

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

PALM SUNDAY, Passion of the Lord March 25, 2018

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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

(All Sundays Including Easter)

May 10 –The Ascension of the Lord.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: Holy Hour following 7 pm Mass

Hora Santa después de la misa 7 pm

Office Hours:

Daily (Diario) (M - F) 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

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** (registered) 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

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Mr. Will Villanueva, Trustee

Mr. Edwin Lopez, Altar Servers



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 24 TO APRIL 1, 2018**

SATURDAY (March 24) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ANGELO STERIO/Wife Dolly
5:00 SALVATORE ZACCHIA/Gary & Noreen Spect
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 25) PALM SUNDAY

8:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY (March 26) Holy Week

8:30 MARCO ANTONIO CASTILLO/Mark & Libia
Cosmas
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (March 27) Holy Week

8:30 FRANK & LINA ALFANO/Daughters &
Grandchildren

WEDNESDAY (March 28) Holy Week

8:30 GESINA CARDAMONE/Giuseppina Piccoli

THURSDAY (March 29) HOLY THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Mass with washing of the Feet (English)
7:30 p.m. Mass with washing of the Feet (Spanish)

FRIDAY (March 30) GOOD FRIDAY

The Passion of the Lord

See Holy Week Schedule

SATURDAY (March 31) HOLY SATURDAY

See Holy Week Schedule

SUNDAY (April 1) EASTER

The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH



Christ Jesus humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of
death,
even death on a cross.
-- Philippians 2:8



**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.

Collection amounts will be listed in a future bulletin.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Carmen Alava
Karen Bulloch
Caterina Campbell
Isaac Castañeda
Orlando Chavez
Wayne Cook
Mary Cusmano
Lonor Sepulveda De Devia
Marianna Dubell
Maria Espinoza
Mario Fronzoni
Joseph Gambino
Denise Griest
Paulette Hall
Jared Leonardo Henao
Jacob Hinman
Joshua Hinman
Annette Irizarry Jacome
Joseph B. Jean-Mary
Michelle Johnson
Lindsay LaMarre
John Lapolla
Theresa Lattanzio
Rosa Leon
Arlene Marsden
Bob Marsden
Elvin Martinez
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Carlos Moran
Declan Rocco O'Connor
Irene Patrone
Robergeau Paul
Maria Perdomo
Laura Philipone
Frank Pierre
Anne Piga
Jo Piga
Raul Atilio Portillo
Carmen Fojo Prieto
Edith Quijada
Endy Quijada
Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Sergio Ricciardi
Angel Rivera
Isadora Rodriguez
Magdalena Rodriguez
John Ruela
Maria Saavedra
Salvatore Saluccio
Hugo Santa Maria
Frank Tinnirella
Rosalie Tinnirella
Angela Verlengeri
John Veltre



**The Bread and Wine will be offered this week
in memory of Frank & Lina Alfano
requested by Joann Barberio & Sons**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Palm Sunday / Domingo de Palma 2018

