



The Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua



Parish Office: 436 Port Reading Avenue, Port Reading, New Jersey 07064
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ALL ARE WELCOME!

**Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church,
whatever your current family or marital situation,
whatever your past or present religious affiliation,
whatever your personal history, age, background, race, or color,
you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at
the Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua.
There are no Strangers at Saint Anthony's - Only Friends We Haven't Met.**

FATHER WILLIAM J. SMITH, K.C.H.S. PASTOR
MONSIGNOR PAFNOUTI WASSEF, PAROCHIAL VICAR
JOEY PERLAS, DEACON PETER BARCELLONA, DEACON

Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site
436 Port Reading Avenue
Port Reading, New Jersey

THE HOLY EUCHARIST (Mass)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM and 11:15AM

Monday through Friday: 7:30AM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site
280 Amboy Avenue (Route 35)
Woodbridge, New Jersey

THE HOLY EUCHARIST (Mass)

Sunday: 9:45AM

Daily: Saturday only 8:30AM

Weekly Holy Hour with Father Smith at Saint Anthony of Padua

Tuesday, January 23 at 5:00PM

Monday, January 29 at 6:15PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday: 6:00PM to 6:30PM

Saturday: 3:00PM to 3:30PM

Parish Office Hours

Monday 8:30AM - 2:00PM

Tuesday 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Wednesday 8:30AM - 2:00PM

Thursday 8:30AM - 2:00PM

Office is CLOSED on Fridays

CONTACTS: www.saintanthonypadua.org



**We're on FACEBOOK,
come and check us out!**

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Study Hall: studyhalloffice@gmail.com or
studyhalldirector@gmail.com

LIVESTREAM EVENTS from SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE only

Weekend Mass Sunday: 8:30AM

Daily Mass Monday through Friday: 7:30AM

Visit www.saintanthonypadua.org

Click on the YouTube link



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 21, 2024

Mass Intentions

Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Monday 7:30AM	January 22 Respect for Life
Tuesday 7:30AM	January 23 <i>Saint Vincent, Saint Marianne Cope</i> Daniel Nelson Requested by Bette Sullivan
Wednesday 7:30AM	January 24 <i>Saint Francis de Sales</i> Special Intention
Thursday 7:30AM	January 25 Violeta and Cristino Abasolo, Jr. Love, daughter, Alice Abasolo
Friday 7:30AM	January 26 <i>Saint Timothy and Saint Titus</i> People of the parish family
Saturday 4:00PM	January 27 <i>Saint Angela Merici</i> Louis Masters Requested by his loving wife, Rosemarie
Sunday 8:30AM	January 28 <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> People of the parish family
11:15AM	George Carhart Requested by wife, Joan and children, Michael and Lori

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site

Saturday 8:30AM	January 27 <i>Saint Angela Merici</i> Deceased members of the Gumapac and Canada families Requested by Ray and Cherie Gumapac
Sunday 9:45AM	January 28 <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Good health for Bobbianne Gumbinger Love, Mom, Dorothy Sica

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 21, 2024



This Week's Scripture Readings

Sunday:	Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalms 25:4-9 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Matthew 1:14-20
Monday:	2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10 Psalms 89:20-22, 25-26 Mark 3:22-30
Tuesday:	2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19 Psalms 24:7-10 Mark 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Samuel 7:4-17 Psalms 89:4-5, 27-30 Mark 4:1-20
Thursday	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22 Psalms 117:1-2 Mark 16:15-18
Friday:	2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 Psalms 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10 Mark 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17 Psalms 51:12-17 Mark 4:35-41
Sunday:	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28



*From the Desk of Father Smith,
K.C.H.S.:*

Adult Confirmation

Are you 18 years of age or older?

*Were you baptized and received First Holy
Communion in the Catholic Church?*

*If you answered **YES** to the above questions,
then continue reading.*

*Did you receive the Sacrament of Confirmation
in the Catholic Church?*

*If you answered **NO**, then continue reading.*

*To be a Godparent (sponsor) for Baptism or
Confirmation, the person must be baptized,
received First Communion, and confirmed in the
Catholic Church.*

*Sessions in preparation for adult Confirmation
will begin in February, 2024. If you want more
information or are interested in being confirmed,
contact the parish office to set-up a meeting with
me immediately.*





VOTIVE CANDLES

Votive candles burn constantly as a form of prayer and adoration. The candles burning this weekend are dedicated

at Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site

TABERNACLE

In loving memory of my dear parents, Maria and Carmen
and my loving brother, Victor
Requested by Albina D'Alessio

