



The Parish Family of Saint Anthony of Padua



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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man." For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - Jn 3:13, 17

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Parish Office Hours

Monday	8:30AM - 3:00PM
Tuesday	8:30AM - 3:00PM
Wednesday	8:30AM - 3:00PM
Thursday	8:30AM - 3:00PM
Office is CLOSED on Fridays	

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

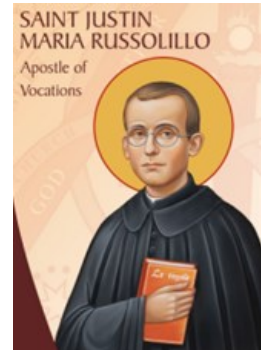
September 14, 2025



From the desk of Fr. Cyril Offiong, SDV



SUPPORT A VOCATIONIST SEMINARIAN



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

As you know, I am a religious and a priest of the Society of Divine Vocations. We, Vocationists, are an international religious community committed to nurturing, encouraging, and promoting vocations to the priesthood and religious life free of charge, especially among the poor. We currently have over three hundred students in various countries studying for the priesthood and the religious life. Our major source of support comes from the many people, like you, our dear parishioners whom we serve and our friends and benefactors who assist us in fulfilling our mission.

Each year we organize a major fundraising event to raise funds for the training of our students and young people who are discerning God's call to service. This fundraiser consists of the following three items:

1. a **Dinner Dance**, which will be held at the Birchwood Manor, in Whippany NJ on Saturday, November 8, 2025 (Tickets for this dinner dance will be available in the coming weeks)
2. a **50/50 raffle** which will be drawn at the Dinner Dance (Tickets are available in the pews and in the parish office. Last year's prizes totaled \$22,023.)
3. an **Ad Journal** that features area businesses and goodwill messages from friends and associates of our community,

The Ad Journal advertises businesses in the area, expresses goodwill messages for the Vocationist Community, and also shares messages in memory of a loved one. These adverts and messages are displayed throughout the duration of the Dinner Dance. The Ad Journal will also be available online for a wider viewership and will also be on our Community websites and other websites associated with our ministries. We also will provide a link to this online edition which can be shared with family and friends. When you sponsor an Ad in our Journal, you will be participating in this two-fold process of supporting our mission while also promoting your business. The contract form on the next page provides the options available in the Ad Journal. You can also help us to share this letter and contract form with family, friends and businesses close to you.

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this noble endeavor. May God bless you as you support us.

Sincerely,
Fr. Cyril Offiong, SDV
Administrator

DINNER DANCE AD JOURNAL – ADVERTISEMENT CONTRACT

I, the undersigned, authorize the Vocationist Fathers to insert the following Ad in the Souvenir Journal of their Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday, November, 8, 2025 at **The Birchwood Manor**, 111 N. Jefferson Road, Whippany, NJ 07981 and also in the digital/online edition. Please check one of the following regarding Ad size:

AD RESERVATIONS

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| <input type="radio"/> Inside Front Cover - \$700 | <input type="radio"/> Bronze Page - \$300 |
| <input type="radio"/> Inside First Page - \$700 | <input type="radio"/> Full Page - \$200 |
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| <input type="radio"/> Gold Page - 500 | <input type="radio"/> Boosters - \$75 |

Please check one of the following regarding your Ad copy:

Camera ready copy and art attached

Repeat last year's Ad (if available)

Ad or Listing as follows:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make checks payable to: Vocationist Fathers

Please send your ads to:

[Saint Anthony of Padua Church](#),

436 Port Reading Avenue, Port Reading, NJ 07064

Attn: Fr. Cyril Offiong, SDV

Or

Email: pastorofstanthonyp@gmail.com

Phone: (732) 634-1403

Please return no later than October 10, 2025

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.

Mass Intentions

at Saint Anthony of Padua Church

Morning Prayer - begins 20 minutes before weekday Mass

Saturday **September 13** *Saint John Chrysostom*
4:00PM Louis N. Masters
Requested by Loretta Napoli

Sunday **September 14**
8:30AM Eleanor Pagliuca
Requested by Deacon Joey and Beth Perlas

11:30AM People of the parish family

Monday **September 15** *Our Lady of Sorrows*
7:30AM Richie Simeone
Requested by his loving wife, Adrienne

Tuesday **September 16** *Saint Cornelius*
7:30AM Patricia Borischak
Requested by Elizabeth Farrell and family
Saint Cyprian

Wednesday **September 17** *Saint Robert Bellamine*
7:30AM Vincent R. Martino
(on our wedding anniversary)
Requested by his loving wife, Rose
Saint Hidlegard of Bingen

Thursday **September 18**
7:30AM Salvatore Coladonato
Requested by his loving Aunt Amy Krapf

Friday **September 19** *Saint Januarius*
7:30AM A Special Intention

Saturday **September 20** *Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon*
4:00PM Helen Cheddar
Requested by her son, Charles
Saint Paul Chong Ha-sang
and Jean Cheddar