The sixth and last Sunday of Lent and beginning of Holy Week, a Sunday of the highest rank, not even a commemoration of any kind being permitted in the Mass. In common law it fixes the commencement of Easter duty. The Roman Missal marks the station at St. John Lateran (see STATIONS) and before September, 1870, the pope performed the ceremonies there. The Greeks celebrate the day with great solemnity; they call it *kyriake* or *heorte ton baion* or *heorte baiophoros* or also Lazarus Sunday, because on the day before they have the feast of the resuscitation of Lazarus. The emperors used to distribute branches of palm and small presents among their nobles and domestics. The Latin liturgical books call it *Dominica in Palmis*, *Dominica* or *Dies Palmarum*. From the cry of the people during the procession the day has received the name *Dominica Hosanna* or simply *Hosanna* (*Ozanna*). Because every great feast was in some way a remembrance of the resurrection of Christ and was in consequence called *Pascha*, we find the names *Pascha floridum*, in French *Pâques fleuries*, in Spanish *Pascua florida*, and it was from this day of 1512 that our State of Florida received its name (Nilles, II, 205). From the custom of also blessing flowers and entwining them among the palms arose the terms *Dominica florida* and *dies floridus*. Flower-Sunday was well known in England, in Germany as *Blumensonntag* or *Blumentag*, as also among the Serbs, Croats, and Ruthenians, in the Glagolite Breviary and Missal, and among the Armenians. The latter celebrate another Palm Sunday on the seventh Sunday after Easter to commemorate the "Ingressus Domini in coelum juxta visionem Gregorii Illuminatoris" called *Secundus floricultus* or *Secunda palmarum dominica* (Nilles, II, 519). Since this Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week, during which sinners were reconciled, it was called *Dominica indulgentioe*, *competentium*, and *capitilavium* from the practice of washing and shaving of the head as a bodily preparation for baptism. During the early centuries of the Church this sacrament was conferred solemnly only in the night of Holy Saturday, the text of the creed had been made known to the catechumens on the preceding Palm Sunday. This practice was followed in Spain (Isidore, "De off. eccl.", I, 27), in Gaul (P.L., LXXII, 265), and in Milan (Ambrose, Ep. xx). In England the day was called Olive or Branch Sunday, Sallow or Willow, Yew or Blossom Sunday, or Sunday of the Willow Boughs. Since the celebration recalled the solemn entry of Christ into Jerusalem people made use of many quaint and realistic representations; thus, a figure of Christ seated on an ass, carved out of wood was carried in the procession and even brought into the church. Such figures may still be seen in the museums of Basle, Zurich, Munich, and Nürnberg (Kellner, 50).

In some places in Germany and France it was customary to strew flowers and green boughs about the cross in the churchyard. After the Passion had been recited at Mass blessed palms were brought and this cross (in consequence sometimes called the Palm cross) was wreathed and decked with them to symbolize Christ's victory. In Lower Bavaria boys went about the streets singing the "Pueri Hebraeorum" and other carols, whence they received the name of Pueribuben ("Theologisch-praktische Quartalschrift", 1892, 81). Sometimes an uncovered crucifix, or the gospel-book, and often the Blessed Sacrament, was carried in recession. In many parts of England a large and beautiful tent was prepared in the churchyard. Two priests accompanied by lights brought the Blessed Sacrament in a beautiful cup or pyx hung in a shrine of open work to this tent. A long-drawn procession with palms and flowers came out of the church and made four stations at the Laics' cemetery north of the church, at the south side, at the west door, and before the church-yard cross, which was then uncovered. At each of these stations Gospels were sung. After the singing of the first Gospel the shrine with the Blessed Sacrament was borne forward. On meeting, all prostrated and kissed the ground. The procession then continued. The door of the church was opened, the priests held up on high the shrine with the Blessed Sacrament, so that all who went in had to go under this shrine, and thus the procession came back into the church. The introduction of the Blessed Sacrament into the Palm Sunday procession is generally ascribed to Bl. Lanfranc who ordered the ceremony for his Abbey of Bec. (From the Catholic Encyclopedia on-line)

