

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23, 2017

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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

April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday

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.
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 APRIL 23, 2017
TO APRIL 29, 2017**

SATURDAY (April 22) Saturday in the Octave of Easter

- 8:30 VALDEMAR & JESUS PEREIRA/
Marlene & Peter Abitanto
- 5:30 ANDREW DUBELL, JR./ Wife & Children
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (April 23) Second Sunday of Easter/
Divine Mercy Sunday**

- 8:00 PAUL, JENNIE & BR. FRANK CICCHITTO/
Family
- 10:30 JOSEPH SCUDERI/ Mary & Anthony Wilk
- 12:00 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY (April 24) St. Francis of Sigmaringen

- 8:30 ALICE GUBERNAT/ Niece Rose
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (April 25) St. Mark

- 8:30 HERMIS BERENICES LOPEZ NAVAS/
Marlene Abitanto

WEDNESDAY (April 26) Easter Weekday

- 8:30 ROBERT J. SINISCALCHI/ Faccone Family

THURSDAY (April 27) Easter Weekday

- 8:30 DAVID CATANHO/ Rosemary Coppola
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (April 28) St. Peter Chanel

- 8:30 BESSIE GIACALONE/ Jose & Mary Guzmano

SATURDAY (April 29) St. Catherine of Siena

- 8:30 AGOSTINO DE PEDRO/ Moglia Alvira
- 5:30 ANTONIO CHIRCELLO/ Mother & Father
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (April 23) Third Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 CAROL JANEWAY/ Friend
- 10:30 JOSEPH SCUDERI/ Jennifer Barrett
- 12:00 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O

LORD! We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially: **Filippa Lisciandra.**

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS APPEAL

Please remember to return your pledge envelopes for the Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal in the collection baskets at Mass. Thank you.

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.

| | Palm Sunday Offering | Holy Land Collection |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5:00 PM | 596 | \$1,532 |
| 7:00 PM | 1341 | |
| 8:00 AM | 444 | |
| 10:30 AM | 1201 | |
| 12:00 Noon | 3898 | |
| Mail | 77 | |
| Total | \$7,557 | |

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially

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

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**Second Sunday of Easter/Segundo Domingo de Pascua Ciclo/Cycle A**

The Feast of Divine Mercy, celebrated on the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday), is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina. A plenary indulgence (the forgiveness of all temporal punishment resulting from sins that have already been confessed) is granted on the Feast of Divine Mercy to all the faithful who go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and "in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. 'Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!')." A partial indulgence (the remission of some temporal punishment from sin) is granted to the faithful "who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation." The Divine Mercy novena began as a private devotion which Our Lord revealed to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. The words of the prayers were dictated by Christ Himself to Saint Faustina, and Saint Faustina recorded in her diary Our Lord's instructions for each day's prayer. Christ asked Saint Faustina to recite the novena starting on Good Friday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday). The novena can be recited at any time of the year, however, and it is often accompanied by the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which Our Lord also revealed to

Cuando Dios quiere revelar un mensaje a la humanidad, no busca a los más importantes y sabios, sino que se revela a través de los más sencillos y humildes, que saben ser dóciles a sus inspiraciones y gracias. Este es el caso del mensaje de la Divina Misericordia dado a la Santa Hna. María Faustina Kowalska, religiosa polaca, instrumento elegido y probado por el Señor. Santa Faustina (como es conocida en el mundo entero) pertenecía a la *Congregación de Hermanas de Nuestra Señora de la Misericordia*, conocidas como las "*Hermanas Magdalenas*" que se dedican a la educación de jóvenes de bajos recursos. Vemos como el Señor empieza a poner las piezas de su "rompecabezas de gracia", en un orden perfecto. Él revela Su Misericordia a una religiosa de la comunidad dedicada a Su Misericordia. Santa Faustina estuvo en varias casas de su Orden, siempre realizando trabajos muy sencillos y desapercibidos, tales como la cocina, el jardín, la limpieza del convento o atendiendo la puerta. Precisamente es a esta hermana menos notoria a la que el Señor escoge para dar al mundo entero el gran mensaje de su Misericordia que a tantas almas ha tocado y transformado al propagarse por el mundo entero en momentos tan críticos para la humanidad. El 22 de febrero de 1931, santa Faustina recibió la primera revelación de la Misericordia de Dios, ella lo anota así en su diario: "En la noche cuando estaba en mi celda, vi al Señor Jesús vestido de blanco. Una mano estaba levantada en ademán de bendecir y, con la otra mano, se tocaba el vestido, que aparecía un poco abierto en el pecho, brillaban dos rayos largos: uno era rojo y, el otro blanco." "Una mano estaba levantada en ademán de bendecir y, con la otra mano, se tocaba el vestido, que aparecía un poco abierto en el pecho, brillaban dos rayos largos: uno era rojo y, el otro blanco. Yo me quedé en silencio contemplando al Señor. Mi alma estaba llena de miedo pero también rebosante de felicidad."

