

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9, 2016

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Pastoral Staff:

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

November 1, 2016 All Saint's Day

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
Español: Sábado a las 10:00 am se reúnen en la cafetería de la escuela.

Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates

You must be an **active parishioner** 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.
Sr. Marie Charitina, S.C., Dir. Rel. Education
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.


**MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 9,
2016 TO OCTOBER 15, 2016**
SATURDAY (October 8) BVM

- 8:30 ANTONIO & BARTOLOMEO PALMISANO/
Maria & Silvio Rosa & Famiglia
5:00 JOHN MARIANO/ Salesian Cooperators
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (October 9) Twenty-Eighth Sunday in O. T.

- 8:00 ROCCO CHIAVUZZO/ John & Antonette Weitrosh
10:30 ANTHONY LE ROSE/ Maggio Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (October 10) Weekday

- 8:30 ANGELA ROSA/ Cesare Vitiello & Famiglia
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (October 11) St. John XXIII

- 8:30 COSIMO CICCHINO/ Tessie Pozyc

WEDNESDAY (October 12) Weekday

- 8:30 ANGELA ROSA/ Erminio Palmisano & Famiglia
7:00 (MEM.) SILVIO AMATO/ Joseph Amato

THURSDAY (October 13) Weekday

- 8:30 JOHN CASSITTA/ Tomasina DiMatteo & Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (October 14) St. Callistus I

- 8:30 JAMES MURPHY/ Sabrina Burnett-Williams

SATURDAY (October 15) St. Teresa of Jesus

- 8:30 ST. GERARD/ Joann Barbiero & Sons
5:00 NICOLO SCOZZARO & GIUSEPPE SCRUDATO/
Mr. & Mrs. Nicolo Arcieri & Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (October 16) Twenty-Ninth Sunday in O. T.

- 8:00 GIUSEPPE CARONIA/ Children
10:30 ANNA NIGRO/ Ann & Russ Harris
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are
donated this week in memory of **Carmela
Bonavitacola** donated by **Children.**

Our
Weekly Offering


**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.

	Weekly Offering	Monthly Assessment
5:00 PM	332	130
7:00 PM	628	360
8:00 AM	346	216
10:30 AM	711	366
12:00 Noon	1750	1212
Mail	310	146
Total	\$4,077	\$2,430

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially

Alfonsina Aker	Angelo Meo
Carmen Alava	Leonarda Merlo
Sheree Balaam	Carmen Mistichelli
Louise Barile	Carlos Moran
Oran Bryant	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Karen Bulloch	Robergeau Paul
Caterina Campbell	Maria Perdomo
Isaac Castañeda	Laura Philipone
Orlando Chavez	Peter Philipone
Wayne Cook	Frank Pierre
Mary Cusmano	Anne Piga
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Raul Atilio Portillo
Marianna Dubell	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Maria Espinoza	Edith Quijada
Mario Fronzoni	Endy Quijada
Denise Griest	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Ann Harris	Sergio Ricciardi
Jared Leonardo Henao	Angel Rivera
Jacob Hinman	Isadora Rodriguez
Joshua Hinman	Magdalena Rodriguez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	John Ruela
Michelle Johnson	Maria Saavedra
Stanley Kuchno	Salvatore Saluccio
Lindsay LaMarre	Gladys San Antonio
John Lapolla	Hugo Santa Maria
Theresa Lattanzio	Frank Tinnirella
Rosa Leon	Angela Verlengeri
Barbara McMurray	John Veltre
Elvin Martinez	Charles White

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**Twenty-Eighth Sunday OT / Vigésimo Octavo Domingo TO, Ciclo C**

How can we know that God exists? In the first reading of today's mass appears Naaman the Syrian, a very powerful man, the commander of the Syrian army. Feared by every people and nation that were fought by him. But he had a problem, he was a leper. He offered many sacrifices and holocausts to many gods, his and those gods of the people who were conquered by him, but without any success in his quest for health. Not by chance, one of his maid servants, an Israelite girl, told him that in her country there was a prophet that could cure him, and so Naaman went to see this prophet in Israel. Elisha the prophet, without seeing him told him to bathe in the Jordan River seven times in order to get cured. But Naaman, who was expecting magical things, or long prayers, etc. went away, despising what the prophet told him, saying that in his country there were better rivers than the Jordan. At the end, he did what he was told and got cured. At that moment, he realized that Yahweh is the only one who can cure, that Yahweh is God, and that there is no other god as He. So, if we could ask Naaman, who is God for you? He will not tell us some definitions of who God is, or any treatise, or theologies, no, he, Naaman, will say, God, Yahweh, is the Only God, because he cured me, I was a leper and he cured me, he will tell us his story, his experience of God acting in his life. In today's Gospel is the same theme. There are ten lepers, who will approach Jesus (risking their lives, because a leper could not approach a healthy person under the penalty of being stoned to death) to ask him to cure them. And Jesus healed them all, with the condition of presenting themselves to the priest as testimony of their cure and to do what the law prescribed for these cases. To be cured of leprosy was a messianic sign. All of them were cured, but only one of them returned to Jesus to thank him, a Samaritan, a stranger, an enemy of the Jews. So this Samaritan man has a special encounter with God, the God of Jesus Christ, and an experience of salvation. So if we are to ask him who is God? He will tell us his experience of the saving power of God, that God does not abandon his creatures, his children, but the God that saves. To this same thing we are called today by these readings, to see the saving power of God in our lives, not just to continuing a tradition handed over by our families, but to see that God has acted in our personal history, in our daily lives. For this same reason, Saint Paul said in the second reading: "If we die with him, we will rise again with him..." May God bless you always.

