



The Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua



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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

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



Feast of Saint Blaise



Saturday, February 3, 2024

*at Saint Anthony of Padua
Blessing of Throats
following 4:00 PM Mass*

*at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Blessing of Throats
following 8:30AM Mass*



Weekly Holy Hour with Father Smith

at Saint Anthony of Padua

Monday, January 29 at 6:15PM

Tuesday, February 6 at 5:15PM

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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 28, 2024

Mass Intentions

Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before daily Mass

Monday 7:30AM	January 29 Grace Farnham Requested by the American Legion Auxiliary #25
Tuesday 7:30AM	January 30 Daniel Stoveken Requested by the DelMonte family
Wednesday 7:30AM	January 31 Reverend Patrick Barrett <i>Saint John Bosco</i>
Thursday 7:30AM	February 1 Robert Matarese Requested by Phyllis Masarik
Friday 7:30AM	February 2 Nazareth Barcellona on his 31 st anniversary in Heaven <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> Requested by son, Jay, Colleen and family
Saturday 4:00PM	February 3 Santo Guercio <i>Saint Blaise, Saint Ansgar</i> Requested by his daughter, Amy Krapf
Sunday 8:30AM 11:15AM	February 4 People of the parish family <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Nazareth and Dorothy Barcellona Requested by Deacon Peter and family

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 contact the parish office to set-up a meeting with Father Smith.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site

Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before Saturday Mass

Saturday 8:30AM	February 3 Deceased members of the former Altar Rosary Society <i>Saint Blaise, Saint Ansgar</i>
Sunday 9:45AM	February 4 Good Health for Dorothy Sica Requested by Dona Gumapac <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 28, 2024



This Week's Scripture Readings

Sunday:	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28
Monday:	2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Psalms 3:2-7 Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Psalms 86:1-6 Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17 Psalms 321:1-2, 5-7 Mark 6:1-6
Thursday:	1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12 (Psalms) 1 Chronicles 29:10-11b, 11d-12d Mark 6:7-13
Friday:	Malachi 3:1-4 Psalms 24:7-10 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday:	1 Kings 3:4-13 Psalms 119:9-14 Mark 6:30-34
Sunday:	Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Psalms 147:1-6 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Mark 1:29-39



2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal - STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish can share in a successful Appeal by earning a 50% rebate of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest - the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports the formation of seminarians and many other vital services. The many pastoral, educational, and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.



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

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 29	Reverend J. Michael Venditti Reverend Edward Struzik
January 30	Reverend Charles Scillieri Monsignor Joseph Kerrigan
January 31	Reverend Piotr Grzeskiewicz Reverend John Hiller
February 1	Reverend A. David Chalackal Reverend Jan Bernas
February 2	Reverend Thomas W. Lanza Reverend Maurice Carlton
February 3	Reverend James Hagerman Reverend Charles Kelly
February 4	Bishop James Checchio

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 Balance,
Brian Bonura, 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, Teresa
Romita, Frank Trickle

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.

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.

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

Monday, February 5, 2024

6:30PM in the Church

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Sacrament of Confirmation for students and parents

Level One and Level Two

Monday, February 12, 2024

6:30PM in Church

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

PALMS NEEDED

*In preparation for Ash Wednesday
(February 14), we ask that you bring in any old palms
you might have at home. There is a basket in the
narthex to place the palms or you may bring them
to the parish office during office hours.
Thank you for your cooperation.*



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.



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

Saint Paul while speaking said, "I have been a constant example of how you can help. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'." Acts of the Apostles 20:35

As you have read in past bulletins, volunteers are needed desperately to assist with a variety of church-sponsored events and activities. These activities include but are not limited to: Bingo, Choir, Food Pantry, and Liturgical Ministries. Let me explain these duties:

- *For a few hours on Monday, Bingo serves many people in the community and is a fund-raising event. There are duties as the captain, caller, kitchen service, and floor assistants.*
- *Singing in the Children's or Adult Choir*
- *Our Food Pantry organizes, packages, and distributes food monthly*
- *There are four teams that entail the Liturgical Ministries. They are:*
 - ♦ *Altar Servers assist the priest and deacon at the Mass celebration. Children (after they receive their First Holy Communion) are invited to become altar servers.*
 - ♦ *Ministers for distribution of Holy Communion (also known as the Eucharistic Minister administers) the Body of Christ at Mass, or when requested brings Holy Communion to the sick and homebound.*
 - ♦ *A Reader's role is to proclaim the Scriptures at Mass and other liturgical celebrations with clarity and reverence enhancing the liturgical and spiritual life of the parish family.*
 - ♦ *Ministers of Hospitality (also known as ushers) are the first group of people whom you encounter as you arrive at church. They assist you in finding a seat, collect offerings, distribute bulletins, help with donations for the food and clothing events as you carry them in the building. They have the opportunity to make a significant impression on the people we serve and create a holy atmosphere before and after the Mass.*

How do you feel when you volunteer?

