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**February 28, 2021**

*Second Sunday of Lent*

### Office Hours:

#### St. Anthony

Tuesday · Thursday · Friday  
10 am – 1 pm

#### St. Margaret

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

### **Anointing of the Sick:**

Emergencies only.  
Please contact 414-748-7773 and leave a message.

### Reconciliation:

½ hour before mass

### Adoration:

1 hour before weekday masses

No reconciliation/adoration before Tues and Wed **a.m. masses** at St. Anthony.

Church open for silent prayer at St. Anthony

Tues-Wed 8:00am-5:00 pm  
Thursday 10:00am-5:00pm

### 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 – no masses

Tuesday – 7:30 am & 5:30pm @ St Anthony

Wednesday – 7:30 am & 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony

Thursday – 10:00 Maryhill

Thursday – 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony

Friday – 9:00 am @ St. Margaret

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – 10:00 am @ St. Anthony

*“This is my Beloved Son; listen to him!”*

Mon. Mar 1	Tues. Mar 2	Wed. Mar 3	Thurs. Mar 4	Fri. Mar 5	Sat. Mar 6	Sun. Mar 7
						Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
Dan 9:4-10; Ps 78:8-13; Luke 6:36-38	Isa 1:10-20; Ps 50:8-23; Matt 23:1-12	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-16; Matt 20:17-28	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-6; Luke 16:19-31	Gen 37:3-28; Ps 105:16-21; Matt 21:33-46	Mic 7:14-20; Ps 103:1-12; Luke 15:1-32	Exod 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

## Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Michael Lightner

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## 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, Charles & family, Mike Michaud, Kim Geib, Dave Schultz, Kadyance M. Gilbert, June Anderson, Dennis Schiefelbein, , Nick DalSanto, Mary Stewart, Cheri Sweig, Blake Fleury, Boots Mills, Jerry Worman, Mark Endres, John Geib, Jeff, Peter N., Bob Hurzeler, Lucinda Simone, Sandy Lesperance, Diane Rock, Baby Nevaeh, Bev Dragosh, David Rock Sr., Geri Scheidt, Jeremy and Paula Conery, Dave Holmes, Nathan Glime & family, Elias Zarate, Bob Wollenberg, Riley Lestrud, Diane Firkell, Elijah, Duke family, Neil Anderson, Christopher Schoon, Mark Gunville, Joe Panis, Jenna Erno, Dan Wetzell, Jean Zychowski, Jeanette Rice, Walter Guffy, Eric Frantz

**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, Sam Dorn, 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 – available for intentions  
*Sacred Heart* – Gavin Johnston; Brad Butler & family

*St. Joseph* – Glenn Lantagne

**St. Margaret** - Ralph Wnuk



## Mass Intentions

### St. Anthony

**Tues, Mar 2** – Wilma Whalen(am); Teresa Gerou(pm)

**Wed, Mar 3** - Wilma Whalen(am); Glenn Lantagne(pm)

**Thurs, Mar 4** – Wilma Whalen(pm)

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, Mar 6**– Lantagne family

**Sunday, Mar 7** – Living & Dcd of the Phillips family

### Sacred Heart

**Sunday, Mar 7** – Bill & Kathy Counter

### St. Margaret

**Fri, Mar 5** – Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, Mar 6**– For the People

## Ministry Schedule Mar 6/7

### St. Margaret

Sacristan – Mary Lou Neumann

Lector – Marcie Crandall

Servers – Ed Nowland

Ushers – Jim Crandall

### St. Anthony

Sacristan – Dan & Lori Aderman

Lector – Ann Brasure

EME – Ann Brasure

Ushers – Randy Wodenka/volunteer

## St. Anthony FINANCES

COLLECTIONS Weekend Feb 21  
Bishops Appeal Goal \$13,178  
Collected: \$2,430

Average Weekly Expenses per  
Budget \$(2,761.06)

Regular	1,817.00
Reg. On-Line	660.00
Loose & Child	113.00
Candles	127.00
Fundraisers	91.00
Mass Stipends	60.00
Heat & Maint	65.00

Weekly Income \$ 2,923.00

Net \$ 171.94

Funds Held for others:  
St. Margaret's-Online \$120  
Karen's Pantry \$10  
SVdP \$10  
Bishops Appeal \$500

