

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16, 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 15– February 23, 2020**

SATURDAY (February 15) Weekday

8:30 CARMELA MELLILO/Figlia Teresa
5:00 MARIA ROSA Vallatese Society
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 16) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 GIULIA DECOSIMO/Family
10:30 DAVID CANDELINO/Mr. & Mrs. Biagio Arcieri & Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (February 17) Weekday

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/Antonia Chillemi
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (February 18) Weekday

8:30 MARELIN BELLI/Teresa Anselmo Gabriele

WEDNESDAY (February 19) Weekday

8:30 MIGUEL ANGEL DOMINGUEZ/The Choir

THURSDAY (February 20) Weekday

8:30 MICHAEL VENCE/Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (February 21) Weekday

8:30 RICHARD SHUTA/Dotty Nascondiglio

SATURDAY (February 22) The Chair of St. Peter

8:30 BRIDGET MILEWSKI/Mary & Debbie
5:00 MARGHERITA DI COSMO/Teresa Cianfano
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (February 23) 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 GAETANO MAZZA/John & Margaret Gonzalez
10:30 FRANCES COLORAFI/Libera Paolucci
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

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

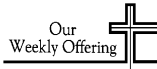
We remember those who have died in the peace of
Christ, especially:

Rose “Vita” Li Causi & Lucy Scurzo

The Bread and Wine will be offered this week in
Memory of

Tomas G. Espeleta

Requested by his wife Josefina Espeleta



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.

February 9, 2020		Winter Energy
5:00	334	260
7:00	770	672
8:00	409	262
10:30	392	203
12:00	1,708	939
Mail	64	162
Total	3,677	2,498

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
	Rev. Juan Carlos Zapata



**Next week there will be a Second Collection for the
Church in Central and Eastern Europe**

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**Sixth Sunday OT/Sesto Domingo T.O.**

Christ tells us in today's Gospel: "I have not come to abolish the law and the prophets, but rather to fulfill them..." And He places us with a series of examples of the Mosaic Law, and of how Christ comes to fulfill it. However, this new way of fulfilling the law is much more difficult. If before to kill one had to do it physically, now simply by calling your brother stupid you have already killing him, etc. Where does Christ want to take us with this "New Law?" To, simply realize that by our own strength we cannot fulfill the law, and keep in mind that these supposedly are the easiest commandments to keep, since they refer to our relationship to our neighbor. Therefore, let us analyze how is our relationship with others, since we might be unpleasantly surprised. So, how is my relationship with my family and friends, or with my colleges at work, or with my neighbors? Because if I don't treat them as I should, but as they deserve to be treated according to how I think, judge and believe to be opportune on account of their actions, then I am in trouble, right? How is my relationship with my husband or wife, or with the rest of women or men? Or do I meet my promises and things I have sworn to? In the end, how am I? Am I as stupendous as I appear to be in front of others? Or am I rather a wolf disguised as a lamb. The Lord, is inviting us today to recognize who I am, because many times we don't even know ourselves, especially when we compare ourselves to others, "I would never do that." Be careful! It's very dangerous to say this, since in the first place we don't know the majority of times what makes someone act in one way or another, we don't know the motives, intentions, and circumstances that surround people's actions. That's why Christ encourages us with these words to discover who we are, to remove all the makeup that we apply to ourselves every day in order to be love and for once to see ourselves as we are, not despair if we see something we don't like, but to have the certainty that God loves us as we are, and if we haven't murdered someone, or haven't committed adultery, or perjury or not kept our word, it hasn't been because of our virtues, but by the grace of God that acts in us and protects us. Let us ask God this grace today, Lord help me to truly know myself, to know that at any moment if you lift your protecting hand from my head, I can commit any grave sin, and in that way may I always recognize your love in me, and as a consequence of your love that I may love my neighbor as myself. May God bless you all and your families.

