

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

**The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist      June 24, 2018**

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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**

### **(All Sundays)**

August 15-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## **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

Mrs. Teresa Marin, Spanish Rel. Ed.

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  
June 23 to July 1, 2018**

**SATURDAY (June 23) Weekday**

8:30 MADORMA BROTHERS/Sister, Dolly  
5:00 ANTONIO CHIRICHELLO/Wife & Children  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (June 24) The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

8:00 ROSEMARIE ODDO/Cousins  
10:30 GIUSEPPE LOSARDO & GIOVANNA ARCIERI/  
Nicolo & Vincenza Arcieri & Family  
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY (June 25) Weekday**

8:30 FRANCESCO & GIUSEPPE ARCURI/Giuseppina  
Piccoli

7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY (June 26) Weekday**

8:30 SAVERIO & GIOVANNA BIANCO/Joann  
Barbierio & Sons

**WEDNESDAY (June 27) Weekday**

8:30 WILLIAM RAPP/Tony Zangaro

**THURSDAY (June 28) St. Irenaeus**

8:30 MAYREEN SKETTINI/Frank & Joan DePaolo  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS  
5:00 SAVINA BACA/Daughter, Silvia (Memorial Mass)

**FRIDAY (June 29) Sts. Peter and Paul**

8:30 ST. AGATA/Teresa Nobile

**SATURDAY (June 30) Weekday**

8:30 JORGE, HERNAN, FABIO & BERRIO ZAPATA/  
Brothers  
5:00 REV. PIETRO BIANCHINI/Mr. & Mrs. Frank O.  
Mazza  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (July 1) Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 CHARLES KRISZA/Wilk Family  
10:30 DOMENICK TRIPODI/Daughter Tina  
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

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**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in  
Memory of Amedeo (Sonny) Borsellino  
requested by Sister, Marian Hudson**

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**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!**

We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ,  
especially: **Jose Ismael Martinez**  
**Michael Impollonia**



**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.

**Offertory**

<b>5:00</b>	<b>370</b>
<b>7:00</b>	<b>514</b>
<b>8:00</b>	<b>407</b>
<b>10:30</b>	<b>270</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<b>1,584</b>
<b>Mail</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,145</b>

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

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

**Next week there will be a second collection for the  
Monthly Assessment**

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**“Peace is a gift of God, but requires our efforts. Let  
us be people of peace in prayer and in deed.”**

-Pope Francis

**WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL****The Nativity of St. John the Baptist/El Nacimiento de San Juan Bautista**


Today we celebrate the Birth of St. John the Baptist. It is such an important feast day that it replaces the ordinary Sunday readings. It is also important in the sense that his is one of only three birthdays we commemorate. The other two of course are Jesus and the Virgin Mary. He is the herald of freedom in an absolute sense because he the forerunner of Jesus who is Freedom itself. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth and the truth will set you free." (Jn 8:32). But by "truth" Jesus does not mean some kind of ideology or political program. To understand what Jesus is saying you have hear the whole sentence: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples and you will know the truth and the truth will set you free." By becoming disciples, we know the truth - Jesus himself. By knowing Jesus through prayer and sacraments, we experience freedom. Jesus himself is the Truth that makes us free. John, therefore, is the herald of freedom because he announces Jesus. And as John the Baptist teaches, virtue moves a person outside of himself. When the people asked him, What shall we do? He said, "If you have two shirts, give one to the poor. If you have food, share it with those who are hungry." (Lk 3:11) Democracy depends on people solving problems on the smallest possible level. Family members should take care of each other, as best they can. We need community organizations to address issues that families can't handle alone. St. John the Baptist teaches us to not wait for the government, but pitch in and do our part. In showing how everyone can practice solidarity, John the Baptist heralds freedom. There's something more - and this is the tough part. When a ruler departs from God's law, John the Baptist teaches us to push back. He challenged King Herod for marrying Herodias - his brother's wife. Herodias was not amused. She got the king to imprison John and eventually to murder him. Today we celebrate the great herald of freedom - John the Baptist. He points the way to ultimate freedom - Jesus. And he teaches the steps to freedom: Virtue ("repent"), Solidarity ("share with the poor"). God Bless you always.

