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2026 Stewardship Renewal

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Stewardship Opportunities

MINISTRY HANDBOOK

2025 - 2026

We invite you to use this personal guide meant for prayerful reflection in consideration of your faith, life, and parish commitments.

1. Pause and think about how you have opened the door to Christ in your life.
2. What inspires you to live your faith? Do you have a personal prayer life with God?
3. Was there a pivotal event in your life that brought you closer to God?
4. Where do you feel most alive in your faith? How might that be connected to your call to serve others?
5. Where do you go from here: ***Where in your life is God drawing you closer and asking you to surrender your heart to Him?***

As we prepare for our Annual Renewal, please use this reflection to prayerfully answer the question: How are you opening the door to Christ at St. Anthony on the Lake and beyond?



Deep Listening

God of silence and God of all sound,
help me to listen.
Help me to do the deep listening to the sounds of my soul,
waiting to hear your soft voice calling me deeper into you.
Give me attentive ears
that begin to separate the noise from the sounds that are you;
you who have been speaking to me
and through me my whole life,
for so long that you can seem like background noise.
Today help me hear you anew.

- Author Unknown

Lifelong Faith Formation

Baptism Ministry

Welcome families and assist before, during and after the baptism celebrations during Mass or Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on an occasional basis. Training will be provided for this ministry.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Leader/ Children's Liturgy of the Word Helper

Help is needed to lead children ages 4 through Grade 1 for the Liturgy of the Word during Mass. Materials and training provided. Older students are invited to help.

OCIA Team

Team members help coordinate the OCIA process and serve as facilitators in breaking open the Word. Brief training provided. Sponsors act as a source of support for those adults who wish to become members of the Catholic Church.



Lifelong Faith Formation



Grades 6 – 12 Youth Ministry Helper

Teen-friendly adults assist with service and social activities for high school and middle school youth, including youth groups and summer mission trips.

Kids Corner Donut Sunday Helper

Set out and supervise children’s activities such as puzzles or coloring during Donut Sunday. Activities will be provided.

Youth Retreat Helper

Help as a leader on our youth retreats. Leaders grow in their faith as they share experiences with teens. Help with food is also appreciated. Older teens are welcome to help with retreat for younger teens.

Child Care Helper

Help care for children on an occasional basis during Masses, evening or daytime programs, or meetings. Students Grade 6 and up are welcome to help too.

Faith Formation Office Help

Help is always needed, and you can participate on your own schedule. Make copies, stuff folders and envelopes, or prepare materials for catechists.

Family Program Hospitality

Join the team that prepares, serves, and cleans up snack on Sunday or dinner on Monday for Family Program.

Marriage Enrichment Committee

Help explore opportunities for marriage enrichment. Plan and assist with events.

First Communion and First Reconciliation Help

Whether you would like to work with the children preparing for the sacraments, help at the sessions and celebrations or help with the prep work behind the scenes, your help is needed and appreciated. Dates, times and tasks vary.

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Lifelong Faith Formation

Summer Bible Camp Helper

Adults and teens grades 6 and up are welcome to help with planning, teaching Bible stories, guiding children to activities, music, and outdoor fun.

Middle School Catechist for Grades 6-8

Our youth need your example of a vibrant faith life! Connect with middle school youth and share your faith. Complete plans for sessions and discussions are provided. Adults and older teens are welcome in this ministry.

Confirmation Co-Facilitator for Grades 9-11

Our youth need your example of a vibrant faith life! Facilitate discussion and connect with 8-12 youth in a small group setting. Complete plans for sessions and discussions are provided. Adults and older teens are welcome in this ministry.

High School Family Program Teacher

Adults teach three to four-week sessions to a small group of teens. Course subjects vary. Training and curriculum are provided.



Lifelong Faith Formation

Formation in our faith is a lifelong journey. Volunteers support the many opportunities St. Anthony on the Lake parish offers to help people of all ages on this journey. A one-time Safe Environment class is required of all adults working with children.

Staff Contact: Dr. Kathie Amidei x1104



Fundraising Event Team

Join this dynamic, fun group who plan, organize and put on our annual fundraiser event to support our mission.