In loving memory of my mother Michelene Contala
on her 26th anniversary in Heaven
Requested by her loving daughter, Michele Contala

GOOD SHEPHERD

In loving memory of Gordon and Ann Ur,
John Patrick and Owen
requested by their loving family

CROSS OF SAN DOMIANO

In loving memory of Carmen Pagliuca
requested by his loving wife, Eleanor

In loving memory of William and Gertrude Leahy
requested by Karen and Kevin Barnes and family

Pope Francis' Intention for January:

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us
to recognize the gift of different charisms
within the Christian community and to
discover the richness of different traditions
and rituals in the Catholic Church.



PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

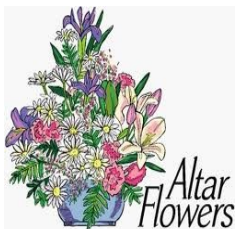
January 22	Monsignor Joseph Celano Reverend Yong Bum Lee
January 23	Reverend John Gloss Reverend Arlindo DaSilva
January 24	Reverend Ronald Machado Reverend Bonfilio Enriquez
January 25	Reverend Ronal Vega Pastrana Reverend Thomas Ryan
January 26	Reverend Monsignor William J. Fadrowski Reverend Grzegorz Podsiadlo
January 27	Reverend James Tucker Reverend Abraham Orapankal
January 28	Reverend Deniskingsley Nwagwu Reverend George Targonski

Pray ...

**for our brave soldiers and their
families, our parishioners
residing in nursing homes and
care centers, the sick and
homebound of our parish family,
especially:**



Anonymous request, Joan Ballance,
Fred Burns, Lucille Carpenito,
Cheryle Cacace, Cayden DeNoyelles,
Steven Drakoulis, Bela Geczo, Gail Golden,
Larry Golden, Kim Hickman, Judith Hupka,
Lynn Killmurray, Theresa McGuinn,
Bianca Morrell, Anita Olah, Steve Olah,
Richie Simeone, Frank Tricklel



Altar flowers may be donated
for your special intention at
Saint Anthony of Padua or
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Worship Site. Call the parish
office at 732-634-1403.



FAITH FORMATION

Email is an important part of our Faith Formation
communication. If you change your email address,
it is important that you notify the parish office.

**Sacrament of Confirmation
Teaching Mass for students and parents**

Level One and Level Two
Monday, January 22, 2024
6:30PM in the church

**Candidate and a parent, guardian, or sponsor
must attend this class—no exceptions.**

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Growing In Faith Together (G.I.F.T.)

**The most important expectation of one's
participation in the G.I.F.T. program is
attendance at Mass every week (a parent with
their child or children).**

**Our next family G.I.F.T. Mass will be
Saturday, January 27 (4:00PM) and Sunday,
January 28 (8:30AM and 11:15AM).**

**All families are encouraged to participate.
If your family would like to participate as a
reader, banner bearer, or bring up the bread
and wine, then email Holly at
hols019@yahoo.com.**

Stewardship: God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, January 7, 2024

In-person donations.....\$2,851.00
On-line donations.....\$1,523.00
Total.....\$4,374.00

Sunday, January 14, 2024

In-person donations.....\$4,363.00
On-line donations.....\$ 990.50
Total.....\$5,353.50

*Thank you for your continued
support of the parish.*



The Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua

Mission Statement

The Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua is a diverse community of faith formed in July 2012 by the merging of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Woodbridge (est. 1920) with Saint Anthony of Padua Church, Port Reading (est. 1904).

We proclaim the "Good News" of Jesus Christ and the beliefs of the Roman Catholic Church.

We are committed to maintaining worship as a powerful experience of the presence of God through word, sacrament, music, and community.

We have a passion for social justice and our duties toward all people.

We enrich the faith of those in need through a variety of ministries.

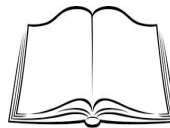
We strive to be a beacon of faith, hope, and love while honoring God's presence in every person.

All are welcome.

Stewardship

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."
Mark 1:17

Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedules, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.



2024 MASS BOOK
Saint Anthony of Padua
and Our Lady of Mount Carmel

If you would like to have a Mass scheduled for a loved one, visit or call the parish office during office hours. The stipend is \$10 and may be paid in cash or a check made payable to Saint Anthony of Padua.