*Thank you*  
**FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

## St. Margaret FINANCES

Bishops Appeal Goal \$4,290  
Collected: \$2,775

COLLECTIONS Deposit Feb 23

Regular	340.00
Visitor	60.00
Stole Fees	0.00
Candles	11.00
Mass Stipends	0.00

Weekly Income \$ 411.00

Funds Held for others:  
Retired Religious 0.00  
Karen's Pantry 15.00  
Subtotal \$ 15.00  
Net \$ 426.00

Trustees: *Andy VandenBush & James Crandall*

## GROUP MINISTRIES

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

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** – March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Meets in 220 Room at Parish Center. All are welcome to join.

**SACCW** - Wed, March 10 at 5:30pm there will be a mass at St. Anthony for our deceased member Marge Gunville.

**SVdP** – Spiritual Meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 9:00am mass at St. Margaret. 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** – March 9 at 7:00pm in hall.

**St. Anthony Pastoral Council** – TBA

**Tri-Parish Finance Mtg** – Wed, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:10pm in hall.

**St. Margaret Christian Women** – TBA

## LENTEN PRAYER TIMES

St. Anthony - Every Friday of Lent, 3:00 pm Divine Mercy, Stations of the Cross then, Intermittent prayers until 11:00 pm

St. Margaret – Every Tuesday of Lent, 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

*All are welcome!*



## ALL TEEN AND ADULT MEN

“Be A Man” event is **this Saturday** at St. Anthony. 10:00am to Noon. Share in the hope of the Gospel!

St. Anthony Easter Lilies for Sale  
\$12 for Single \$24 for double  
Call office to order.  
Orders must be in by Th. March 11<sup>th</sup>



## FISH FRY THIS FRIDAY!

**4-7pm \$13 10 & under free**  
**Dine In \* Take Out \* Drive Thru**



## Lenten Journey of Fasting

### The Benefits of Fasting According To St. Thomas Aquinas

Fasting has long been recognized as an excellent means of penance, with many spiritual benefits. In the post-modern world, however, the practice of fasting as a means of spiritual benefit has fallen into disuse. The focus is more often on the physical advantages of fasting while its spiritual benefits are disregarded.

What are some of the spiritual benefits of fasting? To explore that question, let's look at the teaching of St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Thomas teaches that fasting is practiced for a threefold purpose: 1) we fast "in order to bridle the lusts of the flesh"; 2) we fast "in order that the mind may arise more freely to the contemplation of heavenly things," noting that Daniel received a revelation from God after fasting for three weeks (Dan 10:2 ff); and 3) we fast "in order to satisfy for sins," as it is written in Joel 2:12: "Be converted to Me with all your heart, in fasting and in weeping and in mourning" (ST, II-II, q. 147, a. 1).

St. Thomas is pointing to some well understood truths in the Catholic spiritual tradition in terms of the spiritual benefits of fasting. First, he notes that fasting helps to bring the body or the flesh under the soul's control. When we fast, we force the body into compliance, which builds self-control and self-mastery, two important virtues in the Christian life. St. Paul speaks about how the desires of the flesh are against the spirit and vice-versa (Gal 5:17). Fasting helps to rectify that disorder, bringing the flesh under the spirit's control, as it should be.

Second, St. Thomas points out that fasting tends to raise the mind and heart to heavenly things, toward the contemplation of God. Fasting empowers us in prayer. It focuses the intellect on seeking to know God and the will on obtaining God as the greatest good. It helps to purify the desires and aspirations of the soul toward the divine beauty and truth of God. Christians who have walked the path of spiritual perfection for some time often report having powerful experiences of the presence of God while fasting. God finds our acts of voluntary suffering for the love of him irresistible.

Third, St. Thomas notes that fasting is a means of atoning for our sins. Fasting is a means of taking responsibility for our sins; it helps us make amends before God for those times we have offended him, others, and his holy Church. This is not to say that fasting confers forgiveness for the guilt of sins. We obtain forgiveness for our sins from God by virtue of the merits of Christ's saving death and resurrection. We are forgiven the eternal guilt of sin through repentance and the sacrament of confession (see John 20:22-23). Nevertheless, we can make restitution before God for our sins through acts of penance like fasting.

