

# Church of Saint Anthony

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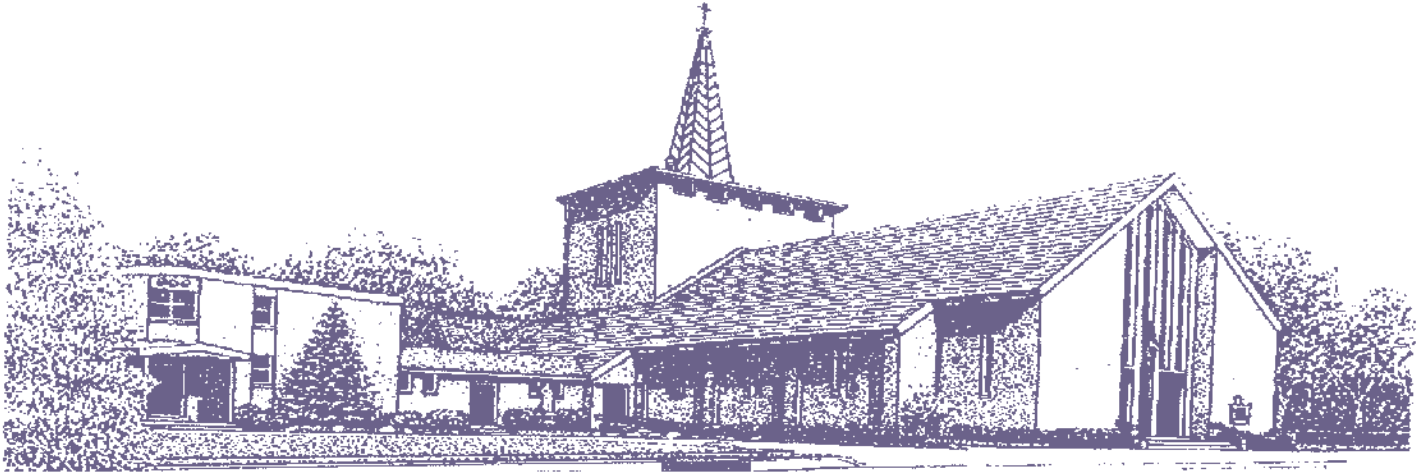
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Fr. Arthur Mastrolia, Pastor

Mr. John Larkin, Office Manager

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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  
[SASRELIGIOUSED@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SASRELIGIOUSED@GMAIL.COM)  
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



# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2020

"Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth:  
you have revealed to little ones  
the mysteries of the kingdom. "



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, February 15** *Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
5:00pm John Shemeta

**Sunday, February 16** *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00am Bud Daniels  
10:00am Ettore Santini  
12:00noon Lorraine Marchionni

**Monday, Feb 17** *Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order*  
9:00am Stefano Gigi

**Tuesday, February 18** *Weekday*  
9:00am Lynn Raggi

**Wednesday, February 19** *Weekday*  
4:00pm People of St. Anthony

**Thursday, February 20** *Weekday*  
9:00am David Sanchez

**Friday, February 21** *St. Peter Damian*  
9:00am Larry Ciufu

**Saturday, February 22** *The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle*  
9:00am Kenneth Bohs

**Saturday, Feb 22** *Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
5:00pm Lillian Rener

**Sunday, February 23** *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00am Carmela Leonardis  
10:00am Rocco Cacciatore  
12:00noon Arline Komosinsk



**The Sanctuary Lamp  
In Memory of  
Zaira Fornari**

### \* STEWARDSHIP \*

Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 7,642.00
Same Weekend Last Year	\$ 6,563.00
Attendance	656
Peter's Pence Collection	\$ 1,436.00

[We have 870 registered families in our Parish. 245 Church envelopes were used last 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 February 16–22

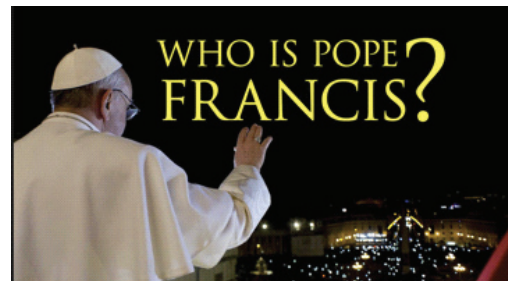
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**Richard Deckelmann**



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

## FORMED

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## LIFE OPTIONS Pro-Life Center 914-620-4464

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The Rectory Office will be closed  
on Monday, February 17th  
in observance  
of Presidents' Day



## WE NEED YOUR HELP

St. Anthony's is in the process of increasing our usher base. Are you 18 years of age or older and a registered and actively church-going parishioner? Would you be willing to serve the church during the celebration of Sunday mass as an usher? In light of the horrific events at Houses of Worship in recent times, we are planning to introduce entirely new safety procedures for our Sunday masses and congregations. This will require the considered attention of a serious group of people to assist with our ushers who are already in place. We need your help! Please see Father Mastrolia or call the Rectory Office for further details.

