

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

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, February 7**

4:00 pm @ SA + Kip Sleaford

**Sunday, February 8**

8:00 am @ SA – For the Parishioners

10:00 am @ SP + Frank Family

**Monday, February 9**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday, February 10 St. Scholastica, Virgin**

5:30 pm @ SA + Rex Carter

**Wednesday, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes**

5:30 pm @ SP + Ann Sprowels

**Thursday, February 12**

8:00 am @ SA + Evelyn DeSplinter

**Friday, February 13**

8:00 am @ SA + Deacon Thomas Rapach

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, February 14**

4:00 pm @ SA + Eldon Croegaert

**Sunday, February 15**

8:00 am @ SA + Chuck & Logan DeMay

10:00 am @ SP – For the Parishioners

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

**4:00 pm @ St. Anthony – February 14**

Lector: Robin VanMeenan

Ushers: Lynn Cathelyn, Vince Schopp

**8:00 am @ St. Anthony – February 15**

Lector: Janice Wyffels

Ushers: John Cauwels, Steve Mapes

### Serving at Our Lord's Altar - St. Patrick

**10 am @ St. Patrick - February 15**

Lector: Jim Owens

Ushers: Dave Hahne & Marilyn Gray

Altar Servers: Andrew E, Rilynn D.

Money Counters: Cernovich/ R. Brummel

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

### 2025 ADA UPDATED 12/30

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: \$25,105 Pledged: \$19,237  
Balance: \$21,458 Balance: \$1,638

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends  
Men's: February 26– March 1, 2026  
Women's: March 19-22, 2026  
Men's: October 15-18, 2026  
Women's: November 12-15, 2026  
For more information visit: <https://nwcurcillo.com>



Upcoming TEC Weekends  
February 14-16, 2026 (Girls) 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](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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

SAVE THE DATE St. Patrick Family Bingo Night

Saturday March 14th at St. Patrick Hall

Times and more information will be available soon.

St. Anthony's Spring Raffle is fast approaching. Please mark your calendars for Trivia Night, Saturday, March 28, 2025, with early bird drawing. Ticket information will be mailed soon!

St. Anthony Church Cleaning: Tuesday, Feb. 17th at 9 am. Please come help clean as we prepare for Lent. Many hands make light work. Please bring buckets/rags if you have them. Thank you!

St. Anthony Altar & Rosary Meeting  
We will not be meeting in February. The Spring meeting has been moved to April 14th at 6:30 pm. All are welcome!

### St. Patrick Pie Stand: June 26th-27th at the Sheffield Festival.

St Patrick Catholic Church 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.

**Liturgical Minister Sign Up**  
Liturgical Ministers are a very important part of each Mass held at St. Anthony & St. Patrick. Areas in Liturgical Ministry are: Lectors, Ushers, Choir and Altar Servers (Adult, teens & children who are 4th grade & above). If you are interested in serving the Church in this way there will be a sign up this weekend at both churches. Please prayerfully consider serving at Mass. Thank you.



### Diocesan 150th Anniversary Book

In honor of the 150th Anniversary the Diocese of Peoria has created beautiful pictorial books that contains Diocesan history and a 2-page spread for each church with photos and brief history and much more! The books will be \$40 each. This book is only being printed once & the office has placed an order. If you would like to purchase a Diocesan 150th Anniversary book, please call the office. If you have already ordered through the sign up sheet the office will notify you when your book is available for pick up.

### BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

What can you do in the fight for life? It doesn't take much to make a big difference! Help continue the Legacy of Life - Fill the Bottle 2026. 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 No Regrets school program, 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! Baby Bottles will be available in both parishes until February 4th and should be returned by February 11th. Checks should be made out to Pregnancy Resource Center. Contributions will be sent to the Quad City Pregnancy Resource Center. Thank you!

Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving  
(Financials will be updated in next weeks bulletin)

St. Anthony Sunday Collection: \$1,810  
St. Patrick Sunday Collection: \$1,243

December Online Contributions: SA: \$643.00  
SP: \$1145.00; Improve \$224.00

**The St. Anthony's BINGO** event cleared over \$2000 in profit. Donations are still coming in. A huge thanks to everyone that sold tickets, attended and helped with the event and donated desserts and supplies.

Thank you.

**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).

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend** offers a beautiful opportunity for healing to any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat is a chance to get away from the daily pressures of work and family, to focus on a painful time in life, and to begin healing through a supportive and nonjudgmental process. To register for either February 27-March 1, 2026 or October 30-November 1, 2026 retreat, register online at [www.cdop.org/rachelsvineyard](http://www.cdop.org/rachelsvineyard) or by contacting Colleen Harmon at 309-264-1489, [rvrpeoria@gmail.com](mailto:rvrpeoria@gmail.com). The cost is \$175.00 which includes: lodging for 2 nights, three meals on Saturday, 2 meals on Sunday, and materials. Financial assistance is available. The Rachel's Vineyard strictly respects confidentiality and privacy. If you or someone you know is hurting, please call today.

