

ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Atkinson  
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MASS SCHEDULE

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 25  
4:00 pm @ SA + Thomas & Margaret Girtin  
Sunday, October 26  
8:00 am @ SA + Kenny Minnaert  
10:00 am @ SP –For the Parishoners  
  
Monday, October 27 No Mass  
Tuesday, October 28 *Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles*  
5:30 pm @ SA + Alphonse DeSplinter  
Wednesday, October 29  
5:30 pm @ SP + Frances Hughes  
Thursday, October 30  
8:00 am @ SA + Jim McNeil  
Friday, October 31  
8:00 am @ SA+ Loretta Simon  
Saturday, November 1 All Saints Day (Not Obligatory)  
9:00 am @ SA + For the Parishoners

All Souls’ Day

Saturday, November 1  
4:00 pm @ SA + Tiffany Cathlelyn  
Sunday, November 2  
8:00 am @ SA + Jim Holevoet  
10:00 am @ SP- For All The Faithful Departed

Serving at Our Lord’s Altar St. Anthony

4:00 pm @ St. Anthony – November 1  
Lector: Janice Wyffels  
Ushers: Lynn Cathelyn & Vince Schopp  
  
8:00 am @ St. Anthony – November 2  
Lector: Wayne Brau  
Ushers: Keith Causemaker & Jon Hamer

Serving at Our Lord’s Altar - St. Patrick

10:00 am @ St. Patrick - November 2  
Lector: Kristal LeRette  
Ushers: Ken Brummel & Marilyn Gray  
Money Counters:: David & Connie Hahne & Mary Lanham

Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.

Christine Sand Dunahee, Barry Miller, Mary Frank, Tom Morse,  
Abby Hahne Brokaw, Lorelle Burcham, Mike Curran, Jay DeBruyn,  
Driscoll Drew, Barb Wagner, Joan Miller, Joan Glubzinski,  
Kelly Hennigh, Joe Hoenschied, Chris Johnson, Elaine Kelm,  
Cleo Lanham, Dan Woods, Megan Lanham, Julie Marley, Hudson  
McCook, Aaron Stetson, Barb Wagner, Marietta Andrews,  
Nick Welgat, Spike Hubbs, Lorraine Happach. Shelley Church,  
Cindy Roseman, Alan Dietz, Gaye Abrhams, John & Wink Barry

2025 ADA

Thank you to those who have already made a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your support, in prayer and through your sacrificial gift to the ADA, makes it possible to provide services throughout the Diocese which support our parishes. If you have not made your pledge by mail please take a pledge card located at the entrances of both parishes. The goals for each parish are as follows: St. Anthony’s: \$46,563 St. Patrick’s: \$20,875 Please make all checks out to Diocese of Peoria and send donations directly to the Diocese. Thank you.  
St. Anthony Goal: \$46,563 St. Patrick Goal: \$20,875  
Pledged: \$18,765 Pledged: \$1,837  
Balance: \$27,798 Balance: \$19,038

Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving  
(Weekly Sunday Contribution collected at Mass Oct. 13th)  
  
St. Anthony Sunday Collection: \$1,449  
St. Patrick Sunday Collection: \$905

Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving  
(Weekly Sunday Contribution collected at Mass Oct. 20th)  
  
St. Anthony Sunday Collection: \$1,491  
St. Patrick Sunday Collection: \$1,340

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sun. Oct. 26th CCD SP 8:30 –9:45 am SP Hall  
Sun. Oct. 26th: CCD SA 9:00 - 10:00 am SA Hall  
Mon. Oct. 27th : Symbolon 10 - 11 am SP Hall

October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary  
The Rosary will be prayed before each weekend Mass throughout the month at St. Anthony.

For all Women attending St. Patrick’s Church  
  
There will be an informational gathering at St. Patrick’s Hall following Mass Wednesday, November 19th. Soup and Dessert will be served! Please mark your calendar and We hope to see you there!!

Year End Fiscal Reports

The year end fiscal reports will be available later this month due to retreats and trainings.



SAVE THE DATE!!  
St. Anthony & St. Patrick  
Church Family Thanksgiving Potluck  
Sunday, November 23, 2025  
5:00 pm  
More Information coming soon!

