



# 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

### Weekly Holy Hour with Father Smith at Saint Anthony of Padua

Thursday, February 15 at 5:00PM

Thursday, February 22 at 5:00PM

### 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

### NOTICE:

LIVESTREAM EVENTS from  
SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE

**has been suspended as of January 29, 2024  
until further notice.**

If you use Livestream to participate in Mass,  
call the parish office at 732-634-1403.

### *World Day of the Sick Sunday, February 11, 2024*

*Gentle and loving God,  
we give you thanks for the Worldwide  
Day of Prayer for the Sick.*

*We stand in solidarity with all people  
around the world. We pray for those  
who are ill and desire healing.*

*We recommit ourselves to help those  
who are ill and suffer in any form -  
mental, spiritual, or physical.*

*We ask this through our creator,  
our healer, and our hope, Jesus Christ,  
now and forever.*

*Amen*

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

# Mass Intentions

## Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site

**Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before daily Mass**

**Monday February 12**  
7:30AM Eileen and George T. Miller, Sr.  
Requested by son, George Miller, Jr.

**Tuesday February 13**  
7:30AM Virginia Tantow

**Wednesday February 14** *Ash Wednesday*  
6:30AM Beatrice Smith  
Requested by Father Smith

12:15PM Ash Wednesday service  
4:00PM Ash Wednesday service

7:00PM Lenin Alava  
Requested by Lenny Cedero

**Thursday February 15**  
7:30AM Nancy Zabita  
Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Masarik

**Friday February 16**  
7:30AM Paul Chrzaszcz  
Requested by Mom, Dad, and Paige

**Saturday February 17**  
4:00PM George Marrone, Jr.  
Requested by Frank and Grace DiSpoto, Jr.

**Sunday February 18**  
8:30AM Carmen Pagliuca  
Requested by son, John and Holly

11:15AM People of the parish family



## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site

**Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before Saturday Mass**

**Wednesday, February 14** *Ash Wednesday*  
8:00AM Ruth Carlos  
Requested by sister, Cherie and Ray Gumapac

**Saturday February 17**  
8:30AM Iriada Candelaria (living)  
Requested by Ray and Cherie Gumapac

**Sunday February 18**  
9:45AM Steven Grof  
Requested by the Grof family

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 11, 2024**



## This Week's Scripture Readings

**Sunday:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46  
Psalms 32:1-2, 5, 11  
1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1  
Mark: 1:40-45

**Monday:** James 1:1-11  
Psalms 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76  
Mark 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** James 1:12-18  
Psalms 94:12-15, 18-19  
Mark 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Joel 2:12-18  
Psalms 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17  
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2  
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
Psalms 1:1-4, 6  
Luke 9:22-25

**Friday:** Isaiah 58:1-9a  
Psalms 51:3-6a, 18-19  
Matthew 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Isaiah 58:9b-14  
Psalms 86:1-6  
Luke 5:27-32

**Sunday:** Genesis 9:8-15  
Psalms 25:4-9  
1 Peter 3:18-22  
Mark 1:12-15



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

One of the key ministries supported by the Annual Appeal is *Seminararian Formation*. We are blessed to have 21 men currently studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Metuchen. It is a blessing that brings with it the responsibility of providing for their education. Quality formation is essential for our future priests who will be the sacramental presence of the Lord in the midst of our parishes, nourishing and healing with Word and sacraments the people they are called to serve. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps to defray the costs of forming the future shepherds of our Church.



## 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 George J. Arway, Jr.  
Requested by his loving wife, Rosemarie and sons

In loving memory of Antionette and Alfred Barbato  
Requested by daughter, Patricia and Marty Martino

### **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

*Pray...*

**for our parishioners residing in  
nursing homes and care centers, the  
sick and homebound, especially:**



Anonymous request, Joan Balance,  
Brian Bonura, Fred Burns, Lucille Carpenito,  
Cheryle Cacace, Cayden DeNoyelles,  
Steven Drakoulis, Bela Geczo, Gail Golden,  
Larry Golden, Sharon Haflin,  
Kim Hickman, Judith Hupka,  
Lynn Killmurray, Theresa McGuinn,  
Anita Olah, Steve Olah,  
Teresa Romita, Sam Steingart, Frank Trickle

*Pray...*

**for all the brave military  
personnel, especially the men  
and women in uniform of our  
parish family who are serving  
our country at home or around  
the world. We also pray for their  
family members.**



Specialist Michael Barbato III who serves  
in the United States National Guard.