Cristo nos dice en el Evangelio de hoy: "No he venido a abolir la ley y los profetas, sino a darles cumplimiento..." Y nos pone una serie de ejemplos de la ley de Moisés, y de cómo Cristo viene a cumplirla. Pero, en esta nueva forma de cumplir la ley, es mucho más difícil. Si antes para matar tenias que hacerlo físicamente, ahora solamente con llamar a tu hermano estúpido ya lo estas matando, etc. Adonde nos quiere llevar Cristo con esta "Nueva Ley." Simplemente a que nos demos cuenta de que nosotros solos y por nuestras propias fuerzas no podemos cumplir la ley, y eso que estos mandamientos son supuestamente los mandamientos más fáciles, ya que estos se refieren a nuestra relación con el prójimo. Así que analicemos como es nuestra relación con los demás, por que nos podemos llevar una sorpresa no muy agradable. Así que, ¿como es mi relación con mis familiares y amigos, o con mis compañeros de trabajo, o con mis vecinos? Por que si no los trato como debería, sino como se merecen según yo pienso, juzgo y creo oportuno por sus acciones, estoy en un buen problema, ¿verdad? ¿Cómo es mi relación con mi esposo o esposa, o con las demás mujeres u hombres? O ¿Cumpló mis promesas y juramentos? En definitiva, ¿como soy yo? ¿Soy tan estupendo como aparezco delante de los demás? O soy más bien un lobo disfrazado de cordero. El Señor, nos esta invitando hoy a reconocer quien soy yo, por que muchas veces ni siquiera nos conocemos a nosotros mismos, sobretodo cuando nos comparamos con los demás, "Eso yo nunca lo haría." ¡Cuidado! Esto es muy peligroso decirlo, ya que primero no sabemos la mayoría de las veces lo que lleva a alguien a actuar de una forma o de otra, no sabemos que motivos, intenciones, y circunstancias rodean los actos de las personas. Por esto Cristo nos anima con estas palabras a descubrirnos quienes somos, a quitarnos todo el maquillaje que nos ponemos todos los días para que nos quieran y una vez que nos veamos como somos, no desesperarnos si vemos algo que no nos gusta, sino tener la certeza de que Dios nos ama como somos, y sino hemos matado a alguien, o no hemos cometido adulterio, o no hemos jurado en falso o faltado a nuestra palabra, no es por nuestras virtudes, sino por la gracia de Dios que actúa en nosotros y nos protege. Pidámosle a Cristo hoy esta gracia, Señor, ayúdame a conocerme de verdad, a saber que en cualquier momento si tú levantas tu mano protectora de mi cabeza, yo puedo cometer cualquier pecado grave, y así poder siempre reconocer tu amor en mi, y como consecuencia amar al prójimo como a mi mismo. Que Dios me los bendiga a todos ustedes y a sus familias.

Readers & Lectors

**Lectors for the Weekend of
February 22– February 23**

Saturday, February 22

5:00 PM
7:00 PM Claudia Yanes y Vivianett Lorenzo

Sunday, February 23

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz
10:30 AM Ariel Legacy
12:00 Noon Sandra Bonilla y Manuel Majico



**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of
February 22– February 23**

Saturday, February 22

5:00 PM Jim Leggett
7:00 PM Salomon Yanes, Reina Yanes y Maria Duran

Sunday, February 23

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli
10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron, Nicholas Arias
12:00 Noon Peter y Besy Aleman, Melida Canela, 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.

The 2021 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, February 25th at 8:30 a.m. Please come to the rectory office to reserve a Mass for your loved ones.

CCD WEATHER EMERGENCIES

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



There will be a Flea Market in the Youth Center on **Saturday, February 29th** between 9 am and 5 pm.



The Archdiocese of Newark is once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of **Christian** marriage in the year 2020.

These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 19, 2020 3:00 PM
5 years & 25 years (All counties)

May 3, 2020 3:00 PM
50 years (All counties)

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 15 for 50 years and April 3 for 5 years and 25 years.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

Psalm — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

Gospel — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Dios nos permite tomar decisiones, pero no debemos optar por la injusticia o el pecado (Sirácide 15:16-21).

Salmo — Dichosos los que caminan en la voluntad del Señor (Salmo 119 [118]).

Segunda lectura — La sabiduría de Dios es misteriosa y escondida (1 Corintios 2:6-10).

Evangelio — Jesús no ha venido a abolir la ley ni los profetas, sino a darles plenitud (Mateo 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

**PASSING AWAY**

There is some urgency in Christ's call to holiness. Everything in this age is passing away. Jesus' call is timely and radical, pleading with us to drop other business and make reconciliation a priority. The Lord actually says to "leave your gift at the altar" and return to worship after making peace with the adversaries in our lives. Jesus is deadly serious about the need for reconciliation and righteousness, insisting that nothing—not even our eyes and arms—are worth more than love. All of today's readings reflect on the deep connection between God's law and healthy, peaceful love. As Saint Paul says in Romans 13:10, "love is the fulfillment of the law." Here in the twenty-first century, we modern disciples of Christ can cultivate that mystery deep in our hearts, nurturing the tremendous twin gifts of God's love and God's law, offered to us freely to help us sustain a healthy and holy Body of Christ.

AL FALLECER

Hay algo de urgencia en la invitación de Cristo a la santidad. Todo en este tiempo muere. La llamada de Jesús es oportuna y radical, una súplica para dejar otros asuntos y hacer una prioridad la reconciliación. El Señor de hecho dice "deja tu ofrenda en el altar" y regresa a la alabanza después de que hagas las paces con tus adversarios de nuestra vida. Jesús toma muy en serio la necesidad de reconciliación y justicia, insistiendo que nada, ni siquiera nuestros ojos y brazos, valen más que el amor. Todas las lecturas de hoy muestran la profunda conexión entre la ley de Dios y un amor saludable y pacífico. Como dice san Pablo en Romanos 13:10 "el amor es la plenitud de la ley". Aquí en el siglo XXI, nosotros, discípulos modernos de Cristo podemos cultivar ese misterio profundo en nuestros corazones, alimentando los enormes dones gemelos del amor de Dios y su ley, ofrecida a nosotros libremente para ayudarnos a sostener un cuerpo de Cristo santo y saludable.

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