

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 15, 2015

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Rev. Oscar Martin Dominguez, Pastor
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Eucharist:

Daily: Chapel 8:30 am
Monday, Thursday: 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon (Spanish)

Next Holy Day of Obligation

April 5, 2015 Easter Sunday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: Holy Hour following 7 pm Mass
Hora Santa después de la misa 7 pm

Office Hours:

Daily (Diario) 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday (Sábado) 10:00 - 12:00 noon

Baptism/Bautizos:

Baptisms in English are the first and third Saturday of each month. Arrangements should be made one month in advance. Parents should be registered parishioners.

Los Bautizos son el 2do y 4to sábado de cada mes. Deben de pasar por la oficina para coordinar la fecha por lo menos con un mes de anticipación. Deben de estar inscritos en la parroquia para solicitar un bautismo.

Marriage/Matrimonio:

Please arrange with the priest at least one year in advance. Por favor de separar fecha con el sacerdote y un año de anticipación.

Reconciliation/Reconciliación:

Every Wednesday (Cada Miércoles) 6:45 PM—8:00 PM

Religious Education/Catecismo:

English: Sunday at 9:00 am in the Grammar school
RCIA Tuesday 7:00 pm in Rectory Meeting Room.
Español: Sábado a las 10:00 am se reúnen en la cafetería de la escuela.

Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates

Those who need a sponsorship certificate to be a godparent must make an appointment with the priest.

Staff:

Ms. Rose Perone, Trustee & English Rel. Ed.
Mrs. Mary Wilk, Parish Secretary
Mrs. Teresa Marin, Spanish Rel. Ed.
Mr. Will Villanueva, Trustee
Mr. Michael Faccone, Office



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is committed to the Celebration of God's presence among His people through meaningful, well prepared liturgy, prayerful gatherings, evangelization and faith formation. We recognize and welcome the richness of our culturally and ethnically diverse community. We strive to nurture and develop these differences by encouraging all our brothers and sisters to share their gifts so we may strengthen our community and become one.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2015 TO FEBRUARY 21, 2015

SATURDAY (February 14)

8:30 MICKEY MARUSIAK/ Kurdyla Family
 5:00 FRANCESCA LA ROCCA/ Sons of Peterstown
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 15) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 10:30 MARIE V. MC DONNELL/ Rose Perone
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (February 16) Weekday

8:30 MARIA & JOSEPH COLLETTI/ Husband and Father
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (February 17) Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/ Wife Antonia Chillemi

WEDNESDAY (February 18) Ash Wednesday

8:30 JOSEPH ULISANO/ Lillian Ulisano
 12:00 ASH DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

THURSDAY (February 19) Thursday after Ash Wednesday

8:30 JOSEPH CHIRICO/ Dorothy Nascondiglio
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (February 20) Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:30 ROCCO & MICHELINA MUSCARITOLO/
 Brigida Muscaritolo

SATURDAY (February 21) Saturday after Ash Wednesday

8:30 JOSEPH ZAMORA/ Dad & Nancy
 5:00 FRANCESCA LA ROCCA/ John Sacco & Family
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 22) First Sunday of Lent

8:00 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 10:30 MARIE MC DONNELL/ Angela Verlengeri
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS



Our Weekly Offering

OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION is shown below. We sincerely thank all those parishioners and friends who contributed to the parish.

Be assured that the Lord will never be outdone in rewarding those who give even a glass of water in His Name.

