

# Church of Saint Anthony of Padua

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## SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

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## EUCHARIST:

The Lord's Day 5:00pm (Sat. Evening), 8:00, 10:30, 12Noon.

Holy Days at 7:00pm Vigil (evening prior to Holy Day)  
8:00am, 12Noon

Weekdays at 8:00am

Saturday at 9:00am

## RECONCILIATION:

Saturday from 4:00pm to 4:45pm. You may phone one of the priests for a private confession at a mutually agreeable time.

## BAPTISM:

Celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month at 1:30pm. Parents should phone the parish office to make arrangements with one of the priests for Baptism Instructions as well as the Baptism date.

## MATRIMONY:

Arrangements are made by the bride and groom with one of the priests at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding to allow sufficient time to participate in the Marriage Preparation Program and gather necessary documents. Arrangements should be made with the Church prior to reserving the reception hall to avoid any scheduling conflict.

## COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:

We would like to help our parishioners who cannot join the Sunday Assembly due to illness, age or physical impairment. Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought to the homebound by Eucharistic Ministers from our Sunday celebrations. Mass is televised every Sunday at 9:00am and daily at 8:30am on cable channel 10 (WLNY-TV) and daily at 8:00am and 12 noon on cable channel 68 (EWTN).

## DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal Novena: Every Monday following the 8:00am Mass.

Novena to St. Anthony: Thirteen Tuesdays (before June 13<sup>th</sup>) following the 8:00am Mass.

Rosary every morning at 7:30am before the 8:00am Mass.

Holy Hour: First Saturday of each month 9:30am–10:30am.

The church is open every day for personal prayer and meditation until 6:00pm. Every Wednesday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30am until 4:00pm in church with Rosary at 2:30pm and Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm.

## WELCOME:

Catholics are always welcomed home; non-Catholics are invited to join us in prayer. Catholics who are new to our parish are respectfully requested to introduce themselves to one of the priests after Mass and register at the parish office during the week. Only in this way can the parish issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice. Kindly notify us if you change your address. If you are Catholic and have not been practicing your faith we especially welcome you to Saint Anthony of Padua Parish. Parishioners are encouraged to invite family and friends to Mass.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30**

5:00 PM Lorenzo & Gaetana Macchia and  
Rocco & Alessandra Macchia

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31**

8:00 AM Christopher & Mary Seguinot  
10:30 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners  
12:00 NN Lorenza Morettini

**MONDAY, JANUARY 1**

8:00 AM Marie Delfico  
12:00 NN Alfonso & Filomena Magnotta

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 2**

8:00 AM Mary Schaeffner

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3**

8:00 AM Carmela DiBiasi

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 4**

8:00 AM Filippo Buffone

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 5**

8:00 AM Ronald Cicone

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 6**

9:00 AM Rosemarie Verano  
5:00 PM Jennie & Vincent Cerreta

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7**

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners  
10:30 AM Carmela DiBiasi  
12:00 NN Dominick Scopelliti

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Memory of Carl Monturo

**BREAD & WINE**

In Memory of Maria & Joseph Lepore

**ALTAR FLOWER**

In Memory of Selina & Peggy Kanshamba

**ALTAR CANDLE**

In Memory of Anthony Fucale

**ST. JOSEPH'S CANDLE**

In Memory of Matthew Foglia

**BLESSED MOTHER'S CANDLE**

In Memory of Henry A. Russo

**THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION  
ON JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> FOR COMMUNICATIONS  
COLLECTION & CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.  
PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS YOU CAN.  
THANK YOU.**

**REPORT OF PARISH STEWARDSHIP!**

*God gives me everything, I return my gift to Him.*

**Because of the early printing deadline of this  
bulletin the collection figures are not available.  
They will be reported in next week's bulletin.**

**Thank you for your continued generous support of  
Saint Anthony of Padua Parish**

*Thank  
you*

Thank you for the many cards, gifts, fruit, cookies and well wishes that you gave to us for Christmas. We are deeply grateful for your thoughtfulness and generosity! It is a privilege and a joy to serve each one of you and your family members here at Saint Anthony's! May God continue to bless you with His grace and peace during this beautiful Christmas season and in the New Year 2018!

