

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15, 2017

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Pastoral Staff:

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 16, 2017 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 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.
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 JANUARY 15, 2017 TO JANUARY 21, 2017

SATURDAY (January 14) Weekday, BVM

8:30 QUINTIN IRIZARRY III/ Tommy & Vilma D'Amico
 5:00 GERARDO ROSA/ Silvia & Famiglia
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (January 15) Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 DOMENICO DI COSIMO/ Family
 10:30 GIUSEPPE LOSARDO & PINO DI GRIGOLI/
 Mr. & Mrs. Biagio Arcieri & Family
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (January 16) Weekday

8:30 REGINA FEEHAN/ Staff of Our Lady
 of Guadalupe Academy
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (January 17) St. Anthony

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/ Antonia Chillemi

WEDNESDAY (January 18) Weekday,

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

8:30 MARY DE CARO/ Maria & Mario DiGiorgio

THURSDAY (January 19) Weekday

8:30 FILOMENA CONTI/ The Sorace Family
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (January 20) Weekday, St. Fabian, St. Sebastian


8:30 ALBERT LIURNI/ Sabrina Burnett Williams

SATURDAY (January 21) St. Agnes

8:30 NICOLO COLICHIO/ Moglia Filomena
 5:00 GIOVANNA ARCIERI/
 Mr. & Mrs. Niocolo Arcieri & Family
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (January 22) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 GIUSEPE & DOMENICA CARONIA/ Children
 10:30 BIAGIO TARTAMELLA/ sister, Vita
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

 Our Weekly Offering	<p>OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION is shown below.</p> <p>We sincerely thank all those parishioners and friends who contributed to the parish.</p> <p>Be assured that the Lord will never be outdone in rewarding those who give even a glass of water in His Name.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Offering</p> <table> <tr><td>5:00 PM</td><td style="text-align: right;">98</td></tr> <tr><td>7:00 PM</td><td style="text-align: right;">263</td></tr> <tr><td>8:00 AM</td><td style="text-align: right;">295</td></tr> <tr><td>10:30 AM</td><td style="text-align: right;">324</td></tr> <tr><td>12:00 Noon</td><td style="text-align: right;">2130</td></tr> <tr><td>Mail</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td style="text-align: right;">\$3,110</td></tr> </table>	5:00 PM	98	7:00 PM	263	8:00 AM	295	10:30 AM	324	12:00 Noon	2130	Mail		Total	\$3,110
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially

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

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



WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**Second Sunday OT/Segundo Domingo del TO, Cycle/Ciclo A**

John saw Jesus coming towards him and said: “This is the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.” Here, John is a witness of Christ. According to the Hebrew tradition, God alone can forgive or take away sins. But why is this word so important for us today? God is making an important call to us today, an invitation to meditate on the events of our lives, to see if we can say as did John the Baptist about Jesus. God is calling us to be witnesses. But we can only be witnesses of something if we have experienced it, if we have touched it, if we had been part, or involved in the action. For instance, if we had seen or been part of an accident, then we could be called to testify about it. Since St. John the Baptist has been a witness of the actions and of the life of Christ and since he saw Jesus passing by, he can give testimony of Jesus to everyone, for he has seen the Holy Spirit coming down upon Him, as it has been revealed by God. For us today, it is a little bit more complicated. It is true that we have received this same spirit in baptism and the command to be apostles and priests, but how many times have we been witnesses of Christ before our families, friends, co-workers, etc.? We have all received the Holy Spirit, which brings us to Christ and makes us see His actions in our lives. That is why before being a witness; we need to have an experienced for Christ in our lives. In this way we can show him to the others, as St. Paul does in the second reading today: “Paul, called to be an apostle,” witness, “of Christ Jesus by the will of God...” Let us all, then, ask the Lord to receive this grace today, to be witnesses of Christ, so that all those put by God around us, may know him and experience the love God has for them. May God bless you and your families and friends always.

Este es el cordero de Dios que quita el pecado del mundo...” Aquí Juan, esta dando testimonio de Cristo. Según la tradición Hebrea, solo Dios es el que puede perdonar, quitar, los pecados. ¿Por qué es importante esta palabra hoy para todos nosotros? Dios nos esta haciendo a todos nosotros hoy un llamado especial, una invitación a reflexionar en los acontecimientos de nuestra vida, para ver si nosotros podemos decir lo mismo que dijo Juan el Bautista de Jesús. Dios nos está llamando a ser testigos. Pero solo se puede ser testigo de algo si hemos experimentado, si hemos visto, palpado, si nos hemos estado involucrados en la acción. Por ejemplo si hemos visto, o participado en un accidente nos pueden llamar a declarar como testigos de ese accidente. Juan ha sido testigo de la acción y de la vida de Cristo, por eso cuando ve pasar a Cristo, da testimonio de quien es Jesús a todo el mundo, por que ha visto al Espíritu Santo posarse sobre el, como le fue revelado por Dios. Para nosotros hoy, es un poquito mas complicado, ya que nosotros, que hemos recibido ese mismo espíritu en el Bautismo, el espíritu de hijos adoptivos, y el mandato de ser apóstoles y sacerdotes, ¿Cuántas veces hemos sido testigos de Cristo ante nuestros familiares, amigos, compañeros de trabajo, etc.? Por que todos nosotros hemos recibido el Espíritu Santo, que nos conduce a Cristo, que nos hace reconocer la acción de Jesús en nuestras vidas. Por eso antes de ser testigos, necesitamos haber experimentado a Cristo, para poder así, mostrarlo a los demás, como hace San Pablo en la segunda lectura de hoy: “Pablo, llamado a ser apóstol, testigo, de Cristo Jesús por la voluntad de Dios...” Así que pidamos a Dios recibir esta gracia hoy, poder ser testigos de Cristo para que todos aquellos que Dios nos ha puesto alrededor, puedan conocerlo y así experimentar el amor que Dios les tiene. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos y a sus familias

