

# Welcome to the Catholic Parish of:

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*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

*Dec 12, 2021*

*Readings for Today*

Zeph 3:14-18; Isa 12:1-6; Phil 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18

**Office Hours:**

**St. Anthony**

Tuesday • Thursday • Friday  
10 am – 1 pm

**St. Margaret**

Tues & Thurs 9am-Noon  
Friday 8am-Noon

**Fr. Mann's Office Hours:**

**St. Anthony**

Tues 2-4  
Wed 9-4  
Thurs 11-4

**Reconciliation:**

½ hour before  
masses

**Adoration:**

1 hour before  
weekday masses

**Anointing of  
the Sick:**

Thursday evening  
masses and per request.

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. @ St. Margaret  
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. @ St. Anthony  
Sunday - 11:30 a.m. @ Sacred Heart

**Weekday Masses:**

Monday – none  
Tuesday – 5:30pm @ St Anthony  
Wednesday – 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony  
Thursday – 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony  
Friday – 9:00 am @ St. Margaret  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – 9:00 am @ St. Anthony

Mon. Dec 13	Tues. Dec 14	Wed. Dec 15	Thurs. Dec 16	Fri. Dec 17	Sat. Dec 18	Sun. Dec 19
St. Lucy	St. John of the Cross					<i>4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent</i>
Num 24:1-17; Ps 25:4-9; Matt 21:23-27	Zeph 3:1-13; Ps 34:1-23; Matt 21:28-32	Isa 45:6-25; Ps 85:9-14; Luke 7:18-23	Isa 54:1-10; Ps 30:1-13; Luke 7:24-30	Gen 49:1-10; Ps 72:1-17; Matt 1:1-17	Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-19; Matt 1:18-24	Mic 5:1-4; Ps 80:1-19; Heb 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

## Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Quinn Mann

**Admin. Asst:** Michele Lantagne

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**Faith Formation:** Dawn Johnson, 715-251-1773

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**St A Janitor Hall/Parish Center:** Veronica Church

**St. M Maint:** Howard Oller

## Sacramental Preparations

**Baptism, Confirmation & 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist:** Please contact office.

**Marriage:** Please call at least 6 months before desired date

**Holy Orders:** Call Fr. Mark Mleziva or Dcn Peter Gard at Diocese.

## PRAYER IS POWERFUL

**Please pray for those in need of prayer.**

Jase Suther, Earl Scheidt, Mike Michaud, Kim Geib, Kadyance M. Gilbert, June Anderson, , Nick DalSanto, Mary Stewart, Cheri Sweig, Blake Fleury, Boots Mills, Jerry Worman, Mark Endres, John Geib, Jeff, Peter N., Lucinda Simone, Sandy Lesperance & family, Diane Rock, Baby Nevaeh, Bev Dragosh, David Rock Sr., Geri Scheidt , Jeremy and Paula Conery, Dave Holmes, Nathan Glime & family, Elias Zarate, Riley Lestrud, Elijah, Duke family, Neil Anderson, Christopher Schoon, Mark Gunville, Joe Panis, Jenna Erno, Dan Wetzal, Jean Zychowski, Jeanette Rice, Eric Frantz, Ellie Mae, Keri Rugg, Shannon Moreau, Roberta Vondall, Steve Keeley, Debbie & Joe, Debbie Ziebert, Gabrielle Goldschmidt, Kelly Jean Rose-Lehto, Trish Gardiner, Tammy & Theo Harvath, Chastidy Hoppee

**Asst. Living:** Dorothy Richards – Maryhill

**Those at home/Recovering:** Carol Shier, Sandra Pluskota



**Please keep our soldiers in your**

**prayers:** AJ Sonnenberg, Adam Valeski, Sarah Mills, David Phillips, Emily Phillips,

Tony Wodenka, Drew Schiefelbein, Benjamin Oratch

### Prayer Requests

Phone Tree: Rose Bousley 715-251-3249.

