

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2015

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## **Pastoral Staff:**

Rev. Oscar Martin Dominguez, Pastor  
Rev. Juan Carlos Zapata, Parochial Vicar  
Sr. Marie Charitina, S.C., Dir. Rel. Education

## **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**

December 8, 2015 Immaculate Conception

## **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 Saturday (Cada Sábado) 4:00 PM—5:00 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 SEPTEMBER 13, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER 19, 2015**

**SATURDAY (September 12) BVM, Most Holy Name of Mary**

8:30 LINDA TRAJICK/ Joseph Picaro  
 5:00 JOSEPH MERLO/ Wife & Children  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (September 13) 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 CARMINE FESTA/ Daughter  
 10:30 RUSSELL "RUSTY" HARRIS/ Angela Verlengeri  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY (September 14) The Elevation of the Holy Cross**

8:30 TERRI BALESTERRI/ Debi Kaminski  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY (September 15) Our Lady of Sorrows**

8:30 CARMELA MADORMA/ Daughter Dolly

**WEDNESDAY (September 16) Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian**

8:30 LINDA TRAJICK/ Bill Nevins

**THURSDAY (September 17) St. Robert Bellarmine**

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/ Wife Antonia Chillemi  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**FRIDAY (September 18) Weekday**

8:30 ANTONIA STRAZZELLA/ Daughter Millie

**SATURDAY (September 19) BVM, St. Janarius**

8:30 MARIA E SAVERIO BONACCI/  
 Giuseppina Piccoli  
 5:00 RIGOBERTO ROSAL/ Wife & Children  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (September 20) 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 GIUSEPPE CICHETTI/  
 Mr. & Mrs. Frank O. Mazza  
 10:30 GIUSEPPE LOSARDO/  
 Giuseppe & Ninetta Ferrera & Family  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SAVE THE DATE**

We will have a Family Festival on Sunday, September 27, 2015. More information will follow in the bulletin.

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
 The second collection this weekend is for the **Monthly Diocesan Assessment**.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!** We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially: **Angelo Acito**.



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	Eastern Europe
<b>5:00 PM</b>	297	114
<b>7:00 PM</b>	479	193
<b>8:00 AM</b>	459	179
<b>10:30 AM</b>	424	136
<b>12:00 Noon</b>	1,580	307
<b>Mail</b>	106	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,345</b>	<b>\$929</b>

The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated this week in memory of **Vito Mazza** donated by his **loving Wife and Family**.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially:**

Alfonsina Aker	Elvin Martinez
Carmen Alava	Carmen Mistichelli
Sheree Balaam	Angelo Meo
Oran Bryant	Leonarda Merlo
Karen Bulloch	Carlos Moran
Caterina Campbell	Nick Netta
Isaac Castañeda	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Orlando Chavez	Robergeau Paul
Paul Chiusano	Maria Perdomo
Wayne Cook	Laura Philipone
Mary Cusmano	Peter Philipone
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Frank Pierre
Marianna Dubell	Raul Atilio Portillo
Denise Griest	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Jared Leonardo Henao	Edith Quijada
Jacob Hinman	Endy Quijada
Joshua Hinman	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	Sergio Ricciardi
Michelle Johnson	Isadora Rodriguez
Harry Krampf	Magdalena Rodriguez
Stanley Kuchno	John Ruela
Lindsay LaMarre	Maria Saavedra
John Lapolla	Hugo Santa Maria
Theresa Lattanzio	Kay Scaturo
Rosa Leon	Frank Tinnirella
Barbara McMurray	John Veltre

**WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL****XXIV Sunday O.T.**

Who do the people said that I am? This is the question that Jesus asks his disciples. And they gave him several answers that they had been hearing from the people that followed him. Some have said that you are John the Baptist, others that you are Elijah, another that you are one of the prophet from of old, etc. And Jesus goes on further asking them, “And you, who do you think that I am?” And we today, in which group of people do we find ourselves, in the group that followed Jesus, because we have received a grace, or in the group of disciples? Because there is a danger that resides in believing, on one hand, that Christ is only a miracle worker, the one who is going to make the little miracle that I need and that’s it. Thus, Jesus is a good guy that says beautiful words, that I do not understand very often, but sound good, but my life will never change, in other words, a genie of the lamp. Or to believe on the other hand, that he is the “Messiah,” the Son of God, the savior of the world. And how will we know this? It is very easy to differentiate the two situations, because today’s Gospel explains it to us very clearly. After Peter solemnly professed his Faith saying, “You are the son of the living God...” Christ announces his passion, his suffering and death for the love of the people. So that when we are faced with sufferings, who do we say that “the Son of man is?” Everything depends on which group we belong to. Do we belong to those who are waiting for the little miracle or we are like Peter professing our faith, even though he is very weak. So that, even if we are weak in the face of suffering, and the cross certainly scares us, but we are sure in our heart, that he, Jesus, is the Son of God. The gospel of today ends with a stern warning, Jesus says: “the one who wants to be my disciple, must first to deny himself, pick up his cross and follow me.” This is the invitation that Christ is putting in front of us today through the gospel. Not only to bless, or to speak well of him, but to act as well, asking the strength needed so that we can pick up the cross, the cross that appears every day of our life, and then follow him, denying ourselves, our will, our desires and wishes, even our dreams. So that we can experience that Christ is the Lord. So he will be the one that helps us through the daily hardships and sufferings. Without looking to our weakness and the scandal of the suffering that we have, because Christ will be the one helping us go through them, and he will bring us to the eternal life, as he did with his apostles. May God bless you.

