

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8, 2019

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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)

November 1-All Saints 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) (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
September 7 – September 15, 2019**

SATURDAY (September 7) Weekday

8:30 JACK GULLINO/PETER CANU
5:00 DEC. MEMBERS OF THE MAZZA FAMILY/
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (September 8) Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
10:30 ANN HARRIS/Daughter, Kathy
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (September 9) St. Peter Claver

8:30 MARIA & ASSUNTA DIMEO/Amelia & Son
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (September 10) Weekday

8:30 DAVID CANDELINO/Libera Paolucci & Anna Farina

WEDNESDAY (September 11) Weekday

8:30 SOULS IN PURGATORY/Jim & Cathy Leggett

THURSDAY (September 12) Weekday

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

FRIDAY (September 13) St. John Chrysostom

8:30 ST. YEMA/Maria Nunez (Gratitude)

SATURDAY (September 14)

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 CARMELA MADORA/Daughter, Dolly
5:00 CARLO MARTINO/ Wife, Paolina & Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

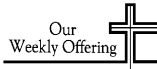
SUNDAY (September 15) Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 EMILIO SR & CARMELA LEPORINO/
Antonio Florio & Frank Leporino
10:30 VINCENT GUILIANO/Wife & Children
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of:

**Laura Marina Gonzalez
Requested by:
Diomar & Cano Family**



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	Assessment
5:00	309	126
7:00	685	433
8:00	284	255
10:30	303	151
12:00	1,280	776
Mail	155	119
Total:	3,016	1,860

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

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

Christian Giving



**This week there will be a second collection for
The Catholic University of America**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Twenty-Third Sunday OT/Bigesimo Tercer Domingo TO

Jesus says something similar in today's Gospel. He talks about making a commitment and following through. In this case it is the most basic commitment - to become a disciple. Jesus compares discipleship to fighting a battle or to building a tower. Before you enter battle, be sure you have sufficient troops to engage the enemy. Before you start building the tower, count your bricks. In other words, be prepared to follow through. Jesus tells us exactly what it costs to be a disciple. He doesn't hide it from us. He tells right up front that it will cost everything. It means putting Jesus ahead of any human relationship. To get his point across he uses a harsh word. He speaks about "hating" one's father or mother, wife or children, brothers and sisters. The word is meant to shock us out of our complacency, the idea that we can hold something back from Jesus.** Even when we recognize that the word "hate" in this context means to "love less," it is still pretty shocking. I mean, who does Jesus, think he is? Is he saying he is more important than ones parent, spouse, child or sibling? The answer to that question is that Jesus not only thinks, but knows who he is: the incarnation of God. As Emmanuel, God among us, Jesus must ask for our total allegiance. Sometimes people look at discipleship as if it was like belonging to a political party. But we do not follow Jesus because we are comfortable with his platform. I have to admit that many of the things Jesus said make me very uncomfortable. But I follow him; I want to be his disciple because I believe he is who he says he is: the Bridegroom, the Lord of the Sabbath, the one who forgives men's sins. Blessed Mother Teresa knew something that most of us do not know: Suffering has meaning in Jesus. It is worth suffering any deprivation for his sake. Jesus came to show us the Father. He came to bring us God. He is God. That is why he must come first. If we have Jesus, we have everything. Jesus spoke about "hating" parents, spouse, child and sibling - that is, loving them less than Jesus himself. He said that because not because he literally wants us to hate them, but because he wants us to love them in the correct way. If we put Jesus first, we will do right by others. We will learn to really love that other person. My dear parishioners let me put it to you as plainly as I can: The best thing you can do for someone - whether parent, wife, child, sibling or friend - the best thing you can for that other person is to become a disciple of Jesus. For most of us September is the beginning of a new year. It is a time to make a new beginning - to reinvent oneself, to discover your true self in Jesus. That means: Put Jesus first. Stop being a victim. Like Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, embrace your life - with all its pain and possibility. Take up your cross and become a disciple. Put Jesus ahead of every consideration - and you will find the joy you were meant to have. The bottom line is this: You and I can chose who we will become - and if you chose Jesus, you will find your true identity. May God bless you always.