Como podemos saber que Dios existe? En la primera lectura aparece Naaman el Sirio, hombre muy poderoso, general de las tropas sirias, hombre temido por muchos pueblos y naciones, pero con un problemilla, tenia lepra, y por muchos sacrificios y ofrendas a todos sus dioses, y los dioses de los pueblos conquistados, no obtuvo lo que buscaba, el ser sanado. Pero no por casualidad que su esclava una israelita, le dice que hay un profeta en Israel que lo puede curar, y Naaman va a ver al profeta, que sin mirarlo o tocarlo le dice que se bañe siete veces en el río Jordan para quedar curado. Pero Naaman, que esperaba que el profeta saliera, y le hiciera pases mágicos, o no se que, se enfado y dijo que en su tierra había mejores ríos que ese Jordan. Al fin de cuentas acepta se baña siete veces y queda curado. Entonces se da cuenta que Yahvé el Dios de Israel si tiene poder de sanar y que no hay ningún otro Dios como Yahvé. Así que, si le preguntáramos a Naaman si Dios existe, Naaman no nos contaría historias, ni teologías, ni tratados, ni nada, simplemente diría; "Yo era un leproso, y nada ni nadie pudo curarme, excepto Yahvé, el es Dios de verdad." En el Evangelio, pasa algo por el estilo. Hay diez leprosos, que ven a Cristo y se acercan (con mucho coraje ya que un leproso no podía acercarse a las personas sanas bajo pena de ser apedreados hasta morir) para pedirle que los sane. Y Cristo los cura a todos ellos, con la condición de ir al sacerdote y cumplir con el precepto de la ley, y hacer lo que esta prescrito por la curación. Todos quedaron sanados, pero uno solo se vuelve, un Samaritano, un extranjero, un enemigo del pueblo de Israel. Se volvió para darle gracias a Cristo, a Dios. Por que según el Pentateuco, el sanar de la lepra era una señal mesiánica. Así que este ex leproso reconoce a Cristo como Mesías, como Dios. Así que este hombre tiene una experiencia de Dios en su vida, de que Dios salva, que Dios cura, que Dios no abandona a sus hijos, aunque este sea un samaritano, ahora ya es hijo de Dios, recibe a Dios como Padre. A esto nos llaman las lecturas de hoy, a ver el poder de Dios en nuestras vidas, no como una tradición, algo que nos contó nuestra abuelita, algo aprendido en un libro, o por tradición familiar, sino, en nuestra experiencia, en nuestra vida. Por que así podremos como dice San Pablo en la segunda lectura: "Si morimos con el (con Cristo), viviremos con el..." Que Dios me los bendiga a todos ustedes.

St. Anthony's Food Pantry

St. Anthony's runs a Food Pantry once a month. The next day for the Food Pantry **will be Wednesday, October 26, from 1 to 2 PM.** Enter 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 October 15-16, 2016Saturday, October 15

5:00 PM Mark Cosmas
7:00 PM Javier Zapata y Senon Herrera
(C: Maria Duran)

Sunday, October 16

8:00 AM Anna Ruppert
10:30 AM Ariel Legacy
12:00 Noon Norma Frutos y Rubia Cardoza
(C: Teresa Marin)

**EMHC for the Weekend of October 15-16, 2016
(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)**Saturday, October 15

5:00 PM Frank Mazza
7:00 PM Reina Yanes y Salomon Yanes

Sunday, October 16

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Francesca Merendino and
Gino Merendino
12:00 Noon Myrna Gonzalez, Besy Aleman y
Miguel Hernandez

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.



***TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)

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

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

English CCD Classes start this Sunday, September 25, 2016, at 9:00 AM.

Registration for the 2016-2017 Religious Education Program is in full swing. Registration cost is \$40 for one student, \$55 for two in the same family, and \$75 for 3 or more students in the same family.

