, COVID-19 precautions will be taken. If you're interested in attending either event, or serving as a Table Host at the evening dinner, contact Kathy at 563-332-0475 or [kathym@womenschoicecenter.org](mailto:kathym@womenschoicecenter.org) for more information.

## Reflection for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year

Readings: Sirach 27: 30-28:7, Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12, Romans 14:7-9, Matthew 19:21-35

Mercy and forgiveness should be at the heart of the Christian life. Yet, as today's First Reading wisely reminds us, often we cherish our wrath, nourish our anger, refuse mercy to those who have done us wrong. Jesus, too, strikes close to home in today's Gospel with His realistic portrayal of the wicked servant who won't forgive a fellow servant's debt, even though his own slate has just been wiped clean by their master. It can't be this way in the kingdom, the Church. In the Old Testament, seven is frequently a number associated with mercy and the forgiveness of sins. The just man sins seven times daily; there is a sevenfold sprinkling of blood for atonement of sins (see [Proverbs 24:6](#); Leviticus 16). But Jesus tells Peter today that we must forgive not seven times, but seventy times seven times. That means: every time. We are to be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful (see [Luke 6:36](#); [Matthew 5:48](#)). But why? Why does Jesus repeatedly warn that we can't expect forgiveness for our trespasses unless we're willing to forgive others their trespasses against us? Because, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, we are the Lord's. Each of us has been purchased by the blood of Christ shed for us on the Cross (see [Revelation 5:9](#)). As we sing in today's Psalm, though we deserved to die for our sins, He doesn't deal with us according to our crimes. The mercy and forgiveness we show to others should be the heartfelt expression of our gratitude for the mercy and forgiveness shown to us. This is why we should remember our last days, set our enmities aside, and stop judging others. We know that one day we will stand before the judgment seat and give account for what we've done with the new life given to us by Christ (see [Romans 14:10, 12](#)). So forgive each other from the heart, overlook each other's faults, and await the crown of His kindness and compassion.

Dr. Scott Hahn

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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.

## THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or do you know someone who has mentioned joining us at the Lord's altar? Please sign up now for RCIA. RCIA is the process by which those who are not baptized or who are baptized in other Christian faiths come to full communion with the Catholic Church. For more information please call Father Engelbrecht at 936-7900.

### 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](mailto:office@stanthonysatkinson.org) or mailing to PO Box 210, Atkinson, IL 61235