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**MASS SCHEDULE**  
**Celebrating Our Faith This Week**

**Baptism of the Lord**

**Saturday, January 11**  
 4:00 pm @ SA + Mickey VanDeRostyne  
 4:00 pm @ SP + Connie Helms  
**Sunday, January 12**  
 7:30 am @ SP - For the Parishoners of St. Patrick  
 8:00 am @ SH + Marilyn VandeVoorde & Eileen Lopez  
 9:30 am @ SA + Robert & Billy Harris  
 10:00 am @ SP - For The Health & Development of Baby LaRette  
**Monday, January 13, No Mass**  
**Tuesday, January 14**  
 5:30 pm @ SA + Ann Sturtewagen  
 5:30 pm @ SP + Tim Pratt  
**Wednesday, January 15**  
 8:00 am @ SH Communion Service  
 5:30 pm @ SP + Rosemary Owens  
**Thursday, January 16**  
 7:30 am @ SP + Richard Bloch  
**SA No Mass**  
**Friday, January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot**  
 7:30 am @ SP - For the Parishoners of St. Patrick  
**SA No Mass**

**Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, January 18**  
 4:00 pm @ SA – For the Parishoners of St. Anthony & Sacred Heart  
 4:00 pm @ SP + Marshall Pratt  
**Sunday, January 19**  
 7:30 am @ SP - For the Wellbeing of the Parishoners  
 8:00 am @ SH + Sharon Gripp  
 9:30 am @ SA + Rhea Taber  
 10:00 am @ SP - For Cancer Patients

**Serving at Our Lord's Altar**

**Saturday, January 18**

**4:00 pm @ St. Anthony**      **4:00 pm @ St. Patrick**  
 Lector:                                  Lector: Pat Corwin  
 EMHC: Mary Kay Franks              Usher: John Barry  
 Usher: Lynn Cathelyn/ Dick DeSmith

**Sunday, January 19**

**8:00 am @ Sacred Heart**      **7:30 am @ St Patrick**  
 Lector: Eric Ufheil                      Lector: Lisa Wilson  
 EMHC: Gene VanDeVoorde          Usher: Ken Brummel  
 Ushers: Volunteers                      Altar Server: Andrew Ehnle  
 Money Counters: Bill & Sue  
 Dierix & Vern & Karen Griffiths      **10:00 am @ St. Patrick**  
    Lector: Mary Jane Rios  
    Usher: Marilyn Gray  
**9:30 am @ St. Anthony**              Money Counters:  
 Lector: Gary Olson                      Lerette/L. Wright  
 EMHC: Cindy Raschke  
 Ushers: Jon Hamer/Ben Raschke

**Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.**

Katelyn DeRycke, Christine Sand Dunahee, Barry Miller, Berniece Cathelyn, Mary Frank, Tom Morse, Abby Hahne Brokaw, Lorelle Burcham, Mike Curran, Jay DeBruyn, Driscoll Drew, Barb Wagner, Joan Miller Norma Emmerson, Joan Glubzinski, Kelly Hennigh, Joe Hoenschied, Frances Hughes, Chris Johnson, Elaine Kelm, Cleo Lanham, Dan Woods Megan Lanham, Brett Longeville, Julie Marley, Hudson McCook, Ron & Mary Jo Nelson, Aaron Stetson, Barb Wagner, Nick Welgat, Spike Hubbs, Lorraine Happach, Shelley Church, Joe DeSplinter

**St. Anthony & Sacred Heart**  
**2025 Catholic Calendars**

**Thank you to Vandemore Funeral Home for providing the beautiful Catholic Calendars for 2025. Calendars may be picked up at the entrances of both churches.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Wed. Jan. 15th: SA CCD Class  
 Sun. Jan. 19th: SH CCD Class  
 Sun. Jan. 19th: SP CCD Class  
 No SA Parish/Financial meeting in January

**ST. PATRICK'S POT OF GOLD RAFFLE**



**Only 500 tickets will be sold!**  
**\$25.00 per ticket.**  
**Grand Prize : \$2500.00   2nd Prize: \$1000.00**  
**3rd-5th Prize : \$250.00   6th-9th Prize: \$100.00**  
**Drawing will be held on March 16th after 10 am Mass**  
**Need not be present to win. Must be 18 years of age to purchase. Tickets are available from St. Patrick's parishioners. Proceeds will go to St. Patrick Church**

**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 2025. 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 all three parishes from January 11th to January 31st and should be returned by February 2nd. Contributions will be sent to the Quad City Pregnancy Resource Center. Thank you!



