

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 24, 2019**

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## **Pastoral Staff:**

Rev. Oscar Martin Dominguez, Pastor

Rev. Juan Carlos Zapata, Parochial Vicar

## **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 23 – March 3, 2019**

**SATURDAY (February 23) St. Polycarp**

8:30 VICTOR FERNANDEZ/Mr & Mrs Joseph Cusmano  
 5:00 FRANCESCA GUIDUCCI/Angela Molanirio & Family  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (February 24) Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 GIULIA DE COSMO/Family  
 10:30 MARIETTA REALE/Teresa & Anselmo Gabriele  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY (February 25) Weekday**

8:30 JENNIE & FRED PERONE/Daughter Rose  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY (February 26) Weekday**

8:30 ANDREA FIGGIAMr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza

**WEDNESDAY (February 27) Weekday**

8:30 CHARLOTTE REDZINIAK/Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza

**THURSDAY (February 28) Weekday**

8:30 CHARLES SCHITONE/Anthony Milano  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**FRIDAY (March 1) Weekday**

8:30 EMIRO CASTILLO & FAMILY/Dolly Castillo

**SATURDAY (March 2) Weekday**

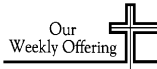
8:30 ROSALIE WESELOSKI/Antonio DiPaola  
 5:00 CHARLES J. SCHITONE/Mr. & Mrs. Charles Webber  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (March 3) Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children  
 10:30 DOMENICK TRIPODI/Daughter Tina  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

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**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!**  
 We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially:  
**Lillian Renna**



**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.

	<b>Offertory</b>
<b>5:00</b>	<b>567</b>
<b>7:00</b>	<b>969</b>
<b>8:00</b>	<b>530</b>
<b>10:30</b>	<b>582</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<b>2,434</b>
<b>Mail</b>	<b>317</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,399</b>

**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 Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe**  
**\* There is no envelope in the box for this collection**

**Next week there will be a second collection for the Monthly Assessment**

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**WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**


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**Seventh Sunday OT/ Séptimo Domingo TO**


Son your sins are forgiven! This is the controversial phrase of today's Gospel. Because it is true, if we refer to the Hebrew law, only God can forgive sins. That is why Christ, here in a slightly subtle way, is presenting himself as God, since he is "the Son of God." But this is not the most important thing in today's Gospel, but rather the different protagonists of the story that is narrated to us. First is Christ, as we already know, the main work of Christ is not to cure anyone of their illnesses and illnesses, but to announce to all the love that "Heavenly Father" has for men. And in order to reaffirm this good news, miracles take place. Second protagonist, the paralytic. This man is in a situation of paralysis, physical inability to move. This disease in the scriptures is the representation of the inability to love others, a sign of selfishness. Since, many times we are locked in ourselves for fear of losing my "I." The third protagonists are the four who carry the stretcher with the paralytic. These, according to the "Fathers of the Church," are a sign of the adult Church, those who have discovered the Messiah in their lives, and who know with certainty that he is the only one who can cure him of this paralysis, of this impossibility of loving, to go to meet the other. These four characters do everything possible to get this paralytic to Jesus, even if they have to make an effort to open the roof of the house and bring it down and put it before Christ. This is the mission of the Church, not only to give a few talks, or some informative courses and this is no longer, but to make sure that the man comes to have an existential and personal encounter with God himself, who is the only one with power to make him walk, that this paralytic can get close to others, can love, how? Well, very easy, receiving the forgiveness of sins. Every man has written in his interior the supreme law: "To love God and the neighbor." To love is the supreme law. But to be able to love, we must have experienced love, but as we can know what love is. Therefore, the forgiveness of sins is the only way to experience the love that God has for us. Since no one loves someone who does something wrong, but God does, God forgives him, because that is why he has sent his only Son, to Christ. For this reason, all the listeners marveled at the doctrine of Christ, since in the law only an avenging God appears, and Jesus shows us a merciful and benevolent father. So, my dear brothers, let us ask the God of mercy to forgive our sins, and so we can go out to meet our neighbors and announce to them the love and mercy of Almighty God. May God bless you always and all your family and friends.