Family Program Design Team

Be part of a team that supports planning for the family activity portion of Family Program. Usually meets a few times a year.

Catechist Pre-K – Grade 5

Share your faith with children! Teach about our Catholic faith to a small group in a classroom setting. No teaching experience is required. Materials, training and support are provided.

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School

Playground Supervisor

Assists the staff with supervision of the lunchroom and playground during the noon hour. Supervisors are scheduled in advance under an agreed-upon schedule. There is also a need for substitutes.

Classroom Help

Assists teachers with special projects and preparation for classroom activities. Times vary.

Lunchroom Help

Assists the Hot Lunch Vendor in setting out, serving, and cleaning up the daily hot lunch offered to students and staff. Hours are generally from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Scheduled in advance under an agreed-upon schedule.

Athletic Association Committee

Assists the Athletic Director to manage all aspects of parish athletics including supplies, uniforms, practices, games and tournaments. Meetings are approximately once a month. You do not need to have a student in grades 5-8 to be involved.

Extended Day Care Worker

Supervise students who stay for after school care from 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays.



School

Our St. Anthony on the Lake parish-based school has many programs to offer our students in grades K3-8. We count on volunteers to help support the programs and opportunities of our fully accredited school.

Staff Contact: Marty Van Hulle x1121



SCRIP Seller

Sells SCRIP after all Masses and helps with regular orders. Schedule will vary with your preference.

Fundraiser Event Team

Join this dynamic, fun group who plan, organize our annual fundraiser event to support our mission.

Health Room Help

Provides care for children who become sick or injured during the noon hour. Open from 11:30-12:30pm on Monday through Friday so the secretary can have a lunch break. Scheduled in advance under an agreed-upon schedule. (No medical experience necessary)

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Spiritual Life & Worship

Staff Contact: Vincent LaTona x1109



Marriage Prep/Prepare and Enrich

Help support couples by serving as a guiding couple for those preparing for the Sacrament of marriage. Meet with the couple with support from Father Tony.

Minister of the Word/Lector

Proclaims the Word of God at liturgies. Confirmed, high school age and older are welcome. Training & resources are provided. Scheduled about once per month.

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist

Laity are privileged to share the Body and Blood of Christ with the faithful. Any confirmed member of the community is welcome. Training is provided. Scheduled about once per month.

Altar Server

Serve during the Masses. Training is provided for adults and youth, male and female. An opportunity for married couples, father-son, or mother-daughter etc. teams to serve. Must be 6th grade or older.

Minister of Hospitality

Greets community members as they gather for worship, assists visitors, and provides information. Open to all, an opportunity for couples and families to server together.

Cross Bearer

High school and older carries the processional cross at Mass. Scheduled about once every two months.

Wedding Coordinator

Oversee the events that occur during the wedding rehearsal and day of wedding: guide family and wedding party, be present, and ensure church is prepared for the ceremony.

Human Concerns

St. Vincent De Paul - Partner in Mercy

St. Vincent De Paul - Bundle Sunday: Volunteers are needed on a weekend in October to assist in collecting donations in the parking lot. A truck from St. Vincent de Paul is on site.

St. Vincent De Paul - Backpack Program: This campaign runs during the month of July to collect schools supplies of all kinds. Donations are accepted at the parish and delivered to St. William parish in Waukesha to be distributed for area children in need.

St. Vincent De Paul - Summer Lunch Program: We are a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness, and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.

St. Vincent De Paul - Donate Food: Donate food or other items for the St. Vincent de Paul meal program once a month. Items may be dropped off at the parish.

St. Vincent De Paul - Serve Food: Donate food or other items for the St. Vincent de Paul meal program once a month. Items may be dropped off at the parish.

Young at Heart Planning Committee

Assist in the planning and execution of various social activities for mature members of the parish. The planning committee meets monthly and events are held approximately 4-6 times each year.



