



**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

Tuesday, March 5 at 5:15PM

Wednesday, March 13 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

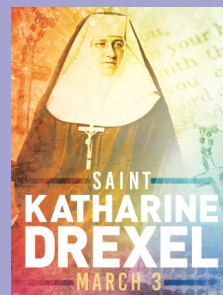
Office is CLOSED on Fridays

NOTICE:

LIVESTREAM EVENTS from
SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE

have resumed as of February 14, 2024

If you have any questions,
call the parish office at 732-634-1403.



Katharine Drexel was born in Philadelphia on November 26, 1858, the daughter of Francis A. Drexel, a prominent banker. Katharine gave her fortune and her life to serve the poor and oppressed, particularly African American and Native American people. She helped finance many missions among them. In 1891, she founded a missionary community, The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. The eucharist was the center of and sustenance for her life; she saw it as the source of unity among races. Katharine died on March 3, 1955 and was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2000.

Resource: Unknown

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Mass Intentions

Saint Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before daily Mass

Monday March 4 *Saint Casimir*
7:30AM Alyce Capelli
Requested by Frank and Ginny Clarke

Tuesday March 5
7:30AM Jack Krapf
Requested by his loving wife, Amy

Wednesday March 6
7:30AM Purgatorial Mass Society

Thursday March *Saint Perpetua, Saint Felicity*
7:30AM Healing intention for Denise and Neil Catapano
Requested by Martin Lyons

Friday March 8 *Saint John of God*
7:30AM Joe Uhrin
Requested by Laraine Jewers

Saturday March 9 *Saint Frances of Rome*
4:00PM George Marrone, Jr.
Requested by Joan Ballance

Sunday March 10 *Fourth Sunday of Lent*
8:30AM People of the Parish family
11:15AM Irene and Jim DeJoy
Requested by daughters, Mary, Anne,
Eileen, and Karen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site

Morning Prayer: 20 minutes before Saturday Mass

Saturday March 9
8:30AM Living intention for the O'Brien family
Requested by Rosemary O'Brien

Sunday March 10 *Fourth Sunday of Lent*
9:45AM William Dudash
Requested by his loving family

Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024



This Week's Scripture Readings

Sunday: Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17
Psalms 19:8-11
1 Corinthians 1:22-25
John 2:13-25

Monday: 2 Kings 5:1-15b
Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3-4
Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Psalms 25:4bc-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9
Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday Jeremiah 7:23-28
Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9
Luke 11:14-23

Friday: Hosea 14:2-10
Psalms 81:6c-11b, 14, 17
Mark 12:28-34

Saturday: Hosea 6:1-6
Psalms 51:3-4, 18-21b
Luke 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Psalms 137:1-6
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21



Rest in Peace

Remember in your prayers the soul of:
Colleen Solowski - February 8



One Year Anniversary

Keep in your prayers the
parishioners who died a year ago:
Edith Amuzie Duru—December 7, 2022
Barbara Mauro—March 11, 2023
Jason C. Silano—March 12, 2023
Harold Cedeno—March 17, 2023

Purgatorial Mass Society

The souls of:	requested by:
Virginia Tantow	Saint Anthony of Padua parish family
Alice Panek	Saint Anthony of Padua parish family
Joe Uhrin	Laraine Jewers
Colleen Solowski	Saint Anthony of Padua parish family



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 Richie Simeone
Requested by Eleanor and Marie Pagliuca

Blessings of good health and recovery for Joan Ballance
Requested by Barbara Berger and Arlene Catalafano

GOOD SHEPHERD

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

In Thanksgiving for Blessings of continued good health
Requested by Colleen Barcellona

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 Ballance,
Fred Burns, Lucille Carpenito,
Cheryle Cacace, Ava Curtis, 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 Tricklel

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.

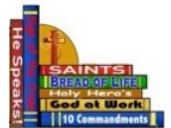
Pope Francis' Intention for March:

We pray that those who risk their lives
for the Gospel in various parts of the
world inflame the Church with their
courage and missionary enthusiasm.



PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

March 4	Reverend Pawel Dziatkiewicz Reverend Mauricio Tabera-Vasquez
March 5	Reverend Michael Tabernero Reverend Czeslaw Zalubski
March 6	Reverend John Morley Reverend Waldemar Wieladek
March 7	Reverend Timothy A. Christy Reverend Zeno Bochnak
March 8	Reverend A. Gregory Uhrig Reverend Peter Seekajugo
March 9	Reverend David Kosmoski Reverend Francis Hilton
March 10	Bishop Emeritus Paul G. Bootkoski



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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G.I.F.T.

**Monday, March 4 at 6:30PM
in Church**

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**Level One and Level Two
Confirmation Preparation
Living Stations rehearsal
at Saint Anthony of Padua**

**Saturday, March 9 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM
Monday, March 11 at 6:30PM**

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**Level One First Penance
Level Two First Communion
Wednesday, March 13
6:30PM in Father Milos Hall**

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 12:15pm
(except Good Friday)

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday evenings at 7:00pm

Social Justice Stations - March 8



PASCHAL CANDLE

If you would like to donate the Paschal Candle for both worship sites, or the smaller matching Altar candles for Saint Anthony of Padua in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please contact the parish office at 732-634-1403.

PALM ARRANGEMENTS

If you're interested in donating one of the palm arrangements that will adorn the Altar of Saint Anthony of Padua or Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site on Palm Sunday in memory of a loved one or for a special intention please call the parish office



Birthday Blessing for March



As a parish family we rejoice and celebrate the gifts of life and love that God has given to us all. We offer to all those celebrating their birthdays this month our best wishes and prayers that God many continue to bless them abundantly in the years ahead.



