

ST. ANTHONY
ON THE LAKE

100
YEARS

GRATEFUL
GENEROUS
GROWING

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**Pewaukee,
Wisconsin**

**2017
Annual Pastoral
Report**



LIVE the Gospel of Jesus Christ
COMMIT to worship and lifelong faith formation
SERVE others in need.

**St. Anthony Parish is a welcoming lifegiving
Catholic faith community.**

**We are committed to witnessing the Gospel message of Jesus Christ
through meaningful prayer, lifelong faith formation,
and service to those in need.**





Presider: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God."

People: "It is right and just."

~ Preface dialogue

Dear friends in Christ,

As we mark our 100th Jubilee year, it IS truly "right and just" to give God praise and thanks for the many blessings he has bestowed upon our faith family. Through the years, beginning with Mary Siegfried opening the doors to her summer cottage on Pewaukee Lake for the first Mass on June 30, 1918, to our current hospitality ministers opening the doors to our faithful today, St. Anthony on the Lake Parish has truly become a community that is:

GRATEFUL... for all those, who through their good stewardship, made the sacrifices that laid the foundation of our parish. We remember with gratitude our charter members, former pastors and religious, past faculty, staff, and leaders, whose dedication and hard work gave the example of selfless giving. We stand on their shoulders!

GENEROUS... with its many and varied resources. We are a benevolent community. Through the generosity of our faithful, in this past year alone, we began our Alpha small faith sharing groups, helped others to discover and "unlock their gifts," developed our next 5-year long-range strategic plan, and began preparations to celebrate our 100th Jubilee.

GROWING... in membership and in faith. Every year the Archdiocese of Milwaukee asks us to complete what is called in Latin, a "Status Animarum." In short, it is a statistical data sheet that documents the financial, sacramental, educational, and formational status of our parish. A few particularly encouraging numbers stood out to me:

	2014-2015:	Today:
# of members:	5147	5883
# of families:	1698	1948

As they say, "the proof is in the pudding." What follows in these pages is nothing less than further proof that we are indeed a grateful, generous and growing faith community! As you peruse our annual report, I pray that these images and stories will inspire you to continue to be good stewards of the many gifts that God has given you, and allow you to once again proclaim, as we do at every Mass, "It is right and just to give God thanks and praise!"

Blessings,

Prayer and Worship

The Adult Choir once again took their “show on the road” and sang in multiple venues in Prague, Austria and Germany.

A highlight of their tour was singing in St. Nickolas Cathedral in Prague, and St. Stephen’s in Vienna, where many of Mozart’s works were heard for the first time. Singing “I Believe,” a poem

found scrawled on the walls of a concentration camp, in the Jewish ghetto of Prague, where Jews were gathered and eventually sent to die, was a very powerful moment for our music ministry, and for all who gathered to listen.

“I believe in the sun even when it’s not shining. I believe in love even when I don’t feel it. I believe in God, even when God is silent.”

It has become a treasured part of the Choir’s repertoire, and has been sung on multiple occasions here in our community.

The Choir was also invited to sing for the internationally televised Heart of the Nation Mass, filmed here in Milwaukee at St. Francis Seminary. If you missed the original broadcast (7-23 and 7-30) you can tune in at heartofthenation.org and watch previous episodes!



The Children’s Choir continues to draw singers from multiple schools in the parish to “pray twice” by singing! They recently enjoyed a Music Fair which found them playing xylophones, glockenspiels, hand bells, chimes, decorating T-shirts, playing games, and...of course...singing!

Children’s Choir Fair 2017





Rite of Welcome 2017

Our community continues to grow as we welcome candidates and catechumens into the RCIA. Inquirers continue to inspire us with their enthusiasm and desire to become members of the Catholic Faith. The RCIA team are their companions on the journey!

During our “Teaching Masses” we paused last year to learn more about the Mass. Some history was provided, Church documents were explained, and attention was given to why we do what we do when we gather and pray together at Mass. It was an opportunity for everyone from cradle Catholics to newly welcomed to learn more about the source and summit of our faith.



Teaching Mass, 2016



Human Concerns

St. Anthony on the Lake has a long tradition of outreach. Over the years we have responded to the call to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned and bury the dead in an incredible number of ministries.

Today we continue to embrace Catholic Social Teaching through our work in a variety of ministries including our Partners in Mercy:

- St. Hyacinth Food Pantry
- MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary
- Common Ground
- Santisimo Sacramento
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Family Promise of Waukesha County



We have also responded to the Church's call to "care for creation". Pope Francis tells us, "Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society." In this spirit, the Earth Ministry, along with over 50 volunteers of all ages, planned, built, planted and maintained the Garden of Hope on our parish grounds. The produce harvested from the garden went to support those in need at the Pewaukee Food Pantry and MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary.