Over the course of upcoming weeks and months, you will notice several changes in the way that our church is secured during mass and sacramental gatherings. These safety measures are being put in place due to the recent horrific attacks on religious institutions and in compliance with Archdiocesan mandates. Although some of these changes may seem inconvenient to comply with at first, we request your full cooperation during this time. Our goal is to ensure that you and your family are safe, so that you may safely appreciate and experience your privileged time in God's house.

On behalf of our Parish Pastoral Council and the St. Anthony's Safety/Security Committee, I thank you for your cooperation!

Father Mastrolia

## MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Each Sunday, our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Our Lord in Holy Communion to the sick and homebound members of the parish community. If you know anyone who would benefit from this service, please let us know at the Rectory Office. (965-2733)

## CREATE A GIFT THAT PAYS YOU AND LEAVES A LEGACY FOR ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH

A charitable gift annuity allows you to make a significant gift to St. Anthony's Church while earning annual income for yourself. To learn more, please call a gift planning specialist at 646-794-3317 or email [plannedgiving@archny.org](mailto:plannedgiving@archny.org)

## 2020 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The reservation book for Masses is open. Please come to the Rectory Office Monday thru Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Mass stipend: \$15.00

## Offering of Altar Bread and Wine

We would like to offer the opportunity to memorialize the bread and wine used at Mass for a specific week. We already have the custom of memorializing the vigil lamp by the Tabernacle. So, we would like to offer the opportunity of memorializing the bread and wine as well.

We request an offering of \$25.00. If you are interested, please enclose the following information in an envelope marked "Bread and Wine Offering":

1. The date of the Sunday-Saturday which you are requesting
2. Name of the deceased person who you would like to memorialize
3. Your name and contact number
4. Your offering (cash or check)

You should call the Rectory Office (965-2733) to see if the requested date is available. Once the week is reserved, please either drop this envelope into the Offertory Basket, mail it to the Rectory or drop it off in person.

You may also want to have the Offerings of Bread and Wine for another intention: in gratitude or on the occasion of a birthday, a birth or a special anniversary or date that you would like to remember.

## ST. ANTHONY GIFT SHOP

As the sacramental season approaches, know that we will have some beautiful gifts and cards available for purchase in our parish gift shop! Keep this in mind for those who will be receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Also, we will soon be taking orders for Palm Crosses once again! The gift shop is open after most masses and the profits from this endeavor go to support the Youth Ministry of St. Anthony Parish!

## WITNESS FORMATION DAY

Have you ever thought about praying outside of an abortion facility but felt unsure or fearful to take the first step? Join us for a morning conference that will inspire you to say YES! Saturday, February 29th, St. Patrick's Church, 137 Moseman Road, Yorktown Heights. Mass at 9:00am, Registration at 9:30am. Day concludes at noon. Coffee and light refreshments provided. Questions? Email [Sr. Virginia.Joy@archny.org](mailto:Sr. Virginia.Joy@archny.org).

*According to a former Planned Parenthood manager, when there is a person praying outside of an abortion facility, the no-show rate can go up 70%.*

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, at 1:00pm. Their next meeting will take place, **Thursday, Feb 20, 2020.** For more info, call 423-5331. New members are welcome.

### Mark Your Calendar

**Wednesday, February 26th**

*Ash Wednesday*

**Friday, February 28th**

*Stations of the Cross are prayed, 6:00pm*

**Saturday, February 29th**

*Family Fun BINGO*

**Monday, March 2nd**

*Parish Council, 7:00pm*

**Friday, March 6th**

*First Friday—Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -12:45pm-1:45pm, closing with Benediction*

*Stations of the Cross are prayed, 6:00pm*

**Friday, March 13th**

*Pasta with the Pastor*

**Friday, March 20th**

*Pasta with the Pastor*

**Saturday, March 28th**

*Family Fun BINGO*

**Friday, April 3rd**

*Pasta with the Pastor*

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**965 - 5535**

**sasreligiously@gmail.com**

Weekly classes are held for grades 1 through 7 every Sunday. Be advised that in order to have your child make the Sacrament of Confirmation in 7th grade continuous instruction in grades 1 through 7 is mandatory.