¿Quien dice la gente que soy yo? Esta es la pregunta que hace Jesús a sus discípulos. Y ellos, le dan toda una serie de respuestas, lo que ellos han escuchado que la gente que lo seguía decía de él. Unos que Juan el Bautista, otros que Elías, otros que uno de los profetas de la antigüedad. Y Jesús, les pregunta a ellos, a sus discípulos, a sus íntimos, y vosotros, ¿Quién decís que soy yo? Y nosotros hoy, en este domingo, en que grupo nos encontramos, ¿en los que siguen a Jesús por que han recibido una gracia, o en el grupo de sus discípulos? Ya que el peligro está, en creer que Cristo es solo uno que me va a hacer el milagrito que necesito y ya esta, creer que es solo un buena gente, uno que dice palabras bonitas, y me consuela, y hace milagros, pero mi vida no va a cambiar, es decir, una especie de genio de la lámpara. O verdaderamente el es el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios, el Salvador del mundo. Y ¿Cómo sabemos esto? ¿Cómo sabremos distinguir si para mí es uno o el otro? Es muy fácil de distinguir, y el evangelio no lo explica muy claramente. Después de que Pedro ha hecho una solemne profesión de fe, y dice “Tu eres el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios vivo...” Cristo anuncia su pasión, todo lo que va a sufrir por los pecados del mundo, el rechazo, la prisión, la flagelación, la cruz, la muerte. Así que enfrente de todos estos sufrimientos, tú y yo, ¿quien decimos que es “el Hijo del Hombre”? Pues todo depende de a que grupo del evangelio pertenezcamos, si pertenecemos a los simple seguidores que han visto un milagro, y están esperando que les haga un milagrito, o somos como Pedro, profesando la fe en la debilidad, es decir, que aunque débiles delante del sufrimiento y la cruz pero con la certeza en el corazón de que él es Dios. El Evangelio acaba con una advertencia muy seria, dice Cristo: “El que quiera ser mi discípulo, que se niegue a si mismo, tome su cruz y siga me.” Esta es la invitación de este Santo Evangelio de hoy, no solamente bendecir, decir bien de Cristo, sino actuar, pedir la fuerza de agarrar la cruz, esa cruz que aparece todos los días de nuestra vida y seguirlo, negándonos a nosotros mismos, a nuestra voluntad, nuestros caprichos. Para que así podamos experimentar que Cristo es el Señor y salir de ese falso sueño de que yo todo lo puedo, pero gracias a la cruz de cada día nos damos cuenta que no podemos hacer nada. Sin mirar nuestra debilidad y el escándalo que tenemos del sufrimiento, ya que será Cristo quien nos ayudara a llegar a la vida eterna como hizo con los apóstoles.. Que Dios los bendiga a todos vosotros.

**St. Anthony's Food Pantry**

St. Anthony's runs a Food Pantry once a month. The next day for the Food Pantry will be **Wednesday, September 30 from 1 PM 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 September 19-20 2015**

Saturday, September 19

5:00 PM Mary Ann Costanza  
7:00 PM Joanna Yanes y Jose Bonilla  
(Comentario: Maria Duran)

Sunday, September 20

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz  
10:30 AM Julianna Cianfano  
12:00 Noon Patricia Zelaya y Zoila Torres  
(Comentario: Teresa Marin)

**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of September 19-20, 2015**

Saturday, September 19

5:00 PM Joe Gambino

Sunday, September 20

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli  
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Martha Devia & Rita Agliata  
12:00 Noon TBA

**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.**

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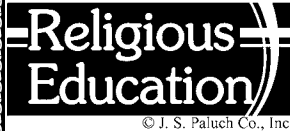
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**\*TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony  
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)  
7:00 PM RCIA (Rectory Basement)