BINGO VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEEDED

As you may be aware **BINGO is a major fundraiser** for our parish. We are currently in *desperate need* of Bingo volunteers in all areas - captains, kitchen workers, and floor workers for **Monday Luncheon Bingo games**.

If you can volunteer in any way, or have any questions, please call Holly at the parish office
732-634-1403.

As always all help is greatly appreciated.

Start the new year by considering lending a helping hand at the Food Pantry.



If you are interested, contact the parish office at 732-634-1403.

Looking back at our parish community activities for the second half of 2023, I began reflecting on all the fabulous people, who came together in a variety of teams who helped or enriched so many people. Therefore, I would like to extend a **BIG THANK YOU** each and every parishioner, volunteer, or guest who made any type of contribution throughout this time. *Without your support, generosity, and prayers many of the wonderful things that happen at Saint Anthony of Padua and Our Lady of Mount Carmel worship sites would not be possible.*

Some activities or events include our:

- ◇ Weekly BINGO which hosts many people from the community for a few hours of food and entertainment is graciously hosted by Richie Simeone, Bette Sullivan, Nick Cinelli, Lew Huber, Nick Iannitto, Carmen Margiotto, Bill Neveil, Frank Rombardo; while Cory Gambetta and Bill Walliser attended to kitchen fares.
- ◇ Weekly and daily Liturgies including: Altar Servers, Readers, Ministers for the Distribution of Holy Communion, Ministers of Hospitality (ushers), and the beautiful voices of our Adult and Children's choir which enhanced the liturgy.
- ◇ Community generosity in the weekly and special monthly collections and to those who assist in counting these collections.
- ◇ Monthly Food Pantry collection and distribution to all those who donated food and made monetary donations. Thank you to everyone who worked in any capacity, on average we assisted 40 to 45 families per month.
- ◇ Annual "Queen For A Day" auction coordinated by Mike Martino, which was held on November 19. Many thanks to **EVERYONE** who assisted in any capacity to make the auction a tremendous success. Our profit was about \$15,000.00.
- ◇ Saint Nicholas Raffle day Committee - Richie and Adrienne Simeone and Betty Sullivan and to all those who purchased or sold raffle tickets.
- ◇ Jesse Tree coordinated by Chris and Debbie Mazzearella, and to everyone who helped prepare the tags and to those who donated gifts for our recipients - thank you! You can be assured that each child enjoyed receiving his or her gift!
- ◇ Children's Christmas Pageant directed by Christina Weiman and those who assisted with the program. Special thanks to all the children and families who participated in the Mass.
- ◇ Simbang Gabi Mass coordinated by Deacon Joey Perlas and all who participated in the December 19 event held at Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site. Knowledge of another nationality Christmas tradition gives us a greater appreciation of our Christian community.
- ◇ Christmas Church preparation: It took many people to clean, decorate, donate items, iron, polish, prepare, and provide many behind-the-scenes service hours for the Church and grounds at Saint Anthony of Padua and Our Lady of Mount Carmel to come together seamlessly and delivered a beautiful Christmas celebration. A special thanks to Eileen Gurney for this year's flower design. And, a few weeks later to all who assisted taking down all these fabulous decorations.
- ◇ Christmas Friendship Dinner team whose duties included taking phone calls, setting-up Father Milos Hall, wrapping presents, cooking, serving, driving our participants, and, of course, cleaning up. I do not want to forget to **THANK** all the businesses and individuals who made donations toward the dinner. We served almost 250 dinners on-site or delivered to the homebound. A special thanks to Deacon Peter Barcellona for overseeing the dinner.

On a personal note, I want to thank you for your cards, gifts, and prayers that I received during this time and especially at Christmas.

MY SINCERE THANKS and BLESSINGS to YOU and YOUR FAMILY and THOSE YOU LOVE

Father Smith, K.C.H.S.

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

**The next Food Pantry Collection is
February 10 and 11
"Superbowl Food Drive"**

ITEMS MOST NEEDED ARE:

Canned fruit	Canned meat
Canned soup	Canned potatoes
Canned vegetables	
Cereal	Instant Potatoes
Jelly	Oatmeal
Pancake mix	Pancake syrup
Pasta	Pasta sauce
Peanut butter	Rice
Tomato sauce	Tuna fish

We will always accept toiletry and household items such as bodywash, soap, toilet paper, toothpaste, laundry detergent, and dish detergent.

