



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church is a diverse community of people, unified in Christ on a faith journey to salvation through worship, education and service.

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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 7:30 PM

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM, 5:15 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday: 3:45-4:45 PM

15 minutes before daily morning Mass

30 minutes before daily evening Mass

Parish Office Hours

Monday: 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

Closed 12:00-1:00 PM for lunch.

Eucharistic Exposition

Thursday: 7:15 AM to Midnight

Baptism: Contact Parish Office during pregnancy to register for classes.

Marriage: Contact Parish Office 6 months prior to schedule a date.

To Register in the Parish:

Please see a priest after Mass.

Prayer Chain: 701-235-0308

St. Vincent de Paul: 701-566-0638

Centennial: StAnthony1917@gmail.com

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 26, 2017



But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides.

-Matthew 6:33

Please Pray For...

Those of our Parish who are sick or suffering, especially Ben Barnhardt, Benita Deichert, Robert Jundt, Mary Noah and Barb Sornsin.

Our sympathy and prayers as a Parish to the families of those who have died, especially Robert Brattensborg.

Administration

OFFERTORY FOR February 12

	Amount Given	Budget
Sunday Collection	\$7,164.16	
Online Giving	\$1,705.00	
Total Giving	\$8,869.16	\$12,827.00
Year to Date	\$428,494.83	\$436,138.00

Lent Begins this Wednesday, March 1

Masses on Ash Wednesday will be offered at 6:45 AM, 12:10, 5:30 and 7:30 PM. The traditional distribution of ashes will take place at each Mass. Remember that while attendance at Mass on Ash Wednesday is not obligatory, this is a required day of fast and abstinence under Canon Law.

There will also be a special collection taken at each of these Masses, to be gifted to Churches United for the Homeless and our parish St. Vincent de Paul conference.

2017 Photo Directory – Please see insert for details!

Visit our parish website to sign up: www.stanthonyfargo.weebly.com

*** You may submit announcements to be considered for inclusion in this bulletin before noon on Tuesday via email: deidra@stanthonyfargo.org ***

Mass Schedule

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Sir 17:20-24/Mk 10:17-27

6:45 AM Justin Henke

5:15 PM +Raeann Germain-Broste

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Sir 35:1-12/Mk 10:28-31

6:45 AM ++Paul and Harriet Greving

5:15 PM Sara Ray

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

Lent begins - Obligatory day of fast and abstinence

Joel 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

6:45 AM Braden McAllister

12:10 PM Parishioners of St. Anthony

5:30 PM +Deceased Henke family

7:30 PM ++Aloysius and Cecelia Deis

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

6:45 AM Ned and Deanna Coon

5:15 PM David and Marlys Kosciolek

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Obligatory day of abstinence from meat

Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

6:45 AM Tom Kempf family

10:00 AM Mass at Bethany Homes

5:15 PM Frances Sauvageau and Arlene Dow

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

8:00 AM +Louie Kulas

5:00 PM Special Intention – G and B Lies

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11

7:30 AM Fr. James Gross

9:00 AM +Marcell Grandbois & +Angie Grandbois

10:30 AM +Msgr. Wendelyn Vetter

7:30 PM Parishioners of St. Anthony

Singers Wanted

All singers 12 and older are invited to join the Easter Triduum Choir, which will sing at Mass on Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil. A schedule of rehearsals can be found by the bulletin board in the Gathering Place. Please contact Samantha if you would like to join: 701-237-6063, samantha@stanthonyfargo.org.

Church Calendar

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Coffee and Rolls after AM Masses

- served by the Knights of Columbus

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 AM-1:00 PM Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

7:00 PM Pastoral Council

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

3:00 PM Legion of Mary

--NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES--

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

1:00 PM Senior card player group

7:00 PM Inquiry Class

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

World Day of Prayer

Obligatory day of abstinence from meat

5:30 PM KC Fish Dinner

6:45 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

3:30 PM Confessions

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

1st Sunday Food Collection

Coffee and Rolls after AM Masses

- served by the Knights of Columbus

No RE Classes This Week

In an effort to encourage all families to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday, there will be NO Religious Education Classes (or Adult Ed) this Wednesday, March 1. Classes will resume March 8.

Will you spend an hour with our Lord?

Every Thursday St. Anthony's holds Eucharistic Adoration. Come spend an hour of prayer in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. We currently have openings for adorers at these hours:

4:00-5:00 PM,

10:00-11:00 PM

11:00-11:59 PM

Please contact Samantha at the Parish Office:

701-237-6063 or samantha@stanthonyfargo.org.

LAY MINISTERS FIRST SUNDAY					
	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:00 AM	SUNDAY 10:30 AM	SUNDAY 7:30 PM
PROCLAIMERS	Lori Reinertson	Barb Ruzicka	Ed Mitchell Rob Bernhardt	Paul Marsolek	Steve Cossette
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LENT 2017

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

St. Anthony's will have Masses Wednesday, March 1 at 6:45 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM, and 7:30 PM. A sign-up sheet is available in the sacristy for liturgical ministers to volunteer for these Masses, or contact Samantha Dols at the Parish Office: 701-237-6063

LITURGY COMMITTEE: REFLECTIONS AND RESOURCES FOR LENTEN SEASON

As we begin our season of repentance, a number of items will be available to you to deepen your prayer life. Next week, you will find copies of The Word Among Us, the "Nail of Redemption," and canisters for your almsgiving. To emphasize the significance of our time in the desert these 40 days, you will also notice a change in the liturgies this Lent at St. Anthony's:

- opening song replaced with the chanting of the entrance antiphon by cantor
- absence of the Gloria and Alleluia
- chanting of the Communion antiphon by cantor
- removal of the closing song (please remain silent until the priest has exited the church)

This observation of silence creates a desert-like environment for each of us to dwell on the presence of God in our lives. Lent is a 40 day journey when Catholics embrace the three pillars of this season; prayer, fasting and almsgiving. During this time, we are encouraged to fast from food, activities, and other objects which may deter us from a deeper relationship with Christ and instead find other activities that will help us grow in our faith, and in a closer relationship with our Lord.

