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Monday thru Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am (Spanish), 10:30 am & 12:30pm

Confession (Parlor): Thursday 9:35 am & Saturday 3:30 pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Must be registered parishioners for a minimum of six months

First Communion & Confirmation: Contact Parish Office

Marriage: Contact Pastor one year prior to Marriage and registered parishioners for a minimum of six months

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Fr. Kevin's Korner

LEARNING FROM THOMAS

We tend to think that believing was easier for those who saw Jesus than it is for us. This is a mistake. The Gospels show that there were many people who saw Jesus and yet did not believe in him. Seeing is not necessarily believing. The act of faith involves a decision to believe.

In fact, the Gospels shows that even the apostles had problems believing. Thomas was not the only apostle to doubt the resurrection. All of them did. St Mark tells us that when Jesus appeared to them on Easter evening, "he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen" (16:14).

We tend to feel guilty about having doubts. Doubt is often looked on as a sign of weakness, but doubt is not necessarily a bad thing. The poet, Tennyson, says, "Their lives more faith in honest doubt, believe me, than in half the creeds." Thomas Merton says, "The person of faith who has never experienced doubt is not a person of faith."

The example of Thomas is both enlightening and encouraging for us. Thomas showed a refreshing honesty. He made no attempt to hide his doubts. He was not with the other apostles the first time Jesus appeared to them. When they said to him, "We have seen the Lord," he said, "Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into those holes, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe."

What was it that reawakened the faith of the apostles and of Thomas in particular? It was the appearance of the risen Lord. Having reawakened their faith, Jesus gave them a mission, to continue the work of salvation through the forgiveness of sin. Paradoxically, from the lips of this "doubting Thomas" came the highest profession of faith in all the Gospels, "My Lord and my God."

Thomas must not be defined by that period of doubt. That was only one moment in his life. Having come through his crisis of faith, he went on to become one of the greatest missionaries of the early Church. According to tradition, he brought the Gospel to Persia, Syria and India, where he was martyred. Thomas was the first of the apostles to die for the faith.

The story of Thomas shows that doubt can be a growing point, a stepping stone to a deeper understanding. Here on earth, there is no such thing as absolute certainty about spiritual things. If there were, faith would not be necessary.

Jesus invites us to draw close to him in faith and to look at his wounds. Even though we cannot touch him physically, we can draw close to him spiritually. We too are called to bear witness to others. Our task is to make Christ "visible" in the world. The world today is full of doubters and unbelievers. The only way they will be converted to belief is if they can "see" Jesus and "touch" him in his followers.

To be a believer in today's world, can be a lonely business. This is where the community comes in. From the earliest times, Christians came together to witness to the resurrection of Jesus and to live by his teachings. They supported one another by praying and worshipping together and by a loving service of one another.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 7th
7:00 AM
 ☩ Elizabeth Hammargren by Mary & Scott Hammargren
 ☩ For all Holy Souls in Purgatory by Kathy Beal
 ☩ Angelina Agoitia by Jenny Agoitia
8:30 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
10:30 AM
 In thanksgiving on the 69th wedding anniversary of Margaret & Carlos Collazo lovingly by family
 Special Intention for Darwin Cable by John Bezdek
 Special Intention for Dia Joy by John Bezdek
12:30 PM
 ☩ Anne Herff by Jay & Betsy Gwin
 Special Intention for Rey Valdez on his birthday by his grandmother Mary Lou Valdez
 Special Intention for Alina Cardinas by John Bezdek
 Special Intention for the healing of Sally Barrera by Betsy Gwin
Monday, April 8th, 9:00 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
Tuesday, April 9th, 9:00 AM
 Special Intention for Ben Crawford on his birthday by Judy Crawford
Wednesday, April 10th, 9:00 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
Thursday, April 11th, 9:00 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
Friday, April 12th, 9:00 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
Saturday, April 13th, 5:00 PM
 ☩ Bernard Shanahan by Patti Anderson
 ☩ Helen Nelson by Don Nelson
 ☩ Anita & ☩ Bill Lyall by Ron & Charlotte Greenberg
Sunday, April 14th
7:00 AM
 ☩ Gus Wueste by Mike Wueste
 ☩ Anita & ☩ Bill Lyall by Mike Wueste
 ☩ Ellen Pantusa
8:30 AM
 ☩ Andres Morales de parte de su familia
 ☩ Ana Atenojenes & ☩ Sara Cisneros de parte de Oliva Cisneros
 ☩ Maximo, ☩ Lupe & ☩ Carmen Villegas de parte de Oliva Cisneros
 ☩ Kelly & ☩ Jose Alvarado & ☩ Anna Marie & ☩ Richard Vitela
10:30 AM
 For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners
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 ☩ Erin Popovich by Jay & Betsy Gwin
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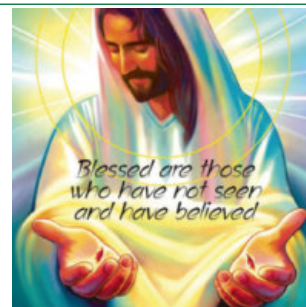
Weekly Offertory



