

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

## May 3, 2015

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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**

May 14, 2015 Ascension Thursday

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursday: Holy Hour following 7 pm Mass  
Hora Santa después de la misa 7 pm

### **Office Hours:**

Daily (Diario) 9:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Saturday (Sábado) 10:00 - 12:00 noon

### **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  
RCIA Tuesday 7:00 pm in Rectory Meeting Room.  
Español: Sábado a las 10:00 am se reúnen en la cafetería de la escuela.

### **Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates**

Those who need a sponsorship certificate to be a godparent must make an appointment with the priest.

### **Staff:**

Ms. Rose Perone, Trustee & English Rel. Ed.  
Mrs. Mary Wilk, Parish Secretary  
Mrs. Teresa Marin, Spanish Rel. Ed.  
Mr. Will Villanueva, Trustee  
Mr. Michael Faccone, Office



### **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.



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## **WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**

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### **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Jesus and his Father are one. How do we understand this unity? First we need to look at the human level. Jesus has the same human nature as you and I. In his humanity, he listens to the Father and does what the Father tells him. We saw this most dramatically during Holy Week, when Jesus faced the shame and humiliation of the cross. He begged his Father to take that "cup" of suffering away from him, but also added, "Not my will but thy will be done." Jesus conformed his human will to the will of the Father. In his humanity he could say, "The Father and I are one." But there is a deeper level of unity between Jesus and his Father. Jesus is not only human; he is divine. He and his Father are one being, one substance. Early Christian writers used this comparison: The unity of Jesus with his Father, they said, is like the unity of a spring of water and the fountain that emerges from it. The spring and the fountain are distinct, but they have a single reality - the same water constitutes each one. Just so, Jesus and his Father are one being, one substance. Jesus is one with the Father in both his humanity and his divinity. In today's Gospel, Christ proposes another comparison in order to discover his union and communion with the Father and also, to have the same relationship with us, his brothers and sisters. Today the proposition that Jesus is putting before us is to be like the vineyard and the branches. Today he intimates that he wants you and me to share that unity. So that, in order for a vine to give good grapes and to produce a good wine it is necessary to be taken care of. To take care of a vine it is needed that the winegrower has to clear the ground, to prune it. The pruning process imply that the vine, being a living being, is going to suffer, but the winegrower produces this suffering looking for the best result of the plant, so it can be healthy, and it may grow big and strong. So too with us, we need to be part of this vine if we want to grow big and strong in our faith, because if we do not produce any fruit, the winegrower may cut us off from the vine. And many times we need these little or big sufferings and trials in our lives so we can grow healthy and strong, so we can give good fruits. So that the eternal Father, that "knows" us, he will give us "eternal life." Now, Jesus is not talking here about something that kicks in after we die. No, that new life ("eternal life") begins now - or it does not begin at all. Jesus wants us to share his oneness with the Father - now. May the Lord bless you and your families and friends. Have a happy week.

Jesús y su Padre son uno. Como entendemos esta unidad? Primero hay que mirar al nivel humano. Jesús tiene la misma naturaleza como tú y yo. En su humanidad, escucha al Padre y hace lo que el Padre le dice. Lo vimos dramáticamente durante la Semana, cuando Jesús enfrento la vergüenza y humillación de la cruz. Pidió a su Padre quitar el cáliz de el, pero añadió, "No mi voluntad, sino tu voluntad." Jesús conformo su voluntad humana a la voluntad del Padre. En su humanidad podía decir, "El Padre y yo somos uno." No obstante hay un nivel mas profundo. Jesús no es solamente humano; el es divino. El y su Padre son un solo ser, una substancia. Los primeros escritores cristianos usaron esta comparación: La unidad de Jesús con el Padre es como la unidad de un manantial y la fuente que sale de el. El manantial y la fuente son distintas, pero tiene una misma realidad - la misma agua constituye cada uno. Así Jesús y su Padre son un ser, una sustancia. Jesús es uno con su Padre en su humanidad y su divinidad. En el evangelio de hoy, Cristo nos propone otra comparación para describir su unidad con el Padre y tambien, tener esa misma unidad con nosotros, sus hermanos. Hoy sugiere que quiere que tú y yo compartamos esa unidad. Habla de la vid y los sarmientos. Por esto, para que una vid pueda dar buenas uvas y así, poder hacer buen vino, es necesario cuidarla. Cuidar una vid implica, que el viñador tenga que limpiar alrededor de ella el terreno, quitarle las malas hierbas que puedan brotar, cavar alrededor de ella, y también para que la vid crezca fuerte poderla. Con la poda, como la vid es una planta que esta viva también sufre, pero el viñador lo hace para que las ramas o sarmientos muertos o secos no le quiten la vida (la savia, el alimento) a las partes vivas y saludables puedan seguir creciendo y fortaleciéndose. Para esto necesitamos seguir unidos a la vid, si nos secamos el viñador nos cortara y entonces si moriremos para siempre, pero si los pequenos sufrimientos que Dios permite en nuestras vidas los procura para fortalecernos y así, dar mas fruto, pidámosle a Dios padre que durante esos momentos de prueba, esos momentos en los cuales el nos poda que nos ayude a no desesperarnos y así crecer mas saludables en la fe y no ser separados de la vid. Ya que el Padre que nos conoce y nos quiere dar la "vida eterna," aquí y ahora no cuando nos muramos. Esa nueva vida ("vida eterna") empieza ahora. Jesús quiere compartir su unidad con el Padre ahora. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos y a todos sus familiares y amigos. Que tengan una feliz semana

**St. Anthony's Food Pantry**

St. Anthony's Food Pantry will be open once a month. The next day for the Food Pantry will be on Wednesday, May 27th beginning at 1 PM. Entrance is through the 3rd Avenue Basement. Please bring some form of identification.

