

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

BAPTISM:

Celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 1:30 pm. 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 8:00 am Mass.
Novena to St. Anthony: Thirteen Tuesdays (before June 13th) following the 8:00 am 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 6:00 pm. 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, FEBRUARY 25**

5:00 PM Michael Belmont

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners

10:30 AM Patrick & Mavis Stuart

12:00 NN Carmela Forgione

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 AM Joseph Scida

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:00 AM Betty Lalli

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

8:00 AM Frank Godino

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

8:00 AM Carl DeSimone Sr. & Carl DeSimone Jr.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

8:00 AM Jennifer Malta

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

9:00 AM Clara Sousa

5:00 PM Living & Deceased Parishioners

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 AM Frances Russo

10:30 AM Rose & Silvia Stanco

12:00 NN Josephine Ader

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Memory of Jennifer Malta

BREAD & WINE

In Memory of Luigi Magnotta

ALTAR CANDLE

In Memory of Alessandra DiFeo

ST. JOSEPH'S CANDLE

In Memory of Henry A. Russo

BLESSED MOTHER'S CANDLE

Special Intention Blessed Mother

THANK YOU

I would like to express my sincere thanks to Fr. Chris, the pastor, his associate priests, the Parish Council, and most especially the entire faithful of this parish for your warm welcome, love and generosity during this winter stay. I am indeed most grateful to you. Be assured of my love and prayers. May God richly bless you.

Fr. Fidelis

REPORT OF PARISH STEWARDSHIP!

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

Offerings 2/19/2017 - \$5,880.00

Attendance – 631

Offerings 2/21/2016 - \$6,434.00

Attendance – 716

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



This Wednesday, March 1st, is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Season of Lent. Here at Saint Anthony's Ashes will be distributed at the conclusion of the **8:00am Mass** and also at two special services at **3:15pm** and **7:00pm** in church. If a relative or friend is unable to come to church at these times you may wish to bring a small envelope which we can put ashes in for you to bring to them.



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat.

FASTING: Prescribes that only one full meal a day be taken. Two smaller meals may be taken to maintain strength; but these taken together should not equal another full meal.

ABSTINENCE: Forbids the eating of meat.

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

There is a serious obligation to observe these penitential practices in a substantial way. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from Fast and Abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause or excuse.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held every **Friday** during Lent at **7:00PM**.



St. Anthony S.T.A.R.S.

All the students are preparing for Lent and thinking about what they can sacrifice for the next 40 days or what extra good deed they can do for someone.

Important Dates

Wednesday, March 1st – Lent Begins.

Sunday, March 12th – 6th Grade Family Mass – 10:30am “My Favorite Scripture Story”. Refreshments served after Mass.

Tuesday, March 21st – Family Catechesis- All students and families will report to the church for Stations of the Cross. There are no classes on Sunday March 19th and Monday March 20th as all students and families will be part of the catechesis.

Saturday, March 25th- First Holy Communion Retreat 9:00am till 12Noon. All 2nd graders should report to the lower church.

Lenten Packets will be distributed to all families this week during classes. Please review the packet with your child to prepare them for their Lenten journey. Children will be provided with bracelets to wear throughout Lent.



Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick,

Sunday June 11th at 2:00pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the parish office for registration. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12th.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.



There will be **NO ADORATION** on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. Adoration will resume on Wednesday, March 8th.

Feeding Our Neighbor Food Drive

St Anthony’s is participating in the Archdiocese Wide Food Campaign to help feed our neighbors in need. We are in need of childrens cereal, rice, coffee and potatoes. Please check the lables for the expiration dates. Donated food will be collected in the box in the vestibule of the Church. Monetary donations will also be accepted; one dollar donated supports 4 meals. Checks can be sent to the Rectory. Please remember our neighbors in need and help support this worthy cause.



We extend our prayers and sincere condolences to the family members and friends of **Monsignor Peter A. Gelsomino, Raffaella Sgobbo and Margaret O’Neill** who passed away recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.



the **CARDINAL’S**
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL
Sharing God’s Gifts

The 2017 Cardinal’s Appeal has begun!

During this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, we are called to help one another and be merciful, as Jesus is for all of us. It is only with **YOUR HELP** that the *Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Appeal* continues to be a beacon of hope for our brothers and sisters through our ministries and charities. Our Parish Goal this year is **\$71,000 and our PARTICIPATION GOAL is 299 families**. Answer the call and donate today! To make an online gift visit www.cardinalsappeal.org



FAREWELL FR. FIDELIS

THIS weekend we say goodbye to Fr. Fidelis who has been with us here at Saint Anthony’s for the past few weeks. We are grateful for his presence with us and we hope he will be able to join us again for sometime this summer. Please be sure to see Fr. Fidelis and thank him personally before he leaves. Thank you Fr. Fidelis and may God bless you always.

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing. Look at the birds in the sky... learn from the way the wild flowers grow. Your heavenly Father knows all that you need... Seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given you besides.”

Did you watch the evening news and the early programs on television last night? You were offered countless remedies for diseases of every kind. You began thinking about illnesses you never knew existed. ‘Take this, but be careful about the side effects.’ ‘If it does not go away consult’, or better, ‘tell your doctor.’ That ache, disease or discomfort invades your life without even looking for it.

Jesus’ the divine physician, summons us to worry about what really matters, our spiritual life and the health He offers us. Paul tells us to ‘put on Christ’ using the example of clothing. These are the real worries for us all as we strive to live wholesome and holy Christian lives. They offer the remedy.

How many of us, or those in rehabilitation, need crutches, canes or walkers and even wheel chairs to remain mobile. We use them to seek what we need and to get where we wish to go. Apply these images, as Jesus did, to have a sound, safe and healthy spiritual life, founded on prayer, sacraments and good works. I pray you have a grace-filled start to Lent this week!

Father Chris



We pray for all of our sick and homebound parishioners especially **Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, Angela Villalba, Louis Petrulo, Niall Murray, James Gerard Daly, Dan Bailey, Jack Klein, Patricia Moore, Sister Monica Quigley, Elizabeth Cusack, Rosemarie Verano, Anthony DellaValle, Charles Donovan, Stephanie Saccurato, Ted Gerstle, Linda Broderick, Rose Grosskopf and Carmella Rocco.** May our support and care bring them restoration of health.

Consider the lilies...



First Reading: Isaiah 49:14-15

The city of Zion laments that God has forsaken it. God replies that a mother would not forget her baby. Yet even if she did forget, “I will never forget you.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Paul describes himself as a servant of Christ. He explains that the opinions of other people are unimportant to him. God is the only one worthy to judge us. When God returns, he will praise those who deserve it.

Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

Jesus warns the people not to waste their time worrying about material things. He says that God provides for the birds in the sky. “Are you not more important than they?” Jesus asked. We should not worry about food and clothes. Instead we should act as God wants us to, then he will help provide for us.

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Sunday

Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

Monday

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

First Friday

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

First Saturday

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32