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

**The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, January 13**

4:00 pm @ SA – For the Parishoners by Fr. Engelbrecht

**Sunday, January 14**

8:00 am @ SH + Marlene Minnaert by Bill & Eunice Rambo

9:30 am @ SA - Marshall & Valerie Plumley 25th Anniversary

**Monday, January 15**

No Mass

**Tuesday, January 16**

5:30 pm @ SA + Roberta Dean by Lorrie Jurgensen

**Wednesday, January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot**

8:00 am @ SH + Laura McKibbon Gibson by Yvonne Leemans

**Thursday, January 18**

No Mass

**Friday, January 19**

No Mass

**The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, January 20**

4:00 pm @ SA + Richard Vyneman by The Family

**Sunday, January 21**

8:00 am @ SH + William Rambo by Ron & Mary Jo Nelson

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

**Serving at Our Lord's Altar - Sacred Heart**

**8:00 am @ Sacred Heart - January 21**

Lector: Rod Jackson

EMHC: Sue Ann Wells

Ushers: Richard McKibbon & Dennis DeSplinter

Money: Brenda Smith & Sharon Sturtewagen

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

**4:00 pm @ St. Anthony - January 20**

Lector: Janice Wyffels

EMHC: Mary Kay Franks

Ushers: Steve Clementz & Richard DeSmith

**9:30 am @ St. Anthony - January 21**

Lector:

Ushers: Stephen Mapes Ben Raschke

**Please remember these parishioners  
who ask for your prayers.**

Katelyn DeRycke, Christine Sand Dunahee, Barry Miller,  
Berniece Cathelyn, Mary Frank, Bernie Weidner

**Upcoming Cursillo  
Weekends**

Men's: February 22-25, 2024  
October 17-20, 2024

Women's: March 21-24, 2024  
Nov. 14-17, 2024

For more information visit:  
https://nwcursillo.com

**Upcoming TEC  
Weekends**

Feb. 17-19, 2024 (G)  
April 20-22, 2024 (B)

June 22-24, 2024 (G)  
August 3-5, 2024 (B)

October 5-7, 2024 (G)  
Dec. 7-9, 2024 (B)

For information visit  
www.northwest-tec.com

**2023 ADA**

**Ready To Bring The Love Of Jesus**

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal is now underway in both parishes. Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. No gift is too small and the parish is trying to reach 100% participation. If you received your pledge card in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. If you have not, there are pledge cards in each parish. Every dollar raised over the goal will be returned to both parishes to help with parish needs.

St. Anthony's 2023 goal: \$33,621 Pledged: \$14,785

Sacred Heart 2023 goal: \$12,161 Pledged: \$4,986

Both parishes will need to pay the full amount of the goal that is not met. Please help your parish by reaching it's goal.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Wednesday, January 17 SA CCD  
Sunday, January 21 SH CCD 9:00 am

St. Anthony's 2024 Circle Lists will be mailed to parish households by the end of January along with the year end contribution letters.

Sacred Heart will be removing Christmas decorations on Sunday January 14th after 8 am Mass.

**Pregnancy Resources'  
Enduring Hope... Baby  
Bottle Boomerang!**



What can you do in the fight for life? It doesn't take much to make a big difference! Money raised through Baby Bottles will support the life-changing work of meeting the physical and spiritual needs of men and women who find themselves in an unplanned pregnancy.

Pregnancy Resources provide pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, maternity and baby supplies plus parenting classes. You are reaching thousands of students through our school programs, and helping those touched by abortion to find healing. With your help, we show them that their baby's life is worth defending. When you choose to defend life, the possibilities are endless! No gift is too small. Every penny will impact a mom or dad with holistic, gospel-centered care. Young & Old are asked to participate. Baby Bottles is a great way to introduce giving to children and help them see the value of life and caring for others.

Baby Bottles can be found at the entrances to both Sacred Heart and St. Anthony's. Please return your Baby Bottles with your financial contribution by January 31st. Baby Bottles can be returned to the office or placed in the collection basket. Thank you.

