

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

**First Sunday of Lent    March 10, 2019**

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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)**

May 30, 2019 Ascension of Jesus

## **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  
March 9 – March 17, 2019**

**SATURDAY (March 9) Saturday after Ash Wednesday**

8:30 ST. AGATHA/Teresa Nobile  
5:00 ANGEL LOGIUDICE SCAGLIA/Alfonsina Scaglia  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (March 10) First Sunday of Lent  
Daylight Savings Time Begins**

8:00 LIBORIA BONANDO/Grandchildren  
10:30 VINCENZO SCOZARO & GIUSEPPE COFFARO  
Nicolo & Vincenza Arcieri  
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY (March 11) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 SANTA LUCIA/Teresa Nobile  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY (March 12) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 CHESTER WILK/Family

**WEDNESDAY (March 13) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 FRANK & LINA ALFANO/Daughter &  
Grandchildren

**THURSDAY (March 14) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 ANTHONY & MARIE BELLUSCIO/  
Franklin & Susan Belluscio  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**FRIDAY (March 15) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 MARIA & CARMINE PERROTTI/Grandchildren

**SATURDAY (March 16) Lenten Weekday**

8:30 JOHN & VERONICA JAZIKOFF/Family  
5:00 MARY & PIETRO PIGA/Children & Grandchildren  
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (March 17) Second Sunday of Lent**

8:00 GIUSEPPE & FRANCESCA ARCURE/  
Giuseppina Piccoli  
10:30 GERARDO STANGO/Wife, Pasqualina & family  
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

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The Bread & Wine will be offered this week in memory of:  
**Mary & Pietro Piga**  
requested by Children & Grandchildren

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of Mary  
& Pietro Piga  
requested by Children & Grandchildren



**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 in a future bulletin**

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

Carmen Alava  
Karen Bulloch  
Caterina Campbell  
Isaac Castañeda  
Orlando Chavez  
Wayne Cook  
Rosemary Coppola  
Mary Cusmano  
Lionor Sepulveda De Devia  
Marianna Dubell  
Maria Espinoza  
Mario Fronzoni  
Joseph Gambino  
Denise Griest  
Jared Leonardo Henao  
Jacob Hinman  
Joshua Hinman  
Joseph B. Jean-Mary  
Michelle Johnson  
Lindsay LaMarre  
John Lapolla  
Theresa Lattanzio  
Rosa Leon  
Arlene Marsden  
Bob Marsden  
Elvin Martinez  
Anthony Merlo  
Leonarda Merlo  
Joseph Merlo Jr.  
James D. Milazzo

Carmen Mistichelli  
Carlos Moran  
Rosemarie Newton  
Declan Rocco O'Connor  
Pietro Paolucci  
Robergeau Paul  
Maria Perdomo  
Laura Philipone  
Frank Pierre  
Jo Piga  
Raul Atilio Portillo  
Jose Luis Porto  
Gisel Porto  
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



**Prayer  
Fasting  
Almsgiving**

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**WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**


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**First Sunday of Lent/ Primer Domingo de Cuaresma**


