

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Second Sunday of Lent March 17, 2019

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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)

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 16 – March 24, 2019**

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

MONDAY (March 18) Lenten Weekday

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

TUESDAY (March 19) St. Joseph

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/Antonia Chillemi

WEDNESDAY (March 20) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ROSALBINO PICCOLI/Giuseppina Piccoli

THURSDAY (March 21) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ANNA WILK/Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (March 22) Lenten Weekday

8:30 CARMELA & LETTERIO TRAVATO/
Antonia Chillemi

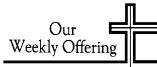
SATURDAY (March 23) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ANGELO STERIO/Wife Dolly
5:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 24) Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DE COSMO
FAMILY/Family
10:30 THERESA LORIA/Mr. & Mrs. Biagio Arcieri &
Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
-- Psalm 27:1



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 the next 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
Leonor 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



WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Second Sunday of Lent/Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

Dear Brothers and Sister in Christ. We are celebrating the Second Sunday of Lent, or “Transfiguration Sunday.” The Gospel of this Sunday presents to us Jesus’ transfiguration before three of his apostles, Peter, James and John. Our Lord chose these three of his intimates friends in order to be witnesses of this amazing moment in Jesus’ journey. Then, other two very significant men for the Jewish people appear, Moses and Elijah, they are the two witnesses of the Old Testament, Moses the one who made the people of Israel a nation and gave them the “Torah,” and the other Elijah, “The Prophet” per excellence. And they were conversing with Christ about his journey towards the “Paschal Mystery,” toward our salvation. We can wonder about what this gospel has to do with the first reading, in it, we have this moment in the life of Abraham, in which God makes a promises to him, “Your descendants will be like the stars of heaven...” God not only made a promise to Abraham, but made a covenant with him, without asking Abraham to sign this pact, because the only one who passed through the animals divided in two was God, while Abraham slept. So God sword an oath to Abraham that if He did not fulfill his part, he will be divided like the animals of the sacrifice. And if we go ahead, the gospel of this Sunday is the fulfillment of this covenant, Jesus Christ is entering into his Father’s will, that is that everyone of us will belong to the descendants of Abraham, the Church. But for this he need to have this encounter with these two witnesses, Moses and Elijah. And here the three apostles, are representing us, because if we have an encounter with God, through prayer, events, etc. we would like to remain there forever, but, Jesus told them no, lets go, this is just a fore taste of what is coming, so when the moment of the trial appears you will have something to hold on to. When the temptation to run away will come, you will stay faithful to me. This is the invitation that the Lord is making to us today, that we will be like him in glory, so courage! my brothers and sisters, Jesus is with us. May God bless you always.

Queridos hermanos en Cristo. Estamos celebrando el Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma, o “Domingo de la Transfiguración.” El Evangelio de este domingo nos presenta a Jesús transfigurándose delante de tres de sus apóstoles, Pedro, Santiago y Juan. Nuestro Señor escoge a tres de sus íntimos amigos para que sean testigos de este momento tan importante en la su vida. Y continuación, aparecen dos de los personajes mas importantes de la historia del pueblo de Israel, Moisés y Elías, que son dos de los testigos mas importantes del Antiguo Testamento, Moisés el libertador y el que da la ley a su pueblo y lo hace una nación; y Elías el profeta por excelencia. Ellos estaban conversando con Cristo sobre su viaje final a Jerusalén para realizar “El Misterio Pascual, el misterio de nuestra redención. Podemos pensar , que tiene esto que ver con la primera lectura, que nos habla de la promesa que hizo Dios a Abraham, “Tu descendencia será tan numerosa como las estrellas del cielo...” Dios no solo le hace una promesa a Abraham, pero también una alianza sin pedirle que selle este pacto, ya que el único que promete cumplir su parte es Dios, mientras que Abraham en su debilidad se queda dormido. Así que Dios hace un juramento a Abraham, de que si no lo cumple que le pase lo que a estos animales divididos para el sacrificio de esta alianza. Y así, si nos adelantamos al evangelio otra vez vemos que este es el cumplimiento de esta promesa hecha a Abraham, Jesucristo que entra en la voluntad su Padre, que es la salvación de todos, y esto nos hace ser descendientes de Abraham. Por esta razón, Jesús necesita de estos dos testigos de excepción, Moisés y Elías. Y también los Apóstoles, que nos representan a nosotros todos, por que las veces que Dios se ha encontrado con nosotros, ha sido tan estupendo que no querríamos irnos nunca, pero Jesús les dijo que no, que había que seguir adelante. Este momento solo era una prueba del amor de Dios, para que cuando llegara el momento de la prueba tuvieran algo donde sostenerse, cuando la tentación de salir corriendo apareciese, permaneciesen fieles a Cristo. Esta es la invitación que el Señor nos hace hoy a nosotros, para que seamos como él en la gloria. Así que ! Animo! Hermanos que el Señor los bendiga.

Readers & Lectors

Lectors for the Weekend of March 23 - 24

Saturday, March 23

5:00 PM

7:00 PM Mario Martinez y Maria Duran (Claudia Yanes)

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM Ann Ruppert

10:30 AM Ariel Legacy

12:00 Noon Magdalena Ortiz y Sandra Bonilla (Teresa Marin)



Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of March 23 - 24

Saturday, March 23

5:00 PM Jim Leggett

7:00 PM Salomon Yanes, Reina Yanes y Gerson Flores

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli

10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron & Sebastian Gutierrez

12:00 Noon Melida Canela, Gerson Flores, Ana Marte 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)

***WEDNESDAY:** Ash Wednesday-See schedule of Masses

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

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

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.

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The LORD made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)

Psalms -- The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading -- Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 -- 4:1 [3:20 -- 4:1]).

Gospel -- Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36)

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- A tu descendencia daré esta tierra (Génesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Salmo -- El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación (Salmo 27 [26]).

Segunda lectura -- Somos ciudadanos del cielo (Filipenses 3:17 -- 4:1 [3:20 -- 4:1]).

Evangelio -- Pedro, Santiago y Juan presencian la transfiguración de Jesús en el monte (Lucas 9:28b 36).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure, though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to give something up for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway. What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ's embrace of us in love: What are you taking on for Easter?

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La Cuaresma nos llama a la conversión, a la cual deberíamos estar dedicados todo el año. En muchas parroquias latinas la Cuaresma también es tiempo de misiones. De niño recuerdo haber participado cada año en las misiones de mi parroquia. Escuchábamos a los predicadores con curiosidad, ya que aparecían solo una vez al año y luego se regresaban a lugares lejanos y desconocidos. Nunca imagine que algún día yo también estuviera como predicador de misiones. Me gustaría darles un resumen del mensaje que he sembrado en varias parroquias. Las misiones no son para repetir doctrina, sino para evangelizar a los bautizados. Con cinco temas se puede evangelizar a los bautizados recordándoles los cinco puntos claves del Evangelio cristiano: 1) Dios nos ama y nos hizo para él; 2) Nosotros hemos pecado y sufrimos las consecuencias; 3) Dios nos manda a su Hijo para librarnos del mal; 4) Jesús desea formar parte de nuestras vidas personales, ¡invitémoslo! y 5) Jesús llena nuestro corazón con el poder y la presencia de su Espíritu. Este mensaje es uno de conversión y esperanza.

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

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