

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

The Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2020

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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

(All Sundays)

May 21-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 1– February 9, 2020**

SATURDAY (February 1) Weekday

8:30 MARGHERITA DI COSMO/Wilk Family
5:00 BRUNO & DOLORES KURDYLA/Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 2) The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 LUIS TAVARES/Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza
10:30 GIUSEPPE LOSARDO & PINO DIGRIGOLI/
Mr. & Mrs. Biagio Aracieri & Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (February 3) Weekday

8:30 JOAN & ANTHONY IANNIELLO/Carmela Chirico
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (February 4) Weekday

8:30 SOULS IN PURGATORY/Jim & Cathy Leggett

WEDNESDAY (February 5) St. Agatha

8:30 CARMELA CIANFANO/ Mamma, Teresa

THURSDAY (February 6) St. Paul Miki

8:30 FRANK & LINA ALFANO/Daughter & Gradchildren
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (February 7) Weekday

8:30 EMIRO CASTILLO & FAMILY/Family

SATURDAY (February 8) Weekday

8:30 MARCO CASTILLO/Family
5:00 JOSEPHINE PIGA/Vallatese Society
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

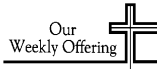
SUNDAY (February 9) Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 VICTOR SILVA/Wife & Children
10:30 GERARDO STANGO/Mogli, Pasquelina Stango
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM,
O LORD!**

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

**Vincenza Cipriano
&
Lucy Pochopin**



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.

January 26, 2020

5:00 248

7:00 1,170

8:00 289

10:30 736

12:00 1,995

Mail 218

Total 4,656

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Carmen Alava	James D. Milazzo
Karen Bulloch	Joseph Merlo Jr.
Caterina Campbell	Carmen Mistichelli
Isaac Castañeda	Carlos Moran
Orlando Chavez	Rosemarie Newton
Alberto Chumbiray	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Maritza Chumbiray	Pietro Paolucci
Wayne Cook	Robergeau Paul
Rosemary Coppola	Maria Perdomo
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	John Veltre



**This week there will be a Second Collection for the
Monthly Assessment**

**Next week there will be a Second Collection for the
Winter Energy Bills**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL

Fourth Sunday OT/Cuarto Domingo T.O

Jesus -who is God in human flesh - brings together truth and peace, justice and mercy. We see that it the Beatitudes. In reality, the Beatitudes are more about Jesus than they are about us. He is the key to understanding them. Jesus is the poor man - the one who emptied himself. He brings together righteousness (justice) and mercy. He - and he alone - makes peace between heaven and earth. Even though he had created galaxies, he walked meekly on this small planet. And he put up with insults and false accusations from beings he himself had made. He did all this for only one reason - to bring us salvation. The Beatitudes give us a way of thinking about Jesus and our relationship to him. The Beatitudes at first puzzle us. No one wants to be impoverished. No one wants to mourn - to lose a dear one. No one wants humiliation, insults and false accusations. Yet Jesus tells us to embrace those things. Many people think that the Beatitudes are mere poetry - or sentimentality. But that is not the case. The Beatitudes are as hard as nails. They face reality head on. We do live in a world of inequality. Some seem born lucky - others not. Beyond accidents of birth, everyone experiences some unfair treatment. We live in a world of broken promises and cruel words. We see inexplicable suffering and terrible tragedies. Inevitably, it seems to come to every family. How do we respond to all this? A person can easily become bitter and cynical - maybe even through in the towel. But Jesus gives a different way. We all want justice - to be treated fairly. But strict justice can be harsh. We need mercy along with justice. And we want truth, but we have seen people use truth like a club. Truth has to lead to peace. Jesus came to keep justice and mercy, truth and peace together. He came to save us. And today he teaches us the Beatitudes: they show us who Jesus is and how - in Him - we can have justice with mercy, truth that leads to peace. The Beatitudes are demanding, but the alternative is worse - despair. Only in Jesus can we live the Beatitudes. May God bless you always.

El Evangelio de hoy nos pone delante las Bienaventuranzas. Que prácticamente son, ocho caminos que conducen a la vida eterna y nos muestran las cualidades que tienen los hijos de Dios. Estas bienaventuranzas son: “Bienaventurados: 1) Los Pobres de Espíritu. 2) Los que Lloran. 3) Los Humildes. 4) Los que Tienen Hambre y Sed de Justicia. 5) Los Misericordiosos. 6) Los Limpios de Corazón. 7) Los que Trabajan por la Paz. 8) Los Perseguidos por causa de La Justicia. Si analizamos todas estas cualidades detalladamente, nos pasaríamos todo lo que queda de año juntos, y no creo que ustedes quieran estar aquí hasta el 2012, ¿verdad? Así que vamos a repararlas juntos, y ver un poquito juntos como nos atañen las bienaventuranzas. La primera, Los pobres de Espíritu, estos según la traducción del arameo, son los anawin, los que no tienen ni voz ni voto, los que su opinión no cuenta, los que no tienen a nadie que los defienda. La segunda, los que lloran, no los que están tristes por que no tienen lo que quieren, sino los que están tristes por las injusticias que se cometen en el mundo. La tercera, los Humildes, los que no hacen oír su voz, y aceptan la voluntad de Dios todopoderoso. La cuarta, Los que tienen hambre y sed de justicia, pero no de justicia social, y de darles los derechos a todos, además, cuando buscamos nuestra justicia y nuestros derechos, ¿Qué sucede? Que alguien tiene que sufrir, nuestra justicia es imperfecta, y siempre provoca una injusticia. La quinta, los misericordiosos, los que tienen misericordia con todo el mundo, sin hacer distinciones entre “buenos” y “malos,” como dice un refrán muy español: “Haz el bien y no mires a quien.” La sexta, los limpios de corazón, los que no tienen maldad en sus corazones, los que no guardan rencores u odio hacia los demás por la razón que sea, valida o no. La séptima, los que trabajan por la paz, y no son los cascos azules de las naciones unidas, sino los que buscan la reconciliación verdadera, la que viene del corazón. Y la octava y ultima, los perseguidos por causa de la justicia. ¿Qué Justicia? La justicia de Cristo, la de la Cruz, la que ama al prójimo más que a uno mismo, como dijo Jesús: “Amad a los que os persigan y bendecid a los que os calumnien.” Si agarramos estas bienaventuranzas y nos miramos en ellas como en un espejo, ¿Qué veremos reflejado en este espejo? A esta pregunta cada uno debe de responder individualmente, y sino vemos algo que nos guste pidámosle a nuestro padre de los cielos que nos de la gracia de que se puedan realizar en nuestras vidas, para así poder llegar a la altura de ser otro cristo para nuestros hermanos y hermanas en este mundo. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos ustedes y a sus familiares y amigos.