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 ·
- Mary Hasbrouck · Maria Iacotini · Marge Kleinlercher ·
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- Felice Palma · Barbara Popovic · Ulla Rattenni ·
- Baby Aaron John Rivera · Carmelita Santos ·
- Susan Schiavone · Michael Treacy ·

### ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS PRESIDERS

**February 22nd/23rd**  
5pm Father Mastrolia  
8am Msgr. LaMorte  
10am Father Mastrolia  
12 noon Capuchin Father

### CAMP VERITAS 2020

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th grades. It will be held at five locations in 2020: June 29-July 4 at Clongowes Wood College in Ireland; July 19-25 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY; July 26-Aug 1 in Emmitsburg, MD; Aug 2-7 in Lake Placid, FL and Aug 16-22 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment opened 1/1/2020 and enrollment for each week is only \$400 per camper. Early bird rates (before 4/1/2020) are \$400 and \$450 after that. More details can be found at [www.campveritas.com](http://www.campveritas.com).

### UPCOMING OFFERTORY SCHEDULE

**February 23** ONE COLLECTION  
**March 1** ONE COLLECTION  
**March 8** ONE COLLECTION  
**March 15** TWO COLLECTIONS  
2nd collection for Catholic Relief Services  
**March 22** TWO COLLECTIONS  
2nd Collection for Easter Flowers

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GENEROSITY!!!**



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: Sirach 15:15-20**  
**Responsorial Psalm: 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34**  
**Reading II: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10**  
**Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37**  
**or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37**



### What Are Rules For?

It takes a while to grow up.

When I was a boy, I and my brother, who was older by four years, heard a reading at Mass that included the Hebrew word *raqa*. The reading told us that one must not say *raqa* to his brother, since it meant "Thou fool," and would be will be answerable to the Sanhedrin. Obviously the moment we left church we began to say, with impunity and humor, *raqa, raqa, raqa* to each other, since we were brothers in the strict sense of the word.

This unusual word *raqa* is used in today's Gospel (or at least in the "long version"). Jesus does not say it lightly, as the years have helped me see. Obviously, human beings do grow up and a progression takes place. A progression I mean from the uncomplicated, grinning approach to the commandments, to a place from which we can truly have understanding, and—if we can hang on into true maturity—to an experience of the insides of the commandments.

That progression is one way of looking at the readings for this Sunday.

In the First Reading, the writer speaks in very plain terms, as a father might speak to a son or daughter.

If you choose,  
 you can keep the commandments;  
 they will save you.  
 If you trust in God, you too shall live.

These ancient words echo one of the first books of the Jewish testament:

I have set before you life and death,  
 blessing and curse.  
 Choose life,

that you and your descendants may live,  
 by loving the LORD, your God,  
 heeding his voice,  
 and holding fast to him. (Deut 30: 19-20)

Though my brother and I were boys, we would have understood. We would have recognized "life and death, good and evil." God was showing us how uncomplicated it is, how un-mysterious and remote for anyone to understand.

Eons later, Jesus came along. The people had already taken the commandments seriously, but now Jesus gave nuance and fullness to them. They became "a wisdom to those who are mature, ... God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages. ... " (Second Reading)

So, one by one, Jesus took the various laws, in all their externality, and drew out their inner roots. Like this:

- *One external injunction had been against killing. The inside of that law is, do not even act out of anger for your brother or sister. Not even the word raqa should be spoken.*
- *You shall not commit adultery. The inside of that law is: be pure enough to not even glance lustfully at a woman.*
- *Divorce. The interior law is, stay faithful and loving within your marriage relationship, not just do not separate.*
- *Finally, oaths. We could talk of these for pages, but here just realize that today people do use oaths, such as, " ... in the name of God, ... " or "OMG," (which stands for O, MY GOD!), or e.g., "By God, I will never let you. ... " You hear such slang everywhere, movies, television, high schools, grade schools. Jesus diagnoses these usages simply: you are trying to make up for your weakness by putting almighty power behind your words. He tells them he has a better way. Just say yes or no, and mean it. Or, to say it another way, be real.*

Jesus did speak to children, but here it is to us adults. He is offering us the Spirit, and, as St. Paul tells us, the Spirit "scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God"!

Watch Jesus as you progress through life. The inside of the law is written in his heart. As you and I grow up, let it be written in ours too.

John Foley, SJ

CHURCH CLEANING			
Team	Captain	Phone #	Date & Time
6	Agnes Hernandez	476-8583	Th, Feb 20, 10am
1	Gail O'Rourke	715-6035	Th, Feb27,11:30am
2	Angela Marranzino	457-0303	Fri, Mar 6, 10am
3	Nina Miller	965-0498	Fri, Mar 13, 10am
4	Doris Ciufu	963-1991	Fri, Mar 20, 10am
5	Anita Dharmay	646-938-8151	Th, Mar 26, 5pm

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