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, January 25 from 12:30-1:30 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 January 21-22, 2017Saturday, January 21

5:00 PM Mary Ann Costanza
7:00 PM Jose Bonilla y Senon Herrera
(C: Maria Duran)

Sunday, January 22

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycyca
10:30 AM Francesca Merendino
12:00 Noon Javier Zapata y Rafaela Avelar
(C: Patricia Zelaya)

**EMHC for the Weekend of January 21-22, 2017
(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)**Saturday, January 21

5:00 PM Jim Leggett
7:00 PM Reina Yanes y Salomon Yanes

Sunday, January 22

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Maria Agliata and
Gino Merendino
12:00 Noon Patricia Zelaya, Ana Marte, Melida Canela y
Myrna Gonzalez

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.

VISION

Some people see more in a walk around the block than others see in a trip around the world.

--Anonymous

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.



***TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)

***THURSDAY:** Holy Hour after 7:00 PM Mass

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The glory of the Lord shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalm -- Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading -- All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel -- John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- Tú eres mi servidor, Israel. Te voy a poner como una luz para el mundo (Isaías 49:3, 5-6).

Salmo -- Aquí estoy, Señor, para hacer tu voluntad (Salmo 40 [39]).

Segunda lectura -- A los que Dios santificó en Cristo Jesús . . . tengan bendición y paz, de parte de Dios Padre y de Cristo Jesús, el Señor (1 Corintios 1:1-3).

Evangelio -- Ahí viene el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo. Él es el Hijo de Dios (Juan 1:29-34).

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CARRYING OF THE GIFTS

CCD Children will carry the gifts at the 10:30 Mass.

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.

VISIÓN

Hay personas que ven más cosas en un paseo por su vecindario que otras personas ven en un viaje alrededor del mundo.

--Anónimo



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 -- 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Is 8:23 -- 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

CCD WEATHER EMERGENCIAS

For bad weather situations, CCD Closings will be announced on the News 12 New Jersey Website.

THREE MISSIONS

Today we begin with one of the "servant songs" from the book of Isaiah, a song prophetic of Jesus' ministry of service. Isaiah's mission is not only to bring back the children of Jacob to gather in Israel; it is also to be "a light to the nations" (Isaiah 49:6). Jesus Christ, as servant, will be the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy and the basis of the new.

This Sunday we begin a series of readings from Paul's letter to the Corinthians. Here Paul is identified by his mission: he is an apostle of Jesus Christ. The church at Corinth to whom he addresses this letter is also identified: it is part of the universal church of God. The Corinthians are called to holiness, as are all Christians.

Though the feast of the Baptism of the Lord was celebrated last Monday, today's Gospel also alludes to the importance of that event. The reading emphasizes that Jesus "outranks" John: his baptism in the Spirit will eradicate sin. Jesus accepts John's baptism, even though it is he himself who is the Lamb of God.

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TRES MISIONES

Hoy comenzamos con una de las "cantos del siervo" del libro de Isaías, una canto profético sobre el ministerio de servicio de Jesús. La misión de Isaías no sólo es lograr que los hijos de Jacob se reúnan en Israel, sino también es convertirse en "una luz de las naciones" (Isaías 49:6). Jesucristo, como servidor, será el cumplimiento de la antigua profecía y la base de la nueva.

Este domingo comenzamos una serie de lecturas de la carta de san Pablo a los corintios. Aquí se define a Pablo de acuerdo a su misión: es un apóstol de Jesucristo. La Iglesia en Corinto a quien se dirige en su carta también se define: es parte de la Iglesia universal de Dios. Los corintios, como todos los cristianos, son llamados a la santidad.

Aunque la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor se celebró el domingo pasado, el Evangelio de hoy también alude a la importancia de dicho acontecimiento. La lectura enfatiza que Jesús "tiene precedencia" sobre Juan: su bautismo en el Espíritu erradicará el pecado. Jesús acepta el bautismo de Juan, a pesar de que él mismo es el Cordero de Dios.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Al escribir Tradiciones de nuestra fe me he encontrado con muchas fiestas patronales en España, Latinoamérica y Estados Unidos de América. Muchas de ellas mantienen su carácter religioso mientras que otras son simplemente una excusa para festejar, mejorar la economía local o hacer política, pero no por estas razones deben ser descartadas.

Tomemos, por ejemplo, la fiesta de san Sebastián de las Ovejas en la frontera entre Argentina y Chile. Esta fiesta es más vieja que ambas naciones y su peregrinación pisa los dos suelos. A lo largo del tiempo, esta fiesta ha sufrido por razones políticas entre ambas naciones, pero a partir de 1980 las autoridades eclesiásticas, civiles y gubernamentales han intentado revitalizar esta fiesta por varios motivos.

Las autoridades eclesiásticas la usan para renovar el cristianismo añadiendo las enseñanzas y prácticas del Concilio Vaticano II a las tradiciones antiguas. Las autoridades civiles la utilizan para incrementar el comercio y el turismo en la región. Los gobiernos de Chile y Argentina la ven como un enlace benéfico entre ambas naciones.

Las fiestas patronales buscan integrar todos los aspectos del ser humano, su política, economía, cultura, celebración y religión.

--Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.