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

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



Registration for the 2015-2016

Religious Education

Program is in full

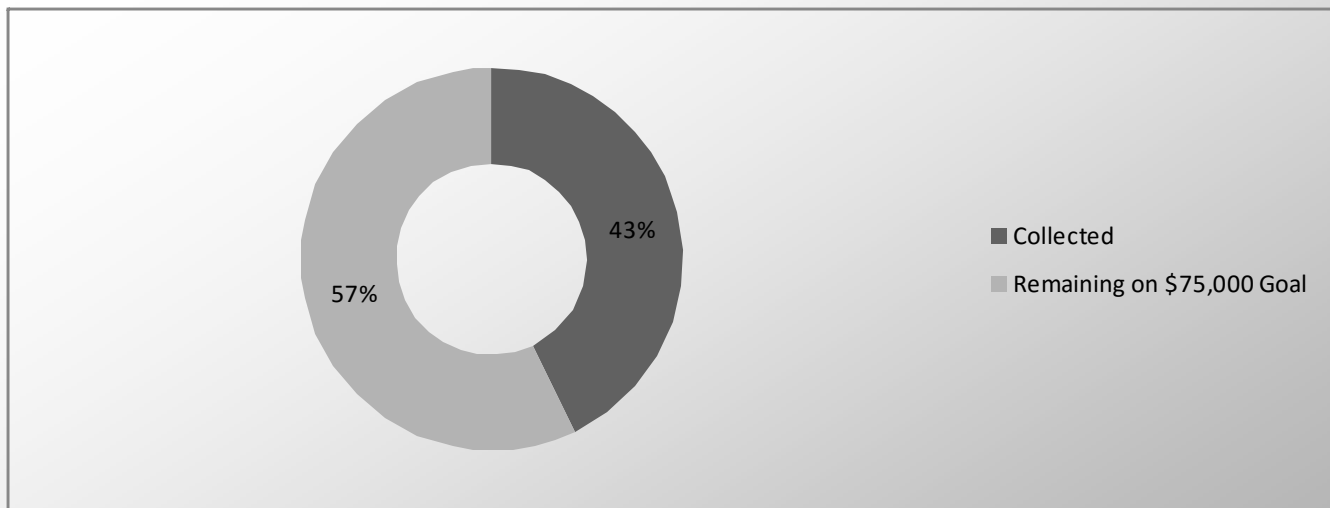
swing. Registration cost is \$40 for one student, \$55 for two in the same family, and \$75 for 3 or more students in the same family. Classes begin next Sunday, September 20.

**Parents of students currently enrolled in our (2014-2015) program** are

asked to submit the completed registration forms along with tuition payment to the Church by mail or in person at the rectory office Mondays through Fridays 9:30 AM—5:00 PM.

**Parents of NEW students** may obtain a registration form at the rectory office, and are asked to stop by the rectory office and bring with them a RECENT copy of their child's baptismal certificate, which they must request from the Church of the child's Baptism.

It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that we review the baptismal certificate and have a copy on file in the rectory office.



### CHURCH RENOVATIONS

Our goal for Church renovations (painting and carpeting) is \$75,000. So far we have collected \$32,145. Your extra donation will go entirely for this purpose. We are asking that each family donates \$200 to help beautify our Church. Thank you for your generosity.

### RENOVACIONES DE LA IGLESIA

Nuestro objetivo para las renovaciones de la Iglesia (pintura y alfombras) es de \$75,000. Hasta ahora hemos recaudado \$32,145. Su donación adicional se destinará íntegramente a este fin. Pedimos que cada familia dona 200 dólares para ayudar a embellecer nuestra Iglesia. Gracias por tu generosidad.

## CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART TO KICK OFF NATIONAL TOUR OF THE RELICS OF ST. MARIA GORETTI

On Monday, September 21, the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart — Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Newark — will be the first stop on a national tour of the Major Relics of St. Maria Goretti — the Little Saint of Great Mercy.

The tour, designed as an introduction of the observance of a world-wide Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy, will run from September 21 through November 13 and visit locations in 16 states and 25 dioceses across the country. It is the first time that the Relics of St. Maria Goretti, an immensely popular saint, have traveled to the United States, and only the second time that they have been taken on pilgrimage outside of St. Maria's native land of Italy.

On the 21st, the faithful will have ample opportunity to visit and venerate the Relics. Doors of the Cathedral Basilica will open at 9 AM and will remain open until 11 PM. The full schedule for the day will be:

- 9 AM - 7 PM — Veneration
- 7 PM — Celebration of Mass
- 8 PM - 11 PM — Veneration

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;

Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;

Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 -- 4:3;

Mk 9:30-37