

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016

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Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Oscar Martin Dominguez, Pastor
Rev. Juan Carlos Zapata, Parochial Vicar

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

November 1, 2016 All Saint's Day

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
Español: Sábado a las 10:00 am se reúnen en la cafetería de la escuela.

Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates

You must be an **active parishioner** for at least 6 months to receive a Certificate of eligibility to be a sponsor or godparent.

Debe ser un **feligrés activo** durante al menos 6 meses para recibir un certificado de elegibilidad para ser un patrocinador o padrino.

Staff:

Ms. Rose Perone, Trustee & English Rel. Ed.
Sr. Marie Charitina, S.C., Dir. Rel. Education
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 18, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

SATURDAY (September 17) St. Robert Bellarmine, BVM

8:30 CONCETTA & SAVERIO BONACCI/
Sorella Giuseppina Piccoli
5:00 SOULS IN PURGATORY/ James & Cathy Leggett
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (September 18) Twenty-Fifth Sunday in O. T.

8:00 ROCCO CHIAVUZZO/ Caterina Fedele
10:30 GIUSEPPE QUAGLIA/ Antonio Chirichiello
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (September 19) St. Janarius

8:30 VINCENZO & JOHN SACCA/ Maria Sacca
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (September 20) Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang and companions

8:30 BELEN SARMIENTO/ Family

WEDNESDAY (September 21) St. Matthew

8:30 CARMELA CIANFANO/ Mamma Teresa

THURSDAY (September 22) Weekday

8:30 BELEN SARMIENTO/ Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (September 23) St. Pio of Pietrelcina

8:30 DEC. MEM. CORALLO FAMILY/ Sally Vaccaro

SATURDAY (September 24) BVM

8:30 BLESINA ZAPATA/ Children
5:00 MYLES WARD/ Wife Virginia
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (September 25) Twenty-Sixth Sunday in O. T.

8:00 GRACE LONDINO/ Friends
10:30 DOMENICK & GRACE TRIPODI/ Daughter Tina
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated this week in memory of **Myles Ward** donated by his **Wife Virginia**.

The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** will burn by the tabernacle this week in memory of **Myles Ward** donated by his **Wife Virginia**.



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	157	200
7:00 PM	403	381
8:00 AM	372	266
10:30 AM	649	273
12:00 Noon	1669	835
Mail		346
Total	\$3,250	\$2,301

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially

Alfonsina Aker	Carmen Mistichelli
Carmen Alava	Angelo Meo
Sheree Balaam	Leonarda Merlo
Louise Barile	Carlos Moran
Oran Bryant	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Karen Bulloch	Robergeau Paul
Caterina Campbell	Maria Perdomo
Isaac Castañeda	Laura Philipone
Orlando Chavez	Peter Philipone
Wayne Cook	Frank Pierre
Mary Cusmano	Anne Piga
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Raul Atilio Portillo
Marianna Dubell	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Maria Espinoza	Edith Quijada
Mario Fronzoni	Endy Quijada
Denise Griest	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Ann Harris	Sergio Ricciardi
Jared Leonardo Henao	Angel Rivera
Jacob Hinman	Isadora Rodriguez
Joshua Hinman	Magdalena Rodriguez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	John Ruela
Michelle Johnson	Maria Saavedra
Stanley Kuchno	Salvatore Saluccio
Lindsay LaMarre	Gladys San Antonio
John Lapolla	Hugo Santa Maria
Theresa Lattanzio	Frank Tinnirella
Rosa Leon	Angela Verlengeri
Barbara McMurray	John Veltre
Elvin Martinez	Charles White

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**Twenty-Fifth Sunday OT/Bigesimo Quinto Domingo TO, Ciclo C**

The dishonest steward reminds us of something that is deep in our Catholic tradition. Back in the fourth century St. John Chrysostom said: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." The Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes this statement of St. John Chrysostom in its section on "Love for the Poor." The Catechism reminds us that when we give to the poor we should not think we are doing something "noble" and "kind." The Catechism does not use the "charity" to speak about sharing with the poor. It uses the word "justice." What we have does not ultimately belong to us. We are administrators - stewards of God's gifts. Like the dishonest steward, when we give to the poor, we are assuring that someone will welcome us into eternal life. Now, I don't recommend that you give all your money to the first guy standing at a stoplight. Jesus praised the dishonest steward because of his "prudence." I know this is going to sound self-serving, but it really isn't: the most prudent thing we can do is to give the first five percent of our income to our parish. The parish, after all, provides the most basic services: the celebration of the sacraments and religious education. After you have set aside a part of your earnings for the support of your parish, the next five percent can then go to other charitable needs, like the Missions, Catholic schools, Catholic radio and pro-life organizations such as Birthright. In that way you will fulfill the Biblical norm of tithing, giving the first ten percent to the Lord. Of course, we should never think, "Well, I gave my tithe. The rest I can use as I please." No, it all belongs to God. We are stewards of his gifts. When it comes to stewardship of God's gifts, a lot of people feel inadequate. I know how you feel because I am also inadequate. But do not let that feeling prevent you from giving all you have got. Be like the steward in today's Gospel. Make the best of a difficult situation. Jesus assures us that if we are trustworthy with small things, he will give us greater responsibilities. He will give us what we need to be good and prudent stewards. May God bless you always.