*Pray for Peace!*

## Pope Francis' Intention for February:

We pray that those with a terminal  
illness, and their families, receive  
the necessary physical and spiritual  
care and accompaniment.



## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

February 12 Reverend Mark Kehoe  
Reverend Leopoldo Salvania  
February 13 Reverend Stanley Gromadzki  
Reverend Nicolas Norena  
February 14 All Priests  
February 15 Very Reverend Thomas Walsh  
Monsignor Daniel Herlihy  
February 16 Monsignor Charles Cicera  
Reverend John Alvarado  
February 17 Reverend John Szczepanik  
Reverend Jeffrey Calia CO  
February 18 Reverend Robert Meyers  
Reverend Michael Fragos



## 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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## Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation

**Level One and Level Two  
Monday, February 12, 2024  
6:30PM in Father Milos Hall**

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**Level One First Penance  
Level Two First Communion  
Wednesday, February 21 and 28  
6:30PM in Father Milos Hall**

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## Family G.I.F.T. Mass Weekend

**Saturday, February 24 at 4:00PM**

**Sunday, February 25 at  
8:30AM and 11:15AM**

**2024 Lenten Obligations  
as approved by Bishop Checchio**

The days of both fast and abstinence are:  
Ash Wednesday - February 14 AND  
Good Friday - March 29

The other Fridays of Lent (February 16,  
February 23, March 1, March 8, March 15,  
and March 22) are days of abstinence.

**FASTING** in the Roman Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

**ABSTINENCE** in the Roman Catholic tradition means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.). The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

**NOTE:**

This year, be aware that Ash Wednesday falls on February 14 (also Valentine's Day). The obligation to fast does remain in effect, so it is suggested that those who are planning a special dinner make that their one main meal of the day.

**LENT IS COMING!**



Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Uganda, El Salvador, and Indonesia who are working hard to overcome the challenges of hunger and the impact of climate change. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on our connectedness as one family in Christ and work together to ensure our sisters and brothers worldwide can thrive.

Visit [crsricebowl.org](https://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

*Good Shepherd Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.*

*Cost is \$40 and \$20 back in play. Bus leaves the church parking lot at 10:00am. Any questions, call Connie at 732-442-4978 or Nancy at 732-541-5929.*



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

*Livestream of Sunday Mass at 8:30AM and weekday Masses at 7:30AM will begin again on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024.*

*Livestream will be available at the 12:00PM (noon) service on Ash Wednesday.*

*This year Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays:  
12:15PM at Saint Anthony of Padua Church  
7:00PM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

*The traditional day for Stations of the Cross is on Friday. Previously, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, they were held on Wednesday because Bingo was held on Fridays. Since Covid, we have not had Bingo and it will not be resumed. For this reason Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be on Friday evenings.*

**GOD BLESS!**

***In the Neighborhood and Diocese***

**FRESH HUNGARIAN KOLBASZ**

**Made by the members of the Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church of Woodbridge, NJ**  
**Pick-up on Saturday, March 23, 2024**  
**from 10:00AM to 2:00PM**  
**Place your orders with Audrey**  
**at 732-494-1431**  
**Price:\$8.00 per lb.**  
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**HUNGARIAN MADE ROLLS CAKE**

**Available in: English Walnut, Poppy seed, Prune-Lekvar, Apricot, Raspberry, Pumpkin-cheese**  
**Price: \$18.00 each**  
**Place your order with: Barbara at 732-442-5867**  
**or Cindy at 732-692-9166**

**All cake orders must be paid in full upon ordering.**  
**Make check payable to: Lorantffy Women's Guild**  
**Mailing address:**

**Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church**  
**94 N. James Street**  
**Woodbridge, NJ 07095**

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**Deadline for both items is March 7, 2024**



## LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024

### SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

**February 14**

Mass and Distribution of Ashes  
6:30am and 7:00pm

Prayer Service and Distribution of Ashes  
12:15pm (livestream) and 4:00pm

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, and Friday 7:30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am and 11:15am

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Thursday 6:00 - 6:30pm  
and  
Saturday 3:00 - 3:30pm



#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

*Spend some quiet time with Our Lord*  
Thursday 2:30 - 6:00pm  
Chaplet/Rosary 3:00pm

#### **ROSARY**

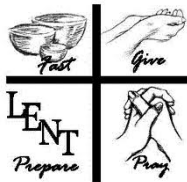
Monday, March 25 following 7:30am Mass

#### **HOLY HOUR WITH FATHER SMITH**

Thursday, February 22	5:00-6:00pm
Monday, February 26	6:15-7:15pm
Tuesday, March 5	5:15-6:15pm
Wednesday, March 13	5:15-6:15pm
Monday, March 18	6:15-7:15pm