Thank you . . .

to everyone who donated to the Saint Valentine's Day candy fundraiser! A special thanks to Bette Sullivan for presenting the candy display. With everyone's enthusiasm and generosity to help the parish during a joyous and "chocolatey" time of year, the parish realized \$562.00.

Paschal Tree of Joy

*The **Paschal Tree of Joy Ministry**, with the help and generosity of our Parish Family, will enable St. Anthony's Worship Site and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site to extend the **Joy of the Risen Christ** to children between the ages of 3 through 10 years, by providing them with little tokens of pleasure in the form of Easter Baskets.*

We are asking you to make up your own Easter Basket filled with appropriate items. You can also purchase a pre-made one.



Tags are available this weekend on the Easter tree in the narthex for boys and girls ranging from ages 3 – 10.

Please wrap your basket, attach the tag

and return to our Easter Tree on the

weekends of:

March 9/10 and March 16/17.

The baskets will be distributed the week of March 17.

If you have any questions, or are interested in assisting with this important ministry, please call Ro McNamara through the parish office 732-634-1403.



2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

"But they urged Him, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over.' So He went in to stay with them." (Luke 24:24) Jesus "stays with us" in an intimate way in the Eucharist. We want to share His love with those we meet along the way, accompanying them on the path of life, as Jesus did on the Road to Emmaus. One important way we can share our faith, encourage and assist our fellow travelers is by participating in the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Through our shared support, we touch the lives of thousands of people each year through the tangible services and programs we offer. Together we walk side by side with those who are suffering today, those who are ill or fearful, and those who are poor and vulnerable. Through our ministries, we bring them the reassuring presence of the Lord.

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the "SuperBowl" food drive in February, we assisted 41 families which will help feed 99 people!

**The next Food Pantry Distribution is
Wednesday, March 20**

ITEMS MOST NEEDED ARE:

Canned beans	Canned fruit
Canned meat	Canned pasta
Canned potatoes	Canned ravioli
Canned vegetables	Cereal
Coffee and Tea	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.**

Stewardship

*"You shall not carve idols for yourselves
in the shape of anything...."*
Exodus 20:4

How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort, or health. Pray for God's help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.

Stewardship: God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, February 25, 2024

In-person donations.....	\$3,560.00
On-line donations.....	\$1,175.50
Total.....	\$4,735.50

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

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.

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

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

Make a Difference and Call Now!

Saint Joseph's Senior Home and Nursing Center, in Woodbridge, New Jersey is looking for compassionate and responsible volunteers to help in its Activity Department playing Bingo (Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday), conducting different games, talking with the residents, helping with birthday and holiday parties, and special activities, any day. In addition, we seek volunteers to help in the office on Saturday and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. OR 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Responsibilities include: answering phones, welcoming visitors, and helping out at the front desk.

We welcome students, especially those who need Community Service hours for Confirmation, High School, College, etc. If you can offer two or three hours weekly or monthly, we would be most grateful to you. Please contact Sister Jadwiga Zaremba via e-mail: jadwiga_zaremba@yahoo.com. You may also call or text us at (732) 925-1958 and please leave your name and number. Sister Jadwiga will get back to you. Visit our website at stjosephseniorhome.org. We look forward to hearing from you and meeting you!

This Week at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Monday, March 4

NA 12:05PM Basement

Tuesday, March 5

NA 11:00AM Basement

Wednesday, March 6

NA 11:00AM Basement

Thursday, March 7

NA 11:00AM Basement

Friday, March 8

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

Saturday, March 9

Mass 8:30AM Church

Sunday, March 10

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mass 9:45AM Church

Liturgical *Minister Schedule*

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday March 9 4:00PM B. Banko

Sunday March 10 8:30AM Q. Valdez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday March 9 4:00PM R. Masters, R. McNamara

Sunday March 10 8:30AM S. Gadomski, D. Mazzarella
 11:15AM M. Balint, J. Kondrk

READERS

Saturday March 9 4:00PM T. Casey

Sunday March 10 8:30AM C. Mazzarella
 11:15AM G. Grispart

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

READERS

Sunday March 10 9:45AM C. Torres

COUNTING TEAMS

Sunday March 10
 Team #7 A. and J. Pannullo



This Week at Saint Anthony of Padua

Monday, March 4

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 7:30AM Church
 Bingo 12:00PM Father Milos Hall
 (Doors open at 10:30AM)
 G.I.F.T. 6:30PM Church

Tuesday, March 5

Study Hall 6:30AM Father Milos Hall
Mass 7:30AM Church
 Children's Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM Church
Holy Hour with Father Smith
5:15PM Chapel
 Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30PM Church
 AA 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Wednesday, March 6

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

Thursday, March 7

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, March 8

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

Saturday, March 9 *Paschal Tree of Joy Weekend* Turn clocks ahead—Daylight Saving time begins tomorrow

Level One and Level Two Confirmation Preparation -
 Living Stations Rehearsal

9:00AM Church
 Confessions 3:00PM Chapel
Mass 4:00PM Church
 Men who Care NA group 7:30PM Father Milos Hall

Sunday, March 10

Paschal Tree of Joy Weekend
Mass 8:30AM Church
Mass 11:15AM Church
 AA 7:00PM Father Milos Hall

RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY



Nowadays, in Morazan, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community.

Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more and read this week's Story of Hope.

Daylight
Saving Time

begins on
Sunday, March 10

Turn clocks ahead!