- * *You feel that you are making a difference*
- * *You feel as if you are part of a team working toward a greater cause*
- * *Your feel good about helping others*
- * *Your feel there is something truly special about being able to contribute when your service is needed.*
- * *You feel you have a sense of pride in sharing your talents and skills.*

So if you like to interact with people, read, sing, work in the kitchen, or provide community service, then consider volunteering for one or more of these important activities that our parish family is able to provide to our local community. If you can help in any way - a few hours a day, a few days a month, or if you have any questions, please call the parish office at 732-634-1403.

Stewardship: God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, January 21, 2024

In-person donations	\$3,421.00
On-line donations	<u>\$1,208.00</u>
Total	\$4,629.00

Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Stewardship

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this - use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then spend your time praying instead of worrying.

SUPERBOWL OF CARING 2024

TACKLE HUNGER in OUR COMMUNITY by DONATING an ITEM
to OUR FOOD PANTRY on

SUPERBOWL WEEKEND - February 10 and 11

TAKE a FOOTBALL from the field located in the NARTHEX
which has items that are most needed!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Pancake
Mix and
Syrup

Pork "n" Beans ONLY
Canned beans

Toothpaste

Peanut Butter
and Jelly

Canned Fruit
Canned Meat

Soap

Shampoo
Conditioner
Bodywash



SUPER BOWL



FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

The next Food Pantry Collection is
February 10 and 11

“Superbowl Food Drive”

Visit the football field
located in the narthex

ITEMS MOST NEEDED ARE:

Canned beans	Canned fruit
Canned meat	Canned pasta
Canned potatoes	Canned ravioli
Canned vegetables	Cereal
Chili	Instant Potatoes
Jelly	Oatmeal
Pancake mix	Pancake syrup
Pasta	Pasta sauce
Peanut butter	Pork and Beans
Rice	Soup
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)

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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 29

NA 12:05PM Basement

Tuesday, January 30

NA 11:00AM Basement

Wednesday, January 31

NA 11:00AM Basement

Thursday, February 1

NA 11:00AM Basement

Friday, February 2

NA 11:00AM Basement
Holy Family Prayer Group 6:00PM **Church**

Saturday, February 3 Blessing of the Throats

Mass 8:30AM **Church**

Sunday, February 4

Mass 9:45AM **Church**

Liturgical *Minister Schedule*

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday February 3 4:00PM B. Banko

Sunday February 4 8:30AM A. Weiman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday February 3 4:00PM M. Balint, R. McNamara

Sunday February 4 8:30AM O. and R. Sandoval
11:15AM M. Amuzie, G. Grispart

READERS

Saturday February 3 4:00PM E. Alvarez

Sunday February 4 8:30AM A. Weiman
11:15AM C. Amuzie

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

READERS

Sunday February 4 9:45AM E. Bonus

This Week at Saint Anthony of Padua

Monday, January 29

Mass 7:30AM **Church**
Bingo 12:00PM Father Milos Hall

(Doors open at 10:30AM)

Holy Hour with Father Smith

Pastoral Council 6:15PM **Church**
7:15PM Father Milos Hall

Tuesday, January 30

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 7:30AM **Church**
Adult Choir Rehearsal 2:00PM Church
Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM Church
AA 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Wednesday, January 31

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 7:30AM **Church**
Level One Penance/Level two Communion 6:30PM **Church**

Thursday, February 1

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, February 2

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass/Rosary 7:30AM **Church**

Saturday, February 3

Blessing of the Throats
Confessions 3:00PM Chapel
Mass 4:00PM **Church**
Men who Care NA group 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Sunday, February 4

 Coffee and Conversation
Mass 8:30AM **Church**
Coffee and Conversation 9:15AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 11:15AM **Church**
AA 7:00PM Father Milos Hall

COUNTING TEAMS

Sunday February 4
Team #2 L. Palasits, B. Sorbanelli



SAINT ANTHONY STUDY HALL

PARENTS NIGHT OUT



WHEN: February 16 TIME: 6 till 9

Limited to 50 spots

COST: \$20 per child (10% off if you register before February 10)

**WHERE: Saint Anthony Study Hall
436 Port Reading Avenue
Port Reading, NJ 07064**

CALL: 732-634-6800

Email: STUDYHALLDIRECTOR@GMAIL.COM