BOX OF JOY

The Box Of Joy program is an opportunity for you to provide a Christmas gift to a child less fortunate, in poverty stricken nations, through Cross Catholic Outreach. You can choose the gender and age of the child you would like to help. You will receive a list of items you can include. Each box will be sent with a rosary and “The Story of Jesus” in their native language. Please pick up boxes, at St. Anthony & St. Patrick, after Mass starting this weekend. Boxes can be returned to the Church vestibule no later than October 26th or to Mary Ann Hays-Ross Please help a child receive a Christmas gift this season.



Pennies For Life

Throughout the month of October, Respect Life Month, a Pennies for Life can will be at the main entrance of each church on the table. Suggested donation is one cent for each year of your life, in thanksgiving to God for the life God has given you. This collection supports the Family Resources Center, devoted to providing pro-life/pro-family resources free of charge to individuals, CCD programs, youth groups, etc. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Christmas Wreath Update: Due to dry weather conditions the Abilities Plus supplier is unable to predict the condition of the wreaths. Due to this unfortunate circumstance St. Anthony is not going to be selling wreaths this year as a circle fundraiser. Circle 1 members will be notified regarding cleaning dates and more information in the weeks ahead. We hope to sell wreaths again next year.

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Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Nov. 13-16 2025 (Women)  
For information visit:  
https://nwcursillo.com

Upcoming TEC Weekends

Nov. 1 –3, 2025 (Girls)  
Dec. 6-8, 2025 (Boys)  
For information visit  
www.northwest-tec.com

Sunday Memo FROM OUR PASTOR

All Ladies from St. Patrick & those interested, are invited to the **Formed Series Symbolon** from 10 am - 11 am at the parish hall in Sheffield. There is 1 more sessions. This is the study of our Creed- what do we believe and profess as Catholics. Coffee and snacks will be served. All are welcome!

**Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry needs** for September: The clothing room is especially in need of: all sizes children’s clothing, men’s clothing all sizes, boys underwear in all sizes, sheet sets, bath towels and washcloths. Food Needs: Juice, coffee, chips, canned fruit, canned vegetables, spaghetti sauce and all kinds of soups. Toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotion, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, denture cleaner, and toothpaste are always needed.

**Sheffield (Western Bureau County) Food Pantry \* please note there is a basket in the entrance of SP for food donations.** The pantry is in need of pancake mix and syrup. Items always needed: Mac & Cheese, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Soup, Tuna Fish, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Rice, Canned Fruit, Jell-O, Canned Vegetables, Sugar, Spaghetti Sauce, Coffee, Hamburger Helper, Crackers. We also accept paper products (toilet paper, paper towels) and personal care products (toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, deodorant, etc)

**REBOOT~A Life-Changing Event** This high-energy, 2-hour event with internationally acclaimed speaker Chris Stefanick will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for: A life of JOY! It will help you rediscover the JOY you were created for, and is perfect for

everyone...even friends, family, and children (12+) who may not be actively practicing their faith. Save the Date! Wednesday, November 19, 2025 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Sacred Heart Cathedral, 422 E. 10th St., Davenport, IA. Go to <https://buytickets.at/reallifecatholic/1663069>.

39th Country Village Christmas Bazaar, Marching to the Magic of Christmas. Saturday, November 22, 2025 at Visitation Goetzman Gymnasium, Kewanee. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Crafts, Vendors, Bakery, Raffle Items. Offering a breakfast and lunch menu. More information can be found at [visitationcatholic.com/bazaar](http://visitationcatholic.com/bazaar), on visitation catholic facebook page. You can purchase raffle tickets from any Visitation family, at the school office or via Venmo @Visitation-CatholicSchool

Come laugh with us on Wednesday, November 19, 2025! Richmond Hill Players in Geneseo presents “A Sherlock Carol” a benefit performance for Henry County Right to Life. Doors open at 6:30 and show starts at 7:30 pm. There is a \$15 donation. Tickets available from any Henry County Right to Life board member or by mail from Vicki Cooney (309)507-4125 or email [vjc@mchsi.com](mailto:vjc@mchsi.com).