**Christmas Decorations will be taken down at St. Anthony's & Sacred Heart Sunday January 12 after the morning Masses. All are asked to help. Thank you.**

**2024 ADA**

The 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal is now Underway in our parishes. Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. No gift is too small, and each parish is trying to reach 100% participation. If you have not given yet, **please consider filling out a pledge card today and mail it to the Diocese of Peoria or place your card/ along with a check made out the Diocese of Peoria in the collection basket. It is helpful to send donations directly to the Diocese.**

**The goals for each parish are as follows:**

<b>St. Anthony's</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>St. Patrick's</b>
Goal: \$32,418	Goal: \$13,450	Goal: \$19,202
Pledged: \$16,000	Pledged: \$2,220	Pledged: \$4,075
# of Donors: 48	# of Donors: 16	# of Donors: 11

**Sharing in the Work of Christ Through Sacrificial Giving**

**St. Anthony Monthly Financial Support November**  
 Sunday: \$7,474.30 Candle: \$87.55 Cemetery: \$415  
 Holy Day: \$260 Human Development: \$120  
 Circle 3: \$1,140

**Sacred Heart Financial Support November**  
 Sunday: \$3,396 Fuel: \$140 Holy Day: \$135  
 Candle: \$104 Cemetery: \$2,005 Improvement: \$255  
 CCD: \$250

**St. Patrick Financial Support November**  
 Sunday: \$9,421.15 Candle: \$117 Improvement: \$704.85  
 Cemetery: \$335 CCD: \$250 Holy Day: \$142  
 Flowers: \$110

**Thank you to ALL who made our Christmas liturgies a joyous occasion. Thank you to our musicians, vocalists, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and anyone else who helped us celebrate the birth of Our Lord in a most joyful way.**

**Please note the following:**

Father Engelbrecht had foot surgery on Monday, January 6. He is to be off of the foot for a week and limited in what he can do for a couple of weeks thereafter. So the usual weekday Masses Tuesday & Wednesday will be Communion Services. No Mass or Communion Service on Thursday or Friday. Father Vien Do will say the Masses Saturday Jan. 11 & Sunday Jan. 12. Fr. Do assisted when Father Engelbrecht was in the hospital a year ago. Please give Father Do a warm welcome as you did in the past and we thank him for his assistance. Please say a prayer for Father Engelbrecht that there might be healing to the foot. You will be updated through the bulletin.

**Saint Patrick Mass Announcement**

From Tuesday, January 21st - Tuesday March 4th there will not be weekday Masses at St. Patricks. Father Albert Mung'aho will be taking his yearly vacation to visit his family in Tanzania. During this time we welcome Father John Twinomujuni for our regularly scheduled weekend Masses. For those who have scheduled weekday Masses during this time the Mass will be moved to the weekend. Families will be notified to verify dates. Thank you for your understanding and for praying for safe travels for Father Mung'aho. We also wish Father a happy 50th birthday during his travels.

**St. Patrick CCD students have been scheduled to be Altar Servers in January.**

January 12th: 7:30 Mass- Teegan Yepsen  
 January 19th: 10am Mass- Andrew Ehnle  
 January 26th: 10am Mass- Teegan Yepsen and Andrew Ehnle.  
 All of those who serve are greatly appreciated.

**St. Patrick Angel Tree.** This giving season will continue through January. The donations go to support St. Louis Magi project. This mission provides clothing and basic needs for children. Please pick up an angel and help a child. The tree will run through January 20th. Items do not need the angel with it or wrapped. Please return you item to the back of the church. Thank you for your giving hearts.

**The 2024 financial contribution deadline for St. Anthony, Sacred Heart, St. Patrick and St. Mary of the Fields deadline in order to be included on your 2024 tax contribution statement has ended. Anything that was received past December 31st will be included in the 2025 contribution records. Financial tax contribution lists will be ready the week of January 26th. Contribution reports will be mailed by request only. Please contact the parish office by using office@stanthonyatkinson.org, parish@stpatssheffield.org or call 309-936-7900, during office hours. Thank you.**

**St. Patrick circle dues** for 2025 is going to be \$20.00 this year for every family. The dues can be put in an envelope and dropped in the collection basket in January or February 2025. Checks should be made out to the St. Patrick's Circle Fund. A portion of the collection will be set aside to start saving to make improvements in the hall kitchen.

