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SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY EVENING: 5:00PM

SUNDAY MORNING: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, AND 12:00 NOON

WEEKDAY MASSES:

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 9:00AM

WEDNESDAY, 4:00PM

FIRST FRIDAY, 9:00AM AND 12:10PM

SATURDAY:

9:00AM

CONFESSIONS:

SATURDAY: 4:00PM TO 4:45PM

OR BY APPOINTMENT IN THE RECTORY.

BAPTISM:

ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE BY CONTACTING A PRIEST OF THE PARISH. AN INSTRUCTION CLASS IS HELD BEFORE THE SACRAMENT. PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED IN THE PARISH AND ENCOURAGED TO BECOME PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY FOR AT LEAST THREE MONTHS BEFORE THE BAPTISM.

MARRIAGE:

ARRANGED SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE. SPECIAL CONDITIONS APPLY FOR NON-PARISHIONERS. PRE-CANA REQUIRED.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

CALL THE RECTORY ANYTIME.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

MS. TINA DeLAURENTIS-GARCIA, DIRECTOR, 965-5535
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GRADES 1-7, SUNDAYS 8:30AM-11:00AM

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

EVERY FAMILY AND SINGLE ADULT SHOULD BE PROPERLY REGISTERED IN THE PARISH AND RECEIVING A MONTHLY SET OF ENVELOPES. NEW PARISHIONERS, WHO WISH TO REGISTER, CAN DO SO AT THE RECTORY.

HOMEBOUND:

PLEASE NOTIFY THE RECTORY REGARDING COMMUNION FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS.

Mr. George Eacobacci, Principal

School: 476-8489

School Fax: 965-7939

Mr. Kenneth Corneille, Director of Music and Organist



Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2019

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor."



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 14 Vigil: *Third Sunday of Advent*

5:00pm John, Martha and Michael McGowan

Sunday, December 15 *Third Sunday of Advent*

8:00am Alberta Blasewitz

10:00am Terenzio Poggiogalle

12:00noon Eileen DeBernardis—30th Anniversary

Monday, December 16 *Late Advent Weekday*

9:00am Frank T. Fitzgerald

Tuesday, December 17 *Late Advent Weekday*

9:00am Robert Bookchin

Wednesday, December 18 *Late Advent Weekday*

4:00pm People of St. Anthony

Thursday, December 19 *Late Advent Weekday*

9:00am Walter Higgins

Friday, December 20 *Late Advent Weekday*

9:00am Eleanor Higgins

Saturday, December 21 *Late Advent Weekday*

9:00am Emmanuel Ouano, Sr.

Saturday, December 21 Vigil: *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

5:00pm Teresa & Vincenzo DeGiorgio

Sunday, December 22 *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

8:00am Andrew Leonardis

10:00am Caroline Pisano—5th Anniversary

12:00noon Theresa & Joseph Silvestro



The Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Teresa & Vincenzo DeGiorgio

* STEWARDSHIP *

Last Weekend's Collection \$ 7,579.00

Same Weekend Last Year \$ 7,232.00

Mass Attendance 517

Immaculate Conception \$ 737.00

Christmas Memorial Flowers \$ 2,239.00

[We have 868 registered families in our Parish. 227 Church envelopes were used this past weekend.]

Your continuous support and generosity to the Parish both financially and spiritually and all that it does for others is greatly appreciated.

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

December 15—December 21

In Memory of the
Kleinlercher Family



Call the rectory (965-2733) to reserve a specific week for a loved one or special occasion.

Prepare your heart for *Christmas!*

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

RECONCILIATION MONDAY . . .

. . . this Advent Season takes
place this Monday, Dec 16th.

The Sacrament of
Reconciliation will be available
at St. Anthony's and at all
churches throughout the Archdiocese of New
York continuously from 4pm - 8pm.



GAUDETE SUNDAY

Gaudete Sunday is TODAY - the Third Sunday of Advent. Like Lent, Advent is a penitential season, so the Priest wears violet vestments. But on Gaudete Sunday,



having passed the midpoint of Advent, the Church lightens the mood a little, and the Priest may wear rose vestments. The change in color provides us with encouragement to continue our spiritual preparation — especially prayer — for Christmas. For this same reason, the third candle of the Advent wreath lit on Gaudete Sunday, is traditionally rose-colored.