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays during Lent beginning February 16  
(except Good Friday)  
12:15pm



### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

**February 14**

Mass and Distribution of Ashes  
8:00am

Stations of the Cross  
and  
Distribution of Ashes  
7:00pm

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Daily Mass  
Saturday 8:30am

Weekend Mass  
Sunday 9:45am

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Friday evenings beginning  
February 16  
7:00pm

#### **Special Theme Stations Fridays at 7:00pm**

Mary Stations – March 1  
Social Justice Stations – March 8  
Living Stations – March 15



**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER  
SCHEDULES FOR BOTH  
WORSHIP SITES WILL BE  
PUBLISHED AT A LATER DATE.**

## FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

**The next Food Pantry Distribution is**  
**Wednesday, February 21**  
**from 10:00<sup>am</sup> to 12:00<sup>pm</sup>**

### 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.**

### 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.



**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.

## Stewardship

*"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."*  
1 Corinthians 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other 'gods' (like our pride, ego, money, and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "I'm I going this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"

## Stewardship: God's Plan for Giving

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

In-person donations.....	\$4,158.00
On-line donations.....	\$1,463.00
Total.....	\$5,621.00

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

## Muchas Gracias!

**My sincere thanks to all who donated Children's Motrin®, backpacks, or financial support towards my recent mission trip to Guatemala.**

**Please know the tremendous impact your donations made on the families in the Diocese of Santa Rosa.**

**GOD BLESS YOU!**  
**Deacon Peter**

## This Week at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

### Monday, February 12

NA 12:05PM Basement

### Tuesday, February 13

NA 11:00AM Basement

### Wednesday, February 14

#### Ash Wednesday

Mass/Ashes 8:00AM Church  
NA 11:00AM Basement  
Stations of the Cross 7:00PM Church

### Thursday, February 15

NA 11:00AM Basement

### Friday, February 16

NA 11:00AM Basement  
Stations of the Cross 7:00PM Church

### Saturday, February 17

Mass 8:30AM Church

### Sunday, February 18

Mass 9:45AM Church

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

### SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday February 17 4:00PM B. Banko

Sunday February 18 8:30AM An. Weiman

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday February 17 4:00PM A. and F. Fowler

Sunday February 18 8:30AM O. and R. Sandoval  
11:15AM M. Amuzie, B. Sorbanelli

#### READERS

Saturday February 17 4:00PM R. McNamara

Sunday February 18 8:30AM D. Vitaliano  
11:15AM J. Baszak

### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

#### READERS

Sunday February 18 9:45AM J. Dixon

### COUNTING TEAMS

Sunday February 18  
Team #4 N. Cinelli, L. Huber



## This Week at Saint Anthony of Padua

### Monday, February 12

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall  
Mass 7:30AM Church  
Bingo 12:00PM Father Milos Hall  
(Doors open at 10:30AM)  
Level One and Level Two Sacramental Confirmation 6:30PM Church

### Tuesday, February 13

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

### Wednesday, February 14

#### Ash Wednesday

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall  
Mass/Ashes 6:30AM Church  
Service/Ashes 12:15PM Church  
Service/Ashes 4:00PM Church  
Mass/Ashes 7:00PM Church

### Thursday, February 15

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall  
Mass 7:30AM Church  
Eucharistic Adoration 2:30PM Chapel  
Chaplet and Rosary 3:00PM Chapel  
Holy Hour with Father Smith 5:00PM Church  
Confessions 6:00PM Chapel  
AA 8:00PM Father Milos Hall

### Friday, February 16

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall  
Mass 7:30AM Church  
Stations of the Cross 12:15PM Church

### Saturday, February 17

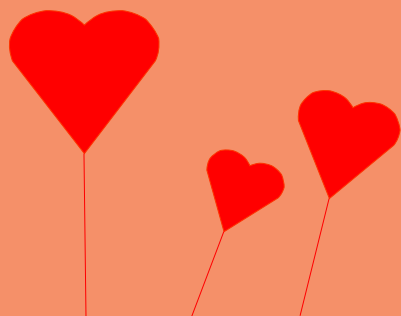
Confessions 3:00PM Chapel  
Mass 4:00PM Church  
Men who Care NA group 7:30PM Father Milos Hall  
Parents Night Out 6:00PM Father Milos Hall

### Sunday, February 18

Mass 8:30AM Church  
Mass 11:15AM Church  
AA 7:00PM Father Milos Hall

## 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**