**The Magi Gala: A benefit for The Magi Baby Chest.** This formal event will take place on Sat. February 14, 2026 at The Barn at Hornbaker Garden, Princeton IL. Tickets and Donations are available at [www.magibabychest.com](http://www.magibabychest.com)

5pm: Hors D'oeuvres & cash bar; 5pm - 9 pm: Silent Auction; 6 pm: Dinner. 7:30 - 10 pm: Felix & Fingers Dueling Pianos and Dancing. \$80 per ticket. All are welcome!

Beginning Saturday, January 3, 2026, Msgr Bliss will begin the **Five First Saturday Mass & Devotions**. This practice is part of the message of our Lady of Fatima. The Masses will be rotated between the 3 church sites starting with Cambridge for the first 5 months, followed by Woodhull for the next 5 months and then on to Galva for the next 5 months. The rotation will then begin over again in 5 month stretches. Masses will be at 8:30 AM. Cambridge- Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2 Woodhull- Jun 6, Jul 4, Aug 1, Sep 5, Oct 3 Galva- Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, 2027, Mar 6, 2027

**Vocations:** "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Luke 6:20). A vocation to religious life calls for a life of simplicity and dedication to God's kingdom. Could God be calling you to this blessed path? Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck at (309) 671-1550 or via email: [chilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:chilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

Mark your 2027 calendars for our diocesan spiritual revival as part the 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations. **Rescue Live** with Fr. John Riccardo and ACTS XXIX will take place at the Peoria Civic Center on **Saturday, March 6, 2027**. Rescue Live gives Catholics the opportunity to be overwhelmed by the power of the gospel, surrender their lives to Jesus, and become mobilized for mission. The day consists of a series of 5 talks by Fr. Riccardo, small group discussion, fellowship, music by The Vigil Project, and a Eucharistic procession.

**World Youth Day 2027** will be held on July 29-August 10, 2027 in Seoul, South Korea! Come to Seoul for World Youth Day 2027! Experience spiritual awakening and Korean culture alongside other young Catholics from around the globe. This is more than just a trip. It is a life changing encounter with your faith and with the world. Start planning your trip today! Visit [versoministries.com/peoria-wyd](http://versoministries.com/peoria-wyd)

**John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Opportunity** is for students in grades K-12 who are enrolled in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Peoria. \$700,000 in scholarship funds were allocated to students across the Diocese for the 25-26 year. Awards are for one school year only and is a need-based scholarship. Students need to be an active member of the parish and in good standing. Deadline is April 24, 2026. Contact your school for more information.

**Stubenville Youth Conference 2026.** Divine Mercy Parish in Silvis has 4 spots open for the Youth Conference 2026. The conference is June 26-28, 2026. Cost is a \$50 non refundable deposit and is due to Katrina, in DMP office. The rest of the funds will be fundraised in some fashion and scholarships are being looked into. Open to 8th - 12th graders can attend. Sign up today by contacting Katrina 309-792-3867 ext. 3.

**Our Lady of Grace, East Moline hosts a Parish BINGO** on the 2nd Thursday of the month at St. Anne Church in Cleary Hall. Doors open at 5:00 pm, games start at 6:30 pm. Please contact Barb at [babrooks5em@gmail.com](mailto:babrooks5em@gmail.com) if you need any additional information. All are welcome!

Students have the opportunity to receive a \$1000 scholarship from Henry County Right to Life. The contest is open to any student who: Lives in Henry County Illinois or, if a high school student, attends a high school in Henry County Illinois, will be a high school senior or a college freshman, sophomore, or junior, maintains a GPA of C+ or better and provides a transcript. The complete rules, essay theme, and application can be found on our website - <http://henrycountyr21.wixsite.com/life>

Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2026, to our email address: [henrycountyr21@gmail.com](mailto:henrycountyr21@gmail.com).

**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

Scott Hahn Reflections: Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time: Readings: : Isaiah 58:7-10, Psalm 112:4-9, 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, Matthew 5:13-16

As His disciples, we too are called to be "the light of the world," He tells us in the Gospel this Sunday (see John 1:4-4, 9; 8:12; 9:5). All three images that Jesus uses to describe the Church are associated with the identity and vocation of Israel. God forever aligned His kingdom with the kingdom of David and his sons by a "covenant of salt," salt being a sign of permanence and purity (see 2 Chronicles 13:5, 8; Leviticus 2:13; Ezekiel 43:24). Jerusalem was to be a city set on a hill, high above all others, drawing all nations toward the glorious light streaming from her Temple (see Isaiah 2:2; 60:1-3). And Israel was given the mission of being a light to the nations, that God's salvation would reach to the ends of the earth (see Isaiah 42:6; 49:6). shows us this week that the Church, and every Christian, is called to fulfill Israel's mission. Your faith and good works we are to make the light of God's life break forth in the darkness, as we sing in this week's Psalm. This week's readings remind us that our faith can never be a private affair, something we can hide as if under a basket. We are to pour ourselves out for the afflicted, as Isaiah tells us in the First Reading. Our light must shine as a ray of God's mercy for all who are poor, hungry, naked, and enslaved. There must be a transparent quality to our lives. Our friends and family, our neighbors and fellow citizens, should see reflected in us the light of Christ and through us be attracted to the saving truths of the Gospel. So let us pray that we, like St. Paul in the Epistle, might proclaim with our whole lives "Christ, and him crucified."

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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 8:00 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@stanthonyssatkinson.org or mailing to PO x 210, Atkinson, IL 61235