Al mal administrador actúo con habilidad - y nosotros también debemos hacerlo. A veces personas me dicen que se sienten sin poder - a causa de lo que ha hecho otra persona o a causa de sus propios errores. Cuando encuentro a alguien así frustrado, trato de dar el consejo que la Madre Teresa el dio a sus hermanas cuando se sentían tristes. Ella les diría "Anda y ayuda a la gente." El mal administrador no se huyo actúo decididamente. El mal administrador nos hace recordar de algo en nuestra tradición católica. En el siglo cinco San Juan Crisóstomo dijo: "No hacer participar a los pobres en los propios bienes es robarles y quitarles la vida. Lo que poseemos no son bienes nuestros, sino los suyos." El Catecismo cita esta declaración de San Juan en la sección sobre "Amor por el Pobre." (#2446) El Catecismo nos hace recordar que cuando damos a los pobres no debemos pensar que estamos haciendo algo "noble" y "amable." El Catecismo no usa la palabra "caridad" para hablar de compartir con los pobres. Usa la palabra "justicia." Lo que tenemos al final de las cuentas no nos pertenece. Somos administradores - mayordomos de los dones de Dios. Como el mal administrador, cuando damos a los pobres, estamos asegurando que alguien nos da la bienvenida a la vida eterna. La cosa mas prudente que podemos hacer es dar el primer cinco por ciento a la parroquia. Es la parroquia que provee los servicios más básicos: celebración de los sacramentos y educación religiosa. Después de separar una parte de tus ganancias para la parroquia, los próximos cinco por ciento puedan ir a otras necesidades como las Misiones, escuelas católicas, radio católica y organizaciones pro-vida. Así cumplirás la norma bíblica del diezmo. Desde luego no debemos pensar, "Ya he dado mi diezmo. Con lo demás puedo hacer lo que me da las ganas." No, todo pertenece a Dios. Somos administradores de sus dones. En cuanto a la administración de los dones de Dios, muchas personas se sienten inadecuadas. Yo se como ellos se sienten porque yo mismo soy inadecuado. Pero no dejar que ese sentimiento les previene de dar todo lo que tienes. Ser como el administrador en el evangelio de hoy. Hacer lo mejor de una situación difícil. Jesús nos asegura que si somos fieles en cosas pequeñas, nos dará responsabilidades mayores. Y nos dará todo lo que necesitamos para ser administradores buenos y fieles. Que Dios me los bendiga siempre.

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 28, from 1 to 4 PM.** Enter 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 24-25, 2016Saturday, September 24

5:00 PM Sr. Clare
7:00 PM Will Villanueva y Marta Villanueva
(C: Vivianeth Lorenzo)

Sunday, September 25

8:00 AM Anna Ruppert
10:30 AM Mark Moron
12:00 Noon Norma Frutos y Rubia Cardoza
(C: Teresa Marin)

**EMHC for the Weekend of September 24-25, 2016
(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)**Saturday, September 24

5:00 PM Frank Mazza
7:00 PM Reina Yanes y Salomon Yanes

Sunday, September 25

8:00 AM Mary Wilk
10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Rita Agliata and
Cristian Moron
12:00 Noon Ana Marte, Melida Canela y Mariza Puello

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.



***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

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

English CCD Classes start on Sunday, September 25, 2016, at 9:00 AM.

Registration for the 2016-2017 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.

Parents of students currently enrolled in our (2015-2016) 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.

RCIA

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process the Catholic Community provides to welcome adults who wish to become Catholic and to prepare adult Catholics to receive Confirmation (and when needed, First Eucharist.) Please contact the Parish for more information.

