

ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Atkinson
ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Sheffield
SHRINE OF ST. MARY OF THE FIELDS, Hooppole
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St. Anthony Location: 204 W Main Street, Atkinson IL
 St. Patrick Location: 233 W Atkinson Street, Sheffield IL



MASS SCHEDULE

First Sunday of Lent

Saturday, February 21
 4:00 pm @ SA + Nancy Dynes
Sunday, February 22
 8:00 am @ SA – For the Parishoners
 10:00 am @ SP + Frances Hughes

Monday, February 23
No Mass
Tuesday, February 24
 5:30 pm @ SA + Rose Marie Puentes

Wednesday, February 25
 5:30 pm @ SP + Fr. Paul Meismer

Thursday, February 26
 8:00 am @ SA + Jean Causemaker
Friday, February 27 *St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Dr.*
 8:00 am @ SA + Berniece Cathelyn

Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday, February 28
 4:00 pm @ SA + Richard McKibbon
Sunday, March 1
 8:00 am @ SA + Gay Childs
 10:00 am @ SP – For the Parishoners

Serving at Our Lords Altar– St. Anthony

4:00 pm @ St. Anthony – February 28
 Lector: Rod Jackson
 Ushers: Steve Clementz & Kevin Stafford

8:00 am @ St. Anthony – March 1
 Lector: Terence Patton
 Ushers: Keith Causemaker, Eric Ufheil

Serving at Our Lord’s Altar - St. Patrick

10 am @ St. Patrick - March 1
 Lector: Pat Corwin
 Ushers: Ken Brummel and Rick Cernovich
 Altar Servers: Ryan P. & Rilynn D.
 Money Counters: Al /Pat Corwin & Dave/Karen Taylor

Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.

Christine Sand Dunahee, Barry Miller, Mary Frank, John & Wink Barry. Abby Hahne Brokaw, Mike Curran, Jay DeBruyn, 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, Marietta Andrews, Nick Welgat, Spike Hubbs, Lorraine Happach, Alan Dietz, Gaye Abrahams, Steve Foerder, Mary Jo Nelson, Jan Doty, Carl Pacunas

Rice Bowls will be available at the entrances of the churches during Lent. Parishoners can also put a donation in an envelope marked Rice Bowl. All donations go towards helping to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS works in our world to end global poverty. Envelopes and rice bowls can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the the church office.
 Thank You!



2025 ADA UPDATED 2/13

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 goal for St. Anthony’s is: \$46,563 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: \$27,432.05 Pledged: \$22,417
 Balance: \$19,130.95 Balance: \$1,162+

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 22: CCD @ SP 8:30 am - 9:45 am
CCD @ SA 9 am - 10 am



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 8, 2026
8:00 am — Noon
St. Patrick Hall

St. Patrick Family/Community Bingo Night!

NEW DATE!! Please join us for a night of fun! St. Patrick is hosting a family/community Bingo Night! On April 11th at St. Patrick Parish Hall from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Bingo Tickets and sign up sheets will be available after Mass beginning Sunday March 8th!

We hope to see you there!!

SAINT ANTHONY TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Doors Open at 6:00 pm
 Trivia starts at 7:00 pm

\$100 per table (10 person max)
 (\$50 non refundable deposit to reserve table)
 \$10.00 per person for individual

Make your reservations today by calling the parish office at 309-936-7900

Reservations requested by March 21.

CASH BAR 50/50 Drawing
 (Please No Carry - In Beverages)

St. Anthony’s Annual Spring Raffle 2026

Only 500 Tickets Will Be Sold
The odds of winning are an incredible 1 in 32

Main Event Drawing - Sunday, May 3, 2026
In the Parish Hall at Noon

Grand Prize \$10,000

Seller of Grand Prize Ticket Wins \$1,000

2nd Prize \$2,000

3rd - 5th Prizes \$1,000 Each

6th - 9th Prizes \$500 Each

10th - 16th Prizes \$250

Ticket Price \$100.00

\$1,500 Early Bird Drawing will be on March 28, 2026

Tickets are also available at the Parish Office or at the doors of the church. Tickets and money can be put in an envelope marked RAFFLE and put in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office. We ask that tickets be turned in by the end of April. Visit the heartandthelily.org for official rules sheet and additional information. Early Bird Winner is eligible for Main Event drawing. Main drawing and Early Bird drawing will be held at St. Anthony Parish Center. Anyone who sells 5 tickets will have one entry in a drawing for a \$200 prize. Anyone who sells 10 tickets will be entered into a special drawing for a \$300 prize. There will be a "super-pool" drawing for those selling 20 or more tickets. For every 10 tickets sold over 10, the seller's name will also be entered into a drawing for an additional \$300. Non-parishioners are allowed to sell tickets and would also qualify for this special drawing. Must be 21 years old to purchase tickets. Need not be present to win.

Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving
 (Weekly Sunday Contribution collected at Mass Feb 15th)

St. Anthony Sunday Collection: \$1,152
 St. Patrick Sunday Collection: \$409 Improv. \$100

January Online Contributions: SA: \$1,111
 SP: \$1,948.61; Improvement \$224.85

The 40 days of Lent remind us of the 40 days that Jesus fasted in the wilderness.

We participate in Lent through our prayers, fasting (giving up food, sweets, television etc.) and alms giving (doing good for another). So as we approach Lent, let us consider how the Lord is calling us to keep the season holy so as to have the best ever Easter. Please consider some of the following opportunities to make this a good Lenten season.

