

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10, 2019

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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

(All Sundays)

May 30, 2019 Ascension of Jesus

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: Holy Hour following 7 pm Mass

Hora Santa después de la misa 7 pm

Office Hours:

Daily (Diario) (M - F) 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

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** (registered) 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. Edwin Lopez, Altar Servers



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
February 9– February 17, 2019**

SATURDAY (February 9) Weekday

8:30 JOHN KOLESAR/Family
5:00 JENNY, PAUL & BRO. FRANK CICCHITTO/
Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 10) Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
10:30 GERARDO STANGO/Pasqualina & Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (February 11) Weekday

8:30 VALERIE MARSHOTT/Daughter Ursula
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (February 12) Weekday

8:30 GIUSEPPE & GIOVANNA CHILLEMI/Antonia
Chillemi

WEDNESDAY (February 13) Weekday

8:30 FRANK & LINA ALFANO/Daughter &
Grandchildren

THURSDAY (February 14) Sts. Cyril & Methodius

8:30 ANTHONY & MARIE BELLUSCIO/Franklin &
Susan Belluscio
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (February 15) Weekday

8:30 SOULS IN PURGATORY/Jim & Cathy Leggett

SATURDAY (February 16) Weekday

8:30 CARMELA MELILLO/Figlia Theresa
5:00 PAUL, YOLANDA & CHARLES NOVELLO/
Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

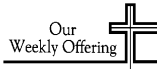
SUNDAY (February 17) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
10:30 GERARDO STANGO/Pasqualina & Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

We remember those who have died in the peace of
Christ, especially:

Stanley Kuchno & Minnie Candelino



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.

	Offertory	Monthly Assessment
5:00	214	195
7:00	856	482
8:00	320	153
10:30	658	219
12:00	2,251	1,138
Mail	173	111
TOTAL	4,472	2,298

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Carmen Alava	Carmen Mistichelli
Karen Bulloch	Carlos Moran
Caterina Campbell	Rosemarie Newton
Isaac Castañeda	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Orlando Chavez	Pietro Paolucci
Wayne Cook	Robergeau Paul
Rosemary Coppola	Maria Perdomo
Mary Cusmano	Laura Philipone
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Frank Pierre
Marianna Dubell	Jo Piga
Maria Espinoza	Raul Atilio Portillo
Mario Fronzoni	Jose Luis Porto
Joseph Gambino	Gisel Porto
Denise Griest	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Jared Leonardo Henao	Edith Quijada
Jacob Hinman	Endy Quijada
Joshua Hinman	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	Sergio Ricciardi
Michelle Johnson	Angel Rivera
Lindsay LaMarre	Isadora Rodriguez
John Lapolla	Magdalena Rodriguez
Theresa Lattanzio	John Ruela
Rosa Leon	Maria Saavedra
Arlene Marsden	Salvatore Saluccio
Bob Marsden	Hugo Santa Maria
Elvin Martinez	Frank Tinnirella
Anthony Merlo	Rosalie Tinnirella
Leonarda Merlo	Angela Verlengeri
Joseph Merlo Jr.	John Veltre
James D. Milazzo	



**This week there will be a second collection for the
Winter Energy**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Fifth Sunday OT/ Quinto Domingo TO