"I got involved in planning and building the Garden of Hope because I wanted a visible, beautiful and permanent testament to the importance of Caring for Creation. The garden itself is an analogy for our Earth Ministry which seeks to plant and tend the seeds for environmental awareness, and harvest environmental progress in our lives and parish. Building and tending the garden, and delivering the produce was a fun, intergenerational community experience. It is providing an opportunity for parishioners of all ages to come together to care for our common home, serve the poor and build the Kingdom of God."

-Kate Burke-



Lifelong Faith Formation

Our mission of Faith Formation is to encourage spiritual growth for individuals in the context of our Catholic Tradition. We understand that faith is a lifelong journey and try to spiritually support people in all ages and stages of life from the time parents are preparing for their child's Baptism through the passages of adulthood.



Youth in small group on retreat



Living Stations at noon on Good Friday



Guardians and Angels

Through the generosity of countless parishioners who give of their time and talent, many opportunities are provided throughout the year to cultivate values, ideals and practices of Christian living and an understanding of God's Word in Scripture. Many developmentally appropriate programs are offered for parish members; For example:

- Children's Liturgy of the Word for our youngest worshipers
- Summer Bible Camp for children
- Outreach Service Camp for middle school students
- Mission trips and retreats for teens
- Bible study and Alpha faith sharing experiences for adults



WOW women meet on Wed. mornings



Small group gathering at Alpha



Packing bag lunches for The Gathering in Milwaukee



Hanging clothes at the Hope Center in Waukesha

Through learning, worship, prayer and service, in age-specific and intergenerational opportunities throughout the year, at the heart of all formation is the hope that this leads to a life of discipleship and to each person's deeper relationship with the God who loves them.



Teens checking the Food Boxes for the House of Peace



Families walking the Labyrinth during the Prayer Fair

A core value of our mission is to empower parents as the primary catechists for their children mainly through a family-based catechetical approach, in the Family Program and the LaPetite Program as well as family based sacramental preparation and various ongoing experiences for children and parents.



Middle School youth having fun learning with Faith Facts games.



Confirmation



Bible Camp



Family participating in the family activity

St. Anthony Parish School

Growing in God's Love!

Each year, the faculty chooses a faith-based theme to give our school direction for the year ahead. This year, we have chosen Growing in God's Love as our overall theme with monthly subthemes such as Prayer, Perseverance, Generosity, Academics, and Gratitude (to name a few). Students have been writing prayers along with doing faith-centered activities in their classrooms. Our aim is to help our students to truly "Live the Gospel."

Our Tree of God's Love grows weekly and serves as a reminder of our Gospel values.



Grateful for All We Have Been Given!

As our students go forth after graduation, we are confident in their intellectual, physical, emotional, and spiritual development. This year, we have begun standards-based grading at all levels in our school. Students are now assessed and "graded" on a 4-point scale, not as overall grades on an assessment, but with individual grades according to the specific standard being taught. We believe that students are taking true ownership of learning, and parents are able to see exactly where students are successful or struggling with a concept (standard). It is a change in mindset for all of us; but, the more we are using this method, the more convinced we are of this powerful reporting tool.

The Generosity of the Families and Parishioners of St. Anthony on the Lake is a True Blessing!

We recently held our Hot Summer Slice golf outing and dinner, raising nearly \$79,000 to help offset tuition, aide in tuition assistance, and help us provide the “extras” for our students that just don’t fit into our tight budget. The Soles for Education Walk, again thanks to the generosity of many, provided much-needed tuition assistance to students in our school.



As we gratefully accept the generosity of others; we, in turn, strive to give back to our community. We pride ourselves on being a service-oriented school community with monthly service projects recognizing the many needs around us here in our local community, and globally as well.



St. Anthony on the Lake School has been blessed in so many ways. Our strong and dedicated faculty is shaping the young minds and hearts of our students. Further, the example set forth by the faith community of St. Anthony on the Lake gives witness to the strong Catholic values we promote within our students.



St. Anthony on the Lake Pewaukee, Wisconsin

Parish Statistics

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
Number of registered members on June 30	5,147	5,432	5,741
Number of registered households on June 30	1,698	1,795	1,899
Number of new households	89	99	104
Average weekend Church attendance	1,527	1,535	1,574
Number of parish school students	177	182	235
Number of Life Long Faith Formation participants	2,000-2,500	2,000-2,500	2,000-2,500
Number of Baptisms	66	84	82
Number of Confirmations	60	75	87
Number of First Communions	75	60	61
Number of Weddings	18	20	14
Number of Funerals	22	25	23



For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017

Parish Financial Summary

Revenue:

Church Revenue	\$1,478,229	\$1,575,004	\$1,762,932	\$1,695,910
Christian Formation Revenue	258,781	193,648	219,389	221,045
School Revenue	532,659	590,966	750,894	754,888
Total Revenue	2,269,669	2,359,618	2,733,215	2,671,843

Expenses:

