

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Second Sunday of Lent March 8, 2020

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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
March 7– March 15, 2020**

SATURDAY (March 7) Lenten Weekday

8:30 SOULS IN PURGATORY/Jim & Cathy Leggett
5:00 JOSEPHINE PIGA/Vallatese Society
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 8) Second Sunday of Lent

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

MONDAY (March 9) Lenten Weekday

8:30 MARGARITA DE COSMO/Frank Mazza & Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY (March 10) Lenten Weekday

8:30 JOSEPHINE PERROTTI/ Joseph Burreci

WEDNESDAY (March 11) Lenten Weekday

8:30 ANTHONY & MARIE BULLUSCIO/
Franklin & Susan

THURSDAY (March 12) Lenten Weekday

8:30 CHESTER WILK/Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (March 13) Lenten Weekday

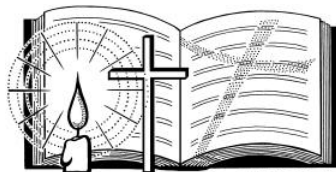
8:30 NICOLETTA, ANGELO, MARIA PATERNOSTER/
Amelia & Son

SATURDAY (March 14) Lenten Weekday

8:30 MARIO PATERNOSTER/Moglie Amelia & Son
5:00 MICHELINA MELE/Mele Family
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY (March 15) Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 HERMINIA FERNANDEZ/Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazza
10:30 LEONOR DIZON/Dizon Family
12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS



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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.

	March 1, 2020	Assessment
5:00	329	168
7:00	751	623
8:00	249	253
10:30	445	145
12:00	1,667	1,043
Mail		425
Total	3,441	2,657

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

THE HEAVIEST LOAD

A chip on the shoulder is the heaviest load anyone can carry.

—Anonymous

Second Sunday of Lent/Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

This Sunday's first reading deals with one of the most important events of the Bible - the call of Abraham. Abraham - as I am sure you know - is our "father in faith" not just for Jews and Christians, but also for our Moslem brothers and sisters. To understand what it means to be a "son of Abraham" we have to know something about his call. It is significant to know *where* he was called from. The book of Genesis tells us that God called Abraham out of Ur - a city in what today is southern Iraq. According to archeological investigations, Ur may have been the world's largest city at the time of Abraham. Archeology has revealed massive structures called ziggurats, which were marvels of the ancient world. The broad streets and large market places give us a picture of a bustling city. For all its flourishing economy and advanced technology, Ur had a dark underside. Like many ancient civilizations they practiced human sacrifice - including the sacrifice of small children. One reason God called Abraham was to fight against this horrendous practice. He did it in a paradoxical way. As a test of obedience, He ordered Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac - but at the last moment sent an angel to stop him. From that point on the true Israelite would oppose child sacrifice. Throughout the Hebrew Scriptures, prophets such as Jeremiah denounced the practice of sacrificing the children to Moloch. To be a son of Abraham meant to defend children against those who would sacrifice them. May the Good Lord bless you and your families and friends always.

Las primera lectura trata uno de los eventos mas importantes de la Biblia - el llamado de Abraham. El es "padre en fe" no solamente de judíos y cristianos, sino también nuestros hermanos musulmanes. Para entender lo que significa lo que significa ser "hijo de Abraham" tenemos que saber algo de su llamado. Es significativo saber desde donde fue llamado. El libro de Génesis dice que Dios lo llamo desde Ur - una ciudad en lo que hoy es Irak del sur. Según las investigaciones arqueológicas, Ur puede haber sido la ciudad más grande del mundo en el tiempo de Abraham. La arqueología revela estructuras masivas, "zigurats," que fueron las maravillas del mundo antiguo. Sus calles y mercados amplios dan la impresión de una ciudad bien activa. A pesar de su economía y tecnología, Ur tenía un lado oscuro. Como muchas civilizaciones antiguas practicaron el sacrificio humano - incluyendo el sacrificio de niños pequeños. Un motivo para llamar a Abraham fue para luchar contra esta práctica horrenda. Dios lo hizo en una manera difícil de entender al principio. Como prueba de obediencia, ordeno a Abraham a sacrificar su hijo Isaac y al último momento envió un ángel para pararlo. Desde ese momento el verdadero Israelita opondría el sacrificio de niños. En las escrituras hebreas, profetas como Jeremiah denunciaron la práctica de sacrificar a los niños a Moloch. Para ser hijo de Abraham significaba defender a niños contra los que los sacrificarían. Que Dios me los Bendiga a todos ustedes y a sus familiares y amigos.