E-mail Tree: office.stanthonyniagara@gmail.com

## CANDLE INTENTIONS

St. Anthony Altar – Doug Payette

St. Margaret Bill Schintgen

## MASS INTENTIONS

St. Anthony

**Tues, Dec 14–** (m) Verna Kitchura

**Wed, Dec 15–** Joseph & Madlyn Heavern

**Thurs, Dec 16–** (m) Janet Schingten

**Sunday, Dec 19–** For the People

Sacred Heart

**Sunday, Dec 19–**

St. Margaret

**Friday, Dec 17–** (m) Loraine & Mark Stepien

**Saturday, Dec 18–** Sandy Gunville

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE Dec 18/19

St. Margaret

Sacristan – Mary Keyser

Lector – Marcie Crandall

Server – Ed Nowland

Ushers – Jim Crandall

St. Anthony

Sacristan – Bob & Julie Butler

Lector – Rebecca Aderman

Ushers - Liz & Terry Youren

with  
*Sympathy*

**To the Mary Parent Family**

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**To the Nicholas Lantagne Family**

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

## GROUP MINISTRIES

**Karen's Pantry** · \*\* NEW NUMBER 906-239-4662 \*\*

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** –Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 10:00 am 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in SVdP room.

**SACCW** –. President Laura Brinkman 906-869-8868.

**SVdP** –Monthly meeting every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 3:00pm at St. Anthony. SVdP President Jim Crandall 715-324-5394

**Knights of Columbus** –Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month @ 7:00pm in St. Anthony Parish Hall.

**St. A Pastoral Mtg** – Wed, Dec 15 @ 4:30pm

**Finance Mtg** – Wed, Jan 12 @ 4:30pm

**S. Margaret Christian Women** - TBA



### JOIN IN THE FOLLOWING EVENTS DURING ADVENT

**Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Adult Faith Formation 6:10-7:30 in St. Anthony hall. Continues every Thursday of Advent. All are welcome and you need not attend every session. This is a book study on *Searching for and Maintaining Peace* by Father Jacques Philippe. Contact person: Dawn Johnson 715-251-1773.

### *THANK YOU*

Heartfelt thanks and resounding gratitude to Patrick Ryan for leaving St. Anthony in his trust! May God guide our use of this wonderful gift to help St. Anthony continue God's work.

*“May perpetual light shine upon Patrick and may he rest in peace.”*

#### St. Anthony FINANCES

Bishops Appeal Goal \$13,178  
Collected: \$ 8,145

Collections	Dec 6 <sup>th</sup>
Average Weekly Expenses per Budget	\$(2,872.43)

Regular	486.00
Reg. On-Line	900.00
Loose Change	38.46
Candles	31.00
Patrick Ryan Trust	33,618.98
Mass Intentions	40.00
Stole Fees	50.00
Heat & Maint	65.00

#### Wkly Income \$

Net \$ 32,357.01

Funds Held for others:

St. Margaret online	\$ 20
Sacred Heart online	\$110
Karen's Pantry	\$ 25
SVdP	\$ 25

#### St. Margaret FINANCES

Collections	Nov 30 <sup>th</sup>
Regular	410.00
Visitors	161.00
Candles	129.00
<u>Karen's Pantry</u>	<u>25.00</u>
Wkly Income \$	725.00

Trustees: James Crandall & Ed Nowland

#### **Volunteer Ministry Needed**

St. Anthony is in need of people to clean the linens used at mass. The linens need cleaning every two weeks, can be done at your home, and instructions are provided. Please contact St. Anthony office 715-251-3879

#### **Bulletin Advertising**

Spots are available to do an "in memory/honor of" a loved one or promote your business. If you have a current ad you should receive a notice in the mail this month if you want to continue. Please inquire at St. A Office. ☺

## CONFIRMATION RETREAT

We will hold our Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 5pm at St. Margaret Parish in Pembine. This is open to all Middle School and High School students and is mandatory for those who were confirmed in the last couple years and did not attend a confirmation retreat. It is also mandatory for those who are interested in confirmation in 2023.

If anyone is interested in making a side dish for the lunch or an egg bake for the breakfast, please contact Dawn ([dawnlouisepj@gmail.com](mailto:dawnlouisepj@gmail.com) or 715-251-1773). We could also use donations of bottled water.



If your child is interested in St. Anthony's pageant at 3:30pm, before the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass, please contact Christine 619-200-0787 so they can assign parts. Practice will be at 10:00 am Dec 19<sup>th</sup> (after 9:00am mass).

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## ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

John is a saint because his life was a heroic effort to live up to his name: “of the Cross.” The folly of the cross came to full realization in time. “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me” (Mark 8:34b) is the story of John’s life. The Paschal Mystery—through death to life—strongly marks John as reformer, mystic-poet, and theologian-priest.