**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.

**Lectors for the Weekend of May 9-10, 2015**

Saturday, May 9

5:00 PM Mark Cosmas  
7:00 PM Raul Alvarez y Abel Flores

Sunday, May 10

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz  
10:30 AM Ariel Legacy  
12:00 Noon Rubia Cardoza y Manuel Mojico

**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of May 9—10, 2015**

Saturday, May 9

5:00 PM Joe Gambino  
7:00 PM Claudia Yanes y Marta Portillo

Sunday, May 10

8:00 AM Mary Wilk  
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Maria Agliata & Rita Agliata  
12:00 Noon Betsy Aleman, Ana Marte y Maritza 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.

**Welcome/ Bienvenidos**

Welcome New Parishioners! We are happy to have you with us. We would like to invite you to register at the parish office during the week. Registration is essential for sponsor/witness letters. **If you move or change your address, please call the rectory.**

¡Bienvenidos a los nuevos feligreses! Nos da mucho gusto de que estén con nosotros. Los invitamos a inscribirse en nuestra oficina entre semana. Tienen que estar inscritos para recibir cartas verificando su participación en la Iglesia.

**Email Registration. Clip and Return. Registro de email. Clip y volver.**



**\*TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony  
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)  
7:00 PM RCIA (Rectory Basement)

**\*THURSDAY:** Holy Hour after 7:00 PM Mass  
7:30 PM AL-ANON—Spanish (Rectory Basement)

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

**\*SATURDAY:** 10:00 AM Spanish CCD

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** -- Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way (Acts 9:26-31).

**Psalm** -- I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** -- This is God's commandment: that we may believe and love (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** -- I am the true vine; whoever remains in me will bear much fruit (John 15:1-8).

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**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** -- Sólo en Jesús encontrará el mundo la salvación (Hechos 4:8-12).

**Salmo** -- La piedra que desecharon los arquitectos, es ahora la piedra angular (Salmo 118 [117]).

**Segunda lectura** -- Nos hemos convertido en hijos de Dios por el amor que el Padre nos tiene (1 Juan 3:1-2).

**Evangelio** -- El Padre ama a Jesús, el Buen Pastor, que da la vida por sus ovejas (Juan 10:11-18).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;  
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;

1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16;

Jn 15:9-17 or Jn 17:11b-19

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## BEARING FRUIT

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." John's words come to us on this day when the Gospel passage presents us with the great image of the vine and the branches. Jesus uses the image as a warning to those who have begun to distance themselves from the way of the Lord. One of the ways this happens is when we love God and others "in word or speech" instead of "in deed and truth." What does it mean for us to "remain in Christ"? In an extension of the metaphor, the Lord gives us an example. If we remain in him, we will bear much fruit. As the branches, we draw strength from Christ who is the vine. This strength enables us to bear fruit--to do the work of true discipleship.

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## NEW IN THE CHURCH

We welcome children to our Masses! At your discretion, and for the solemnity of the Mass, we have made the Children's Room located at the back of the church available for our little guests. The Children's Room is sound proof, has windows to see into the church, and a speaker system to hear the Mass.

We would like to invite all of our Parishioners and their families to attend the **Feast of Mary Help of Christians** on May 17th. We will have a Tri-Lingual Mass at 12 noon followed by a Procession for the Blessed Mother at 1pm in the streets of Peterstown accompanied by the Giglio Band from Brooklyn, NY. All are welcome!

## PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE RETIREMENT OF DEACON JOE CAPORASO FROM OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE ACADEMY

Thursday, May 21, 2015 from 6:00 to 10:00 in the evening  
 Galloping Hill Caterers—1085 Galloping Hill Road, Union, NJ 07083  
 Tickets — \$60 can be purchased at Our Lady of Guadalupe Academy  
 227 Centre Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202  
 Contact: Ysolina Burnett — [yburnett@olgacademy.org](mailto:yburnett@olgacademy.org)  
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## NUEVO EN LA IGLESIA

Damos la bienvenida a los niños a nuestras misas! En su discreción, y para la solemnidad de la misa, hemos hecho la Sala Infantil situada en la parte posterior de la iglesia disponible para nuestros huéspedes más

## PARA DAR FRUTO

"Hijos míos: No amemos solamente de palabra; amemos de verdad y con las obras". Las palabras de Juan nos llegan hoy cuando el pasaje del Evangelio nos presenta con la gran imagen del viñedo y las ramas. Jesús usa la imagen como un aviso a los que se han empezado a distanciar de la senda del Señor. Esto sucede cuando amamos a Dios y a otros "con palabras o dichos" y no con "la verdad y las obras". ¿Qué significa para nosotros "permanecer en Cristo"? El Señor nos da un ejemplo con la extensión de la metáfora. Si permanecemos en él, daremos mucho fruto. Como ramas sacamos la fuerza de Cristo que es la viña. Esa fuerza nos facilita dar fruto -hacer el trabajo de los verdaderos discípulos.



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**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

~~Page 7. Habitación de los Niños está insonorizada, tiene ventanas para ver a la Iglesia, y un sistema de altavoces para escuchar la misa. Fifth Sunday of Easter - B, 2015~~