Readers & Lectors
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**Lectors for the Weekend of
 March 14– March 15**

Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM

7:00 PM Elsy Delgado y Jose Argueta

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM Jennifer Markowycz

10:30 AM Nicholas Arias

12:00 Noon Magdalena Ortiz y Sandra Bonilla



**Eucharistic Ministers for the Weekend of
 March 14– March 15**

Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM Jim Leggett

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

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM Nick Cistrelli

10:30 AM Maria Agliata, Cristian Moron

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.

Archdiocese of Newark 2020 Lenten Regulations

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare to share molly and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 1, 2020 , to The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 7, 2020**

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

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CHANGE

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God’s call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God’s promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

Gospel — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Abram partió como se lo había ordenado el Señor (Génesis 12:1-4a).

Salmo — Señor, muéstrate bondadoso con nosotros, puesto que en ti hemos confiado (Salmo 33 [32]).

Segunda lectura — Comparte conmigo los sufrimientos por la predicación del Evangelio, sostenido por la fuerza de Dios (2 Timoteo 1:8b-10).

Evangelio — “Este es mi Hijo amado, en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias, escúchenlo” (Mateo 17:1-9).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Olive oil looms large in the vocabulary of baptism. There are other oils in the pantry closet, from grapeseed to safflower to canola, but only olives yield the proper meanings. Olives don't just happen; they are cultivated, nurtured, pruned, and fussed over; they are a sign of human and divine cooperation. Olives can thrive in poor soil, but they cannot survive without human ingenuity, planting shoots and pruning branches. They can't be popped from a tree and munched like apples: they are inedible without long curing; neither do they yield their oil to hand pressure alone, but only to huge stone mills. Abundant patience is needed as sediment sinks to the bottom of storage barrels and pure oil rises to the surface.

Olive oil is a byproduct of peace: war keeps harvesters, planters, and pruners within city walls and turns millers into soldiers. To obtain oil from olives you need vast measures of hope, patience, faith, and ingenuity. Olive oil is a sign of God's bounty and the way we human beings collaborate with God to bring about impossibly wonderful results. It is creation at its finest. Some people give chocolate eggs for Easter; perhaps olive oil is a more appropriate gift!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La primera santa americana fue Rosa de Lima, peruana de nacimiento. Murió en 1617 y fue canonizada en 1671, diez años después de la primera fundación inglesa en lo que hoy son Estados Unidos de América. Esta santa americana es acompañada por otros santos como san Felipe de Jesús (mexicano) canonizado en 1862 y Madre Francisca Cabrini (italoestadounidense y la primera santa de EE. UU.) canonizada en 1946.

Oficialmente hay 60 santos y 77 beatos que nacieron o trabajaron en América. La mayoría de estos son 50 mexicanos, 33 brasileños, 12 canadienses, nueve estadounidenses, ocho colombianos, siete peruanos, tres argentinos y tres chilenos. Guatemala, Cuba, República Dominicana, Uruguay y Venezuela tienen un santo(a) cada uno. Estados Unidos y Canadá comparten siete mártires. La mayoría de los santos o santas del continente americano fueron beatificados o canonizados durante los últimos 100 años. Sólo ocho de ellos y ellas fueron canonizados durante los últimos ocho años.

No todos estos santos nacieron en América, pero sí dedicaron su vida a evangelizarla. Estos 137 santos de la Iglesia universal son un testimonio de la obra del Espíritu Santo en el continente americano.

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