Ordained a Carmelite priest in 1567 at age 25, John met Teresa of Avila and like her, vowed himself to the primitive Rule of the Carmelites. As partner with Teresa and in his own right, John engaged in the work of reform, and came to experience the price of reform: increasing opposition, misunderstanding, persecution, imprisonment. He came to know the cross acutely—to experience the dying of Jesus—as he sat month after month in his dark, damp, narrow cell with only his God.

Yet, the paradox! In this dying of imprisonment John came to life, uttering poetry. In the darkness of the dungeon, John’s spirit came into the Light. There are many mystics, many poets; John is unique as mystic-poet, expressing in his prison-cross the ecstasy of mystical union with God in the *Spiritual Canticle*.

But as agony leads to ecstasy, so John had his *Ascent to Mt. Carmel*, as he named it in his prose masterpiece. As man-Christian-Carmelite, he experienced in himself this purifying ascent; as spiritual director, he sensed it in others; as psychologist-theologian, he described and analyzed it in his prose writings. His prose works are outstanding in underscoring the cost of discipleship, the path of union with God: rigorous discipline, abandonment, purification. Uniquely and strongly John underlines the gospel paradox: The cross leads to resurrection, agony to ecstasy, darkness to light, abandonment to possession, denial to self to union with God. If you want to save your life, you must lose it. John is truly “of the Cross.” He died at 49—a life short, but full.

## ***Message from Fr. Quinn***

**Praise the Lord!** Rejoice! Today is called Laudate Sunday. Laudate is Latin for REJOICE! Today we celebrate the good things to come! Who is coming, but the person of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior! He is the one whom the angel's rejoice in heaven and choirs of saints and angels sing out in unison, "Jesus Christ is coming to YOU!" This is the half time of Lent. We take a moment to REJOICE at the presence of Jesus in our lives. The presence of Jesus in the world. Jesus Christ is the ONE who gives us JOY.

The significance of the Rose vestments and candle is to remind us of the new beginning of life found in Jesus Christ. Last week we had a new beginning. The book club kicked off and it was really beautiful to see so many share the gift of peace with one another through reflections on our book, "Searching & Maintaining Peace." A special thank you to Dawn for volunteering to help put this event on. Also a new beginning was the full benediction and adoration during the Advent season on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. This includes a time of confession and praise and adoration to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. He is REALLY present to us, body, blood, soul and divinity. What a gift. To be with him is our greatest JOY. Lastly, we began our first Saturday devotion to Our Lady of Fatima. Special thanks to Tammy for organizing this. We begin with 8am adoration, a special rosary, confessions, benediction and enrollment to the brown scapular. What a JOY it was to have a prayerful group of folks in the Church for 1st Saturday devotions to Our Lady of Fatima.

During this intermission of Advent--Laudate Sunday, we take a moment to ponder how joy comes about. One way joy comes in our lives is by way of freedom. Our hearts are often shackled and chained by a lack of interior freedom. A freedom of being. A freedom of joy. A freedom to be who we are--forgiven by the blood of the Lamb. The sacrifice of Jesus FREES us interiorly. Often we hold on to the attachments of our sin. We are slaves to our own inability to live freedom at the center of our lives and hearts. So much so that we project our interior "un-freedom" unto others. We don't allow people the freedom to be who they are. We don't allow others to make choices. This makes us sad and sullen. J-O-Y stands for JESUS-OTHERS-OURSELVES. Let's take this beautiful halftime of Lent and shout out at the top of our lungs--Laudate! Rejoice! The Savior is on the way! He comes with the heralding of Saint John, the YES of Saint Mary, and the good will of the shepherds. God can give us freedom in our hearts and the joy will follow!

**Now & Forever! Rejoice! Fr. Quinn**

<p><b>Loving Memory of: Pat Recla</b></p>		<p><b>Deceased Members of the Brinkman Family</b></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of: Phyllis Willis</p>
	<p>In Loving Memory of Jim Merritt</p>	<p><b>In Loving Memory of Patrick "Choppers" &amp; Kathy Moreau</b></p>	
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 <p>Wed.-Sun. with Daily Specials Lunch 11am &amp; Dinner 4pm Call (715)324-6732 ATV Accessible</p>		<p>In Memory of the Deceased Members of the <b>Kadulski Family</b></p>	<p><b>LORETTA'S CATERING</b> Friday Fish Fry 700 IRON ST. NORWAY, MI 49870 (906) 563-9728</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: red;">Advertise HERE</p>
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