Today is the first Sunday of Lent, and in today's gospel we heard about the three temptations that Jesus had in the desert prior to his public ministry. These temptations are in a sense a way to remember the Exodus, all the temptations that the people of Israel suffered before partaking in the covenant with Yahweh, and so be part of the chosen people. And at the same time, these three temptations are those that we have. The first temptation, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread..." This temptation is called by many "fathers" of the church, the temptation of the bread. And it is if we were asked, were do you look for or put your security in life? Were do I believe that life is? Were do I look for life every day? Normally I look for it in my job, in my efforts, in my money. So, Jesus answer de devil, "Not on bread alone man's live, but on every word that comes from God's mouth." The "Word" has the power to create. Christ put all his trust in his Father, the Lord of life and death. The Second temptation is: "If you are the Son of God, throw your self, from here so the people... because God will send his angels to protect you..." This is the temptation of changing the history, yours and mine, not accepting our lives, and all the doubts that life throw at us. But Christ answered the devil very plainly and sharply, "You shall not tempt the Lord your God..." Making very clear that he is the Son of God or what is the same to say, being God himself. Because being God's son knows that his father did not make a mistake in his history, but it is perfect. And the God allows anything with a reason, so the love of God may be discovered. The third one, "I will give you all these if you fall prostrate and worship me..." The temptation of the Idols of the world, money, possessions, power, success, fame, recognition, affections, etc. What I believe that will make me happy. But there is a problem that every idol demand sacrifices of blood, and so we are ready to sacrifice any thing, health, family, friends, etc. In order to get what we want. But Christ rejects Satan, "... To God alone you shall worship..." Because the Church is a good Mother, she comes into our help during this time of lent, so we can fight back these three temptations, how? To fight the first one, the church recommends us **to Fast**, so we can experienced that life is not coming from what I eat or drink, that I do not die if I skip one or to meals, on the contrary, it is very healthy not to eat so our bodies can be cleanse. To fight the second temptation, **Prayer**, to have a closer relationship with the Lord, an open channel of communication with God, to put before him all my worries, anxieties, and doubts. And to fight the third one, **Alms giving**, no with the mentality that I will help, or solve the economical problems of any body, because it is not so, but as a way of helping ourselves, Christ said in the Gospel: "Make friends with the unjust money, so when it will fall short, you will be received in the eternal kingdom..." May God bless you and your families and friends ways.

Hoy es el primer Domingo de Cuaresma, y el evangelista nos presenta las tres tentaciones que Cristo sufre en el desierto antes de comenzar su vida pública. Estas tentaciones son a modo de recordar lo que el pueblo de Israel sufrió en el desierto, y como Yahvé lo prepara para poder hacer de ellos su pueblo, el rebaño escogido. Pero también, estas tres tentaciones de Cristo son las mismas tentaciones que tenemos todos nosotros. La primera tentación, "Si tu eres el hijo de Dios, dile a estas piedras que se conviertan en pan..." Con esta tentación, que es llamada por muchos "Padres de la Iglesia," como la tentación del pan, se nos pregunta ¿Dónde busco yo mi seguridad? Donde creo yo que esta la vida, donde la busco todos los días. Normalmente en el trabajo, en el esfuerzo por mejorar la situación en que vivo, etc. Y cristo responde: "No solo de pan vive el hombre, sino de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios." Cristo pone su confianza en su Padre, el Señor de la vida y de la muerte. La segunda tentación, "Si tu eres el hijo de Dios, tírate por que esta escrito, el enviara a sus Ángeles para que te protejan..." Esta segunda tentación es la tentación de la historia. La misma que tenemos todos nosotros, la de no aceptar mi historia, mi vida, todas aquellas incógnitas y preguntas que nunca se resolvieron, por que ocurrió esto o aquello, por que estoy aquí, etc. Y sin embargo Cristo responde al diablo de una forma sencilla y contundente, "No tentarás al Señor tu Dios." Dejando claro quien es el, el Hijo único de Dios, o lo que es lo mismo, Dios mismo. Por que siendo hijo sabe muy bien que su padre no se ha equivocado, que todo lo ha hecho bien. Y todo lo permite con una razón importantísima, descubrir el amor de Dios, y que fuera de este amor no hay nada. La tercera, "Todo esto te daré si te postras y me adoras..." La tentación de los ídolos del mundo, el dinero, las posesiones, etc. Que creo yo que me va a dar la felicidad. Pero el problema es que todo ídolo nos pide sacrificios de sangre, y por estos ídolos estamos dispuestos a sacrificarlo todo, salud, familia, amigos, etc. Sin embargo Cristo, rechaza a Satanás, "...Solo a Dios adoraras." Por esto mismo, la Iglesia como buena madre viene en nuestra ayuda, y por esto la cuaresma, ya que es muy difícil luchar contra estas tentaciones, por esta razón, para combatir la primera tentación, viene en nuestra ayuda con **el Ayuno**, ver que si un día no comemos no nos morimos, ya que la vida no depende de lo que comemos o bebemos en un día. Para la Segunda tentación, la iglesia nos invita a **Rezar**, importantísimo tener hilo directo con Dios, y que mejor que charlar con Dios através de la oración, y la meditación. Y para la tercera tentación, la de los Ídolos del mundo, se nos invita a **hacer Limosna**, no como forma de ayudar a los pobres, sino para ayudarnos a nosotros mismos. Dice Cristo en otro evangelio, "Haceos amigos con el dinero injusto, para que cuando os falte, os reciban el las eternas moradas." Que Dios los bendiga a todos ustedes y a sus familias y amigos. Feliz Cuaresma.