Sunday **September 21** *Catechetical Sunday*
8:30AM People of the parish family

11:30AM Ocheze Amuzie (Living Intention)
Requested by her loving family

at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site

Morning Prayer begins 20 minutes before Mass on Saturday

Saturday **September 13**
8:30AM Genaro Lansang
Requested by Beth and Joey Perlas

Sunday **September 14**
10:00AM John Moricz
requested by his loving mother, Margaret

Saturday **September 20** *Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon*
8:30AM Selma Parza
Requested by the Holy Family Prayer Group
Saint Paul Chong Ha-sang

Sunday **September 21** *Catechetical Sunday*
10:00AM Araceli Bernabe
requested by Rowena Bernabe and family



September 14, 2025
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

This Week's Scripture Readings

Sunday: Numbers 21:4b-9
Psalms 78:1b-2, 34-38
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17



Monday: 1 Timothy 2:1-8
Psalms 28:2, 7-9

Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13
Psalms 101:1b-3b, 5-6
Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16
Psalms 111:1-6
Luke 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Timothy 4:12-16
Psalms 111:7-10
Luke 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12
Psalms 49:6-10, 17-20
Luke 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16
Psalms 100:1b-5
Luke 8:4-15

Sunday: Amos 8:4-7
Psalms 113:1-2, 4-8
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13





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 Church

GOOD SHEPHERD

In loving memory of Gordon and Ann Ur,
 John Patrick and Owen

Requested by their loving family

In loving memory of my brother, Richie Simeone

Requested by his sister, Rosemarie and
 brother-in-law, Ray and family

CROSS OF SAN DOMIANO

In loving memory of Carmen, Eleanor, and Jeffrey Pagliuca
 Requested by their loving family

In loving memory of William and Gertrude Leahy

Requested by Karen and Kevin Barnes



Eucharistic Adoration resumed on Thursday,
 September 11 in the Chapel of Saint Anthony
 We need your help!

The Blessed Sacrament is required to be secure
 when out of the tabernacle, therefore someone
 must remain with the Blessed Sacrament at all
 times. If you are available to help, coverage is
 needed in 30 minute intervals from **2:30pm to
 6:00pm**. Contact Angela Fowler
 at 732- 371-2862 if you can help.



FAITH FORMATION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

PARENT MEETINGS:

Monday, September 15 in Church

at 6:00pm Level 1 First Penance

and Level 2 First Communion

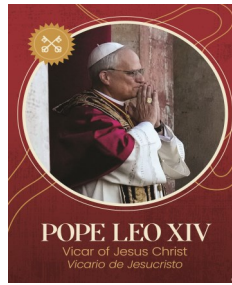
at 7:00pm Level 2 Confirmation

at 7:30pm Level 1 Confirmation

A schedule of sessions will be distributed.

Growing In Faith Together

Wednesday, September 24 at 6:00pm



Pope's Intention for September:

For our relationship with all of
 creation. Let us pray that, inspired
 by Saint Francis, we might
 experience our interdependence with
 all creatures who are loved by God
 and worthy of love and respect.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

September 15 Reverend Dawid Malik
 Reverend Sean Kenney

September 16 Reverend Robert Pinnisi
 Reverend John Rozembajger



September 17 Reverend George A. Farrell
 Reverend Joseph Illes

September 18 Reverend Roy Quesea
 Reverend Antony Arockiadoss

September 19 Reverend Peter (Van Ai) Phan
 Reverend Michael Gromadzki

September 20 Reverend Jose Lim
 Reverend Chester Carina

September 21 Reverend Richard Rusk
 Reverend Stanley Walega

Pray ...



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

Cristino E. Abasolo III, Anonymous,
 Nancy C. Bunavage, John Carpenito,
 Lucille Carpenito, John Campion, Justin Carpentieri,
 Alyssa Dohanyos, John Dohanyos, Mark Emanuele,
 Frank Fernandez, Larry Golden, Kim Hickman,
 Keeba Johnson, Lynn Killmurray, Jonathan Marcela,
 Heather Marrone Fabio, Robert Joseph Meade IV,
 David Russell, Janet Strunak, Millie Sutphen,
 Maryann Vyszwan, Matthew Woods

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 abroad.
 We also pray for their family members.**

Pray for Peace!

Stewardship: God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, August 31, 2025

In-person donations.....\$4,138.00
On-line donations.....\$1,273.00
Total..... \$5,411.00

Sunday, September 7, 2025
donations will be announced in a future bulletin.

Note: The Vocationist collection (in a blue envelope marked September 2025 in your packet) is scheduled for the weekend of September 20.

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

Stewardship

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." John 3:16

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus came to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven. These four points are known as the "kerygma" - the first proclamation of the Gospel. This core message is the basis of our Catholic faith. How do you live this out in your daily life?

