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MASS SCHEDULE
Celebrating Our Faith This Week

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 7

4:00 pm @ SA + Ione Burgess by Donna Holevoet

Sunday, January 8

8:00 am @ SH + Mary Beth Gordon by Donna Vermeire

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

Monday, January 9

No Mass

Tuesday, January 10

5:30 pm @ SA + Mickey VanDeRostyne by Her Family

Wednesday, January 11

8:00 am @ SH + Jerome Esser by Bob & Helen Teerlinck

Thursday, January 12

8:00 am @ SA + Patricia Morris by Cheryl McKittrick

Friday, January 13 St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am @ SA + Joan Eilers by Eileen Eilers

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 14

4:00 pm @ SA + Mary Ellen Hoogerwerf by Kathleen Rogiers

Sunday, January 15

8:00 am @ SH – For the Parishoners by Fr. Engelbrecht

9:30 am @ SA + Elsie VanVooren by Maury & Julie Atwell

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tues. Jan 10th SA Parish/Finance Council mtg. 6:30 pm

Wednesday, January 11 : SA CCD at 6pm

Sunday, January 15: SH CCD at 9 am

Dear Parishioners,

I hope all of you have a very Blessed Christmas. Don't forget we celebrate Christmas Day for an Octave of eight Days ('til New Years Day), then comes Epiphany. So there is plenty of Christmas cheer to be had these days. This is because the Church realizes that when celebrating a mystery such as the Incarnation we need to take time to "soak in" its meaning. Part of Incarnation is that God became part of a family—the Holy Family which we celebrate next Sunday. So I extend to all of our families wishes for God's blessings for this upcoming year. I am so thankful to those who have sent me Christmas cards, and baked goodies, as we remember the greatest gift ever received—Christ the Lord. All God's blessings to you and yours in this New Year!

Fr. Engelbrecht

Serving at Our Lord's Altar - Sacred Heart

8:00 am @ Sacred Heart - January 15

Lector: Eric Ufheil

EMHC: Wayne Brau

Ushers: Rod Jackson & Tony Vanopdorp

Money Counters: Vern & Karen Griffiths & Bill & Sue Diericx

Serving at Our Lord's Altar St. Anthony's

4:00 pm @ St. Anthony – January 14

Lector: Jeanne Carton

Ushers: Steve Clementz & Ken DeSmith

9:30 am @ St. Anthony – January 15

Lector: Dustin Specht

Ushers: Steve Mapes & Mark Murphy

Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.

Katelyn DeRycke, Christine Sand Dunahee, Barry Miller,
 Alice Van Kerrebroeck, Dick Martens, Berniece Cathelyn,
 Bill Rambo, Rosella Vandersnick, Mary Frank, Julie Fiers

Upcoming Cursillo Weekend

Men's: Feb. 23-26, 2023

For more information visit:

<https://nwcursillo.com>

Upcoming TEC Weekends

Feb. 11-13, 2023 (Girls)

April 21-24, 2023 (Boys)

June 23-26, 2023 (Girls)

2022 annual contribution letters will be mailed out to Sacred Heart and St. Anthony's parishioners at the end of January.

Annual Diocesan Appeal

As you know, the 2022 ADA is underway in our parishes. Thank you to all who have already contributed! With your help, we are getting closer to reaching our parish goal. If you have not received a pledge card in the mail or misplaced it please contact the parish office. Please consider supporting your diocesan ministries. If you have already contributed and receive this letter in the mail, please disregard it, as pledges are often received and processed after a letter is assembled and mailed. To date, we have received 33 gifts totaling \$17,720 towards our goal of \$34,206 for St. Anthony's. To date we have received 24 gifts totaling \$7,310 towards our goal of \$12,796 for Sacred Heart. We are grateful to all those who have already pledged gifts.

WINTER ITEM DRIVE FOR FOSTER HOPE!

Thank you for your donations for Foster Hope. Due to your generosity we were able to donate over 100 items of Winter clothing to area Foster families. **THANK YOU!**



Save the Date

St. Anthony's Spring Raffle is fast approaching.

Please mark your calendars for Trivia Night, Saturday, March 11, 2023, with the early bird drawing.

Final drawing will be Saturday May 6, after the 4 p.m. Mass.

Tickets will be arriving in the mail soon with ticket sales beginning in February

Sharing in the Work of Christ through sacrificial giving

St. Anthony Monthly Financial Support November

Sunday: \$6,123 Candle: \$73 Holy Day: \$171
 Human Development: \$145

Sacred Heart Monthly Financial Support November

Sunday: \$3,021 Improvement \$245 Cemetery: \$ 50
 Fuel: \$100 Holy Day: \$25 Human Development: \$1

The **Christmas Flower Memorial** List is available at the front doors of both parishes. Thank you for making the sanctuary beautiful as well as remembering your departed loved ones this time of year.

Have you ever wanted to know more about the Catholic faith? Participate in **The Catechism in a Year** with Fr. Mike Schmitz. In 365 days, Fr. Mike Schmitz will read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church, providing explanation, insight and encouragement along the way. This is an online podcast. Go to media.ascensionpress.com/all-catechism-in-a-year-episodes/ All prior episodes are listed on the website.