*Father Chris, Father George, Father Fidelis,  
Father Jude and Father Villa*

**NEW YEAR'S MASSES**

***THERE IS NO VIGIL MASS SUNDAY  
EVENING***

***Monday, January 1***

***8:00 & 12:00 NOON***

**Happy  
New Year!**

We wish all of our parishioners a very Happy New Year in 2018! May this be, for each one of you, the most healthy, happy and prosperous year ever.

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day and reopen Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you and Happy New Year!

DECEMBER 31, 2017



The STARS program wishes everyone a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

**Important Dates**

*Classes resume Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>*

**Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Family Mass  
10:30am. Refreshments will be served.**

**GIVE  
BLOOD**

**BE A BLOOD DONOR**-Our semi-annual Blood Drive will take place on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> after all Masses in the lower church hall. Donors must be between the ages of 17-75, in good health and are required to bring identification. The sign up will be Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to volunteer your assistance, please call Terri Janson 428-5939.



Eucharistic



Adoration

Our weekly Adoration will be discontinued for the Christmas season. The regular adoration schedule will resume on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**BROTHER JUNIPER**

IN A NICE LITTLE PARISH LIKE Ours, YOU CAN HAVE HEART-TO-HEART RELATIONSHIPS, NOT JUST "ELBOW-TO-ELBOW" STUFF LIKE THEY HAVE IN BIG CITIES.



**CAMPS FATIMA AND BERNADETTE**

Camp Fatima for boys and Camp Bernadette for girls are now accepting registrations for the 2018 summer season. The camps, located in the Lakes Region of NH, offer 2-week overnight sessions for children, ages 6-15. Round trip bus transportation is available out of Long Island. For more information or to request a brochure, contact Brendan Stackhouse at 603-364-5851 or email [brandan@bfcamp.com](mailto:brandan@bfcamp.com) or visit and register online at [www.bfcamp.com](http://www.bfcamp.com). Please don't wait as sessions fill up quickly.

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



“They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regards to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: ‘Now Master you can let your servant go in peace.’”

How often we have attended a baptism, as parent, godparent, big brother or sister, relative or friend. Some assumed the role of Joseph and Mary, others that of Simeon, or Anna who prayed. Whatever our role, we are called to recognize the special presence of the Christ as they did. Joseph protected, Mary reflected, Simeon prayed and praised. We do too.

Pope Francis in his exhortation ‘The Joy of Love’ provides a terrific teaching as we bring one year to a close and turn the page to a new year of grace. He says, ‘Family prayer is a special way of expressing and strengthening this paschal faith. A few minutes can be found each day to come together before the living God to tell him of our worries, to ask for the needs of our family, to pray for someone experiencing difficulty, to ask for help in showing love, to give thanks for life and for its blessings and to ask Our Lady to protect us beneath her maternal mantle. With a few simple words, this moment of prayer can do immense good for our families.’

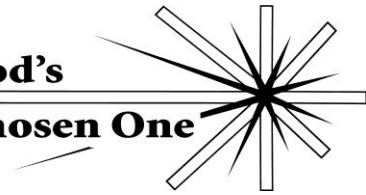
As we hear of all the New Year’s resolutions, may we see this as our priority as well. God bless you and Happy New Year!

*Father Chris*



We pray for all of our sick and homebound parishioners especially **Paul Hill, Elizabeth Cusack, Anthony DellaValle, Tom Tropea, Michael Carr, Jane Lantier, and Teddy Malasky.** May our support and care bring them restoration of health.

**God's  
Chosen One**



### **First Reading: Gn 15:1-6, 21: 1-3**

Abram shows us the Lord keeps His promises, for his offspring were indeed many, like the stars in heaven. We, too, must trust in the Lord, so like Abram, our families might prosper.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19**

By faith Abraham and Sarah were blessed with Isaac, and through him, many descendants because they trusted in God’s promise and believed in what they could not see. We see that faith, trust and prayer bring forth God’s miracles in our lives.

### **Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

Jesus was brought to Jerusalem to be consecrated according to the law of Moses. A man named Simeon had learned he would not die until he had seen God’s anointed. Upon seeing Jesus, he immediately declared he had witnessed “the glory of your people of Israel.” The prophetess Anna also gave thanks and spoke of Jesus to all who would listen. Both recognized the power of Jesus, although he was still an infant.

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### **Readings for the Week**

#### **Sunday**

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3;  
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19;  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

#### **Monday**

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

#### **Tuesday**

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

#### **Wednesday**

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34

#### **Thursday**

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

#### **First Friday**

1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

#### **First Saturday**

1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38