	Weekly Offering	Winter Energy
5:00 PM	399	159
7:00 PM	453	192
8:00 AM	306	211
10:30 AM	800	324
12:00 Noon	1502	857
Mail	201	27
Total	\$3,661	\$1,770

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially:

Alfonsina Aker	Barbara McMurray
Carmen Alava	John Mariano, Jr.
Oran Bryant	Elvin Martinez
Caterina Campbell	Angelo Meo
Isaac Castañeda	Leonarda Merlo
Orlando Chavez	Nick Netta
Paul Chiusano	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Wayne Cook	Robergeau Paul
Mary Cusmano	Frank Pierre
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Raul Atilio Portillo
Marianna Dubell	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Denise Griest	Edith Quijada
Jared Leonardo Henao	Endy Quijada
Jacob Hinman	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Joshua Hinman	Sergio Ricciardi
Millie Infuso	Isadora Rodriguez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	Magdalena Rodriguez
Michelle Johnson	John Ruela
Stanley Kuchno	Maria Saavedra
Lindsay LaMarre	Hugo Santa Maria
Tina Lang	Kay Scaturro
John Lapolla	Cira M. Senese
Theresa Lattanzio	John Veltre
Rosa Leon	

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD! We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially: **Michael Crincoli and Joseph LoGiudice.**

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 • The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated this week in memory of **Giacomo & Sarah Coppola** donated by **Daughter Rosemary.**
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WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Sixth Sunday OT/Sexto Domingo TO, Ciclo B

Christ, in today's Gospel, shows that Love and Mercy are above the Law. The Levitical Law, the Mosaic Law, proposed to us in the first reading, was very strict, because every person affected with any kind of skin disease must be separated from the rest of the people. This was continuously done until very recently. Remember for example, the island of Molokai, it was a Lepers colony until very recently and no one that was not affected was not allowed to go in. The levitical law is good, but it is not perfect, because perfection is God, and because Jesus is God, He shows mercy and love to the point of making himself impure. To touch a leper not only was forbidden, but this action made someone impure and they could not participate in any liturgical act or prayer until they purified themselves and paid the priest for the purification. So, the leper has the courage first of all to go near Jesus Christ, and broke the law, risking being stoned to death, and asks Jesus to cure him. Secondly, Christ does not reject the leper, and allows him to get near him, and allows him to talk to him. Not happy with these things, Jesus touches him. Jesus makes himself impure and breaks the law because of love and mercy towards this man. So after listing these facts from the Gospel, we should ask ourselves, "Am I a leper?" That is to say, "Am I a sinner?" Leprosy is a sign of sin. How is my attitude in front of my sins? This man in the Gospel knew himself, his condition, and recognized that Jesus Christ had the power to cure him, and did not care much what the others could say or do to him. He could have been stoned to death. And so he received the reward of being cured, and Christ in his love and mercy towards the man and seeing his faith, cured him. So we could ask ourselves, how is my attitude towards my sins? Do I have the certainty that Christ could cure me, or save me? Because if I do not have this certainty, Christ could not act. Faith is what makes miracles a reality. So let us ask the Lord to receive the grace of Faith like the one of the leper in the Gospel, because as soon as he realized that was cured, he started to announce this mercy received by God. May God Bless you always.

Cristo en el evangelio de hoy, nos muestra que el amor y la misericordia están por encima de la ley. La ley Levítica, que se nos propone en la primera lectura, era muy estricta, ya que cualquier persona afectada con lepra tenía que ser separada del resto del pueblo, esto se continuo haciendo hasta recientemente, recuerden la isla de Molokai, era una colonia solo para leprosos y las personas sanas tenían prohibido entrar. La ley Levítica que es buena, no es perfecta. Por que la perfección viene de Dios, por esto Cristo que es Dios, se muestra misericordioso hasta el punto de hacerse impuro (tocar a un leproso no solo estaba prohibido, sino que te hacia impuro y no podía participar de los rezos o ritos judíos hasta que se purificara de acuerdo con la ley e hiciera reparación). Así que, primero el leproso que tiene el atrevimiento, la osadía, de romper la ley (que le prohibía acercarse a nadie) para pedir que le curase. Segundo, Cristo que no tiene reparo en dejar que el leproso se acerque, le hable, y no solo eso sino que Jesús tocó al leproso, es decir, rompe la ley y se hace impuro, por amor, por misericordia. Después de ver estos hechos del evangelio, deberíamos de preguntarnos: ¿Soy leproso? (es decir, tengo pecados, la lepra es símbolo del pecado) ¿Como es mi actitud delante de mis pecados? Este hombre del evangelio conoce su condición, y reconoce que Cristo lo puede curar, y no le importa lo que los demás digan o hagan (lo podían apedrear) y recibe la recompensa de la curación, y Cristo que en su amor ve a este hombre en su necesidad y fe, lo curó. Entonces deberíamos preguntarnos, ¿Cómo es mi actitud enfrente de mi pecado? ¿Tengo la certeza de que Cristo me curará? Por que sino tengo esta certeza Cristo no puede actuar, la fe es lo que logra realizar los milagros. Pidamos al Señor que nos conceda la gracia de tener esta fe del leproso, ya que cuando se da cuenta de que esta curado, empieza a evangelizar, empieza a anunciar el amor y la misericordia de Dios. Que Dios me los bendiga.