En la primera lectura de este domingo, mis queridos hermanos, el profeta Isaías, nos cuenta como recibió su vocación de parte del Señor. Esta vocación del profeta, conlleva, la elección que hace Dios desde antes de la creación del mundo. El Señor traza un plan en la historia de cada ser humano, prepara una historia de salvación para cada hombre y mujer que ha creado desde los comienzos del mundo, y a cada uno lo llama (vocación) a hacer algo, ¿Qué? Eso cada uno tiene que descubrirlo. Como ejemplo, la segunda lectura, en la que los apóstoles nos ponen delante la figura del Rey David, como imagen de la elección de Dios. El Gran Rey David, que ni por asomo es el mejor, o el mas preparado, ni siquiera es el mas fuerte, recordemos el episodio de David y Goliat, ni por su puesto el mas santo, recordemos también los líos y pecados, como el adulterio que comete con Betsabé, y el asesinato de su marido Urias el Hitita. En los hechos de los apóstoles se dice algo sorprendente: "He encontrado en David un hombre de acuerdo a mi corazón, dice el Señor, Dios Sebaot." No se nos elije por nuestras capacidades humanas, o por que seamos especiales por las cualidades artísticas o intelectuales, o incluso aquellas físicas que podamos poseer, sino, mas bien por nuestra capacidad de decir si o no a la llamada o vocación a la que somos llamados. Todo lo demás lo hará Dios por nosotros. De ahí el evangelio de hoy. En este se nos presenta tres personajes importantísimos que prepararan la venida de Cristo en la carne. Isabel, la prima de la Virgen María. Isabel que recibe la gracia de la maternidad fuera de tiempo, dice el evangelio que ya se le había retirado el periodo de las mujeres, y sin embargo, ella acepta esta gracia de Dios, esta vocación. Después tenemos a Zacarías, el esposo de Isabel. Zacarías que es sacerdote del templo, y que es una persona muy religiosa y conoedora de la Torah, pero que en el fondo cuestiona a Dios, por que es muy racional. Si Dios no me dio hijos en la juventud, ¿como va a hacer para dármele ahora que soy viejo y mi mujer también lo es? ¿Será capaz Dios de hacer este milagro? Zacarías, se comporta como muchos de nosotros, que en el fondo creemos que Dios se ha podido equivocar en nuestra historia, aunque seamos muy religiosos y muy conoedores de Dios y de su palabra siempre hay una duda de esta omnipotencia de Dios. Por esto Dios tiene que hacer entender a Zacarías que Él es el que hace la historia, para así hacerle ver que es Él el que elige y llama a quien quiere. Por esta razón, le da una señal fuerte a Zacarías, lo deja mudo. Según la tradición rabínica, sino tienes nada bueno (alabar, o bendecir, decir bien) de Dios mejor es quedarse mudo. Por esto, esta señal de no poder comunicarse con los demás, ya que Zacarías dudo del poder de Dios, y así, para poder experimentar la fuerza de Dios, su ser todopoderoso, Zacarías permanecerá mudo hasta el nacimiento de su hijo Juan. Todos estos acontecimientos hacen pensar a todos los amigos y vecinos de Zacarías e Isabel, "¿Qué será de este niño, que la mano de Dios se muestra tan poderosa?" El Señor lo eligió para ser el precursor de Cristo, el que lo presentara a las naciones, como la salvación, como "Luz de las naciones," y la salvación de su pueblo, y de todos nosotros. Pidámosle hoy al Señor una Gracia especial en esta celebración, la de poder descubrir a que estamos llamados, y a no dudar del poder de Dios. Que Dios los bendiga siempre.

**Readers & Lectors** Lectors for the Weekend of  
 June 30 - July 1  
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Saturday, June 30  
 5:00 PM Mark Cosmas  
 7:00 PM Marta & Will Villanueva  
 (C: Raul Alvares)

Sunday, July 1  
 8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz  
 10:30 AM Ashley/Nicole Mora  
 12:00 Noon Javier Zapata y Jony Rodriguez  
 (C: Sandra Bonilla)

 **EMHC for the Weekend of**  
 June 30 - July 1  
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Saturday, June 30  
 5:00 PM Frank Mazza  
 7:00 PM Maria Duran y Jerson

Sunday, July 1  
 8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli  
 10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron  
 12:00 Noon Teresa Marin, Patricia Zelaya y Maria Usman

**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)

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

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

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**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.

