

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15, 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 14 – September 22, 2019

SATURDAY (September 14)

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 8:30 CARMELA MADORMA/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

MONDAY (September 16) Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

- 8:30 ROBERT MARGADONNA/Tony Zengaro
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (September 17) Weekday

- 8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/Antonia & Children

WEDNESDAY (September 18) Weekday

- 8:30 JOHN & ANN KOLESAR/Family

THURSDAY (September 19) Weekday

- 8:30 GIUSEPPE & ANTIONETTA DIMEO/Amelia & Son
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (September 20) Sts. Andrew Kim & Paul Chong

- 8:30 CONCETTA & SAVERIO BONACCI/Sorelli Piccoli

SATURDAY (September 21) St. Matthew

- 8:30 ROCCO DI PAOLA/Wife, Caterina Di Paola
- 5:00 FRANK RUBINETTI/Paul & Josephine Rubinetti
- 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (September 22) Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
- 10:30 GIUSEPPE MERLO/Wife & Children
- 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS



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	Catholic University
5:00	359	124
7:00	934	180
8:00	372	121
10:30	410	112
12:00	2,257	208
Total:	4,332	745

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

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The thing that is most needed in homes today is a family.
--Anonymous

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Twenty-Fourth Sunday OT/Bigesimo Cuarto Domingo TO, Ciclo C

For the past three Sunday, Jesus has talked about salvation - from the human viewpoint. He speaks about the "narrow gate" to the kingdom of heaven. He offers us the key to the narrow gate, namely humility. And he tells us what the key costs - everything. If Jesus stopped there, we could easily fall into despair. I give God so little; I hold back so much for myself. How can I be saved? Even St. Francis - at the end of his incredible life - admitted how little he had done. If salvation depended on our puny efforts, we would be lost. From a human perspective, it seems impossible. Fortunately, this Sunday Jesus gives us another perspective - the divine perspective, God's viewpoint. He tells us that God is like a shepherd who devotes his energy to finding the one lost sheep. Or like the woman who spends all day scouring the house, looking for a single small coin. To understand how God seeks the lost human soul, C.S. Lewis proposed this image: He asks us to imagine a young, muscular diver standing on a high cliff overlooking the ocean. The diver strips to nakedness then jumps from the precipice. He cuts thru the surface of the water at a violent speed then goes deeper and deeper. The brightly lit waters begin to dim and gradually become dark. Still he forces his body on until he reaches the bottom which is murky from centuries of decay. He plunges into the muck and with his outstretched hand grasps the prize he sought. Then up and up drawn by the growing light. When he breaks the surface he opens his palm in triumph. It contains a precious pearl. The terrible dive has changed his body forever, even his color is different, more like the dark green of the depth. God seeks us. Like that diver, he makes an unimaginable effort. In Christ he takes our human nature in order to search for the lost sheep, the misplaced coin. In Christ God seeks you and me. Let's be honest. We are not so anxious for God to find us. We fear losing our "freedom" - our false freedom to do what we want, when we want. Jesus of course wants to give us true freedom, but we often do not see it that way. C.S. tells about how as a young man he had become an atheist. But he had a nagging fear that God might actually exist. Lewis describes his state of mind with these words: "Amiable agnostics will talk cheerfully about 'man's search for God.' To me, as I then was, they might as well have talked about the mouse's search for the cat." We run from God. Like a mouse from a cat, we hide from him. What about us? You and I were created by God and for God. We can have no happiness apart from him. Still, because of original sin, because of our own distorted hearts, because of the whisperings of the enemy, we keep thinking we can find our own happiness.

Durante los últimos tres domingos, Jesús ha hablado sobre la salvación - desde el punto de vista humano. Habla de la "puerta angosta" al reino de cielo. Nos ofrece la llave, es decir, la humildad. Y nos dice lo que la llave cuesta - todo. Si Jesús terminó allá, sería fácil caer en la desesperación. Doy muy poco a Dios; reservo mucho para mí mismo. ¿Como puedo ser salvado? Aun San Francisco - al final de su vida - admitió lo poco que había hecho. Si la salvación depende de nuestros esfuerzos, somos perdidos. Desde la perspectiva humana, parece imposible. Afortunadamente, este domingo Jesús nos da otra perspectiva - la perspectiva de Dios. Nos dice que Dios es como un pastor que da su energía para buscar la oveja perdida, como la ama de casa que pasa todo el día buscando una moneda pequeña. Para entender como Dios busca el alma perdida, C.S. Lewis propone esta imagen: un buceador en un precipicio alto que brinca y entra el agua con tanta velocidad que va más y más profundo. Llega al fondo y pone su brazo en el lodo. Encuentra lo que busca y sube. Al llegar al aire, abre su mano en triunfo. Contiene una perla valiosa. Dios nos busca. Como aquel buceador hace un esfuerzo inimaginable. Toma nuestra naturaleza para buscar la oveja perdida. En Cristo Dios nos busca. Para ser francos, no estamos tan ansiosos que nos encuentra. Tememos perder nuestra "libertad" - hacer lo que queremos, cuando queremos. C.S. Lewis cuenta como un joven se hizo ateo, pero tenía miedo que Dios existiría. Dice, "Agnósticos a veces habla de la 'búsqueda del hombre para Dios.' ¡Para mí, como yo me sentía en aquel momento, era como hablar del la búsqueda de un ratoncito para el gato!" ¿Y que de nosotros? Tú y yo fuéramos creados por Dios y para Dios. No podemos tener ninguna felicidad fuera de él. No obstante, a causa del pecado original, a causa de nuestros corazones distorsionados, a causa de la voz seductora del enemigo, seguimos pensando que podemos encontrar felicidad y seguridad aparte de Dios. Pero es espejismo. Solo el puede darnos la libertad verdadera. El es la belleza que anhelamos ver - la música que anhelamos oír. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos ustedes y a sus familias.

