

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 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

May 14, 2015 Ascension Thursday

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 Faccione, 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 MARCH 1, 2015 TO MARCH 7, 2015

SATURDAY (March 7)

8:30 ALFONSO & CARMELA DI COSMO/
Daughter-in-law Margherita DiCosmo & Grandchildren
5:00 FELIX NEGRON, JR./ Parents
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 8) Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 JOSEPHINE PECORARO/ Dr. & Mrs. Williams
10:30 ULISANO FAMILY/ Lillian Ulisano
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (March 9) St. Frances of Rome

8:30 RUSSELL HARRIS/ Ursula Marshott
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (March 10) Lenten Weekday

8:30 RUSSELL HARRIS/ Matthew Rinaldo

WEDNESDAY (March 11) Lenten Weekday

8:30 FRANK VOLLERO/ Zabita Family

THURSDAY (March 12) Lenten Weekday

8:30 CHESTER WILK/ From the Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (March 13) Lenten Weekday

8:30 FRANCESCA & NICOLA MONACO/ Daughter Millie

SATURDAY (March 14) Lenten Weekday

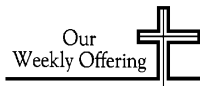
8:30 RUSSELL HARRIS/ Tessie Pozyc
5:00 GIUSEPPE COFFARO & SALVATORE TARANTINO/
Mr. & Mrs. Nicola Arcieri
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 15) Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 MARY & PIETRO D. PIGA/ Children and Grandchildren
10:30 DOMENICK TRIPODI/ Daughter Tina
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

2016 MASS BOOK

The 2016 Mass Book will open at **9:00 AM, Monday March 16, 2015.** You may come in at any point after that time to reserve Masses for your loved ones for the 2016 calendar year.



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	Monthly Assessment
5:00 PM	537	140
7:00 PM	419	433
8:00 AM	768	276
10:30 AM	1,037	431
12:00 Noon	1,358	873
Mail	195	
Total	\$4,314	\$2,153

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: **Marion Mauti and Antoinette Ferrell.**



SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is for the **Holy Father (Peter's Pence.)**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Third Sunday of Lent/Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma 2015

Christ asks us today like the Samaritan woman: Give me a drink? How is possible, that Christ who is God, asks me, a sinner, give him to drink? This is the key of this gospel because we can have many excuses avoiding giving Christ to drink like this woman, because he does not have the bucket or the cistern is too deep etc... after this he replies: whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst, everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again. We look for this water everyday but we do not find it. Happiness is what Christ wants to give us. And we look for it every day. Because we do not have it we need to be happy with other gratifications, little money, little affections, some fun, etc. At the end the result is the same, our life is not satisfied, something is always missing. This Samaritan woman discovers this, according to the exegete she was a woman of bad reputation, the fact to go to the cistern (well) at noon is not a proper time, that should be done early in the morning. She discovers the emptiness of her life, nothing can give her life or joy. Work is a burden, everybody uses or abuses her in exchange of some coins and at the same time she uses others. For this Christ wants to give her a new water, a water that will quench her thirst forever so is not more need to relief this anxiety of happiness in other things. She realizes when Christ asks to call her husband the answer was: I do not have a husband and Christ replies: "For you have had five husbands and the one you have now is not your husband either." Because those are not true relationships, husband and wife, they are just convenient relations where husband and wife use each other, they do not love each other, not given them life for the other person keeping for themselves. Love is to have this encounter with happiness when I die for myself and give you life for others like Christ has done for us. This is the call of the gospel for each of us today, if you are not satisfied like the Samaritan woman, have courage! The Lord can give us the grace we need so we can find true happiness, life, this water who jump to Eternal life, because anyone who has life within him even if die will live for ever, you will find something greater than what you have in this life "Eternal Life" that way you don't have to go day by day looking for life and happiness where we know is not. May God bless you all and your families.

