

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 31, 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 30 – April 7, 2019**

SATURDAY (March 30) Lenten Weekday

8:30 MARCO ANTONIO CASTILLO/Mark & Libia
Cosmas
5:00 ROSA ROLDAN/Children & Grandchildren
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 31) Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
10:30 UGO GABRIELE/Anselmo & Teresa Gabriele
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (April 1) Lenten Weekday

8:30 PHILIP CASTILLO/Dolly Castillo
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (April 2) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ANGELO ANRINIELLO/Sorella Teresa

WEDNESDAY (April 3) Lenten Weekday

8:30 LIBIA COSMAS (Birthday)/Husband, Mark

THURSDAY (April 4) Lenten Weekday

8:30 EMIRO CASTILLO & Family/Dolly Castillo
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (April 5) Lenten Weekday

8:30 CARMELA CIANFANO/Mamma Teresa

SATURDAY (April 6) Lenten Weekday

8:30 PETER MADORMA/Daughter Dolly
5:00 ANDREW DUBELL JR/Wife & Children
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (April 7) Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 VINCENT MISKINIS/Family
10:30 FRANCESCA GUIDUCCI/Vincenza Candelino
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

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

Norma Espino & Maria Tanga



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.

5:00	332
7:00	837
8:00	454
10:30	603
12:00	2,222
Mail	213
Total:	4,661

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

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

***This week there will be a second collection for
Catholic Relief Services***

****There is no envelope in the box for this collection.

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

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Fourth Sunday of Lent/Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma

Dear brothers and sisters, in today's gospel we received a very good word from John the Evangelist, and it is not just a miracle done by Jesus Christ, but a catechesis of the primitive church related to baptism. Because everybody that was ready to be baptized needed to answer one question: what do you say of the one who opened your eyes? Because they were called enlightened, by the very fact of their baptism. So the first step was to recognize that they were blind, and what they could not see was the love of God in their lives.

In this process of recognizing their blindness, they should accept that Christ put this mud in their eyes, the mix of Christ's word and their own sins, the Love of God and their own humanity, all celebrated in a community. Thus it is to show, how the Lord had intervened in their histories.

More or less as it happened in the first reading with the election of David as King of Israel, being the last one of his family, the least important, the one in charge of tending the flock, the one with no rights, that's why he is not called to the presence of the prophet Samuel since the beginning, but God had him in mind, and God warned the prophet telling him that there is one of Jesse's children missing. Because the most important thing is that God is the one who chooses, and He has chosen us for a very important mission, that we will go and give witness of how good he has been with us. But for this we need to be enlightened in our history, in our lives, so we can see and recognizes that every event in our lives, good or not, has been allowed by God so we can give testimony of his kind paternity toward all humanity. So, today, "What do you say of the one who opened your eyes?" Are you able to answer that he is the Messiah, the son of the living God? That he has made well everything that makes the blind see, the lame walk and the mute speak. What is your blindness today? What prevent you to see the love of God today?

For this the church is calling us to be the last ones, so we can experience the election of God in our lives.

May the Lord bless you always.

Queridos hermanos, hoy el Evangelio nos presenta una palabra estupenda del evangelio de Juan, y no es solamente el relato de uno de los milagros de Cristo, sino una catequesis de la iglesia primitiva relacionada con el bautismo. Ya que todos los que iban a ser bautizados tenían que responder a una pregunta , y tu, ¿que dices del que te ha abierto los ojos? Ya que los que iban a ser iluminados por el bautismo tenían que primero reconocerse ciegos, es decir que no veían lo que el Señor había hecho en sus vidas. En este proceso, tenían que reconocer como el Señor había puesto ese barro en sus ojos, esa mezcla de la saliva y la tierra, la palabra de Dios junto con la humanidad del hombre, los pecados y la palabra de Dios celebrada en comunidad. Es decir, como el Señor había actuado en sus historias. Un poco como pasa en la primera lectura con la elección de David como rey de Israel. David es escogido siendo el ultimo, el menos importante de su familia, siendo el menor, en Israel, el menor de la casa no tenia derecho a nada, por eso no es llamado a presencia del profeta Samuel desde el principio, sino cuando Dios le dice al profeta que faltaba uno de los hijos de Jesé. Lo importante es que Dios es el que elije, y a todos nosotros nos a elegido el Señor para una misión muy importante. Que vallamos y demos testimonio de lo bueno que ha sido con nosotros, pero para esto necesitamos ser iluminados en nuestra historia, en nuestra vida, para poder ver y así reconocer que todos los acontecimientos, buenos y no tan buenos según nosotros, los ha permitido Dios para que podamos dar testimonio de su bondad y paternidad para contados los hombres y mujeres del mundo. Por eso hoy, ¿Que dices del que te ha abierto los ojos? Eres capaz de responder que es el Señor, el Mesías, el hijo de Dios. Que todo lo ha hecho bien, que hace ver a los ciegos. Cual era tu ceguera, que era lo que te impedía ver a Dios. Para esto, la iglesia nos llama a ser los últimos, por que en ese lugar es donde podemos encontrarlo, donde experimentaremos la elección del Señor en nuestra vida.

Que Dios los bendiga a todos.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm -- Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading -- Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel -- This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- El pueblo de Dios come de los frutos de la tierra prometida (Josué 5:9a, 10-12) ó 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Salmo -- Haz la prueba y verás qué bueno es el Señor (Salmo 34 [33]) o Salmo 23(22).

Segunda lectura -- Ahora somos embajadores de Cristo (Corintios 5:17-21) o Efesios 5:8-14.

Evangelio -- Este recibe a los pecadores y come con ellos (Lucas 15:1-3, 11-32) o Juan 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Today, Laetare Sunday, breaks the somberness of Lent for a little rejoicing, and the readings all summon us to an awareness of reconciliation. One of the best-loved stories of our tradition is today's Gospel story of the runaway son and the prodigal father. Prodigal, of course, is an adjective meaning spendthrift or extravagant to a degree bordering on recklessness, and although the boy maxes out the credit cards, it is really the father who is prodigal with forgiveness.

Part of the excitement of this Laetare Sunday is rooted in the ancient catechumenate. Long ago, midway through Lent, the

elect were focusing more and more on the gift of reconciliation accomplished for them by Christ and about to be realized in the Easter sacraments they were preparing to celebrate. In some places, the elect were even bedecked with roses on this day. A person bedecked with roses sticks out in a crowd; a person formed by the Eucharist and committed to living a life of reconciliation does, too. That's you!

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Cuaresma es tiempo de reconciliación por medio del perdón. En este espíritu, el Papa san Juan Pablo II pidió perdón por pecados cometidos por la Iglesia. Uno de estos pecados es la manera como América fue cristianizada.

La relación del latino con la religión católica ha sido entre buenas intenciones y antagonismos. Gracias a Dios, ¡somos cristianos! Lamentablemente, nuestro bautizo, en la mayor parte de los casos, fue en agua bendita y sangre indígena a la vez, ya que América fue evangelizada con cruz y espada. Los pobres misioneros que con fatiga, predicaron en nuestras tierras venían acompañados por hombres poderosos en busca de riquezas.

El filósofo romano-español Séneca (siglo I) afirmaba: la religión es algo que para la persona común es verdad, para el sabio es falso y para el poderoso es útil. A su vez, el romano-judío Pablo de Tarso declara que en Cristo, Dios ha revelado que la persona común y necia derribará la falsedad de los sabios (1 Cor 1:18-31).

El latino creyente reconoce que su fe nació del dolor de la conquista y no niega los abusos clericales, pero confía en el Evangelio reconciliador. -Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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