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Nominated Members
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Joe Vayo, Emily Siebert, Andrew Bernardo
Appointed Members
Stephen Kristoff, Jennifer Takaes

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS
Chair—Rick Gurley, Trevor Theobald, Don Rochon,
Joe Hawkins, Linda Hlebak, Tom Langer,
Kevin Hanzak (parish accountant)

MEETINGS/GROUPS
Parish Council 354-4525
Altar/Rosary 552-3375
1st Tuesday April—December
Parish Life Commission 354-4337
Finance Committee 354-4525
Music Ministry/Choir/Cantors 251-6820
Building/Maintenance 354-4525
Spiritual Blessing Card Ministry 354-3769
Good Samaritan Fund/Food Bank 357-6714
All items can be placed by the garage or call 354-4525
Education Commission
Spiritual/Liturgical Commission/Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers/Acolytes/Ushers 354-4525
Bereavement 354-4525
Prayer Line Requests 352-7703
Jail Ministry / Dee Trepal 382-1889
AA Meetings
Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

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May God Bless You This Holiday Season!  
The minister schedule for this weekend is in the foyer

Please note that several volunteers are needed for the Christmas Masses.

**December 24 Christmas Eve**

**ALTAR SERVERS**
- **4:00PM** Steve Kristoff / Tristan Simko  
1 volunteer needed
- **6:00PM** Steve Kristoff / Andrew Zarbo  
1 Volunteer needed
- **11:00PM** Steve Kristoff / Bill McCabe,  
1 Volunteer needed

**LECTORS**
- **4:00PM** Lisa Simodi / Volunteer needed
- **6:00PM** Melissa Zarbo / Rachel Gurley
- **11:00PM** Joe Tomasik / Volunteer needed

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**
- **4:00PM** Linda Grisez / Volunteer needed
- **6:00PM** Kathie Kristoff / Pat Korenko
- **11:00PM** Steve Royer / Volunteer needed

**USHERS**
- **4:00PM** 2 Volunteers Needed
- **6:00PM** Rick Gurley, Volunteer needed
- **11:00PM** 2 Volunteers Needed

**CROSS**
- **4:00PM** Volunteer Needed
- **6:00PM** John Zarbo
- **11:00PM** Volunteer Needed

**December 25 Christmas Day**

**ALTAR SERVERS**
- **9:00AM** Lou & Jim Balog

**LECTORS**
- **9:00AM** Joe Vayo / Dave Rininger

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**
- **9:00AM** Bob Smith / Mary Rininger

**USHERS**
- **9:00AM** 2 Volunteers Needed

**CROSS**
- **9:00AM** Volunteer needed

**HOSPITAL MINISTRY:**
- **December 24** Karen Bidlack
- **December 31** Volunteer needed

**JAIL MINISTRY:**
- **December 24** Volunteer needed

Ministers are asked to sign-in at least 10 minutes before Mass begins or a sub will be found for you. Thank you!

### Mass Intentions

**Christmas Day Mass**

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### Offertory Collection

**December 17, 2017**

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**Thank You**

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**Mark Your Calendar**

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Thank you to all who helped make our Advent season so beautiful! The generous outpouring of love through the Giving Tree program was beautiful. The Fairport Congregational Church organizes and distributes the gifts. They were overwhelmed by the generosity of St. Anthony’s parishioners. Also, thank you to Zion Lutheran Church for bringing over several wagons full of food for the Ecumenical Food Bank housed here at St. Anthony’s. We distributed over 30 baskets to families in need. Thank you for your ongoing support of the community.

Thank you to our Music Minister, Debbie Fitzerald, our PSR Teachers and our Parish Catechetical Leader, Steve Biro, for a wonderful Christmas Pageant. Thank you also to all who baked for the home-bound cookie collection and the PSR party. And of course, a special thank you to Fr. Pete for sharing the spirit of St. Nicholas!

Our 2018 Monthly Raffle Tickets are NOW AVAILABLE in the foyer of the Church or in the Parish Office. We will NOT be mailing the raffle tickets to the homes this year so PLEASE pick some up to purchase or sell. This is our major fundraiser for the year. Tickets are $20 each or 6 for $100 and have the potential of winning 12 times!

Electronic giving is available on our website www.stafh.org. The total online giving collection for December 17th was $589. Christmas donations can be made online as well. Thank you!

Readings for the Week of Dec. 25 – Dec. 31

| Mon, Dec 25 | Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrew 1:1-6; John 1:1-18 |
| Tues, Dec 26 | Acts 6:8-7:59; Matthew 10:17-22 |
| Wed, Dec 27 | 1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1-8 |
| Thurs, Dec 28 | 1 John 1:5-2:2; Matthew 2:13-18 |
| Fri, Dec 29 | 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35 |
| Sat, Dec 30 | 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36:40 |

This weekend we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent and of course it is also Christmas Eve! The morning Masses at 8:00am & 10:00am are for the 4th Sunday of Advent. Christmas Masses are 4:00pm/6:00pm/11:00pm on Christmas Eve and 9:00am on Christmas Morning. The Choir will be singing Christmas Carols at 3:30pm on Christmas Eve. Please enter the Church in silence and enjoy the beautiful, and prayerful, atmosphere.

This Advent Season we have been on a journey to Bethlehem to welcome and celebrate the LIGHT of Christ in our world. As we begin the Christmas Season please pray for peace, not only in the Holy Land, but in our nation, our neighborhoods, and within our own families. Peace starts with each individual. Pope Francis said that one light has the power to illuminate the darkness—and of course one light spreads to two, three, four, etc. until the darkness is completely dispelled. We pray that our community will be a beacon of radiant light this upcoming year.

Fr. Pete, Dr. Shanon, Deacon John, and everyone here at St. Anthony’s, wish you a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year filled with light, love, and peace.

The photo is from the Garden of Gethsemane outside the walls of Jerusalem.

St. Anthony’s Eco-Commission

We can become impulse consumers, it happens often. We go shopping for entertainment, because we are bored. The best way to save money is to stay out of the stores. The marketing people know what they are doing. We have so much power when we are not in debt. We have so many more choices, when the burden of debt is off our shoulders. Make a plan, get out of debt. Life is richer when you have your finances in control. Sleep on it—before you purchase.