Cristo nos pregunta hoy lo mismo que a la Samaritana: ¿Dame de beber? ¿Como es posible, que Cristo siendo Dios, me pida a mí, un simple pecador, que le de beber? Pues esta es la clave de este evangelio. Por que podemos poner muchas excusas para evitar de darle de beber a Cristo, como esta mujer, que sino tiene cubo para sacar el agua, que si el pozo es profundo, etc. Y después, le dice "El agua que yo tengo, hará que nunca más tengas sed," ya que el agua que bebes siempre hace que tengas que volver a beber. Es el agua que buscamos todos los días y no encontramos, la felicidad, eso es lo que nos quiere dar Cristo. Y la buscamos todos los días, y como no la encontramos, intentamos contentarnos con alguna que otra gratificación, un poco de dinero, un poco de afecto, un poco de diversión... Pero al final el resultado es el mismo, la insatisfacción en nuestra vida, siempre nos falta algo. Esto es lo que descubre esta mujer. La samaritana, que según los exegetas, era una mujer de mala reputación, ya que el hecho de ir a por agua al pozo a medio día, no es normal, sino que debería de ir temprano en la mañana. Descubre que su vida esta vacía, que nada le da la vida o alegría. Que el trabajo, es un fastidio, que todo el mundo la usa o abusa de ella a cambio de unas monedas, y ella a su vez usa a los demás. Por esto Cristo quiere darle un agua nueva, un agua que le quite la sed para siempre y así no tenga que buscar más para apagar sus ansias de felicidad con otras cosas. Ella se da cuenta cuando Cristo le dice que llame a su marido, y ella le dice que no tiene, y Cristo le responde que ha tenido cinco maridos y que ninguno era marido de ella. Por que esas relaciones no eran relaciones de amor, esposo y esposa, sino relaciones por conveniencia, marido-mujer. Se usaban, no se amaban, no daban la vida, se la guardaban cada uno. Por que Amar, que es encontrar la felicidad, es cuando se muere al yo, y se da la vida por el tu, el otro, como Cristo ha hecho por todos nosotros. A esto nos esta llamando este evangelio a cada uno de nosotros hoy, a que si nos encontramos en una situación de insatisfacción como la samaritana, ¡animo! Que el Señor nos puede dar la gracia que necesitamos para encontrar la verdadera felicidad, la vida, esa agua que salta como manantial hacia la vida eterna, por que el que tiene esta vida dentro aunque muera vivirá para siempre, ya que habrá encontrado algo mucho más grande que esta vida que tenemos hoy, tendrá "Vida Eterna." Y así no tendrá que volver día tras día a buscar la vida, la felicidad donde sabemos que no esta.

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, March 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 March 14 – 15, 2015

Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM Sr. Clare
7:00 PM Maria Duran y Andres Duran

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM Anna Ruppert
10:30 AM Rita Agliata
12:00 Noon Rafaela Avelar y Manuel Mojico

Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of March 14—15, 2015

Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM Avery Kenner
7:00 PM Teresa Marin

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM Mary Wilk
10:30 AM Martha Devia, Cristian Moron & Maria Agliata
12:00 Noon Melida Canela, Patricia Zelaya y Hermana Carol

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 law was given through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or Exodus 17:3-7.

Psalm -- Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or Psalm 95.

Second Reading -- We proclaim Christ crucified; the foolishness of God is greater than human wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

Gospel -- Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up (John 2:13-25) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].
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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- Dios entrega los mandamientos al pueblo por medio de Moisés (Éxodo 20:1-7 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) o Éxodo 17:3-7.

Salmo -- Señor, tú tienes palabras de vida eterna (Salmo 19 [18]) o Salmo 95 (94).

Segunda lectura -- Pablo proclama a Cristo crucificado; Cristo es el poder y la sabiduría de Dios (1 Corintios 1:22-25) o Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8.

Evangelió -- Jesús echa a los mercaderes del templo y predice su resurrección (Juan 2:13-25) o Juan 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 40-42].

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt. 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



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A special thank you to the following who have made generous donations for our new sound system:

The Seniors of St. Anthony's \$1,454.92

Ida Jane Mazza, Michele Kidwell and William Freeman — family of Louis, Mary & Robert Freedman

Family of Lina Alfano

Tina Tripodi

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent according to the following schedule:

1:00 PM in English with the school children

6:00 PM in English

7:00 PM in Spanish

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE

RETIREMENT

OF DEACON JOE CAPORASO

FROM OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE ACADEMY

Thursday, May 21, 2015 from 6:00 to 10:00 in the evening

Galloping Hill Caterers—1085 Galloping Hill Road, Union, NJ 07083

Tickets — \$60 can be purchased at Our Lady of Guadalupe Academy

227 Centre Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202

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CAMINO A LA LIBERTAD

La mayoría de nosotros, si nos preguntaran "¿Aparece la frase 'los Diez Mandamientos' en la Biblia?" daríamos la respuesta errónea, pues la respuesta es "no". "Los diez mandamientos" es una frase post-bíblica, que se desarrolló junto con una imagen de Dios como 'policía' la cual no se encuentra en el pasaje de hoy del libro del Éxodo. La primera frase es clave: Dios es el que nos sacó de la esclavitud; cumplir las leyes o mandamientos de Dios es nuestro camino a la libertad. Los cambistas a quienes Jesús echó del templo no estaban violando ninguno de los mandamientos, pero tampoco estaban ayudando a la gente a encontrar el camino hacia la libertad de Dios cuando llegaban al Templo a rezar. Esta es una lección de la Cuaresma importante para nosotros. Tenemos que dejar de preguntarnos si estamos o no violando alguna regla o reglamento específico, y en cambio examinar nuestra vida para ver si verdaderamente estamos siguiendo un camino hacia la libertad de Dios por medio de Cristo.