Church Expense	837,822	966,269	992,275	986,422
Christian Formation Expense	600,352	653,754	637,062	665,805
School Expense	926,973	916,876	1,052,341	1,058,050
Total Expenses:	2,365,147	2,536,899	2,681,678	2,710,277

Operating Revenue Over (Under) Operating Expenses	(95,478)	(177,280)	51,537	(38,434)
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Major Building Improvements	0	0	(101,486)	(111,000)
Collections for Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	191,563	4,215	0	0
Building Fund	613,923	661,642	438,105	435,000
Major bequest	(7,743)	838,201	129,297	0
Contributions to School Endowment Fund plus earnings	12,999	(4,707)	28,535	0
Contributions to LFF Endowment Fund plus earnings	25,296	(330)	17,437	0
Interest Income	1,107	164	59	0
Interest Expense on Mortgage	(12,330)	(49,874)	(57,962)	(40,200)
Gain (Loss) including special collections and interest	\$729,337	\$1,272,030	\$505,522	\$245,366

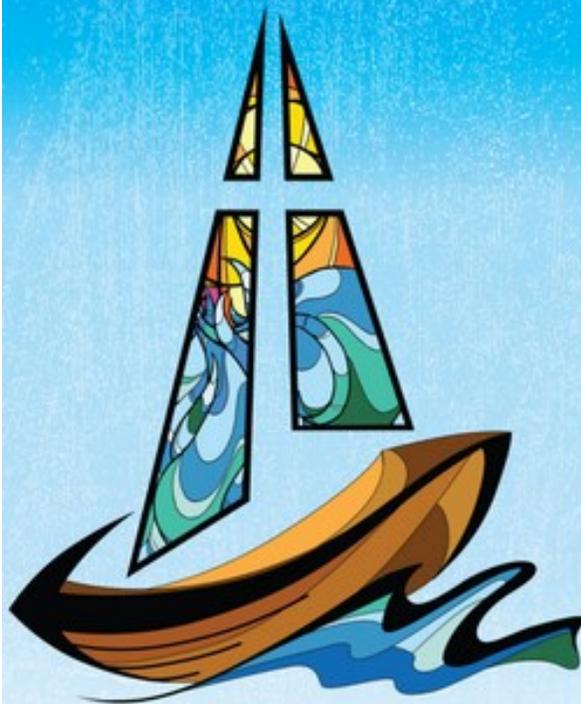
Parish Outreach Collections Not Included Above

Archdiocese Appeals:(Catholic Stewardship, Combined Collections, Holy Land, Mission Appeal)	155,078	161,980	198,381	
Parish Outreach:(Rice Bowls, St.Vincent DePaul, Sister Parish-Peru, St. Hyacinth Food Pantry, Life's Connection)	228,167	280,623	237,372	
Total Parish Outreach Collections	\$383,245	\$442,603	\$435,753	

Other Financial Information Not Included Above

Education Endowment Fund Balance at June 30	324,005	318,968	364,940	
Faith In Our Future utilization:				
Debt payments to principal				
Case 1: Future expansion	104,213	0	0	
Case 2: Current growth	0	0	0	
Case 3: Outreach (also in Outreach Collections)	0	0	0	
Case 4: Endowment (also in Financial Summary)	0	0	0	
Case 5: Ministry support	0	0	0	
Mortgage Balance at End of Fiscal Year (June 30)	\$1,293,918	\$1,967,256	\$1,555,776	





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Jubilee Prayer

Gracious and loving God,
we your children humbly ask your
blessing upon us
as we celebrate the 100th anniversary
of the founding of St. Anthony on the
Lake Parish.

Through the years, you have shaped us
into a community
where we have responded to the call to
LIVE the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
COMMIT to worship and life-long
formation,
and to SERVE others in need.

We offer you praise and thanks for the
many who came before us, who
by word and example, have inspired us
with their faith, love, and charity,
to seek the lost, and to bring all people
into your family, the Church.

Rooted in your Holy Spirit,
may we face our future with the same
faith, hope, and vision
of those who have preceded us,
and may we dedicate ourselves to
remaining a thriving community
that is GRATEFUL, GENEROUS, and
GROWING.

We make this prayer through the
intercession of St. Anthony of Padua,
our patron, and in the name of the One
who is the same
Yesterday, Today, and Forever –
Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

CELEBRATE 100 YEARS!

Be A Part of our Centennial Pictorial Directory!

First Photo Sessions: November 24-28

Second Photo Sessions: January 11-14

Third Photo Sessions: April 19 - 24

Handel's Messiah

Presented by Milwaukee Area Messiah Community Chorus and Orchestra

Under the direction of Brian E. Dearing

December 1, 2017

Parish Covenant Input Sessions

January, 2018

Parish Mission with Jeannie Kotter & Tony Alonzo

March 3-6, 2018

Centennial Mass & Parish Picnic with Bishop Jeffrey Haines

June 30, 2018



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