Readers & Lectors

**Lectors for the Weekend of
February 8– February 9**

Saturday, February 8

5:00 PM

7:00 PM Claudia Yanes y Vivianett Lorenzo
(Maria Duran)

Sunday, February 9

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz

10:30 AM Ariel Legacy

12:00 Noon Yoni Rodriguez y Manuel Majico
(Sandra Bonilla)



**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of
February 8– February 9**

Saturday, February 8

5:00 PM Jim Leggett

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

Sunday, February 9

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli

10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron, Nicholas Arias

12:00 Noon Peter y Besy Aleman, 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.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
The physical and mental health of the Archbishop emeritus John Joseph Myers has suffered a serious decline.

After a recent visit with his family in central Illinois, Archbishop Myers decided to remain in the region of his birth where he is receiving specialized care and can be visited by his family as well as the clergy of the Diocese of Peoria.

I ask all the faithful in our Archdiocese to pray for Archbishop Myers that the mercy of God comfort and strengthen him in this moment of fragility. If you would like to write to him, his address is:

Pleasant View
505 College Avenue
Ottawa, IL 61350

The Archdiocese has begun preparation for the sale of his retirement residence in Hunterdon County. After members of his family have collected his personal possessions, the home and property will be sold and the funds will be returned to the Archdiocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,
Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.

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 next weekend **February 9th and 10th**. Your help can and will make a difference in the lives of your brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

The **2019 contribution statements** were mailed out. Only donations of over \$250 have been mailed. If you have not received a statement, and would like one, please contact the rectory office (Mary Wilk) between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

CCD WEATHER EMERGENCIES

For bad weather situations, CCD Closings will be announced on the News 12 News website and our Facebook page and Website.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

Psalm — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

Gospel — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Envío a mi mensajero, el mensajero de la alianza; ¿quien se mantendrá en pie? (Malaquías 3:1-4)

Salmo — El Señor, Dios de los ejércitos: él es el Rey de la gloria (Salmo 25 [24]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús quien se hizo totalmente humano vino a ayudar a los hijos de Abraham (Hebreos 2:14-18).

Evangelio — El justo y piadoso Simeón proclama que el niño Jesús es una luz para los gentiles, la gloria del pueblo de Israel (Lucas 2:22-40 [22-32]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The prayers surrounding baptism often speak of being “clothed in Christ,” and clothes are an important consideration. In ancient times, adults were probably baptized without any clothes at all, and old texts survive asking people to leave fancy garb and jewelry behind as they enter the font. Baptism was typically in a private place, the community waited elsewhere, and the casting off of clothing was hardly a public moment, nor was it embarrassing in ancient cultures where privacy was largely unknown.

Nonetheless, what was left behind on one side of the font was replaced on the other as a white robe was wrapped around the newly baptized. It was a robe of honor, a dazzling sign of a new beginning for a society that valued clothing as a sign of personal identity. For the newly baptized, a whole week in white garments was the rule, through the second Sunday of Easter, called “Sunday in Albis,” because of all the folks wearing their baptismal robes.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El día 2 de febrero la Iglesia universal celebra la Presentación del Niño Jesús en el Templo. La costumbre judía dictaba que 40 días después del parto la madre debía ir al templo para ser purificada y junto con su marido ofrecer su hijito(a) a Dios. En la religión cristiana esta costumbre fue desarrollándose en la presentación de los niños en el templo, dejando en el olvido la purificación de la madre.

En Málaga, España, la presentación de los niños se hace el día 2 de febrero cuando todos los niños bautizados durante el último año se presentan en la congregación de la Divina Pastora. En muchas partes de Latinoamérica los niños se presentan a los tres años de edad. Aunque no es un rito oficial de la Iglesia, muchas familias hispanas continúan esta práctica religiosa, presentando su hijo(a) a la comunidad parroquial durante la Misa dominical. El rito es uno de agradecimiento y consagración a Dios. El sacerdote bendice al niño pero es la tarea de los padres educarlos en lo que significa ser consagrado a Dios.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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