**Funeral dinners** at St. Patrick's in 2025 will still be prepared but the circle will be offering a catered menu. The family will be paying for the cost of Ham or Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Scalloped Corn and Rolls. As previously, drinks will also be included in the bill. Parishioners will be asked to provide desserts for the funeral meal. If someone also wants a salad that may be an option. Option two: Hire a caterer of your choice and we will set up tables.

**Pot of Golf Update,** happy to report we are over half-way to our goal. Please remember to

turn in your tickets along with your check or cash in a SEALED envelope marked "Pot of Gold" Karen Taylor or Lisa Wilson. Thank you to all those who have sold their tickets. With your help we can make this a success. Any questions please contact Karen or Lisa. Thank you.

**EMMAUS KNIGHTS FOR YOUNG MEN GRADES 7-12** February 9, March 9, April 13 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Join Fr. Chase for a night of faith, fraternity, and formation at the Emmaus House 2327 W Heading Ave, West Peoria Emmaus Knights is an experience for young men who desire to grow in friendship and faith with some food and some fun. Fathers, drop your sons off & stay for a time of fraternity. Sign up at: <https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/096f2f39-5c68-4165-8115-8591270049fb>

**Abide In Me High School Youth Retreat**

This is a great moment of encounter for our high school aged parishioners to gather to learn, pray, connect, and be inspired to live a Eucharist centered life. This day-retreat will feature great speakers, vibrant praise and worship, a spotlight on sacred vocations, opportunities for the sacraments, and much more that will culminate with Eucharistic Adoration. The event will be held at Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center, 8508 County Road 100 N., Magnolia, IL, on Saturday, February 15, 2025 from 9:30 am to 8:00 pm. The cost is \$35 per person, with a max at \$75 max per family. Please contact Carla Wizieck ([cwizieck@cdop.org](mailto:cwizieck@cdop.org)) or 309-677-7015 with questions about this year's retreat

St. Malachy Church, Geneseo invites all youth to join **youth ministry**. Middle School Youth Group (The Rock) meets on Wednesdays from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. High School Youth Group (Oasis) meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Each week features a delicious meal, fun games/activities and the opportunity to grow in your walk with Jesus. All are welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

Readings for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7, Psalm 29:1-4, 9-10, Acts 10:34-38, Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The Liturgy last week revealed the mystery of God's plan—that in Jesus all peoples, symbolized by the Magi, have been made “coheirs” to the blessings promised to Israel. This week, we're shown how we claim our inheritance. Jesus doesn't submit to John's baptism as a sinner in need of purification. He humbles Himself to pass through Jordan's waters in order to lead a new “exodus”—opening up the promised land of heaven so that all peoples can hear the words pronounced over Jesus today, words once reserved only for Israel and its king: that each of us is a beloved son or daughter of God (see [Genesis 22:2](#); [Exodus 4:22](#); [Psalm 2:7](#)). Jesus is the chosen servant Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading, anointed with the Spirit to make things right and just on earth. God puts His Spirit upon Jesus to make Him “a covenant of the people,” the liberator of the captives, the light to the nations. Jesus, today's Second Reading tells us, is the One long expected in Israel, “anointed . . . with the Holy Spirit and power.” The word messiah means “one anointed” with God's Spirit. King David was “the anointed of the God of Jacob” (see [2 Samuel 23:1-17](#); [Psalm 18:51](#); [132:10, 17](#)). The prophets taught Israel to await a royal offshoot of David, upon whom the Spirit would rest (see [Isaiah 11:1-2](#); [Daniel 9:25](#)). That's why the crowds are so anxious at the start of today's Gospel. But it isn't John they're looking for. God confirms with His own voice what the angel earlier told Mary: Jesus is the Son of the Most High, come to claim the throne of David forever (see [Luke 1:32-33](#)). In the Baptism that He brings, the voice of God will hover over the waters as a fiery flame, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has sanctified the waters, made them a passageway to healing and freedom—a fountain of new birth and everlasting life.

- Dr. Scott Hahn

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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  
 Saturday: 3:30 to 3:50 pm at St. Patrick's  
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. at Sacred Heart or by appointment with priest.

**Adoration**

St. Patrick's, Sheffield  
 First Friday of every Month  
 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

**Area Parishes**

**St. Malachy (Geneseo)**

Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 am

**St. John Paul II (Kewanee)**

Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 am;  
 12:00pm Spanish

**St. John Vianney (Cambridge)**

Sunday at 8:00 am

**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@stanthonyatkinson.org](mailto:office@stanthonyatkinson.org) or mailing to PO Box 210, Atkinson, IL 61235