¡Hijo tus pecados están perdonados! Esta es la frase controversial del Evangelio de hoy. Por que es verdad, si nos remitimos a la ley hebraica, solo Dios puede perdonar los pecados. Por eso Cristo, aquí de una forma un poco sutil, se esta presentando como Dios, ya que el es "el Hijo de Dios." Pero esto no es lo mas importante del Evangelio de hoy, sino que son los diferentes protagonistas de la historia que se nos narra. Primero es Cristo, como ya sabemos, el Trabajo principal de Cristo no es curar a nadie de sus enfermedades y dolencias, sino de anunciar a todos el amor que "El Padre Celestial," tiene por los hombres. Y para poder reafirmar esta buena noticia se producen los milagros. Segundo protagonista, el paralítico. Este hombre se encuentra en una situación de parálisis, imposibilidad fisica para poder moverse. Esta enfermedad en las escrituras, es la representación de la incapacidad de amar a los demás, señal del egoísmo. Ya que, muchas veces nos encontramos encerrados en nosotros mismos por miedo a perder mi "Yo." Los terceros protagonistas, son los cuatro que llevan la camilla con el paralítico. Estos, según los "Padres de la Iglesia," son signo de la Iglesia adulta, aquellos que han descubierto en sus vidas al Mesías, y que saben con certeza que es el único lo puede curar de esta parálisis, de esta imposibilidad de amar, de ir al encuentro del otro. Estos cuatro personajes, hacen todo lo posible por hacer llegar a este paralítico a Jesús, incluso si tienen que esforzarse para abrir el techo de la casa y bajarlo y ponerlo delante de Cristo. Esta es la misión de la Iglesia, no solamente dar unas charlitas, o unos cursos informativos y ya esta, no, sino asegurarse de que el hombre llega a tener un encuentro a nivel existencial y personal con Dios mismo, que es el único con poder de hacerlo caminar, de que este paralítico pueda acercarse a los demás, pueda amar, ¿como? Pues muy fácil, recibiendo el perdón de los pecados. Todo hombre lleva escrito en su interior la ley suprema: "Amar a Dios y al prójimo." Amar es la ley suprema. Pero para poder amar, hay que haber experimentado el amor, sino como podemos saber que es el amor. Por eso, el perdón de los pecados es la única manera de experimentar el amor que Dios nos tiene. Ya que nadie ama a uno que hace algo malo, pero Dios si, Dios lo perdona, por que para eso ha mandado a su Único Hijo, a Cristo. Por esta razón, todos los oyentes se maravillaban de la doctrina de Cristo, ya que en la ley solo aparece un Dios vengador, y Jesús nos muestra a un padre misericordioso y benévolo. Así que mis queridos hermanos, pidámosle al Dios de la misericordia que perdone nuestros pecados, y así podamos salir al encuentro de nuestros prójimos y anunciarles el amor y la misericordia de Dios todopoderoso. Que Dios me los bendiga siempre y a todos sus familiares y amigos.

**Readers & Lectors**      **Lectors for the Weekend of**  
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Saturday, March 2  
 5:00 PM  
 7:00 PM      Vivianett Lorenzo y Jose Bonilla  
 (Claudia Yanes)

Sunday, March 3  
 8:00 AM      Jennifer Markowycz  
 10:30 AM      Ariel Legacy  
 12:00 Noon      Mario Martinez y Manuel Majico  
 (Sandra Bonilla)

 **Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of**  
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Saturday, March 2  
 5:00 PM      Frank Mazza  
 7:00 PM      Salomon Yanes, Maria Duran y Reina Yanes

Sunday, March 3  
 8:00 AM      Nick Cistrelli  
 10:30 AM      Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron & Sebastian  
 Gutierrez  
 12:00 Noon      Melida Canela, Gerson Flores, Patricia Zelaya y  
 Marisa 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.

**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

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**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.