St. Anthony's Food Pantry

St. Anthony's Food Pantry will be open once a month. The next day for the Food Pantry is Wednesday, February 18, 2015, from 1 to 4 PM. Entrance is through the 3rd Avenue Basement. Please bring some form of identification.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Our Food Pantry is in need of food. Please drop off your food to help feed those in need of our parish in the baskets at the back of the church or at the rectory.

Lectors for the Weekend of February 21-22, 2015Saturday, February 21

5:00 PM Mary Anne Costanza
7:00 PM Jose Bonilla y Maria Duran

Sunday, February 22

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz
10:30 AM Rita Agliata
12:00 Noon Manuel Mojico y Senon Herrera

Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of February 21-22, 2015Saturday, February 21

5:00 PM Joe Gambino
7:00 PM Teresa Marin

Sunday, February 22

8:00 AM Mary Wilk
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Gino Merendino & Martha Devia
12:00 Noon Patricia Zelaya, Hmna Carol y Betsy Aleman

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

The parish family of St. Anthony's seeks to reach out and include the sick, the elderly, and the homebound in the life and prayers of our parish.

Please contact the parish office if someone wants to receive Communion or needs to see the priest for the sacraments of Confession and Anointing of the Sick.

Welcome/ Bienvenidos

Welcome New Parishioners! We are happy to have you with us. We would like to invite you to register at the parish office during the week. Registration is essential for sponsor/witness letters. **If you move or change your address, please call the rectory.**

¡Bienvenidos a los nuevos feligreses! Nos da mucho gusto de que estén con nosotros. Los invitamos a inscribirse en nuestra oficina entre semana. Tienen que estar inscritos para recibir cartas verificando su participación en la Iglesia.

Email Registration. Clip and Return. Registro de email. Clip y volver.

Name _____

E-Mail Address _____



***TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)
7:00 PM RCIA (Rectory Basement)

***THURSDAY:** Holy Hour after 7:00 PM Mass.
7:30 PM AL-ANON - Spanish (Rectory Basement)

***FRIDAY:** 7:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group

***SATURDAY:** 10:00 AM Spanish CCD

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm -- I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading -- Do everything for the glory of God; be imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:31 -- 11:1).

Gospel -- The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- El leproso habitará solo, fuera del campamento (Levítico 13:1-2, 44-46).

Salmo -- Perdona, Señor, nuestros pecados (Salmo 32 [31]).

Segunda lectura -- Haz todo por la gloria de Dios; sean imitadores de Cristo (1 Corintios 10:31 -- 11:1).

Evangelio -- Jesús, después de haber curado a un hombre leproso, le pide que no se lo cuente a nadie (Marcos 1:40-45).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10;
Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 -- 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15



Archdiocese of Newark 2015 Lenten Regulations

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 22, 2015, to The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 31, 2015.**

*Canon 920, §1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE HORARIO DE MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA

MASSES / MISAS (Ashes will be distributed at each Mass. Distribución de Ceniza en cada misa.)

8:30 AM — English

7:00 PM — Español

ASH DISTRIBUTION SERVICE / SERVICIO DE DISTRIBUCIÓN DE CENIZA

12:00 Noon