Confessions Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm
Tuesday 5:00 pm at St. Anthony's
Sunday 9:30 am and 5:00 pm on Fridays during Lent at St. Patrick's

Attend Mass during the week

Stations of the cross:
Fridays at 5:30 pm St. Anthony & St. Patrick

Rice Bowls to help the poor world wide by Catholic Relief Services. Available at the vestibules of both churches

Regulations for Lent and the Easter Triduum

1) Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. Priests, religious and laity are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, attentiveness to prayer, and especially to works of charity and mercy.

2) Everyone of 14 years of age or over is bound to **abstain from meat** all the Fridays of Lent. (That includes Good Friday) Once you reach age 14 you are obligated to **abstain from meat the rest of your life! - on Fridays of Lent!**

3) Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to **fast** on Good Friday, April 3, 2026.

4) On days of fast and abstinence, Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

5) To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is a serious matter.

Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry needs for February: The pantry is in need of Spaghetti sauce, stuffing, baking ingredients including flour, sugar, vanilla, chocolate chips, juices and water. Non-food needs are toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, men's body wash, toothpaste, toothbrush, cleaning supplies, baby wipes, diapers, shampoo, conditioner and deodorant.

Sheffield (Western Bureau County) Food Pantry needs: 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).

The St. Malachy Knights of Columbus are having a Pancake Breakfast Sunday, February 22 after the 8:00 and 10:30 Masses at St. Malachy Hall, Geneseo. Pancakes, sausage & eggs will be served. Proceeds will benefit the Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry

Seniors, Age 50 + years and older are invited to a Lenten Retreat with Fr. Donald Roszkowski on Saturday, March 21, 2026 from 10 am - 2:30 pm at Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center, 8508 county rd 100 north, Magnolia, IL. Sponsored by Catholic Charities. As we enter the sacred season of Lent, we invite our senior community to mark your calendars for a special time of prayer, reflection and spiritual renewal. Journey of the Heart will be a gently and meaningful retreat focused on deepening faith, finding peace and renewing the spirit. Cost is \$30 per person. Contact Sister M. Clare Key, DSF 309-218-3714.

Living the Eucharistic Life with Father Chase Hilgenbrinck is on Wed. March 4th from 5:30-7:30 PM at St. John the Beloved 212 NE 1st Street in Galva. Come join us for Mass and program followed by dinner. Dinner is \$10

per person. Space is limited for dinner. Please RSVP by March 1st to stjohngalva2@gmail.com. The parish that prays better, believes better and lives better!

Youth Group at St. Malachys. All are welcome. Join us for a night full of faith, food, and friends! We gather in the youth room for a faith talk that connects to real life, small group conversations, dinner together, and plenty of fun games and activities. Once a month we come together for ADORE- praise & worship with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. No sign-up needed, just come when you can . (and bring a friend)! Middle School: Wednesdays, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Stay in the loop: TextROCKVIPto 84576 for MS text updates High School: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm plus optional hangout until 9:00 pm. Stay in the loop: TextOASISVIPto 84576 for HS updates

St. Patrick Pie Stand: June 26th-27th at the Sheffield Festival. We will be having a Pie Stand both Friday and Saturday. We will be selling pieces of pie or whole pies. (No Cream Pies). Each Family will be asked to donate a pie or cash donation and possibly work an hour or two. More details to come as we get closer to the date.

This week on Formed: From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled.



But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch *Foretold* to rediscover God's providential love for you. Watch on Formed for free using St. Patrick Church subscription.

St. Anthony church cleaners Feb. 17, 2026: Gerry & Mary Kay Franks, Lisa DeReu, Lisa Verstraete, Chris Taber, Jeanne Carton, Jim & Jean Ann Carter, Ardith Burton, Marie Decker, Keith Causemaker, Robin VanMeenan & Bonnie VanDeVelde. **Thank You so Much!!**

The New Creation: Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday of Lent: Readings: Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 25:4-9; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

Lent bids us to return to the innocence of our baptism. As Noah and his family were saved through the waters of the deluge, we were saved through the waters of Baptism, Peter reminds us in today's Epistle. And God's covenant with Noah in today's First Reading marked the start of a new world. But it also prefigured a new and greater covenant between God and His creation (see Hosea 2:20; Isaiah 11:1-9). We see that new covenant and that new creation begin in today's Gospel. Jesus is portrayed as the new Adam—the beloved son of God (see Mark 1:11; Luke 3:38), living in harmony with the wild beasts (see Genesis 2:19-20), being served by angels (see Ezekiel 28:12-14). Like Adam, He too is tempted by the devil. But while Adam fell, giving reign to sin and death (see Romans 5:12-14, 17-20), Jesus is victorious. This is the good news, the "gospel of God" that He proclaims. Through His death, resurrection, and enthronement at the right hand of the Father, the world is once again made God's kingdom. In the waters of Baptism, each of us entered the kingdom of His beloved Son (see Colossians 1:13-14). We were made children of God, new creations (see 2 Corinthians 5:7; Galatians 4:3-7). But like Jesus, and Israel before Him, we have passed through the baptismal waters only to be driven into the wilderness—a world filled with afflictions and tests of our faithfulness (see 1 Corinthians 10:1-4, 9,13; Deuteronomy 8:2, 16). We are led on this journey by Jesus. He is the Savior—the way and the truth we sing of in today's Psalm (see John 14:6). He feeds us with the bread of angels (see Psalm 78:25; Wisdom 16:20), and cleanses our consciences in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we begin this holy season, let us renew our baptismal vows—to repent and believe the gospel.

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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: 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 8:00 and 10:30 am
St. John Paul II (Kewanee)

Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday: 8:30 am
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 or
mailing to PO x 210, Atkinson, IL 61235