***May God bless you and shower abundance grace upon your Lenten Journey.***



March 2021

# The Compass

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## She takes Golden Rule to next level

BY SAM LUCERO | THE COMPASS

**APPLETON** — Raised in a family where faith is important, Haley Bridges has always followed the Golden Rule.

“I’ve grown up with being told to be nice to others, so it’s like second nature to help anyone in general,” said Bridges, a junior at St. Francis Xavier High School. Last month, friends and strangers witnessed how Bridges put into practice that teaching found in Matthew 7:12.

Bridges began a part-time job at Chick-fil-A in Appleton last August. Two months later, Hokule’a Taniguchi, who had moved to Neenah from Hawaii to live with her sister, began working at the fast-food restaurant.

The two became fast friends. “When she first talked to me, she started off with a very cheesy pickup line,” said Bridges. “She’s just very goofy like me, so we both got along very well together.”

Bridges soon learned that Hoku, as friends call Taniguchi, rode a bike to and from work, which was about a five-mile round trip.

“One day, she asked me to



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**Haley Bridges, left, and Hokule’a Taniguchi, who had moved to Neenah from Hawaii to live with her sister, met each other while working at Chick-fil-A in Appleton. Hoku, as friends call her, rode a bike to work until Bridges, who won a car at her work’s Christmas party in January, gave her the car.**

take her home after work,” said Bridges. “That’s when I found out about her whole living situation. I was kind of shocked because, obviously, Wisconsin weather is kind of bad. I would

always help her if she needed rides and make sure she would get there safely.”

**Our full story** appears in the Feb. 26 issue.

### FRANKLY, FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

There is no day more wonderful than the one we are living. Those who live always thinking about the future: “But the future will be better...”, but do not take each day as it comes are people who live in their fantasy, they do not know how to deal with concrete reality. ... Jesus comes to meet us today, the day we are living. And it is prayer that transforms this day into grace, or better, that transforms us: it quells anger, sustains love, multiplies joy, instills the strength to forgive. Sometimes it will seem that it is no longer we who are living, but that grace lives and works in us through prayer. And when an angry, an unhappy thought comes to us, that moves us toward bitterness, let us stop ourselves and say to the Lord: “Where are you? And where am I going?” And the Lord is there. For prayer is always — to use a profane word — positive.

+ Pope Francis, Feb. 10, 2021

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## Teen delivers message of community care to homeless shelter guests

BY JEFF KUROWSKI | THE COMPASS

**GREEN BAY** — Delaney Gallagher knew that she wanted to help guests at St. John’s Homeless Shelter, so it didn’t matter when her plan slightly changed. Gallagher, who had past experience providing meals at St. John’s, initially inquired about supplying socks at the shelter, but discovered that there was a greater need to protect guests from the elements.

Gallagher, a sophomore at Notre Dame Academy in Green Bay, created Long Johns for St. John’s, a program to collect new and gently used long underwear. She placed donation boxes at nine locations — the five Festival Foods stores in the Green Bay area, Notre Dame Academy, Active Chiropractic in Green Bay, Salon Forte in Green Bay and St. Mary Church in Ledgeview, where she is a member.

“My dad (Matt Gallagher) has been a really

great help with the fundraiser,” she said. “He’s helped me to reach out to people at the different locations to see if our fundraiser is something they would like to partner with. Our sponsors have been great.

“We check the boxes (at the drop-off locations). We’ve taken quite a few donations from some of the Festival locations.”

**Our full story** appears in the Feb. 12 issue.

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Pat Recla**



**Deceased Members of the  
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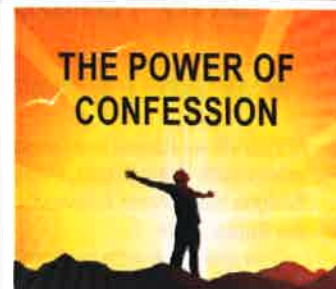


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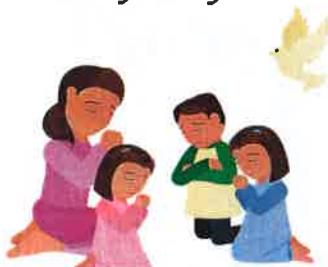
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