

ST. ANTHONY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Atkinson
ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Sheffield
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St. Anthony Location: 204 W Main Street, Atkinson IL
 St. Patrick Location: 233 W Atkinson Street, Sheffield IL



MASS SCHEDULE

Second Sunday of Lent

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

Monday, March 2
No Mass

Tuesday, March 3 *Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin*

5:30 pm @ SA + Sawyer DeFauw

Wednesday, March 4 *Saint Casimir*

5:30 pm @ SP + Mark Buckman

Thursday, March 5

8:00 am @ SA + Jim McNeil

Friday, March 6

8:00 am @ SA + Rita Schatterman

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 7
 4:00 pm @ SA + Richard & Peggy King
Sunday, March 8
 8:00 am @ SA – For the Parishoners
 10:00 am @ SP + Eleanor Mark

Serving at Our Lords Altar– St. Anthony

4:00 pm @ St. Anthony – March 7
 Lector: Robin Van Meenen
 Ushers: Lynn Cathelyn, Rod Jackson
 Eucharistic Minister: Mary Kay Franks

8:00 am @ St. Anthony – March 8
 Lector: Janice Wyffles
 Ushers: Jon Hamer, Mark Murphy

Serving at Our Lord’s Altar - St. Patrick

10 am @ St. Patrick - March 8
 Lector: Kristal LeRette
 Ushers: Ken Brummel and Rick Cernovich
 Altar Servers: Marcus B, Caroline K

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 Abrhams, Steve Foerder, Mary Jo Nelson, Jan Doty, Carl Pacunas

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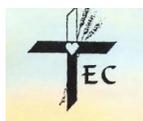
Thank you to those who have already made a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your support, in prayer and through your sacrificial gift to the ADA, makes it possible to provide services throughout the Diocese which support our parishes. If you have not made your pledge by mail please take a pledge 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+

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends
 Women’s: March 19-22, 2026
 Men’s: October 15-18, 2026
 Women’s: November 12-15, 2026
 For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>



Upcoming TEC Weekends
 April 18-20, 2026 (Boys)
 June 20-22, 2026 (Girls)
 August 8-10, 2026 (Boys)
 October 3-5, 2026 (Girls)
 December 5-7, 2026 (Boys)
 For information visit www.northwest-tec.com



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 1: 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 theheartandthelily.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.



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 church office.

Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving (Weekly Sunday Contribution collected at Mass Feb 22nd)

St. Anthony Sunday Collection: \$1,630; Ash Wed: \$262; Eastern/Europe: \$80
 St. Patrick Sunday Collection: \$1,000 Improv. \$10 Ash Wed: \$114

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).

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!

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: What is the importance of almsgiving? Dr. Michael Barber discusses the transformative power of almsgiving for your life. Watch on Formed for free using St. Patrick Church subscription.

St. Ambrose/St. Catherine Fish Fry! March 13th, March 20th, March 27th from 4:00 pm—7:00 PM at St. Ambrose Parish Hall, 435 Main Street Erie, IL. All you can eat. Cost: Donation. Excellent fresh fish (wild caught Alaskan pollock) with polish seasoning. Coleslaw, baked potato, roll, desert, coffee, lemonade.

St. Malachy (Geneseo) Living Stations of the Cross 2026 For 8th Grade through High School: Students in 8th grade and up are invited to be part of our Living Stations of the Cross, a powerful and moving portrayal of the final moments of Christ's life. No acting experience is needed! There are no memorized lines, and everyone has an important role. We are looking for: Singers, Readers, Actors (silent roles), Behind-the-scenes helpers (lights, sound, music, setup) Whether you like being on stage or behind the scenes, there is a place for you! Feel free to bring friends who would enjoy participating! This year's Living Stations will be led by: Elizabeth Hulsbrink For questions email mkbeautybyelizabeth@gmail.com Tentative Rehearsal Schedule - Sundays 3:00-5:00pm Performance: March 19, 2026 Palm Sunday at 3:00 pm

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday of Lent: Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 33:4-5,18-20, 22; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Today's Gospel portrays Jesus as a new and greater Moses. Moses also took three companions up a mountain and on the seventh day was overshadowed by the shining cloud of God's presence. He too spoke with God, and his face and clothing were made radiant in the encounter (see Exodus 24, 34). But in today's Lenten Liturgy, the Church wants us to look back past Moses. Indeed, we are asked to contemplate what today's Epistle calls God's "design . . . from before time began." With His promises to Abram in today's First Reading, God formed the people through whom He would reveal Himself and bestow His blessings on all humanity. He later elevated these promises to eternal covenants and changed Abram's name to Abraham, promising that he would be the father of a host of nations (see Genesis 17:5). In remembrance of His covenant with Abraham, He raised up Moses (see Exodus 2:24; 3:8) and later swore an everlasting kingdom to David's sons (see Jeremiah 33:26). In Jesus' transfiguration today, He is revealed as the One through whom God fulfills His divine plan from of old. Not only a new Moses, Jesus is also the "beloved son" promised to Abraham and again to David (see Genesis 22:15-18; Psalm 2:7; Matthew 1:1). Moses foretold a prophet like him to whom Israel would listen (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 18), and Isaiah foretold an anointed servant in whom God would be well pleased (see Isaiah 42:1). Jesus is this prophet and this servant, as the Voice on the mountain tells us today. By faith we have been made children of the covenant with Abraham (see Galatians 3:7-9; Acts 3:25). He calls us, too, to a holy life, to follow His Son to the heavenly homeland He has promised. We know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that we who hope in Him will be delivered from death. So like our father in faith, we go forth as the Lord directs us: "Listen to Him

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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