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WEEKEND MASSES

St. Anthony

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Sunday: 1:30 pm (Español)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sunday: 11:30 am

Confession - St. Anthony

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 am

WEEKDAY MASSES & SERVICES

St. Anthony

Monday: 8:00 am

Communion Service

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 am - Mass

First Friday Devotion - After Mass

NOVENAS

- St. Anthony Novena
Tuesdays after Mass
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Novena Wednesdays after Mass

ADORATION

Thursdays - after 8 am Mass

Monthly - 6:30 pm:

1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesday

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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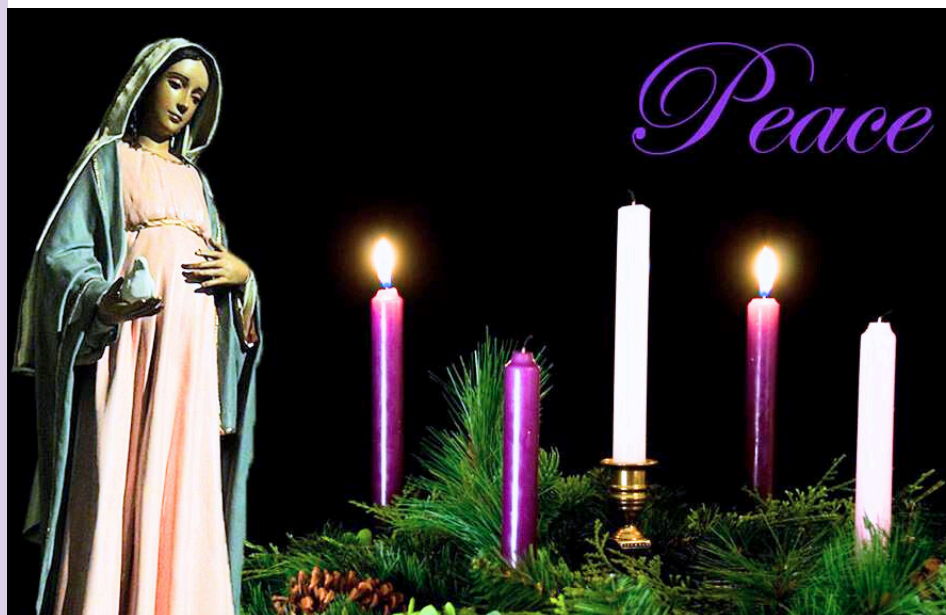
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ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

AND MISSION OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Thank you for celebrating with us today.
Let us always gather as a community to
celebrate the blessings that surround us.



The Second Sunday of Advent

The second Sunday of Advent is when we light the candle of Peace. This candle reminds us that the angels declared "peace on earth" at the birth of Jesus. It's time for Christians to prepare their hearts for Christ's coming by examining their lives and making space for him. Jesus offers us inner peace and peace with others.

Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace forever.

Psalm 72

Parish Office

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Office Hours - Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Our Stewardship Offering to God and His Church

November 29th and 30th, 2025

<i>Thank You for your support!</i>	Offertory	Bldg. Fund	Ministry of Poor	Religious Ed
Saint Anthony	\$ 2,935.88	\$ 30.00	\$ 100.00	\$926.01
Online Giving	\$1,806.36	\$ 340.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 0.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	\$ 924.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$137.00
Online Giving	\$ 30.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,696.74	\$ 375.00	\$ 105.00	\$1,063.01

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Dec 7th : Building MaintenanceDec 14th : Archdiocese: Religious Men and Women ReligiousDec 21st : Religious Education

Mass Attendance: Weekend of Nov. 29th/30th

St. Anthony

5 pm 1008 am 13410 am 1611:30 pm 53

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

11:30 am 95

Daily Mass Readings : Dec., 7th - Dec., 13th

Sun., 7th: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Ils 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Mon., 8th: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY (Patronal Feastday of the USA)

Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation]

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tue., 9th: Advent Weekday [Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin]

Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

Wed., 10th: Advent Weekday [Our Lady of Loreto]

Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

Thur., 11th: Advent Weekday [Saint Damasus I, Pope]

Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

Fri., 12th: Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Sat., 13th: Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Memorial Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13