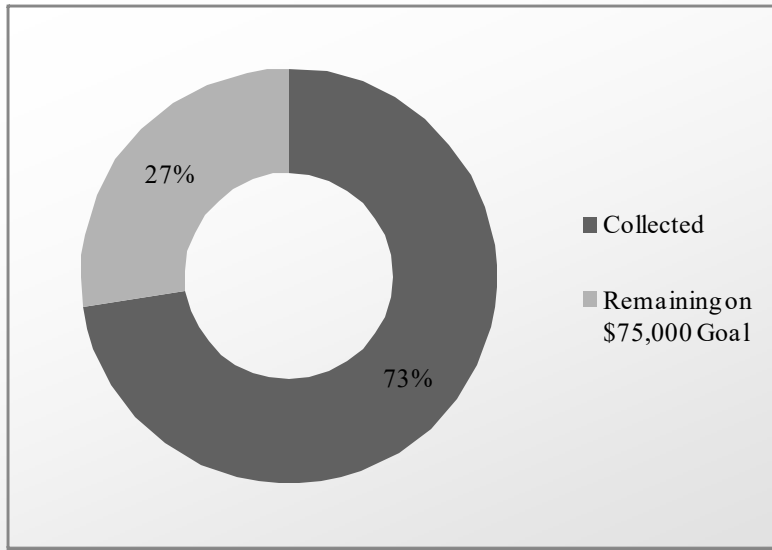
THANK YOU

Thank you to the Renna Family for having donations made in memory of Peter Renna for our restoration fund. May God bless your family.

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.



CHURCH RENOVATIONS

Our goal for Church renovations (painting and carpeting) is \$75,000. So far we have collected \$54,426. 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.

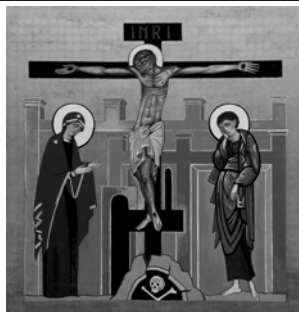
RENOVACIONES DE LA IGLESIA

Nuestro objetivo para las renovaciones de la Iglesia (pintura y alfombras) es de \$75,000. Hasta ahora hemos recaudado \$54,426. 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.

Crucifixion

The Color of the Cross

Here the cross is in black color, which means the total absence of light, the lack of color. The black color represents the Void, the Chaos, Death. Because without light life ceases to exist. This dark color reminds us of the cave of nativity, the recently born baby, Christ assumed our flesh in order to destroy on the cross the darkness of death, and so, introduce us into the paschal light that shines bright, as remembrance of it, is the Paschal Candle at the beginning of the Easter Vigil Celebration.



Crucifixión

Travesaños de la Cruz

El primer travesaño lleva la inscripción INRI, cuyo significado ya ha sido indicado. Jesús Nazareno Rey de los Judíos

El Segundo travesaño más largo es en el que fueron clavados los brazos de Jesús; este travesaño se mantiene en la tradición occidental.

El Tercer travesaño, ligeramente inclinado hacia la derecha, es donde se apoyaron los pies de Jesús. Ese scabellum pedum (Hch 2, 35; Sal 109), por un lado inclinado hacia abajo, representa el destino del ladrón de la derecha. La Cruz es la balanza del destino, “balanza de justicia” y brecha de eternidad, la cruz está en medio como el guión que une misteriosamente el Reino y el infierno». La Cruz de Cristo es colocada en medio de la Iglesia porque sabemos que en ella está la justicia de Dios y su misericordia. Ella se inclina a la salvación de aquellos que le reconocen es su sufrimiento redentor.

The Wooden beams of the Cross

There are three wooden beams. **The First** one has on it the inscription INRI, Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews. **The Second**, it is the longest, on it is where Jesus’ arms where nailed down, this one has being kept in the western tradition. **The Third**, it is lightly tilted towards the right, and it is where Jesus’ feet where leaned, the “Scabellum Pedum.” In a way it represents the final destiny of the “Good Thief.” The Cross is the Scale of Destiny, and The Scale of Justice. The Cross is in the middle as the hyphen which unites mysteriously in one end the Kingdom of God and at the other end is hell. The Cross is placed in the middle of the Church, because we know, that in it there is the Justice of God and his mercy. The Scale is incline for the salvation of those who recognize on it Jesus’ suffering for our salvation.

Color de la cruz

Aquí la cruz es de color negro, que significa la ausencia total de luz, la carencia total de color. El negro representa la nada, el caos, la muerte, pues sin luz la vida deja de existir... Este color oscuro nos recuerda por ejemplo la gruta de la Natividad, aquel niño recién nacido y al mismo tiempo como amortajado. Cristo ha asumido nuestra carne para destruir en la cruz la oscuridad de nuestra muerte e introducirnos en la luz pascual que brilla, como el cirio pascual al inicio de la Solemne Vigilia Pascual en la Noche Santa.

(Continued Next Week)

(Continúa la próxima semana)