If you know someone who needs assistance, contact the parish office or email:
info.StAnthony1@gmail.com.

**Thank you for your continued generosity to
Saint Anthony's Food Pantry.**



ITALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN (IAATO)

CELEBRATING THE 12TH YEAR OF THIS
50 / 50 RAFFLE

To benefit IAATO's scholarship and youth programs

**Drawing February 10, 2024 at 10:00pm at
IAATO'S Clubhouse inside The Renaissance , Ocean, NJ**

**Only \$25.00 PER TICKET
Only 2000 TICKETS TO BE SOLD
12 CHANCES TO WIN**

**Grand prize - \$10,000 *(40%)
Second prize - \$5,000 *(20%)
10 - \$1,000 Prizes *(4% each)**

Lic. # RL-33-23 ID # 359-8-23215

**For tickets or more information,
contact Marty at 732-750-9717 or
visit our website at IAATO.com**

2023 Contributions to Saint Anthony of Padua Church Financial Request Form

**The parish office needs at least
ten (10) business day for your requests
to be processed.**

Financial Contributions Request for 2023

Please send me a listing of contributions
I/we made to Saint Anthony's for 2023.

NAME: _____

ENVELOPE #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE INDICATE:

_____ CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

_____ BUILDING FUND

_____ CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

_____ OTHER _____

We do not list contributions or special collections without an envelope number. If you do not use your envelopes, we have no record of any donations you might have made.

NOTE: This statement will not include any contribution you might have made to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. That information may be obtained by calling the Diocese of Metuchen at 732-562-1990.

Return the completed request form in the collection basket or at the parish office.

***THANK YOU for your CONTINUED SUPPORT
of our PARISH COMMUNITY!***



**SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS ...
our on-going fundraiser**

Consider helping Saint Anthony's the next time you shop. For each gift card purchased, our parish receives 5% of the proceeds. Gift cards are available in a variety of denominations and can be purchased in the parish office.

This Week at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Monday, January 22

NA 12:05PM Basement

Tuesday, January 23

NA 11:00AM Basement

Wednesday, January 24

NA 11:00AM Basement

Thursday, January 25

NA 11:00AM Basement

Friday, January 26

NA 11:00AM Basement

Saturday, January 27

Mass 8:30AM Church

Sunday, January 28

Mass 9:45AM Church

Liturgical *Minister Schedule*

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday January 27
4:00PM A. Weiman

Sunday January 28
8:30AM Q. Valdez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday January 27
4:00PM C. and E. Weiman

Sunday January 28
8:30AM S. Gadomski, D. Mazzarella
11:15AM B. Mcauley, J. Mulvaney

READERS

Saturday January 27
4:00PM G.I.F.T. Mass

Sunday January 28
8:30AM G.I.F.T. Mass
11:15AM G.I.F.T. Mass

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

READERS

Sunday January 28
9:45AM E. Alvarez

COUNTING TEAMS

Sunday January 28
Team #1 R. McNamara, B. Neveil



This Week at Saint Anthony of Padua

Monday, January 22

Mass 7:30AM Church
Bingo 12:00PM Father Milos Hall
(Doors open at 10:30AM)
Level One and Level Two Confirmation

6:30PM Church

Tuesday, January 23

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall

Mass 7:30AM Church
Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM Church

Holy Hour with Father Smith
5:00PM Church

Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30PM Church
AA 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Wednesday, January 24

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall

Mass 7:30AM Church
Knights of Columbus 8:00PM Father Milos Hall

Thursday, January 25

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall

Mass 7:30AM Church
Eucharistic Adoration 2:30PM Chapel
Chaplet and Rosary 3:00PM Chapel
Confessions 6:00PM Chapel
AA 8:00PM Father Milos Hall

Friday, January 26

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 7:30AM Church

Saturday, January 27

Confessions 3:00PM Chapel
G.I.F.T. Mass 4:00PM Church
Men who Care NA group 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Sunday, January 28

G.I.F.T. Mass 8:30AM Church
G.I.F.T. Mass 11:15AM Church
AA 7:00PM Father Milos Hall

SAINT ANTHONY STUDY HALL



Do you have your before and after care services set up?

Register now with no deposit or registration fees.

Saint Anthony Study Hall meets and exceeds your childcare needs for children in grades kindergarten through 8th grade. See the parish website under childcare services for all forms and prices.

Contact our office at 732-634-6800 or our director, Frank Cacace at 732-754-8401.