We have three characters in our Scripture today, and each of them when confronted with the greatness, the goodness and the holiness of God, felt like saps: they became keenly aware of their unworthiness. Peter, upon seeing the two boats nearly sink from the miraculous catch of fish, comes to see Jesus in a new way. He falls to his knees and says, *Leave me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.* His response echoes the poet Isaiah, who is confronted with God's majesty shining forth and filling the Temple. Isaiah says, *Woe is me, I am doomed. For I am a man of unclean lips living among a people of unclean lips.* Paul, in the second reading, is clearly taken aback, aware that God chose him, he says, *the least of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.* All of us, I think, can identify with Peter, Paul and Isaiah, when we come to that deep awareness of our moral inadequacy: that we have screwed up and failed. Sometimes, we can get stuck there, feeling that our flaws disqualify us from really answering God's call and serving God's Reign. Yet our readings today paint another picture, one that offers us consolation and hope. They speak to us of a God who comes to us and calls us, not because we are "good enough," but because of who God is: God is love. This is the God who is passionately in love with us, who not only forgives us, but uses our weakness to do wonderful things for catching others in the net of his love and mercy. Look at Paul: the same person who persecuted Christians was forgiven, and in that power was called by Christ to go out and preach the Gospel to the Gentiles. Look at Peter: a weak, stubborn and seemingly fair-weather friend, who denied Jesus three times after promising otherwise, who turned and wept for his failure. This is the same person whom Jesus called to lead his church, to preach and heal. Look closely at those whom God has called down through the centuries: Abraham, Sarah, Moses, David, Matthew, Zacchaeus, Mary Magdalene, Francis of Assisi, Augustine of Hippo. All were frail; all were sinners. Yet God worked through their weakness as God works through ours—touching us and transforming us: our actions, our apathy, our attitudes, our unclean lips and unclean lives. God touches with acceptance and encouragement, with warm and gracious words: *I love you. Be not afraid. Now take this love out to the world.* Today's Gospel is not simply about a famous moment 2000 years ago by the Sea of Galilee. It's about right now, in the defining moments of our daily lives. God is always touching us and calling us—warts, weakness and all—through Jesus, with his words, "Follow me." He comes not only in worship, but in the frustration of hard work where we catch nothing, in the times where it seems we are sinking; God comes not only in washing our nets but in washing our dishes and waiting to pick up the kids from soccer practice; he calls us in the people we love and in people who drive us crazy, even those we call our enemies. He calls us to hear his voice, to bring the compassion and justice of God to a world that needs it desperately. We come to the Eucharist today to receive once more the gift of God's liberating love in Jesus, and to be strengthened in hearing God's call. We pray that we too will surrender and respond in faith with our hearts and lives, "Here I am, Lord. Send me." May God Bless you always

Ay de mi! Estoy perdido, porque soy un hombre de labios impuros, que habito en medio de un pueblo de labios impuros." Desde luego, labios impuros pueden resultar de besar. Pero Isaías tiene algo mas: En vez de usar nuestros labios para alabar a Dios, los usamos para mentir, quizás para tomar el nombre de Dios en vano. En vez de decir palabras de aliento, los usamos para explosiones de cólera o para hablar mal de otros. Como la gente antigua, tenemos labios impuros. Cuando venimos a la misa, pedimos al Señor purificar nuestros labios. Antes de leer el Evangelio, el sacerdote rezar en silencio, "Purifica mi corazón y mis labios, Dios todopoderoso, para que anuncie dignamente tu Evangelio." Purifica mis labios. Es una buena oración, no solamente para el sacerdote sino al comienzo de la misa y sobre todo en tiempo de Comunión, "Señor, purifica mis labios." Decir esa oración es reconocer los pecados. Pecado es como el ADN. Puede estar con nosotros sin darnos cuenta. Cuando entramos en presencia a Dios, no obstante, el pecado es evidente. Cuando el Santo se mostró a Isaías, el profeta dijo, "Ay de mi! Estoy perdido." Algo semejante sucedió a Pedro. Al principio maravillaba a la abundancia de pescado, pero luego vio la verdadera maravilla. Miro a Jesús y dijo, "Aléjate de mi, Señor, soy un pecador." Cuando nos acercamos a Dios, hay que admitir quienes somos: criaturas, seres creados. Nadie se hizo a si mismo. Dios nos hizo, debemos todo a el, pero no lo hemos reconocido. Hemos tratado de hacerlo por nuestra propia cuenta - y no ha ido bien. Como Pedro somos pecadores. Como Isaías tenemos labios impuros. Reconocemos nuestros pecados - pero no paramos allá. Si solamente enfocamos en nuestras fallas, seria fatal. Quisiera contarles de un hombre que casi hizo ese error. En 1978, el mes de octubre, un periodista estaba solo en un hotel. Delante de el tenia una botella de wisqui y unas píldoras. Iba terminar su vida. En el fondo habia un radio. Escucho una voz con acento polaco. La voz dijo, "No tengas miedo." Era el nuevo papa, Juan Pablo II. Algo paso dentro de aquel hombre. Por medio del Papa Juan Pablo, escucho a Jesús. Puso las píldoras en el tacho. Empezó una nueva vida. A pesar de su sentido de fracaso, escucho esas palabras bellas, "No tengas miedo." Jesús dijo las mismas palabras a Pedro hoy. Y dice a ti y a mi, "No temas." Quizás no hemos llegado al borde de desesperación, quizás no tenemos la conciencia fuerte de Pedro, pero sabemos que hemos fallado en algo. Nuestros errores del pasado están con nosotros con el ADN. Han herido a otros, a nosotros mismos y a Dios. Sin embargo, Jesús dice, "No temas." Jesús quiere perdonar, pero quiera hacer algo más. En la primera lectura. En nuestra primera lectura vemos como un ángel llevo un carbón encendido y toco los labios del profeta. Los primeros cristianos vieron el carbón encendido como una figura de la Eucaristía. Especialmente cuando recibimos la Comunión, Jesús quiere purificar nuestros labios. Y quiere calentar y limpiar nuestros cuerpos y almas. Este domingo, como Isaías, como Pedro, reconocemos nuestros pecados. No es algo negativo sino positivo. No hace escuchar la voz de Jesús y recibir su perdón, su sanación y por medio de la Eucaristía, permitirlo tocarnos y sanarnos. Conscientes de nuestros pecados - y deseando perdón y sanación - rezamos, "Señor, purifica mis labios."