Readers & Lectors
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**Lectors for the Weekend of
September 21- September 22**

Saturday, September 21

5:00 PM

7:00 PM Marta Villanueva y Claudia Yanes
(Vivianett Lorenzo)

Sunday, September 22

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz

10:30 AM Nicole Mora

12:00 Noon Oscar Flores Amaya y Manuel Majico
(Teresa Marin)



**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of
September 21- September 22**

Saturday, September 21

5:00 PM Frank Mazza

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

Sunday, September 22

8:00 AM Mary Wilk

10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron

12:00 Noon Ana Marte, Patricia Zelaya, Melida Canela 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

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**

You can be a winner AND help 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.

Email Scam

An email scam has surfaced again in the Archdiocese. The scam email purports to be from your parish priest, who is asking for money or gift cards because of some urgent need; for example, to help someone in hospital.

Please be assured that no priest of the Archdiocese would ever legitimately ask for money in this way. We encourage you to report such incidents to the New Jersey Cyber Crimes Unit and delete the email message.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt? (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

Psalm -- I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

Second Reading -- The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

Gospel -- There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- Porque Moisés intercedió, el Señor se ablandó y no castigó al pueblo por su maldad (Éxodo 32:7-11, 13-14).

Salmo -- Me levantaré y volveré a mi padre (Salmo 51 [50]).

Segunda lectura -- Pablo expresa su gratitud por haber sido nombrado al ministerio de Cristo (1 Timoteo 1:12-17).

Evangelio -- Hay gran regocijo en el cielo cuando un pecador se arrepiente (Lucas 15:1-32) [1-10].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Although New Year's Day has been fixed firmly on January 1 for several hundred years, Labor Day has the feel of a great dividing line between leisure and routine. The pace of life has since picked up, and new schedules and commitments crowd us. In the background is God's call to consider the third commandment, still life-giving and binding, to make holy the Lord

s Day by worship and rest. Jews see the Sabbath, Saturday, not so much as a day of worship, but as a day of rest, a day of renewing friendship with God by delighting in the beauty of creation and the joy of family and friends. It is a day for contemplating the wonder of God's creation, but not disturbing it.

For Christians in the first three centuries, the Lord's Day, Sunday, was not for rest, but worship. It was a regular work day. People met before dawn, and after Eucharist hurried off to daily routines. Today we come to Mass, but many hurry off to essential work, not a day of rest. The Lord's Day is not the Sabbath, but we can enhance Sunday's ability to transform us if we consider embracing some Sabbath values: having a family meal, going for a walk in a beautiful place, making room in our lives to open ourselves more fully to holiness of life in Christ.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El santo Peruano Fray Juan Macias fue dominico. Este santo es reconocido como el amparo de los pobres, patrón de los emigrantes y ladrón del purgatorio. El concepto del purgatorio es un poco difícil de entender. La Iglesia adoptó la creencia en la última purificación de los elegidos (nombrado el Purgatorio) en los siglos XV y XVI en los concilios de Florencia y Trento. Ella se basa en las Escrituras que se refieren en la purificación en el fuego (1 Corintios 3:15; 1 Pedro 1:7) y en la práctica de la oración por los difuntos como aparece en 2 Macabeos 12:46 y Job 1:5. San Juan Crisóstomo dijo: Si los hijos de Job fueron purificados por el sacrificio de su padre, ¿porqué vamos a dudar que nuestras oraciones por los difuntos puedan hacerle llegar alguna consolación a los que han muerto? Ofrezcamos pues, nuestras oraciones por los difuntos. Los que están en purgación necesitan nuestro apoyo en la oración. Pidamos por ellos.

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

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