**Readers & Lectors** Lectors for the Weekend of  
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**March 16 -17**

Saturday, March 16  
 5:00 PM  
 7:00 PM Maria Duran y Mario Martinez  
 (Vivanette Lorenzo)

Sunday, March 17  
 8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz  
 10:30 AM Nicole Mora  
 12:00 Noon Yoni Rodriguez y Manuel Majico  
 (Sandra Bonilla)

 **Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of**  
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**March 16 - 17**

Saturday, March 16  
 5:00 PM Frank Mazza  
 7:00 PM Salomon Yanes, Reina Yanes y Gerson Flores

Sunday, March 17  
 8:00 AM Mary Wilk  
 10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron & Sebastian  
 Gutierrez  
 12:00 Noon Melida Canela, Patricia Zelaya y Marisa 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.

**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.



- \*MONDAY:** 7:00 PM Mass (Spanish)
  - \*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.

**Archdiocese of Newark 2019 Lenten Regulations**

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare to share molly and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 10, 2019 , to The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 16, 2019**

\*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.



Once again the Archdiocese will be celebrating **5, 25 and 50** years of Christian marriage in the year 2019.

These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

**April 28, 2019 3:00 PM 50 years**

**June 2, 2018 3:00 PM 5 years and 25 years**

If you are celebrating any of these anniversaries' and would like to participate, please contact the rectory office (Mary Wilk 351-3300) for a registration form. The deadline for registration is April 19 for 50 years and May 24 for 5 years and 25 years.

**The 2020 Mass Book** is now open. Please come to the rectory office to reserve a Mass for your loved ones.

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Las Personas que aún no han Recibido algun Sacramento y desean recibirlo deben registrarse desde ya, acercándose a la Rectoría y contactándose con Teresa Marín

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** -- God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalm** -- Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** -- The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** -- Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13)

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## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** -- Libres de los egipcios opresores, los israelitas muestran su fe ofreciendo al Señor los primeros frutos de su nueva tierra (Deuteronomio 26: -10).

**Salmo** -- Tú eres mi Dios y en ti confío (Salmo 91 [90]).

**Segunda lectura** -- Todos los que expresan su fe en Jesús resucitado y confiesan que él es el Señor, se salvarán (Romanos 10:8-13).

**Evangelio** -- Jesús fue conducido por el Espíritu al desierto y allí fue tentado (Lucas 4:1-13).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:4-48

**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 -- 4:1 [3:20 -- 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36



## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life's journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three pillars of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death's darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life's journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Las cenizas que se nos pusieron en la frente el miércoles pasado ya están borradas, pero las palabras que nos dijeron deben sonar aún en nuestras almas. Tradicionalmente se dice: "Recuerda que del polvo venimos y al polvo retornaremos." Y aunque hoy en muchos lugares se dice: "Conviértete y cree en el Evangelio" el mensaje para oídos latinos es el mismo. Es un mensaje que nos saca de nuestro egoísmo recordándonos lo que los antiguos Toltecas ya sabían: esta vida es un sueño y el que muere despierta a la vida verdadera. Viviendo el Evangelio en esta vida nos prepara para la vida eterna.

Las cenizas y esas frases dan un mensaje que lleva la imagen de la tierra que se somete para cultivarse. A veces la tierra se quema para que de sus cenizas venga vida nueva. Las cenizas que se nos pusieron no son para despreciar nuestra vida sino para amarla. De esa manera seremos cultivados por el ayuno, la oración y la caridad que hagamos durante la cuaresma, sometiendo el polvo de nuestro cuerpo para dar fruto eterno.

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

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