INC20YC25 National Catholic Youth Conference. November 20-23, 2025. Bishop Lou invites all high schoolers in the Diocese of Peoria to join him and 15,000 Catholic teens in Indianapolis! Scan the QR code for details and registration. Deadline is Oct. 20th or until full. Questions? Contact [missionsupprt@cdop.org](mailto:missionsupprt@cdop.org) or call 309-671-1550

**Women at the well** presents Foster Hope on Thursday, October 30, 2025 at St. Malachy Church, Geneseo. Please join us for a wonderful evening. Our program will feature Lola Rahn with Foster Hope. Lola will share her wisdom and experiences, offering valuable insights into the realities of foster care—and how faith guided her and her husband to found Foster Hope of the Quad City Area. Mass is at 5 pm. Doors for Women at the well open at 5:45 pm and dinner is at 6:15 pm. Contact Shannon Carroll [WATWStMalachy@gmail.com](mailto:WATWStMalachy@gmail.com) or by phone or text: 309-945-8607. There is a \$8 donation appreciated and can be paid at the door. We hope to see you there!

**Harvest Mass:** Under the Pastoral Care of Fr. Gifford, Vicar Forane, we are celebrating a Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a Potluck Meal. Thursday, November 20 Mass 6:00 pm ~ Potluck to follow Aalter Farms 7089 IL Rt. 17, Woodhull, IL A Potluck Meal will follow Mass with, meat, drinks, & table service provided. Please bring a dish to share. Please RSVP by November 17, 2025 On the sign up sheet in the Narthex or call the parish office. Your sign up is important to help us to approximate the number of altar breads for consecration.

Latin Mass. Saturday, November 1st, 2025. 8:00am First Saturday each month Divine Mercy Parish—Our Lady of Guadalupe Silvis. Celebrant is Rev. Gardner. Confessions before Mass. Religious items can be blessed after Mass



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**Brother Francis - All Saints Day**

Join Brother Francis in this special episode as he explores the lives of the saints.

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**Thirtieth-Sunday of Ordinary Time Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn Readings: Sirach 35:12-14,16-18, Psalm 34:2-3,17-19,23, 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18, Luke 18, 9-14**

The Pharisee’s prayer is almost a parody of the thanksgiving psalms (see for example Psalms 30, 118). Instead of praising God for His mighty works, The Pharisee congratulates himself for his own deeds, which he presents to God in some detail. The tax collector stands at a distance, too ashamed even to raise his eyes to God (see Ezra 9:6). He prays with a humble and contrite heart (see Psalm 51:19). He knows that before God no one is righteous, no one has cause to boast (see Roman 3:10; 4:2). We see in the Liturgy today one of Scripture’s abiding themes: that God “knows no favorites,” as today’s First Reading tells us (see 2 Chronicles 19:7; Acts 10:34–35; Romans 2:11). God cannot be bribed (see Deuteronomy 10:17). We cannot curry favor with Him or impress Him—even with our good deeds or our faithful observance of religious duties such as tithing and fasting. If we try to exalt ourselves before the Lord, as the Pharisee does, we will be brought low (see Luke 1:52). This should be a warning to us—not to take pride in our piety, not to slip into the self-righteousness of thinking that we’re better than others, that we’re “not like the rest of sinful humanity.” If we clothe ourselves with humility (see 1 Peter 5:5–6), if we recognize that all of us are sinners in need of His mercy, we will be exalted (see Proverbs 29:33). The prayer of the lowly, the humble, pierces the clouds. Paul testifies to this in today’s Epistle as He thanks the Lord for giving him strength during his imprisonment. Paul tells us what the Psalmist sings today—that the Lord redeems the lives of His humble servants. We too must serve Him willingly. And He will hear us in our distress, deliver us from evil, and bring us safely to His heavenly kingdom.

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:30 pm at St. Anthony  
Sunday: 9:30 to 9:50 am at St. Patrick  
or by appointment with priest.

**Adoration**  
St. Patrick’s, Sheffield  
First Friday of every Month 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

**Area Parishes**  
**St. Malachy (Geneseo)**  
Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 am  
**St. John Paul II (Kewanee)**  
Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday: 8:30  
11:15am Spanish  
**St. Louis (Princeton)**  
Sat. 4:00pm, Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 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:  
Sue Mochel at (309)944-7289.  
Sacred Heart Cemetery:  
Adam DeRycke at (309) 935-6080  
St. Mary’s of the Field Shrine Cemetery:  
Steve Clementz at (309) 936-7142  
St. Patrick’s Cemetery:  
Dave Hahne at (815) 252-2798

**Parish Hall Rental**  
St. Anthony’s parish hall, St. Patrick’s parish  
hall and St. Mary’s of the Fields parish hall 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 x 210, Atkinson, IL 61235