Mass Intentions for the Week

SAINT ANTHONY

Saturday, December 6

5:00 pm: †Gene Flores †Rusty Grohman

†Dora Perez †Emmy Low

Prayers for Healing: Wilbert Felux

Birthday Blessings: Conchita Scott,
Dan Benavides, Margaret Cadena

Sunday, December 7

8:00 am: †Severin & †Regina Keller

†Leonard Lawson †Larry Preiss

†Olivia S. Seguin †Gerard Avila

†Elvira & †Louis Tarin

Altar Society Members: Living & †Deceased

10:00 am: †Rebecca Silva Spaulding

Prayers for Health: Omar Acosta

Special Intention: Errlinda Castillo

Happy Retirement Blessings: Alma Martinez

1:30pm: The Community of St. Anthony

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

11:30 am: †Viola T. Trevino

SAINT ANTHONY - 8 a.m. WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Dec 8th - Holy Day of ObligationSolemnity of the Immaculate Conception of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am: St. Anthony & OLPH Communities

6 pm: †Emiliano Cantu

Tue., Dec., 9: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wed., Dec., 10: †Sue Strickland

Thu., Dec., 11: †Eustolio Benavides, Jr.

Fri., Dec., 12: †Maria T. Garcia

†Nathan Efron †Andrew Morgan

SAINT ANTHONY

Saturday, December 13

5:00 pm: †Gene Flores †Rusty Grohman

†Dora Perez †Anita R. Casillas

†Monica McClusky †Gerard Avila

†Thomas & †Elizabeth Wiatrek

Sunday, December 14

8:00 am: †Severin & †Regina Keller

†Larry Preiss †Elvira & †Louis Tarin

†Catherine Halbardier

Guadalupe Society Members:

Living & †Deceased

10:00am: †Rebecca Silva Spaulding

Prayers for Health: Omar Acosta

Special Intention: Errlinda Castillo

1:30pm: The Community of St. Anthony

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From the desk of**Father Fidele O. Dikete....**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We have officially initiated the Advent Season. The Advent Season focuses on four themes which are: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. Each one of them is celebrated during the four weeks of Advent in preparation of the coming of the Lord. Our second week focuses on the peace that Jesus Christ brought into the world. John the Baptist announced his coming and warns us to prepare for his arrival. He brings us salvation. We also have the Advent Wreath on the altar. An Advent Wreath symbolizes the progression of the four candles each week which represents the growing light of Christ as Christmas approaches.

I invite you to participate in any of the spiritual activities that we have planned. Father David Garcia will be our speaker for an Advent talk on Tuesday, December 9th at 6:00 pm. A Christmas concert is scheduled for Thursday, December 11th, at 6:00 pm. Each of our choirs will be performing. In order for us to be prepared for the second coming of the Lord, reconciliation service will take place on Wednesday, December 17th, at 6:00 pm.

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Monday, December 8th at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm, and Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast on Friday, December 12th, at 6:30 pm.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mildred Moczygamba and Mrs. Cecilia Hernandez who have been nominated to receive the Lumen Gentium Award respectively for St. Anthony and Our Lady of Perpetual Help. More information is forthcoming next week in the bulletin.

I am humbly requesting the purchase of two processional candles for my Christmas wish list. Each candle cost is \$2,470 for a total of \$4,940 for both candles. These candles will be placed, one to the right and the second one to left of the Altar. Our Altar Servers will be processional with these candles on weekend Masses and Holy Days of obligation. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to continue honoring the House of the Lord with sacred ornaments.

I will be playing the role of Santa Claus this year on Saturday, December 20th from 10:00 am to noon. All our children will be asked to come to church in order to receive a Christmas gift from the community. Please consider donating Christmas gifts to the parish community as soon as you possibly can. All details are provided in the bulletin insert.