Como dejar de ser una victima y empezar a tomar posesión de la propia vida. Es difícil para nosotros, especialmente hoy, porque vivimos en una sociedad promueve la mentalidad de victima - que mis problemas son causados por otras personas o fuerzas ciegas fuera de mi control. Al hacer compromisos inteligentes y cumplir con ellos, podemos determinar quienes seremos. No tenemos que sentirnos atrapados en una personalidad que no podemos cambiar. Haciendo buenas decisiones, podemos reinventarnos. Es un mensaje sencillo y básico, pero siempre necesitamos escucharlo. Jesús dice algo semejante en el evangelio de hoy. Habla de hacer un compromiso y cumplirlo. En este caso es el compromiso más básico - ser un discípulo. Jesús compara el ser discípulo con salir a una batalla o construir una torre. Antes de entrar en la batalla, estar seguro que tengas suficientes soldados. Antes de construir una torre, contar los ladrillos. En otras palabras, estar preparado a cumplir el compromiso. Jesús nos dice exactamente lo que cuesta ser discípulo. No lo esconde de nosotros. No dice directamente que costara todo. Significa poner a Jesús adelante de cualquier relación humana. Dice que tenemos que preferir a el sobre padre, madre, esposa, hijos y hermanos. ¿Como puede Jesús exigir tanto? Lo puede hacer porque es la Encarnación de Dios. Como Emanuel, Dios entre nosotros, Jesús tiene que pedir nuestra lealtad total. A veces algunos ven el discipulado como ser miembro de un partido político. Pero no seguimos a Jesús porque estamos cómodos con su plataforma. Tengo que admitir que hay muchas cosas que Jesús dijo que me hacen sentir incomodo. Pero lo sigo, quiero ser su discípulo porque creo que es lo que dice: El Novio, el Señor del Sábado, el que perdona los pecados. Jesús quiere que nos reinventamos - que descubramos nuestro ser verdadero en relación a el. Significa, como Jesús nos dice, cargar la cruz. Dios quiere que lo amemos no por lo que el nos da sino por lo que es es. Dios puede quitar las buenas sensaciones para que aprendamos un amor mas profundo. Y en el caso de un gran santo como la Madre Teresa, el puede hacerlo para dar un ejemplo para nosotros. Ojo, hermanos, si tú estas experimentando oscuridad, no hay que concluir que ya eres un gran santo como la Madre Teresa, sino ver las otras causas. Quizás debes ir al medico o comenzar un programa de ejercicio o cambiar un poco la dieta. O tal vez hay un pecado escondido que uno tiene que sacar del corazón, con la ayuda de Dios. Para la mayoría de nosotros el mes de septiembre es el comienzo del nuevo año. Es el momento para hacer un nuevo comienzo - reinventarse, descubrir el ser verdadero en Jesús. Significa: Poner a Jesús en primer lugar. Dejar de ser victima. Abrazar tu vida - con todo su sufrimiento y posibilidades. Cargar la cruz y ser discípulo. Poner a Jesús encima de toda consideración - y encontraras la alegría que es tu destino. Tú y yo podemos escoger quienes seremos. Si escoges a Jesús, encontraras tu identidad verdadera. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos.

Readers & Lectors

**Lectors for the Weekend of
September 14- September 15**

Saturday, September 14

5:00 PM

7:00 PM Marta Y Will Villanueva
(Teresa Marin)

Sunday, September 15

8:00 AM Ann Ruppert

10:30 AM Nicholas Arias

12:00 Noon Magdalena Ortiz y Jose Argueta
(Patricia Zelaya)



**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of
September 14 - September 15**

Saturday, September 14

5:00 PM Jim Leggett

7:00 PM Salomon Yanes, Reina Yanes y Maria Duran

Sunday, September 15

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli

10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron, Mark Moron

12:00 Noon Ana Marte, Patricia Zelaya 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.

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.

CCD NEWS

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English CCD Registration

Applications will be mailed to all students who attended last year.