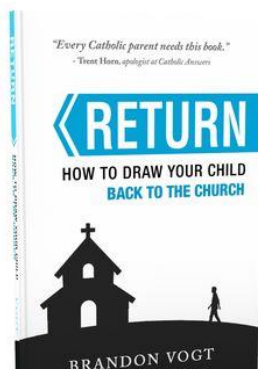


LENTEN ALMSGIVING: Lent coin canisters are available in the church for your Lenten almsgiving. This year's canister donations will be distributed to these three groups:

- **St. Vincent de Paul Conference** – our local parish conference
- **St. Gianna Maternity Home** – located in Warsaw, ND, this home provides housing and care for single mothers and their children.
- **And Then There Were None** – a nonprofit organization that helps abortion clinic workers leave the abortion industry. Learn more at www.abortionworker.com.

Please take a canister, collect your coins and dollars and return it anytime during Holy Week.

LENT 2017 cont.



Looking for something extra to do during Lent? Do you have loved ones who no longer practice the Catholic Faith? We've got the perfect solution: **Return**.

Return is a video course that our parish is offering each Monday night during Lent. For 6 consecutive Mondays, starting March 6, come to the Cabrini room at 7:00 PM to learn why so many leave the Faith and what to do to draw them back. Sessions will last just 1 hour. The **Return** books are also available at our office for \$2 per copy or just see Joe to get one.

BEST LENT EVER

We all know the things that make us happy, but we don't always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year we invite you to do something different. Sign up for Best Lent Ever, a FREE, video-based email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and New York Times bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness, and what to do about it. Are you ready for your best Lent ever? Sign up by going to www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Starting March 3, we will make the Stations of the Cross as a parish every Friday of Lent at 6:45 PM in the church (except March 31, due to the Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion Mass).

KC FRIDAY FISH DINNERS: The Knights of Columbus are serving up the best way to spend your Lenten Fridays; join us in the social hall each Friday during Lent from 5:30-7:00 PM (except March 31, due to the Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion Mass). Have your fish baked or fried, your potatoes fried or baked, and Mac n Cheese that is so great you might forget it's Lent!

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Italy and Fatima: Centennial of the Miracles at Fatima

Is Mary, through the triumph of her Immaculate Heart, calling you to the pilgrimage of a lifetime to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the "Miracle of the Sun"? You are invited to join Fr. Peter Anderl, Spiritual Director for the World Apostolate of Fatima, and Fr. Andrew Jasinski for an incredible experience of grace from October 2-14 on a diocesan pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, and Fatima! The registration deadline is March 20, so act now by calling Colleen at 877-453-7426, or sending an email to colleen@jericochristianjourneys.com. For pricing and other information, see the brochure available at www.fargodiocese.org/fatima100 or in our literature rack in the Gathering Place.

God's Gift Appeal – 2017

The Diocese of Fargo annual God's Gift Appeal is off to a great start. Your participation is very important to "Let the Church Always be a Place of Mercy". Every gift, regardless of its size, is vital to the success of the Appeal. Please be as generous as possible in your support of diocesan services.

Shanley Players Performance

The Shanley Players and JW Kitchens proudly present on the 51st anniversary of their musical tradition: *Godspell*. Performance dates are March 23 at 7:30 PM (preceded by the 51st annual First Nighter dinner); March 24 and 25 at 7:30 PM and March 26 at 2:00 PM in the Shanley GROW Auditorium. Reserved seating prices are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students. Tickets are available at <https://www.showtix4u.com/#!/page/Events>.

Diocese of Fargo

Lent and Easter Regulations

The penitential days for the universal Church are each Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday (March 1, 2017) marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is an opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Easter. The following regulations are observed in this sacred season:

Abstinence

Catholics 14 years of age or older must abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. It is only on the other Fridays of the year that abstinence may be substituted by another form of penance.



Fasting

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 (inclusive) are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. There is a limit of one full meal and no food between meals on those days. Two smaller meals are permitted as needed to maintain one's strength.

Sacrament of Penance

All the faithful who have reached the age of reason are bound faithfully to confess their grave sins at least once a year. Lent is a good time to fulfill this precept of the Church. Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion without previously having been to sacramental confession (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), 1457).

Holy Communion

Catholics who have received their First Holy Communion are obliged to make a worthy reception of Holy Communion at least once a year during the Lenten or Easter seasons. In the United States, this reception of Holy Communion should take place from the first Sunday in Lent (March 5) through Trinity Sunday (June 11).

Other Lenten Observances

Each weekday of Lent is also an obligatory day of penance. Some recommendations include the participation in daily Mass, increased prayer or spiritual study, self-imposed fasting or abstinence, works of charity, and participation in traditional Lenten Devotions (parish missions, Stations of the Cross, Rosary).



The proper context for all Lenten discipline is the conversion of our hearts. As the Catechism states, however, "interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance." These penances help us to redirect our whole life to God and away from sin and the evil we have committed (CCC, 1430-1439).

As we celebrate our Lenten penitential practices, may we experience this conversion of heart and be strengthened in our faith in God's mercy. May our discipline, through God's grace, lead us to full participation in the eternal Easter.

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