Today, with this celebration of Palm Sunday, the Messianic entrance of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, we solemnly begin the Holy Week. We have heard in the gospel proclaimed during the procession at the beginning of the Mass how Jesus sent his disciples to look for a colt so he could borrow it to enter into the holy city. We also heard how the people, knowing that Jesus was entering the city, acclaimed him as the "Son of David, son of the "King," the Messiah, and how many of them were thinking that "finally, he (Jesus) decided to make himself known. This was because of all the signs: He was entering Jerusalem by the gate that was supposed be the one by which the Messiah would enter, he was entering as a king would, upon a horse, even though it was only a colt, as we read in the Old Testament. So Jesus is making an important sign in front of everybody, since he is entering in Jerusalem as King, and the people are witnesses to all these signs, because many of them have seeing the miracles and wonders that Jesus have already done in their midst. Everybody is very happy and content, because the Messiah has come, the one who is going to free them from the oppressors, and they begun to acclaim him and to shout, "Hosanna the Son of David, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, etc." What does the Lord wants to tells us with this fact of his messianic entrance into Jerusalem at the beginning of the Mass, and with the reading of his passion at the end of the liturgy of the Word? Something very simple -- that this is our life, that in some moments of our life we are euphoric, we are very happy and we acclaim him as the Messiah, as the son of God, as our liberator, but that in front of suffering, when we encounter it face to face, we reject him, we ask for justice, human justice, we choose Barabbas, and ask to crucify Jesus!! Because in front of the suffering, the injustices, we rebel against them. Meanwhile Jesus remained silence, not because he had nothing to say, but because he was doing his Father's will. He is in total communion with his Father, not waiting for a legion of soldiers to come and free him, but praying for his Father to comfort him in this moment of anguish and so he could enter into his Paschal Mystery for our salvation. So my brothers and sisters let us ask our God to help us entering into this Holy Week hoping to find our risen Lord. God bless you all.

Hoy se da comienzo solemnemente la Semana Santa, con la celebración del Domingo de Ramos, la entrada mesiánica de Cristo en Jerusalén. Hemos escuchado en el primer evangelio, el que se ha leído antes del comienzo de la Santa Misa, como Cristo manda a dos de sus discípulos a recoger un borriquillo para que Jesús lo monte al entrar en la ciudad Santa de Jerusalén, y como la gente al saber que es Jesús el que viene montado en el borriquillo (animal usado por los reyes para pasearse) Así que aquí Cristo está haciendo una señal muy importante, esta entrando como Rey en Jerusalén, y esto la gente se esta dando cuenta, ya que ha hecho muchos milagros, y la gente piensa, "Por fin se ha decidido a reconocer lo que es, es el Mesías." Pero Cristo va mas allá. Todo el mundo esta contento, "Por fin el liberador ha llegado, Hosanna Hijo de David, Bendito el que viene en nombre de Yahvé, etc." Pero que pasa, que el Evangelio de la misa es el relato de la Pasión de nuestro Señor. Y que nos quiere decir este hecho de tener la entrada mesiánica de Jesús al principio, y el relato de la pasión al final de la liturgia de la palabra? Pues que esta es nuestra vida, que en algunos momentos todos estamos muy eufóricos, llenos del Espíritu Santo podemos decir, por que el Señor nos ha concedido las gracias o los favores que le hemos pedido, mas sin embargo, cuando no obtenemos lo que pedimos o las cosas no salen como creemos, o el Señor permite algo que no nos gusta en nuestra vida, y como respondemos? Pidiendo Justicia, **Barabbas, queremos a Barrabas**, a ese medio muerto no, a ese crucificalo! Ante la injusticia, nos revelamos, mientras que Cristo permanece en silencio, no por que no tiene nada que decir, sino por que esta con el Padre, en total comunión, no esperando una legión de soldados que vengan en su ayuda, sino orando al Padre Eterno que lo reconforte en este momento, y así pueda entrar en el Misterio Pascual, para nuestra salvación. Por eso hermanos, pidamos a nuestro Dios que nos ayude a entrar en esta Semana Santa esperando poder encontrarnos con el Señor Resucitado. Que Dios los bendiga a todos.

Readers & Lectors Lectors for the Weekend of
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Saturday, March 31
 8:00 PM Mark Cosmas
 Sandra Bonilla

Sunday, April 1
 8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz
 10:30 AM Ashley/Nicole Mora
 12:00 Noon Arturo Calle y Norma Frutos
 (C: Sandra Bonilla)

 **EMHC for the Weekend of**
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Saturday, March 31
 8:00 PM Frank Mazza
 Reina & Salomon Yanes

Sunday, April 1
 8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli
 10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron
 12:00 Noon Patricia Zelaya, Ana Marte yMelida Canela

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

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.