Human Concerns



Pewaukee Food Pantry

A non-profit organization that provides free food to individuals and families in the Pewaukee area. Donations of soup stock, canned foods, boxed foods, and anything non-perishable are received. There is a bin marked Pewaukee Food Pantry in the Gathering Space.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Knits and crochets shawls for those in need of comfort and prayers. No experience required. Meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm in the Fireplace Room.

Quilters

Make and sell quilts to raise money for the Peru Ministry. Some quilts are also sent to our sister parish in Peru. Also make "Prayers & Squares" quilts for those who are seriously ill.

Respect Life Activities

Promotes the sacredness of all life, from conception to natural death, through parishioner engagement. Activities are held periodically during the year.

Spiritual Life & Worship

Usher

High school and older, male/female, welcomes and assists parishioners and collects their gifts at Mass. Scheduled for three months during the year

Church Art & Environment

Plans church decorations for Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and other feasts and seasonal events in the church calendar. Talents include creating and sewing banners, wreaths, floral arrangements, shopping for supplies, keeping plants and flowers watered, and installing and removing all decorations.

Altar Angel

Cleans the altar, church linens, and sacred vessels and replaces the candles. Assigned one month each year.

Prayer Line

This is a wonderful way to participate in the ministry of our parish from home! You will be e-mailed on an "as needed for prayers" basis and asked to pray at home for those on our prayer line.

Livestream/Audio Visual Ministry

Assist in the live-streaming of parish events, particularly the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass. Learn how to operate the cameras and bring Mass and other events to the home-bound via livestream.



Music Ministry

Staff Contact: Vincent LaTona x1109



Adult Choir

Rehearses Sept-May each Thursday at 7:00pm in the church, and occasional Saturday mornings during Advent and Lent. Usually sings at 9:00am Mass on Sundays, various events, and celebrations during the year.

School Mass Singers

This group is open to any singers in grades 3 through 8 interested in contributing to the music ministry of our parish at the weekly school liturgies.

Cantor

Proclaims the psalm and leads the assembly in song at Mass. Cantors are expected to meet with the director for rehearsal the week prior to singing.

Instrumentalist

Musicians of all kinds are encouraged to accompany at the Mass. Rehearsals vary. Various styles of music are welcome! A short interview with the Director of Music and Liturgy is required.

Teen Praise Ensemble Grades 6-12

St. Anthony parishioners in grades 6-12 provide music for a variety of Masses and special events.

Resurrection Choir

Sings on an as-needed basis. Rehearses a few times a year, and prior to funerals.

Handbell Choir

Practices prior to Christmas, Easter, and other major feasts and celebrations. Prior experience or ability to read music is not necessary. Open to grade 6-adult. Great activity for parent and child.

Parish Youth Choir

St. Anthony members in grades 3-8 sing for several weekend Masses and the Lessons and Carols prayer service in December.

Human Concerns

Catholic Relief Services:

Work with organizations around the world to help poor and vulnerable people overcome emergencies, earn a living through agriculture and access affordable health care. We hold the Rice Bowl campaign during Lent.

People's Table - Partner in Mercy

In a parish-based, confidential, respectful environment, we seek to provide nutritionally-sound, short-term relief to families experiencing dire food insecurity while simultaneously assisting these families to achieve long-term food security. Distribute groceries at a food pantry in Milwaukee every Tues from 12:30-2:30 p.m. and/or Wed from 4-6 p.m. Wed volunteers carpool, leaving St. Anthony at 3 p.m. Contact Maureen Michaels michaelsm@stanthony.cc

Lake Country Caring

Provide basic necessities at no cost to those in need. Donations of clothing, hygiene products, furniture, appliances, infant and household items that are given to those in need free of charge. Contact Terry Robinson robsont@stanthony.cc

MacCanon Brown Homeless Ministry - Partner in Mercy

We create a place to be, belong, and become within a transformational solidarity community and diverse family of hope. We seek to strengthen Milwaukee's overwhelmed safety net. Volunteer at MBH donating and serving food to those in need. Contact Terry Robinson robsont@stanthony.cc

Our Faith in Action

Work on various ways to put faith into action through Catholic Social Teaching, addressing social justice issues, and more. Contact Kate Burke: BurkeKLY@gmail.com

Peru - Sister Parish - Partner in Mercy

In 1998, Fr. Joe Uhen, pastor of Santisimo Sacramento in Piura, Peru came to visit St. Anthony on the Lake as a missionary priest. What has developed since that initial visit is a successful sister parish relationship unlike any other in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Contact Maureen Michaels: michaelsm@stanthony.cc

Peru - Support - Other

There are many opportunities to provide support to our sister parish in Peru such as the farming program, medical clinic, hospice, girls' home and so much more.