PARISH CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING, CRECHE BLESSING & CAROLING!



Friday December 20th at 7 pm
Warm beverages and treats
to follow in the School Hall



COME ONE - COME ALL!!!

CHRISTMAS OFFERTORY AT ST. ANTHONY'S!

The Offertory, or Collection, at Mass is an integral part of the Sunday liturgy, not just because it is the primary means by which the parish receives financial support from the parishioners, but because it is also an expression of our gratitude to God for the blessings He has given us to return a portion of them back to Him for use by His Church.

By our baptism as Catholics we are called to be stewards of God's gifts to us, to use them in ways that build up our families, our parish, our community, and our world. In that stewardship, we are encouraged to be deliberate and intentional in weighing our various obligations against our limited resources as we decide where we spend those resources of time and money and effort. When we give to our parish and to the greater Church, we are witnessing to our children and to the world about our values and about what's important to us.

The parish offers various methods by which parishioners can support its mission through various offerings and collections throughout the year. Each method has unique benefits to the giver, the parish, and to the needy in the world at large .

Only one collection is taken on Christmas, and it is for the maintenance of all parish activities and outreach. And so we ask you to give as generously as your means permit to provide for these life-giving services!

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!!!

CHRISTMAS + NEW YEAR'S MASSES **AT ST. ANTHONY'S**

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, December 24th:
5pm (Children's Pageant & Homily) & 10 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, December 25th:
8 AM, 10 AM, 12 NOON

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Tuesday, December 31st:
5pm

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Wednesday, January 1st, 2020:
10am & 12noon
(*** No 8 AM Mass***)

SINGALONG FEEDING PROGRAM

Please help us once again to fund our international feeding program for poor children in our sister parish in Singalong, Manila, The Philippines! This program provides nutritional, medical and dental services to children who would otherwise not receive them in a poor section of this part of the world. They are the children of St. Anthony's half a world away, so please fill the "**Sharing Boxes**" with your donations throughout the Advent Season. Please return the filled boxes to Church by Christmas. If there are no boxes left, we have provided labeled envelopes for you to use instead. Thank you for your charitable generosity, especially at this time of year!

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

O Father in Heaven, we beseech you raise up our hearts
while we await the coming of your only Son.
May we, by His Nativity among us, become reconciled to you
so that we may serve you in holiness all the days of our lives.

Amen.

Advent
A Season of Hope
& Expectation



THE ST. ANTHONY PARISH GIFT SHOP
 ... IS NOW CARRYING ITEMS FOR SALE FOR CHRISTMAS! PLEASE STOP BY TO SEE IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN SOME RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS ITEMS OR ORNAMENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE!!!

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Our website contains information about our program, registration (including forms), Sacraments and a yearly calendar. <https://stanthony-yonkers.org/religious-education-program/>

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

We pray for all the sick of our Parish, especially:


- Drew Aaron · Gianna Colao · Maggie Coleman ·
- James Collins · Bridget Conlon · Kevin Corneille ·
- Bessie Cortes · Laura DeSantis ·
- Mark DeSantis · Kathleen Doherty · Bette Frattali ·
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- Susan Schiavone · Michael Treacy ·

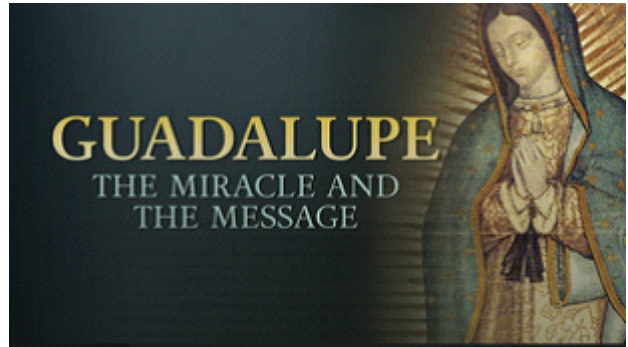
CHARITABLE COLLECTIONS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN GIFTS TO THE GIFTING TREE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION, AS WELL AS MITTENS & SCARVES TO THE TREE!