Forms are available in the Rectory office and the back of the church for new students.

Copies of Baptismal certificates are required.

Return completed forms with fee to Rectory office or place in collection basket (mark envelope CCD)

English CCD Classes begin, Sunday, September 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

\$40 for one child, \$55 for two and

\$75 for three or more

Please Note:

First Communion/Registration Fee \$70*-must

have completed Pre Communion CCD

Confirmation/Registration Fee \$125*-

must have completed Pre Confirmation CCD

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support our Church**

We are pleased to announce our
Grand Cultural Raffle

FIRST Prize: \$5,000 Visa Gift Cards

SECOND Prize: Samsung Galaxy S9 Cell Phone

THIRD Prize: 65" 4K Ultra HD Smart LED TV

FOURTH Prize: Last Supper Tapestry

Donation: \$10.00

Drawing Date: Sunday, October 13, 2019 at the Youth Center from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Proceeds to benefit much needed Parish Maintenance and Repair

Raffle Tickets are available in the Church Office and after most Masses.



In 2001 we came together as one nation under God, sharing the grief, the disillusionment, and the promise to rebuild. As

today we lament our honored dead and wounded, shall we translate such agonizing emotion into a persistent pursuit of worldwide reconciliation and peace?

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalm -- In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading -- Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel -- Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- ¿Quién puede saber los caminos de Dios a menos que Dios le dé sabiduría y le envíe el Espíritu Santo de lo alto? (Sabiduría 9:13-18b)

Salmo -- Tú eres, Señor, nuestro refugio (Salmo 90 [89]).

Segunda lectura -- Pablo pide a Filemón que acepte a su esclavo, Onesimo, pero no como esclavo, sino como hermano (Filemón 9-10, 12-17). **Evangelio** -- Para ser discípulo de Jesús uno debe cargar con su cruz y renunciar a todas sus posesiones (Lucas 14:25-33).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 -- 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;

Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19;

1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians share a love for the Byzantine liturgy because it is during the Eucharist that the Church is most true to its identity, expresses its integrity, and discovers its vocation. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians celebrate essentially the identical liturgy, with only very slight variations. It is a fairly complex ritual weaving together three separate layers of prayers: a liturgy prayed in the sanctuary by priests, often hidden by a curtain or screen; a liturgy sung by the assembly and led by a deacon in front of a screen formed of painted icons; and a third layer of private prayer by the priest, who prays in support of the deacon and the faithful. It is an eyes-wide-open experience, gorgeous in visuals, and filled with the sound of God's people singing prayer. The energy of the worship centers on the presence of Christ, largely through an awareness of heaven touching earth when the Church gathers to celebrate.

In the late twentieth century, Latin Rite Catholics were encouraged to embrace a style of worship that was full, conscious, and active, a value that has never been lost in the East. The liturgy has great impact in its beauty, in its poetry and contemplation, and by the actions of bowing, signing with the cross, and chanting that are required of the assembly. Contact with the Eastern Church reveals some key values that have been obscured in our own Church and are slowly being recovered. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1976 un grupo de madres argentinas comenzó una vigilia silenciosa en frente de las oficinas gubernamentales en la Plaza de Mayo. Vestían de negro, con un pañuelo blanco en la cabeza y protestaban la desaparición de sus hijos. Poco a poco esta protesta de madres se fue expandiendo a El Salvador y otros países donde agentes del gobierno hacían desaparecer a los que obraban por la justicia y el bienestar del pueblo. En Latinoamérica la Virgen de los Dolores que viste de negro y llora la muerte de su hijo quien estaba en la flor de la vida se ha transformado en la Madre de los Desaparecidos. Ella acompaña silenciosamente en la protesta de tanta latina que ha perdido hijos, maridos y hermanos a autoridades injustas o cobardes. La vigilia de las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo terminó en enero de 2006 cuando por fin se encontraron con un gobierno que busca a los desaparecidos con ellas. Lamentablemente en muchos lugares las madres de los desaparecidos todavía no pueden contar con las autoridades civiles. Con ellas María se une en protesta silenciosa. Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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