Readers & Lectors **Lectors for the Weekend of February 16-17**
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Saturday, February 16
 5:00 PM
 7:00 PM Marta Villanueva y Will Villanueva
 (C: Maria Duran)

Sunday, February 17
 8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz
 10:30 AM Ashley Mora
 12:00 Noon Magdalena Ortiz y Jose Bonilla
 (Patricia Zelaya)

 **Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of February 16-17**
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Saturday, February 16
 5:00 PM Frank Mazza
 7:00 PM Salomon & Reina Yanes y Gerson Flores

Sunday, February 17
 8:00 AM Mary Wilk
 10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron & Sebastian Gutierrez
 12:00 Noon Melida Canela, Gerson Flores y Ana Marte

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.

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.



- *MONDAY:** 7:00 PM Mass (Spanish)
- *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

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.

Pledge Weekend

This weekend is the start of the 2019 *Sharing God's Blessings* Annual Appeal. This campaign provides the necessary resources to sustain Archdiocesan programs and ministries. Our parish goal this year is \$25,060. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for any help you can provide. If you choose to donate online, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing



Once again the Archdiocese will be celebrating **5, 25 and 50** years of Christian marriage in the year 2019. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

- April 28, 2019 3:00 PM 50 years**
- June 2, 2018 3:00 PM 5 years and 25 years**

If you are celebrating any of these anniversaries' and would like to participate, please contact the rectory office (Mary Wilk 351-3300) for a registration form. The deadline for registration is April 19 for 50 years and May 24 for 5 years and 25 years.

The 2018 Contribution Statements were mailed out to anyone who has contributed \$250 or more to the Church. If you have not received one and would like one, please call the rectory office (Mary Wilk) between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The 2020 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, February 26th at 8:30 a.m. Please come to the rectory office to reserve a Mass for your loved ones.

BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS-From the birthplace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Christian community is seeking your love and support through obtaining their handmade olive wood religious articles. These items will be displayed at the church after all masses the weekend of **February 16 and 17**. Your help can and will make a difference in the lives of your brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading --Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the Lord and responds, Send me!(Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3 8)

Psalm -- In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

Second Reading -- Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

Gospel -- Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. (Luke 5:1-11).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- El Señor de los ejércitos llama a Isaías a ser su representante (Isaías 6:1-2a, 3-8)

Salmo -- Cuando te invocamos, Señor, nos escuchaste (Salmo 138 [137]).

Segunda lectura -- Pablo nos recuerda el Evangelio que nos predicó por medio del cual somos salvados, si creemos (1 Corintios 15:1-11).

Evangelio --Jesús le indica a Simón que lleve la barca a la parte más honda para una pesca milagrosa (Lucas 5:1-11).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 -- 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Cuando era niño a mis primos mexicanos les gustaba contarme cuentos de la Llorona, la mano negra, bultos que flotaban en los cementerios, y lucecitas azules que aparecían sobre tesoro escondido por bandidos de siglos pasados. Estos cuentos también se escuchaban en el Valle del Río Grande de Texas, donde me crié. Confieso que me fascinaban y asustaban esas misteriosas leyendas, así como los relatos de santas y santos que levitan, tienen visiones, escuchan voces celestiales o chorrean sangre de llagas que recuerdan las llagas de Cristo en la cruz.

He escuchado el llanto de la Llorona, y me parece haber visto la mano negra. Sé que mi carro se movió solo en un lugar donde murieron unos niños sobre un autobús escolar. Los latinos sabemos que hay muchas cosas que no se pueden explicar, simplemente se vive con el misterio. Y ¿a quien no le atrae un buen misterio? El sentido del misterio nos atrae y nos intimida en el misticismo de los santos cristianos. Ellos nos recuerdan que hay mucho sagrado e inexplicable que penetra nuestras vidas cotidianas. - Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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