Peru - Travel To:

A pilgrimage to visit our sister parish is held each year. Those participating volunteer in every program or ministry of our sister parish, delivering food packages, clothing, building casas, visiting homes and much more.

Human Concerns



Giving Tree

One of our favorite traditions at St. Anthony is spreading Christmas cheer at some of our Partners in Mercy and other important local organizations to serve the greater Milwaukee/Waukesha area!

For more information contact Ellen Schilingsog at: (414) 303-0980

Health Ministry

How's your blood pressure? Want to give the gift of life through blood donation? Do you know where the AED's are? Blood Drives occur 3-4 times a year and AED's are in the vest sacristy and in the hall near the gym. To get involved in this ministry contact Terry Robinson robinsont@stanthony.cc

Homebound Communion Minister

Share Christ's love with others through visiting with those unable to attend Mass and bringing them the Eucharist (Christ's true presence). To give or receive Communion for the homebound, please contact:

Terry Robinson robinsont@stanthony.cc

Hope Center

Bring and serve a meal to homeless day center two times a year.

Contact Terry Robinson robinsont@stanthony.cc

Administrative, General, & Stewardship

The work of our parish facilities, finances, offices, and events is greatly benefited by the work of many hands. These ministries are part of Administrative Services or Stewardship and Communications, and are overseen by one of two staff members.

Staff Contact: Art Scheuber x1107

Building & Grounds Committee

Oversees the maintenance, repairs, & safekeeping of parish buildings & grounds. Develops and maintains a long-term facilities plan. Reports to Finance Council. Usually meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00am.

Occasional Clean - Up

A large clean-up effort occurs in the spring and fall. Workers are needed for extra grounds and building help. Additional help is needed during the year with church clean-up.



Administrative, General & Stewardship

Staff Contact: Taylor Baar x1112



Parish Office Help

Provide parish office help with reception, answering phone calls, mailing, stuffing bulletins, etc.

Exterior Gardening

Maintains the outdoor flowers and bushes around the church and parking lot. Includes planting, weeding, and trimming.

New Parishioner Ambassador

Serve as a tour guide and welcoming presence for newly registered or inquiring members. Schedule is flexible and based on your availability!

Donut Sunday Hospitality

Help set up, serve, and clean up. Typically, the second Sunday of the month.

Photography

Take photos of key events in the parish to be used to tell the story of the parish and invite parishioners into offerings.

Videography/Editing

Take video and create videos of key events in the parish to be used to tell the story of the parish and invite parishioners into offerings.

Human Concerns

Staff Contact: Terry Robinson x1119

Earth Ministry

Plan activities to engage parish members, staff, and other parish committees in caring for creation.

Earth Ministry Garden

Help weed, water and harvest produce from our parish garden for one week during the growing season. Can also help deliver produce weekly to the Pewaukee Food Pantry and the Waukesha Food Pantry.

Family Promise - Partner in Mercy

Volunteers needed to help with miscellaneous tasks. Be a part of their "Sparkle Team" cleaning apartments after the residents move out. Volunteer at their children's Christmas party. Volunteer at their annual golf outing. Contact Terry Robinson robinson@stanthony.cc

Funeral Ministry

Serve through the Spiritual Works of Mercy "comforting the sorrowful". When families of deceased parishioners are grieving the loss of their loved one, we worry about the details, so they don't have to. If you would like to join our team contact Terry Robinson robinson@stanthony.cc

Funeral Luncheons - Donate Food

Funeral Luncheons - Food Caller

Funeral Luncheons - Food Server