God bless you always,

Fr. Fidele Dikete
Pastor

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**"Lord, Hear
our Prayer".**

Barbara Hoelscher	Max Keller	Richard Palomo
Fr. Andrew Kafara	Kayla Kindred	Darlene Parker
Baby Mark Santos	Larry Kendall	Gianna Pesina
Robert Acree	Jesús López	Margaret Ramos
Richard Bauer	Jaime Macias III	Mari Luz Reséndiz
Janie Casanova	Marilyn Magaro	John Robichaux
Norma Casanova	Sylvia Martinez	Antonia Santos
Richard Castillo	Fr. William	Vanessa M. Santos
Gladys De La O	McNamara	Olivia Seguin
Elizabeth Dziuk	Arnold Medellin	Estella Segura
Wilbert Felux	Cheryl Medellin	Irene Sibley
Fred Flores	Frances Miller	Miguel Silva
Joseph Z. García	Christina Moreno	Noah Spaulding
Stephanie García	Samantha Moreno	Pedro Solís
María Garza	Santos Moreno	Juan Trevino
Rusty Grohman	David Owen	Jacob Warschak
Rubén Guerra		
Jose Herrera		



**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Mother Mary
Monday, December 8th**

**Holy Day of Obligation
Mass Times at St. Anthony
8:00 am & 6:00 pm**

The Parish Office will be closed in observation of this feast day. Normal hours will resume on Tuesday, Dec. 9th.

The Guadalupana Society of St. Anthony and Our Lady of Perpetual Help welcomes you to the annual bilingual Mariachi Mass in celebration of...

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
FEAST DAY
FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 12, 2025
ST. ANTHONY
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**ROSARY: 6:00 PM
HOLY MASS: 6:30 PM
CHOIR:**

**Mariachi Los Parientes
de Pedro Moreno**

COMPLIMENTARY MEAL: 7:45 PM

**MISSION CONCEPCION MATACHINES: 8:00 PM
Indigenous cultural dance honoring Our Lady.
Parish Hall**



SACRAMENTS

Baptism serves as the first Sacrament one receives when entering the Catholic Faith.

You only receive it one time as your Sacrament of Initiation.

To schedule a Baptism, please call the parish office to begin the process.

- **First Communion and Confirmation:** Students must be enrolled in Religious Education classes for two consecutive years. First Communion normally takes place during the 2nd grade year and Confirmation during the 10th grade year, exceptions may be arranged. Baptism is a prerequisite! Call the office to get your child baptized before classes begin.
- **Marriage:** By Appointment - Six Months in Advance! *Call the parish office to register, turn in necessary documents and arrange appointments with the Pastor.*
- **Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion for the Homebound:** Call to arrange the time and location.
Office: (210) 635-8539
- **Funerals:**
 1. First contact should be the funeral home, they will contact the parish office to schedule the services.
 2. After meeting with the funeral home, call the office to schedule a family meeting with the Pastor.

CEMETERY BUSINESS - By Appointment
St. Anthony Cemetery

For Records and Plot Sales call: (210) 635-8539

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cemetery

For Records and Plot Sales call:

Albert Gamez, Jr.: (830) 391-0451

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 ONLINE GIVING:**



Feast of the Immaculate Conception: The Parish Office will be closed on the Monday, December 8th. Normal hours will resume on Tuesday, December 9th.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

To commemorate an important event in your life, or someone else's, please consider placing fresh flower arrangements on the church Altar. Recognition of your gift to beautify our Altar will be placed in the bulletin that weekend. If you are interested, please call the church office for more details. 210-635-8539.

**Christmas Celebration**

Everyone is invited to our
First Unified Christmas Party for both communities, St. Anthony and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, on Friday, December 19th, in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP after Mass.

Celebration will be from 6pm until 11pm. There will be music, food, dessert and beverages. You are also welcome to bring your own drinks. Christmas celebration attire is encouraged.

May we find joy and hope during the
 Christmas Season.

I'm looking forward to seeing each one of you and
 celebrate the second coming of our Savior.

May God bless you always,

Fr. Fidele O. Dikete, Pastor

CDA Annual Christmas Raffle

Court Mary-Queen
 of Angels #2673
 Elmendorf / Sasparco

**Drawing at the Parish Christmas
 party on December 19th!**

**Our Lady
 of
 Perpetual
 Help
 presents**



**Raffle
 Drawing
 at 8 pm
 Tickets:
 \$5.00
 15 Great
 Prizes!**

December 20th | 6:30 pm

Bulletin & Website Submission Deadline is Friday by 1 pm, one week in advance.

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