Did you know that St. Anthony's & Sacred Heart parishes are offering Online Giving? Visit our website to sign up and to begin contributing automatically to our parishes bank accounts. Go to our website at [theheartandthelily.org](http://theheartandthelily.org) or search for St. Anthony's Atkinson or Sacred Heart, Annawan and click on the heartandthelily web page. Under St. Anthony's parishioners should see a link titled St. Anthony's Online giving. Under Sacred Heart, parishioners should see a link titled Sacred Heart Online Giving. Click on the link you would like to enter. There is help available to you 24 hours a day for any questions you might have. You will note a question mark on the right bottom corner of the page, once you are in the portal. Click on that for any question you might have. If you cannot find an answer in the automatic browser please contact 1-800-348-2886 or email [envservice@osv.com](mailto:envservice@osv.com). If you chose to give yearly online and are no longer in need of receiving envelopes please contact Valerie, via email at [office@stanthonysatkinson.org](mailto:office@stanthonysatkinson.org) or leave a message at 309-936-7900. Thank you!

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

**St. Anthony Monthly Financial Support December**

Sunday: \$26,452.84 Candle: \$178.50 Holy Day: \$180  
Christmas: \$2,569 Cemetery: \$330 Flower: \$820  
Memorials: \$1,366.27 Retirement for Religious: \$170

**Sacred Heart Monthly Financial Support December**

Sunday: \$5,491 Fuel: \$160 Candles: \$32 Flowers: \$315  
Holy Day & Christmas: \$1,061 Cemetery: \$220  
Retirement for Religious: \$20 Improvement \$620

After having surgery on the eighth of December, I am continuing to improve. I still have many doctor appointments, but have been instructed to stay off my foot as much as possible. I hope to return to full schedule in the weeks to come. Thank you for your prayers and understanding during this time. Many thanks to Father Vien Van Do who has assisted with Mass.

Father Engelbrecht

**Growing Disciples Update.** Growing Disciples, the multiyear pastoral planning process for the Catholic Diocese of Peoria to renew discipleship and enhance relationships with Jesus Christ in every corner of our region is in the final stages. Bishop Tylka is reading, listening and praying about all the feedback he is receiving. The next step will be for the Core Team to incorporate the views of the priests and laity and prayerfully discern a final set of parish models to present to the Pastoral Planning Commission for their input. The Diocese of Peoria is constantly updating the website, so check back frequently. Please continue to pray that all our efforts will bear fruit for a brighter tomorrow.

**9 Days For Life** ~January 16-24, 2024. Pray to protect human life! Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life. You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message. 9daysforlife.com.

Bishop Louis Tylka has announced the discontinuation of the printing of the Catholic Post, due to declining subscriptions, higher costs and a shrinking workforce. The publication has been a trusted source of information, inspiration, and formation in the Catholic faith for tens of thousands of Catholic families living in communities from Rock Island to Danville, from Lincoln to LaSalle. I am grateful to all those who have worked for and subscribed to the Catholic Post. While it is that we will no longer have a diocesan newspaper, I am committed to exploring new opportunities to share the stories of our faith in the Diocese of Peoria. As we look to the future, we will develop new strategies in a wider communications plan, that for the time being will be anchored on the

diocesan website. We will also be reaching out to you to help us evaluate parish communications to determine what role it may play in communicating diocesan information. I wish to thank those who have shared in the history of producing The Catholic Post, over the last 90 years, many have come to understand who we are as the Church and have learned more of our faith in Jesus Christ through their efforts.

It is our hope to publish a final issue of The Catholic Post in the coming month—an issue which will honor the legacy of this great publication. Peace & Prayers,  
Most Reverend Louis Tylka, Bishop of Peoria

**The CDOP Office of the Tribunal & Peoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women present: A morning of Clarity & Love.**

Understanding the Church's response to abuse, divorce, and annulments featuring Dr. Emma Bucher, Psy.D, Pat DeCapp, Office of the tribunal, Msgr Jason Gray, J.C.D., Judicial Vicar. Saturday, February 17, 2024 from 8:30-12:00 at the Spalding Pastoral Center. To register: e-mail name and e-mail address to [afandel55@gmail.com](mailto:afandel55@gmail.com). \$10 donation at the door. Walk-ins welcome

**The Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry** is The food pantry will be closed on January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King day. We have collection boxes in the vestibule of Fareway, NOSH and Inspire Continuing Care for donations. More individuals and families are struggling this year due to rising costs.. Food needs: Tea, low sodium soup, cereal, crackers, 100% juice. Non-food needs: shampoo, conditioner, body wash, household cleaners, and dish soap. Clothing room needs: Smaller sizes men's and women's clothing.