Offertory for March 31, 2024: \$17,794.00
 Online Giving: \$11,446.36
TOTAL: \$29,240.36
 April 2, 2023 Offertory: \$23,827.00

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, April 7th
 7:00 AM Mass—Church
 7:30 AM KC Taco Breakfast—Tiled Area
 8:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 9:00 AM RE Classes (1st-5th Grade)—FFC
 10:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 10:30 AM RE Classes (Pre-K & Kinder)—FFC
 11:00 AM RE Classes (Middle School & High School)—FFC
 12:30 PM Mass—Church
Monday, April 8th
 9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
Tuesday, April 9th
 9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
Wednesday, April 10th
 9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 6:00 PM RE Classes—FFC
Thursday, April 11th
 9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 9:30 AM Confessions—Parlor
Friday, April 12th
 9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 5:30 PM Fiesta Bunco—Banquet Hall
Saturday, April 13th
 3:30 PM Confessions—Parlor
 5:00 PM Mass—Church & Livestream
Sunday, April 14th
 7:00 AM Mass—Church
 7:30 AM Guadalupanas Taco Breakfast—Tiled Area
 8:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 9:00 AM RE Classes (1st-5th Grade)—FFC
 10:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream
 10:30 AM RE Classes (Pre-K & Kinder)—FFC
 11:00 AM RE Classes (Middle School & High School)—FFC
 12:30 PM Mass—Church



Sunday: John 20:19-31
 Monday: Luke 1:26-38
 Tuesday: John 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: John 3:16-21
 Thursday: John 3:31-36
 Friday: John 6:1-15
 Saturday: John 6:16-21

IN THE PARISH

JOIN US FOR

FIESTA BUNCO

APRIL 12, 2024

DOORS OPEN @ 5:30 PM
DINNER 6:15 PM - 7 PM
GAMES START @ 7PM

\$40 ENTRY

ST. ANTHONY DE PADUA

2nd Sunday of Easter: April 7, 2024
Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
— 1 John 5:5

WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the angel Gabriel's visit to young Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus.



ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD BOX REPORT: TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

- * Helped 32 families with food (61 total people)
- * Distributed 935 pounds of food
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- * Gave \$1,600 HEB gift cards for perishable food

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IN THE PARISH

ST. ANTHONY DE PADUA GUADALUPANA SOCIETY

Mother's Day Luncheon

"Celebrating the Sweetness of a Mother"
"Celebrando la Dulzura de una Madre"



MAY 4 2024
St. Anthony de Padua Banquet Hall

10:00am to 2:00pm
Original Ticket Required for Entry

\$35 per person (includes food & drink)

ENTERTAINMENT: MARIACHI AZTECA FASHION SHOW: HUELLAS BOUTIQUE

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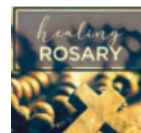
FIESTA 2024

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MONTHLY HEALING ROSARY

The monthly healing rosary has resumed and is the 2nd Monday of every month. Save the date for the next one: **Monday, April 8th** at **6:00pm** in the Banquet Hall. It is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #8738 and is open to all. If you have a loved one who is in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing, please join us in praying for them. For more info contact:

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JOIN US FOR FIESTA BUNCO, FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH!