The **Geneseo-Atkinson food pantry** is open: Mon. 9:00am to 7:00 pm, Tues. 9:00am to 4:00 pm; and Fri. 9:00am to noon. We have collection boxes at Fareway and at Inspire Continuing Care. Any residents of Geneseo or Atkinson may shop once a week in the clothing room on Mon., Tues., and Thurs. The pantry will be closed Dec. 23-26th and Dec. 30th - Jan 2nd. Food needs: pasta, cereal, salsa, tortillas and juice. Non-food needs: toilet paper, dish soap, laundry detergent, band-aids and garbage bags.

The **Sisters of St. Benedict** will be sponsoring a directed retreat in January from Sunday evening January 15th to Wednesday afternoon January 18th. This is a silent directed retreat. There will be Mass every day and an opportunity to pray the Liturgy of the Hours with the sisters. This is a wonderful way to begin a new year. To reserve a spot please call Benet Retreat House which is located in Milan, Illinois. The phone number is 309-283-2109. The email is retreats@smmsisters.org. Spots are limited.

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy is seeking an experienced **full-time elementary classroom teacher**. The ideal candidate for our wonderful school would be 5+ years of classroom experience and is eligible for or has an Illinois teaching certificate. Must be a practicing Christian and willing to encourage and grow in knowledge of teaching and practices of the Catholic church. Please email Principal Tori McCollum (vmccollum@olgca.org) for a complete job description or to begin the application process.

The Pro-Life Mission Continues Mark Your Calendars! We are grateful to God that Roe v. Wade was overturned this year. But now that States have the right to shape their own policies, we see that the battle continues, especially here in Illinois. To raise money for local pro-life organizations, the Knights of Columbus will host the 42nd Annual Pro-Life Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 22nd, 2023, fifty years to the day that Roe was adopted. As always, the breakfast will be held at St. Pius X, Farrell Hall, early morning till noon. Please plan now to attend with family and friends! Look for further details soon.

Win Big Money with Alleman's "Dream Big" Raffle!! Buy early for your chance at our Early Bird Drawings!!!
 -\$10,000-January 17
 -\$10,000-February 17
 -\$10,000-March 17
 -TBD 50/50 Cash Drawing at the Father Mirabelli Heritage Ball on March 25!
 Cost of each share \$150. Only 2,500 shares will be sold. Purchase your shares today at www.allemanhighschool.org/heritage-ball.

St. Malachy's, Geneseo is hosting a Bible Study - METANOIA: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion On FORMED
 Episode Topic: Who Do You Say That I am?;

What Must I Do To Inherit Eternal Life?; Death & Sin & Mercy; Jesus Prays; Hunger & Thirst; Jesus Calls & Empowers; Jesus' Power Over The Evil One; This Teaching Is Hard; Do You Love Me?; God is Close. Metanoia contains 10, half hour episodes on either Tuesday's at 9 am. Starting Jan 10 - March 21st or on Thursday's at 6:30 pm from Jan 12th - March 23rd. The episodes are shot in locations all throughout the Holy Land. The audience will be able to encounter the Lord in the settings of some of the holiest sights in the world. Metanoia is a spiritual journey through the places where Jesus physically taught His Church the meaning and the way of metanoia. Metanoia is a transformation of the heart, a spiritual conversion, which comes about through repentance. This conversion may be in how we see Jesus, the Father, our self, and others. This eleven part follow-up series to The Wild Goose focuses on eight different areas that invite us to a deeper metanoia of who Jesus is and how He desires us to know Him. When one views this series, the viewer will have a much broader understanding of Jesus' message. Please contact St. Malachy's office if you would like to participate. 309-944-5393

Final 2 chances to purchase gift cards/certificates with profits going to St. Anthony's Altar and Rosary Society. Remember: you get FULL purchase price of card! The business gives a money rebate back to us for profit. Order forms available at back of St. Anthony's Church or in Church office.
 Deadlines to order: 1/15 with Pick up before/after Mass: 1/21-22

2-21 with Pick up before or after Mass 3/4-5

An Epiphany Blessing

It is customary, for the faithful to ask God's blessings on their homes at the Feast of Epiphany with blessed chalk. They write over their front door:
 20 +C+M+B+23

Obviously, the numbers that appear at the beginning and end of the line designate the new year. 'CMB' stands for the traditional names of the Magi (Casper, Melchior and Balthasar) and also signifies the Latin Prayer *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* or "May Christ bless this dwelling." As we remember the wise men seeking out the newborn King, we on this feast, ask Christ to visit us with his blessing.

The inscription is made above the front door, so that all who enter and depart the home may enjoy God's blessing. So if you would like to receive a bit of blessed chalk, for this purpose, see Father after Mass on January 7th and 8th. Now remember it is blessed so don't chuck it into your garbage. The following is the accompanying prayer with the writing in chalk:

Let us pray:

Hear us, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Eternal God, and send your Holy Angel from Heaven to watch over, cherish, protect, be with, and defend all who live in my house. I call upon your Saints, Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar, to protect my family and my home from every harm and danger, and I place the marks of their holy names over the doors of my home to remain there as a constant reminder to us and to all who enter here that my house is truly a house of the Lord.

O God, make the door of my house wide enough to receive all who need human love and companionship, narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power.

O God, make the door of my house the gateway to your eternal Kingdom. I ask these things in the Name of Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

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Office Hours: Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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 5:00pm, Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 am
St. John Paul II (Kewanee)

Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 am;
 12:00pm Spanish

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

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.

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 Sue Mochel, contact at (309)944-7289. Sacred Heart Cemetery: Contact Adam DeRycke at (309) 935-6080

Parish Hall Rental

St. Anthony's parish hall is 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