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, April 26 from 12:30-1:30 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 April 29-30, 2017Saturday, April 29

5:00 PM Mary Ann Costanza
7:00 PM Senon Herrera y Will Villanueva
(C: Maria Duran)

Sunday, April 30

8:00 AM Anna Ruppert
10:30 AM Ariel Legacy
12:00 Noon Rafaela Avelar y Zoila Terrones
(C: Sandra Bonilla)

**EMHC for the Weekend of April 29-30, 2017
(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)**Saturday, April 29

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

Sunday, April 30

8:00 AM Mary Wilk
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Maria Agliata and
Gino Merendino
12:00 Noon Peter Aleman, Besy Aleman, y
Melida Canela

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.

SAVE UP

When saving for old age, be sure to lay up a few pleasant thoughts.

--Anonymous

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.



***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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalm -- Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading -- God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel -- The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- Todos los creyentes vivían unidos y compartían todo cuanto tenían (Hechos 2:42-47).

Salmo -- Den gracias a Dios porque es bueno, su amor es eterno (Salmo 118 [117]).

Segunda lectura -- Dios nos concedió renacer a la vida que esperamos por la resurrección de Jesucristo de entre los muertos. (1 Pedro 1:3-9).

Evangelio -- Felices los que creen sin haber visto (Juan 20:19-31).

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CARRYING OF THE GIFTS

CCD Children will carry the gifts at the 10:30 Mass.

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.

AHORRA

Cuando ahorres para la vejez, asegúrate de guardar unos cuantos pensamientos agradables.

--Anónimo



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;
Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

FACEBOOK

Check out the St. Anthony's Facebook page (facebook.com, search "St. Anthony of Padua Elizabeth NJ") for daily scripture readings and to see an electronic version of this bulletin.

A SEASON OF JOY

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). This first line of today's first reading sets the tone as this fifty-day celebration of Easter opens before us. Today we listen to the teachings of three apostles--Luke, Peter, and John--who remind us that even though we have not seen Christ, we nonetheless are filled with joy as we place our belief in his saving death and resurrection. Each week during the Easter season we will gather as a community of faith to find strength and support from our God and from one another. Each week we will gather to break bread and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, actions that will manifest the very presence of the risen Christ in our midst. Let us be open to the wonders of this season of joy.

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DOUBT

There lives more faith in honest doubt,
Believe me, than in half the creeds.

--Alfred, Lord Tennyson

TIEMPO DE ALEGRÍA

"Acudían asiduamente a escuchar las enseñanzas de los apóstoles, vivían en comunión fraterna y se congregaban para orar en común y celebrar la fracción del pan" (Hechos 2:42). La primera línea de la primera lectura de hoy marca la pauta al comenzar esta celebración de Pascua de cincuenta días. Hoy escuchamos las enseñanzas de tres apóstoles -Lucas, Pedro y Juan- que nos recuerdan que, aunque no hayamos visto a Cristo, estamos llenos de alegría al depositar nuestra creencia en su muerte y resurrección salvadoras. Cada semana durante el tiempo de Pascua nos reuniremos como comunidad de fe para hallar fuerzas y apoyo de nuestro Dios y de los demás. Cada semana nos reuniremos para fraccionar el pan y dar gracias en oración, acciones que manifestarán la mismísima presencia del Cristo resucitado entre nosotros. Estemos abiertos a los milagros de este tiempo de alegría.

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LA DUDA

Créeme; hay más fe en la duda sincera,
que en la mitad de los credos.

--Alfred, Lord Tennyson



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