**Pilgrimage with Father Peter Zorjan 2024.** September 23rd thru October 3, 2024 for \$5,794 per person from Chicago (ORD) Rome, San Giovanni, Rotondo, Sorrento and Amalfi Coast. Extend your trip option Post Tour to Medjugorje October 3rd thru 7th, 2024 for additional \$1,049 per person. Register online: [www.206tours.com/frzorzjan](http://www.206tours.com/frzorzjan). Your Trip Includes: Round-trip airfare All airport taxes & fuel surcharges, Centrally located first class hotels: (or similar) in double occupancy 4 nights: Sep 24 - 28: Starhotels Michelangelo,

Rome, 2 nights: Sep 28 - 30: Centro Di Spiritualità Padre Pio, San Giovanni Rotondo ~ 3 nights: Sep 30 - Oct 3: Hotel Michelangelo, Sorrento. Optional Post Tour to Medjugorje: ~ 4 nights: Oct 3 - 7: Hotel Villa Grace, Medjugorje. Transfers as per itinerary Breakfast and Dinner daily Wine and mineral water with dinners. Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach. Whispers Roundtrip ticket ferry from Sorrento to Capri. Assistance of a professional local Catholic guide. Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary. Mass daily & Spiritual activities. Flight bag & PDF digital confirmation of all travel documents. We do have a single female looking for another female to share room, For more information or questions call Our Lady of Guadalupe, Silvis parish office.

**EUCCHARISTIC DAY RETREAT** Saturday February 3rd, 2024 Our Lady Guadalupe Parish Hall 9:30 AM– 2:00PM. The day will entail 3 sections, small group discussion and food. Section #1 God is With Us ..... We will examine God's saving presence with his people throughout salvation history, culminating in the Incarnation and his abiding real presence in the Eucharist. Section #2 The Story of the Eucharist..... The whole story of salvation history is a single narrative, culminating in the climactic gift of the Eucharist. The Eucharist was prefigured in the Old Testament and was fully revealed to us in Jesus' life, miracles, teaching and sacrifice. Section # 3 Bread for the Journey..... The focus is on the necessity of the Eucharist for our spiritual nourishment and explores the different parts of the Liturgy of the Mass. The Eucharist is our spiritual food; it truly nourishes and sustains our souls, just as physical food does for our body. Join is us in a day of Presence The Mystery of the Eucharist. Call the OLG office to register 309-792-3867 \$20 per person Registration closes Jan. 19th, 2024 end of business day.

**Single Catholic Women 20-35:** Franciscan Sisters invite you to in-person and on-line Discernment Events designed for you. Discover your calling and purpose. Visit <https://fsc-calledtobe.org> or contact Sr. Julie Ann at 920-323-9632.

Readings for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1 Samuel 3:10-19, Psalm 40:4, 7-10, 1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20, John 1:35-42

In the call of Samuel and of the first Apostles, today's readings shed light on our own calling to be followers of Christ. Notice in the Gospel today that John's disciples are prepared to hear God's call. They are already looking for the Messiah, so they trust in John's word and follow when he points out the Lamb of God walking by. Samuel is also waiting on the Lord—sleeping near the Ark of the Covenant where God's glory dwells, taking instruction from Eli, the high priest. Samuel listened to God's word and the Lord was with him. And Samuel, through his word, turned all Israel to the Lord (see [1 Samuel 3:21; 7:2-3](#)). The disciples too heard and followed—words we hear repeatedly in today's Gospel. They stayed with the Lord and by their testimony brought others to the Lord. These scenes from salvation history should give us strength to embrace God's will and to follow His call in our lives. God is constantly calling to each of us—personally, by name (see [Isaiah 43:1; John 10:3](#)). He wants us to seek Him in love, to long for His word (see [Wisdom 6:11-12](#)). We must desire always, as the apostles did, to stay where the Lord stays, to constantly seek His face (see [Psalm 42:2](#)) For we are not our own, but belong to the Lord, as Paul says in today's Epistle. We must have ears open to obedience, and write His word within our hearts. We must trust in the Lord's promise—that if we come to Him in faith, He will abide with us (see [John 15:14; 14:21-23](#)), and raise us by His power. And we must reflect in our lives the love He has shown us, so that others too may find the Messiah. As we renew our vows of discipleship in this Eucharist, let us approach the altar singing the new song of today's Psalm: "Behold I come . . . to do your will O God."

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