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



TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms -- Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).
First Reading -- In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).
Psalm -- My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).
Second Reading -- Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).
Gospel -- The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 -- 15:47 [15:1-39]). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass (c) 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Evangelio para la procesión de las palmas -- ¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor! (Marcos 11:1-10 o Juan 12:12-16)
Primera lectura -- No oculté el rostro a insultos y salvazos, porque sabía que no quedaría avergonzado (Isaías 50:4-7).
Salmo -- Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado? (Salmo 22 [21]).
Segunda lectura -- Jesús se despojó totalmente y Dios lo llenó de exaltación (Filipenses 2:6-11).
Evangelio -- La versión de la Pasión y Muerte de Jesús que nos da Marcos (Marcos 14:1 -- 15:47 [15:1-39]) Salmo responsorial: Leccionario Hispanoamericano Dominical (c) 1970, Comisión Episcopal Española. Usado con permiso. Todos los derechos reservados.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9



HOLY THURSDAY - MARCH 29, 2018

6:00 PM English Mass with the Washing of the Feet

7:30 PM Spanish Mass with the Washing of the Feet followed by

Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 30, 2018

8:30 AM Office of Readings & Morning Prayer English

10:00 AM Seven Last Word Spanish

3:00 PM Good Friday Service English

3:30 PM Outdoor Stations and Good Friday Service Spanish

HOLY SATURDAY - MARCH 31, 2018

8:30 AM Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
English

8:00 PM Trilingual Easter Vigil Service
(Meeting at the Youth Center at 7:45 PM)

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 1, 2018

8:00 AM English Mass

10:30 AM English Mass

12:00 PM Spanish Mass

Welcome to St. Anthony's Parish!

Welcome visitors, newcomers, returning and longtime members of the parish! We invite you to join our Catholic community as we seek a deeper relationship with the Lord, together on the road of discipleship with Jesus. Families or individuals that wish to register at St. Anthony's as new parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office at 908-351-3300 or email stanthonyofpaduaelizabeth@gmail.com



St. Anthony's Food Pantry

We are collecting food donations for our food pantry. Please bring any non perishable food to the rectory or the back of the Church

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

For many centuries, Christian pilgrims have longed to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, and on Passion Sunday the eyes of the world are on the Via Dolorosa, the "Road of Sorrows," in Jerusalem. As soon as it became safe for Christians to worship in public in the fourth century, a way was marked out. It was changed a few times over the years, and today's usual route was sketched by the Franciscans six hundred years ago, although Anglicans and Byzantines have their own unique detours. Friday is the most favored day, although it is crowded then. Almost everyone begins at the Lion's Gate in the Muslim Quarter, and ends at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It's less than a quarter mile, but it threads its way through crowded markets with souvenir shops and fast-food snacks. There are, just as in your parish church, fourteen stations along the way. The exact spots are not known, but what matters is the pilgrim's unique ability to see even an ordinary road in a teeming city as something more than meets the eye.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Esta es Semana Santa, semana en la cual los cristianos conmemoramos con palmas, y ramos los eventos centrales de nuestra fe; eventos que alimentan nuestro espíritu con el pan y el vino del amor divino; eventos que se clavan en nuestras almas como Cristo en su cruz; eventos que nos hacen resucitar de nuestros problemas con la esperanza pascual de la liberación de todo aquello que nos perjudica, que nos agobia, que nos oprime y nos deprime.

Estaremos allí con nuestros parientes y con gente que no conocemos pero que son nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo gracias a los eventos de la semana en que Jesús entró glorioso a Jerusalén, partió el pan, falleció en el árbol de la cruz y fue sepultado. Esta Semana nos une al misterio pascual de Jesús. Celebrando estos ritos antiguos y variados por todo el mundo. Durante esta semana el tiempo y el espacio se cancelan para unirnos a los misterios que celebramos, a nuestras familias, a los cristianos por todo el mundo y a través de los siglos.

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