Parents of students currently enrolled in our (2015-2016) program are asked to submit the completed registration forms along with tuition payment to the Church by mail or in person at the rectory office Mondays through Fridays 9:30 AM—5:00 PM.

Parents of NEW students may obtain a registration form at the rectory office, and are asked to stop by the rectory office and bring with them a RECENT copy of their child's baptismal certificate, which they must request from the Church of the child's Baptism.

It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that we review the baptismal certificate and have a copy on file in the rectory office.

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.

St. Mary's Presents... "Fall Harvest Wine & Cheese"

When: October 14, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Where: St. Mary's Gymnasium

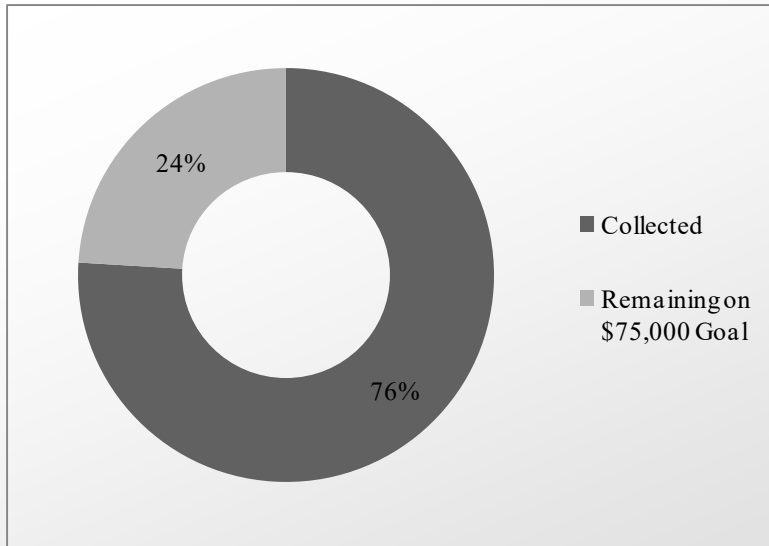
Tickets: \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door

For more information: Contact Kathleen Staudt at 908-352-4350 ext. 213

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.



CHURCH RENOVATIONS

Our goal for Church renovations (painting and carpeting) is \$75,000. So far we have collected \$56,971. Your extra donation will go entirely for this purpose. We are asking that each family donates \$200 to help beautify our Church. Thank you for your generosity.

RENOVACIONES DE LA IGLESIA

Nuestro objetivo para las renovaciones de la Iglesia (pintura y alfombras) es de \$75,000. Hasta ahora hemos recaudado \$56,971. Su donación adicional se destinará íntegramente a este fin. Pedimos que cada familia dona 200 dólares para ayudar a embellecer nuestra Iglesia. Gracias por tu generosidad.

Empty Tomb

At the Sunrise the women went to the tomb. They have in their hands perfumed oils and myrrh to embalm Jesus Body. Their dresses have the crepuscular colors; the shadows of the night are giving way to the sunrise. At the opposite side there is the Angel with golden tunic, in him the light of the risen Christ is reflected, Christ risen inaugurates “The Day without end,” The Celestial messenger is seated upon the rock, which closed the tomb and now has been taken away. The tomb is empty. The Life is not there any more. As in the annunciation, an Angel is bringing the Good News, “Why are you looking among the dead the one who is alive? He is not here, he is risen.” (Lk 24:5) The Women received and guarded in the faith this announcement from the angel. The Angel shows the tomb and the linen, we notice here the similarities with the Nativity: The Cave, the sepulcher in the form of a crib, the linen, this linen wrap the king’s body and they were untied by the resurrection.



La Tumba Vacía

Está alborando. Las mujeres van al sepulcro. Tienen en las manos óleos aromáticos y mirra para embalsamar el cuerpo de Jesús. Sus vestidos tienen colores crepusculares: las sombras de la noche están cediendo a la aurora. En el lado opuesto, un Ángel con vestiduras doradas; en él se trasluce la luz del día sin ocaso que Cristo ha inaugurado. El mensajero celestial está sentado sobre la piedra que cerraba el sepulcro y que ha sido retirada. En el centro, la tumba está vacía. La Vida ya no está allí. Como en la Anunciación un Ángel lleva la Buena Noticia: “¿Por qué buscáis entre los muertos al que está vivo? No está aquí, ha resucitado” (Lc 24, 5). Las mujeres reciben y custodian en la fe este anuncio. El Ángel indica la tumba y las vendas mortuorias. Notamos aquí las analogías con la Natividad: la gruta oscura, el pesebre-sepulcro y las vendas. Estas envolvieron el cuerpo mortal del Rey y fueron desatadas por la Resurrección.