Be a Champion for Catholic Charities

You are invited to join CHAMPIONS for CATHOLIC CHARITIES—a community of individual and corporate benefactors who support the vital services for our neighbors in need provided by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Over 70,000 people are helped each year through more than 100 programs in the New Jersey counties of Hunterdon, Middlesex, Somerset and Warren. Catholic Charities continues to work each day to renew hope and bring wholeness to those broken in body and spirit, and we invite you to join us in putting love into action by becoming a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES.

Go to www.diometuchen.org/Champions to make a gift or download a raffle form to purchase a ticket. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Champions for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191. Questions may be directed by email to Champions@diometuchen.org or by phone to 732-562-2432.

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

Second FALL FESTIVAL

Save the date:

Sunday, October 12, 2025

to be held following the

11:30AM Mass

in Father Milos Hall and on Parish grounds

Featuring Free Food

and

Fun for ALL!!!

**Many helpful hands and ideas are
needed to plan this parish event!**

**If you would like to help, share your
talents, and volunteer for this fes-
tive event, then contact the parish
office at 732-634-1403**

Join us for a

*Celebration of Thanksgiving for the
Priestly Ordination of
PE. Lauro Colen Sedlmayer*



**at Saint Anthony of Padua Church
on Saturday, September 27, 2025
at 6:00pm**

*Call the parish office
at 732-634-1403 for tickets.*

Adult ticket price: \$75

Child ticket price: \$40

40 years of religious service

This Week at Saint Anthony of Padua

Monday, September 15

Mass	7:30AM	Chapel
BINGO	12:00PM	Father Milos Hall (doors open at 10:30AM)
Level 1 Penance/ Level 2 Communion	6:00PM	Church
Level 2 Confirmation Parent Meeting	7:00PM	Church
Level 1 Confirmation Parent Meeting	7:30PM	Church

Tuesday, September 16

Mass	7:30AM	Chapel
Adult Choir	6:30PM	Church
AA	7:30PM	Father Milos Hall

Wednesday, September 17 **Food Pantry Distribution**

Mass	7:30AM	Chapel
Food Pantry Distribution	10:00AM	Outside-Back of Hall
Knights of Columbus	7:30PM	Father Milos Hall

Thursday, September 18

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

Friday, September 19

Mass	7:30AM	Church
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Saturday, September 20

Confession	3:00PM	Church
Mass	4:00PM	Church
Catechist Retreat	9:00AM	OLMC
Confirmation Retreat	3:00PM - 6:00PM	Father Milos Hall
NA	7:30PM	Father Milos Hall

Sunday, September 21

Mass	8:30AM	Church
Confirmation Retreat	10:00AM - 4:00PM	Father Milos Hall
Mass	11:30AM	Church

Counting Team—September 22
L. Casey, A. Fowler, P. Russo

This Week at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Monday, September 15

NA	11:00AM	Basement
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Tuesday, September 16

NA	11:00AM	Basement
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Wednesday, September 17

NA	11:00AM	Basement
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Thursday, September 18

NA	11:00AM	Basement
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Friday, September 19

NA	11:00AM	Basement
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Saturday, September 20

Mass	8:30AM	Church
Confession	9:00AM	Church

Sunday, September 21

Mass	10:00AM	Church
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Liturgical Minister Schedule

at Saint Antony of Padua

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday September 20 4:00PM
R. Masters, R. McNamara, D. Scharff

Sunday September 21 8:30AM
S. Gadomski, M. Martino, D. Mazzarella

September 21 11:30AM
B. Cuzzo, G. Grispart, B. Sorbanelli

READERS

Saturday September 20 4:00PM V. Clarke

Sunday September 21 8:30AM G., G.C. Onukwugha
September 21 11:30AM M. Trebour

SERVERS

Sunday September 21 8:30AM C., C. Onukwugha

September 21 11:30AM
A. Boelhower, F. Calabrese

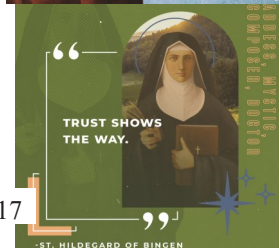
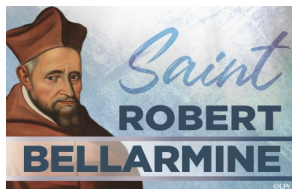
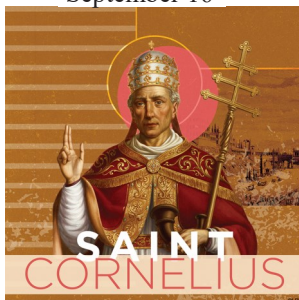
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

READER

Sunday September 21 10:00AM J. Dizon

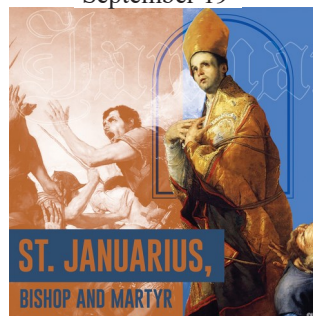
Did you know these religious figures have a feast day this week?

September 16



September 17

September 19



September 20