PRAY FOR HEALING

PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED! Please remember those who are deployed in your daily prayers. Call the parish office if you would like someone added to this list or if you have a loved one who has returned.

- ROGER GONZALES, ISABEL ESCOBEDO, JAMES LOWE, ALLEN ESCOBEDO, CHRISTIAN CHAVEZ, JOHN L. QUINLAN IV, JOHN BOUCHARD, WILLIAM PALOS, CODY GRANBY, JUAN CARLOS RIVERA CEDAÑO, LARRY WILLIAMS JR., JOSHUA PALOS, ADAM SIFUENTES, DAVID RAMIREZ, CODY SWIERC, JUNIPER WEIDNER**

Remember in your prayers the members of our parish who are seriously ill. If you know a parishioner who is sick, in need of prayer, or bedridden and needs Eucharist, contact the parish office. After 4 weeks, names will be removed.

- YOLANDA MATÉ MOY, JC CANE, ALEX BRANDON, ELI BRANDON, MARGUERITE REYES, BERTHA FLORES, DEACON JOE BORREGO, CANDY BOON, PAULA CHAPA**

IN THE PARISH

2024 St. Anthony de Padua
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JUNE 17-21, 2024

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

ALL CHILDREN WELCOME!

Parishioners & Non-parishioners Age Requirements:
Minimum 4 years (Potty Trained)

We are looking for volunteers to be part of our VBS program.

We need adult volunteers for leading & organizing VBS; Teens (entering 7th and up) are also invited to help.

QUESTIONS ABOUT REGISTERING OR VOLUNTEERING? CONTACT
SONYA SANCHEZ 210-824-1743 OR SONYAS@STANTHONYDEPADUA.ORG

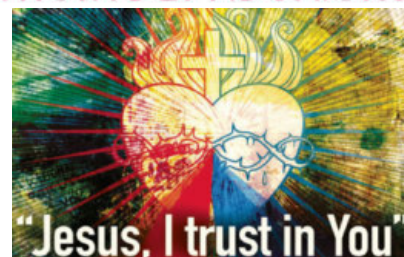


Event: KC's Parish ZOOM SCRIPTURAL ROSARY, 7PM every WEDNESDAY

Meeting ID: 819 2362 3053

Passcode: 109273

Meeting opens 5 mins. before for reflection & sharing. Rosary begins at 7pm w/ special intentions & dedications. Text 210-865-3179, (Nilan Ratnayeke) w/issues.



OUTSIDE THE PARISH



PILGRIM
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Men's Conference

– Pilgrim Center of Hope invites men of all faith journeys to the Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 8am-2:30pm at St. Luke Banquet Hall, 4603 Manitou, San Antonio. Hear from dynamic speakers, experience fellowship with men like you, and encounter the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. Speakers include a former Navy SEAL Instructor, Athletic leader, and EWTN Franciscan Friar. You don't have to be perfect to begin anew in Christ. Learn more & register at CMCSanAntonio.com or contact Pilgrim Center of Hope at 210-521-3377.

June Jamboree
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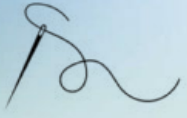
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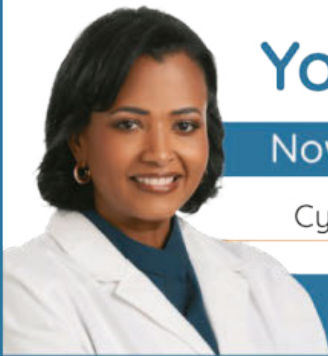
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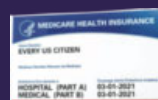
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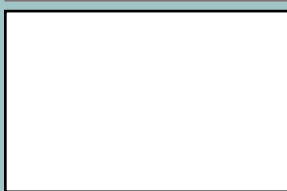
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