The Annual Appeal directly supports various ministries and programs through the Archdiocese of Newark, such as our evangelization efforts, Catholic education, Catholic Charities, youth and young adult ministry, and many other ministries. **Your participation in this campaign is vitally important.** If you have not yet made a pledge to the 2019 *Sharing God's Blessings* Annual Appeal, there is still time. Just complete a pledge envelope and drop it in the collection basket, or bring it to the parish office. If you have already made a contribution, thank you for your generous gift.

La Llamada Anual sostiene todos los programas y ministerios arquidiocesanos y brinda ayuda a diferentes personas con múltiples necesidades en diferentes aspectos de su vida. Si usted no ha hecho su promesa a La Llamada Anual Compartiendo las Bendiciones de Dios 2019, aún hay tiempo. Solo complete un sobre de promesa y deposítelo en la canasta de colecciones o tráigalo a la oficina de la parroquia. ¡Si ya ha hecho una contribución, gracias!

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Las Personas que aún no han Recibido algun Sacramento y desean recibirlo deben registrarse desde ya, acercándose a la Rectoría y contactándose con Teresa Marín



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.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** -- David found Saul in a deep sleep, but would not harm him (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).

**Psalm** -- The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** -- We shall bear the image of the heavenly Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-49).

**Gospel** -- Give to everyone who asks of you. Lend expecting nothing back (Luke 6:27-38).

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## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** -- David salvó la vida de Saúl porque él era ungido del Señor (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).

**Salmo** -- El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso (Salmo 103 [102]).

**Segunda lectura** -- Así como llevamos la imagen del Adán terrenal, llevaremos la imagen del celestial, Jesús (1 Corintios 15:45-49).

**Evangelio** -- Ama a tus enemigos, hazle el bien a los que te odian. Muestra misericordia y perdón (Lucas 6:27-38).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40

**Thursday:** Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

**Friday:** Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

**Saturday:** Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

**Sunday:** Sir:27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16;  
1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45



## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When the Roman Empire turned a favorable eye toward the once-persecuted Christians, among the effects was a population explosion in the baptismal font, as Christian sympathizers stepped from the shadows. With more and more people becoming Christians, laws were passed to protect Sunday as a work-free day. Soon, it became possible to celebrate Mass later in the morning, rather than the older custom of gathering before dawn to celebrate Eucharist. Amazingly, despite the increasing numbers of Christians, there was great resistance to adding to the number of worship events; the Eucharist that began as a few friends around a table soon was transformed into a more formal event with throngs crowding a large hall. All the Christians in a city or town would gather around the bishop for the one Sunday Eucharist, and only when the crowds became unmanageable was there an impulse to divide the assembly by splitting off a new bishop and flock.

Now, sixteen hundred years later, many parishes see a need to trim or combine Mass schedules. This is often seen as tough surgery. Yet our forebears in the faith would see it as a gain: a filling up of the Eucharist with a large and vigorous assembly, a fullness of ministry, an opportunity to make the Church more fully visible and stronger for service.

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## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Según san Mateo, una noche mientras los discípulos estaban en la barca de Pedro, Jesús vino hacia ellos caminando sobre el mar. Ellos se espantaron creyendo que era un fantasma de algún pescador pero él los calmó diciendo ¡Ánimo!, que soy yo; no teman. Debió ser impactante ver al Señor caminar sobre las aguas, especialmente en una época donde las aguas venían consideradas como el caos.

En varias partes de Latinoamérica los fieles celebran a distintos santos con procesiones de barcos sobre ríos o mares. En el Puerto de Paita, Perú se llevan a los santos Pedro y Pablo en una procesión acuática. San Pedro, que fue pescador, está en casa sobre la barca, ya que normalmente son barcas de pescadores las que forman la procesión. Esta procesión reconoce el caos del mar reconociendo a los pescadores, que durante el año perdieron sus vidas en el mar, con guirnalda lanzadas a la bahía. Pero, esta procesión no se espanta del mar ya que es una fiesta en honor de dos siervos de aquel que camina sobre las aguas, dominando el mar.

-Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch

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