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** -- I will make you a light to the nations (Isaiah 49:1-6).  
**Psalm** -- I praise you for I am wonderfully made (Psalm 139).  
**Second Reading** -- John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance (Acts 13:22-26).  
**Gospel** -- John is his name (Luke 1:57-66, 80).  
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**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** -- Te convertiré en luz para las naciones (Isaías 49:1-6).  
**Salmo** -- Te doy gracias porque me has escogido portentosamente (Salmo 139 [138]).  
**Segunda lectura** -- De los descendiente de David Dios sacó al salvador Jesús (Hechos 13:22-25).  
**Evangelio** -- Isabel dio a luz a un hijo a quien puso por nombre Juan (Lucas 1:57-66, 80).  
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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5  
**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20  
**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9; Mt 7:21-29  
**Friday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19  
 Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19  
**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17  
**Sunday:** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]





### **ATTENTION ALL ATHLETES**

Our Lady of Guadalupe Academy is currently accepting sign-up sheets for all students that belong to our Parish interested in joining our Sports Teams for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year.

Grades: 1st to 8th grade

Sports:

Boys Basketball & Girls Basketball (Winter)

Boys Soccer & Girls Soccer (Spring)

Baseball & Softball (Spring)

Girls Volleyball (Fall)

We are also looking for parents and volunteers who are interested in coaching one or more of our teams.

Anyone interested in receiving more information or a sign up form, please contact Carmen Rooney at (908) 352-7424 or email us at [crooney@olgacademy.org](mailto:crooney@olgacademy.org)

### **Charitable Gift Annuities**

Making a significant gift to your parish can increase your bottom line! By making a gift for a *charitable gift annuity*, you receive an income tax deduction and annuity payments for life. Plus, part of each payment is tax-free. Learn more about this wonderful opportunity by contacting Theresa Lynch, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4042 or by email at [Theresa.lynnch@rcan.org](mailto:Theresa.lynnch@rcan.org).

### **Why the State Budget Matters to Our Families**

The Governor's Fiscal Year 2019 Budget **cuts** funding for nonpublic school programs. These losses directly affect our children's health and safety and mean that we will have to do more with less or go without next year. Meanwhile, public school aid has been increased by \$283MM.

**Your voice can and will make a difference in the budget!**

Visit the link below to use the Voter Voice system of the NJ Catholic Conference to tell Trenton to restore these budget cuts.

[www.njcatholic.org/faith-in-action](http://www.njcatholic.org/faith-in-action)

### **Sick and Shut-ins**

If you are a parishioner and are not able to come to Mass on Sundays, you can watch a live broadcast of St. Anthony's Masses by going through our website and clicking on the Live Mass link.

<https://stanthonyelizabeth.com/church-live>

### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

It's midsummer day! We have the advantage of celebrating one of the great hidden treasures of our liturgical calendar on a Sunday this year. There are only three "nativity" feasts on our calendar: for the Lord, the Blessed Mother (September 8), and today's birth of the Baptist. Today's date is anchored by the Annunciation (March 25), when Mary learns not only of her own child's advent, but of Elizabeth's child. We are exactly half a year away from Christmas Eve. There are strong traditions around this feast. Just as the winter solstice provides a rich vocabulary for Christmas, so does the abundance of light at midsummer inform this celebration. Just as at Christmas, a religious festival spills over into culture. As summer light reaches its peak, the sun-drenched zones of northern Europe see people staying up all night, lighting "St. John's fires" in the long summer twilight. Bonfires seem to be the unifying force in all these celebrations, kindled along the shores of the St. Lawrence in Quebec and Montreal, with harbor illuminations in France. You may be most interested in the custom in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Baptist's own city. People there will leap into the sea between midnight and dawn to honor John. Why not find your way to a pool, a lake, or a sandy beach today and plunge in to recall your baptism? It's a tradition! --Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

### **TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

Hoy recordamos a san Juan Bautista, primo de Jesucristo y precursor del Mesías. Juan se hizo famoso predicando la penitencia y bautizando con agua, insistiendo que vendría uno que bautizaría al mundo con fuego y el Espíritu Santo. Hoy es uno de los santos más festejados en el mundo, especialmente en zonas donde su fiesta coincidía con la llegada del verano.

Para celebrar a este santo pariente de Jesús la gente en Alicante, España, hace fogatas durante la noche de su vigilia y baila en torno a ellas. En América el pueblo Boliviano también recibe al santo con hogueras, para quemar la tierra en busca de fertilidad y purificación. Los Bolivianos también festejan echándose agua los unos a los otros.

San Juan ha sido honrado en el hemisferio Americano desde 1509 cuando Juan Ponce de León nombró la Isla de Puerto Rico en su honor. También allí hacen el juego del agua en la fiesta de san Juan ya que los fieles se echan de espaldas al océano tres veces en busca de purificación y celebración. Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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