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As a result of the Virgin Mary appearing to Juan Diego, nine million Native Americans embraced the Catholic Faith.

ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS PRESIDERS

December 21st/22nd
 5pm Father Mastrolia
 8am Msgr. LaMorte
 10am Father Mastrolia
 12 noon Capuchin Father

Mark Your Calendar



Monday, December 16th
Reconciliation Monday, 4:00pm-8:00pm

Friday, December 20th
Parish Christmas Tree Lighting, Caroling, Crèche Blessing, 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 25th
Nativity of the Lord—Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, January 1st
Solemnity of Mary—Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, January 3rd
First Friday -Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -12:45pm-1:45pm, closing with Benediction

Sunday, January 5th
ROSCA de REYES / Spaghetti Dinner

We want to use this column to give ourselves a much needed review of our religious knowledge. It will be an 'on-going' column and will follow the three year cycle of readings at Mass.

Reading I: Isaiah 35:1-6a,10
Responsorial Psalm: 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Reading II: James 5:7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11



Gifts

I have a new watch, an inexpensive one.

The old one had worn out. This new one had something I like very much, a second hand. I can watch the seconds tick by and I can "time" anything I want to.

Who wants to time things?

Imagine having to sit with nothing to do when you are late and in a hurry, with a mechanical device deciding for an entire minute and a quarter the second when you are allowed to go on! Well I do, especially when I get caught by a traffic light that changes to red just as I pull within a half a block. I glance at my wrist to see just how long the light sits on red. Some of them last—listen to this—a minute and fifteen seconds!

As you can see, I need to put on some patience. The Second Reading for Sunday says it this way:

See the farmer await the yield of the soil.
 He watches it in winter and in spring rain.*

The farmer is attentive and tolerant because crops do not come up in a day. He has learned patience through many seasons.

How about those of us who are not farmers? How do we "put on" patience?

I think there are two parts to the answer.

First, I have noticed that when I am being impatient I am also failing to notice what is happening in the present time. I am stuck in the future worrying about what will occur and how to make it happen; about where I am supposed to be by now; and how the light will not let me go.

And a lot of us reside in the past instead of the present. We re-hash mistakes we made and finally think of a retort that would have topped someone's nasty remark, and so on.

The present moment is the only one we actually live in. The precious goodness of God makes everything exist right now, not tomorrow or yesterday, which are only memories or projections. We will miss the present by looking backward or forward too much.

Second, we need to recall that God makes the future safe. God has promised that, in ways we cannot understand, the crooked will be made straight. Our gnarled lives will be filled with goodness.

Patience is really a way of remembering the constant love of God, no matter how frightening or disconcerting the future may seem or may actually be. We need to slow down, look around, and live.

Think about Mary's "be it done unto me," her lifelong daily prayer, her nine months, her place at the cross. Notice that, when the angel gave her the annunciation, she did not demand guarantees and full details. She relied on God's love. She waited.

And, the Second Person of the Trinity, alive to earth's ways, waited until it was time to come into the world as Jesus. Then when he sensed that he was hungry, he suckled at his mother's breast, burping only when the occasion presented itself, not before. And think of his years of being just a carpenter day after day. God's beloved, making a chair!

But that is Advent.

Christ is with you. His presence needs to grow.

Just open. Watch for the signs.

Patience, people.

John Foley, SJ

* I wrote a Church song called "Patience, People," that has these words of the farmer in it.

CHURCH CLEANING			
Team	Captain	Phone #	Date & Time
3	Nina Miller	965-0498	Fri, Dec 20, 10am
4	Doris Ciufo	963-1991	Fri, Dec 27, 10am
5	Anita Dharmay	646-938-8151	Th, Jan 2, 5pm
6	Agnes Hernandez	476-8583	Th, Jan 9, 10am
1	Gail O'Rourke	715-6035	Th, Jan 16, 11:30am
2	Angela Marranzino	457-0303	Fri, Jan 24, 10am

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