



Saint Anthony of Padua Church

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14TH

SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

THE GENTLE MASTERY OF CHRIST

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

6:30 am *English*
8:00 am *Spanish*
9:30 am *English*
11:00 am *Spanish*

Monday - Thursday

7:00 am *English*

Thursday

7:30 pm *Spanish*

Friday

5:15 pm *English*

Saturday

4:00 pm *English (Sunday Vigil Mass)*

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm *Chapel*
Thursday 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm *Church*
Friday 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm *Chapel*
Saturday 11:00am- 11:45am *Church*
3:00 pm -3:45pm *Church*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00am to 4:00 pm

BAPTISM

Saturday at 12:00 pm | Every third in English | Every fourth in Spanish

MARRIAGE

Diocesan rules require registered parishioners to contact the Pastor at least 8 months in advance. *Classes are required.*

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office at 508-993-1691 for a Minister of Care to bring communion to those who are in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes. This can be arranged on a regular basis. Anointing of the Sick (performed by a priest) can be received at any time during a serious illness.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm *Chapel*; Thursday 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm *Church*
Friday 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm *Chapel*.

FAITH FORMATION *(For youth and children)*

Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm at Immaculate Conception School - 136 Earl Street New Bedford, MA.

OCIA *(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)*

If you or anyone is interested in the Catholic Faith or in becoming a Catholic, please call the parish Office at 508-993-1691.

SUNDAY JULY 5, 2026

Welcome to Saint Anthony's

If you are new to St. Anthony of Padua Parish, please know how welcome you are to worship God with us. The motto of our parish is written in Latin over the front entrance: "The hardworking people of St. Anthony have built this Temple to the Lord." We know that we have been blessed with one of the most beautiful church most people have ever seen and that the Lord demands more of those who have been given more. Our goal is to allow the Lord to build with us a parish community of "living Stones" even more beautiful than the physical edifice in which we have the awesome privilege to worship Him. We would love you to become part of that building project!



Parish Staff

PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER, MA

Staffed by the priests of the "Institute of the Incarnate Word" (IVE)

Pastor

Fr. Mariano Varela, IVE | Ext. 102

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Fr. Mario Rojas, IVE

Fr. Jayapaul Poliseti, IVE

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Deacon Eduardo Borges

Deacon Jeremias Carranza

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Sacristan Sr. Annette Brassard | Ext. 112

Remember them in your prayers!

Eternal Rest

We are asked to pray for the sick, especially for
Grace Gonsalves, Henrique Trindade, Lucille Connolly,
Diane Barksdale, Hunt Barksdale, Rob Jardin, Adrien
Aube, Jose Soares, Loretta & Joe Hevey, Thomas Sargent,
Sandra & Family, Alan Edwards and Jose M. Carcamo,
Nataly Alvarado, Madaleine Mendoza, Nick Dagenais,
Selena Santos, Hayden, Tony Gonsalves,
Denise Murphy.

That the Lord may give them health and strength

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY

4:00pm

SUNDAY

6:30am *English*

8:00am *Español*

9:30am *English*

11:00am *Español*

MONDAY

7:00am

TUESDAY

7:00am

WEDNESDAY

7:00am

THURSDAY

7:00am

7:30pm

FRIDAY

5:15pm

SATURDAY

4:00pm

SUNDAY

6:30am *English*

8:00am *Español*

9:30am *English*

11:00am *Español*

JULY 4

†Raymond & Georgette Roy

JULY 5

†Ernest & Dolores Oliveira

†Simeon Ventura

†Fernando do Couto

†Edward Mullins

JULY 6

†Joseph Brassard

JULY 7

†Manuel Pereira

JULY 8

†Marcelino de La Cruz

†Richard Fournier (Bday Rememb.)

JULY 9

†Carmen Rosa Montanez

†Ramon Salvatierra

JULY 10

†Antonio Pacheco

JULY 11

† St. Anthony's Class Reunion

(50 Yrs. Anniversary)

JULY 12

†Emilio & Maria Dasilva

†Manuel Couto

†Ramona Cecilia Leiva

†Otilia & Manuel Santos

†John Martins

†Claribel Carranza (15 Aniv.)

Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn the month of July in memory of

† Rhea & J. Normand Dumont

READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2026

SUNDAY

July 5

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

MONDAY

July 6

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

TUESDAY

July 7

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38

WEDNESDAY

July 8

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7

THURSDAY

July 9

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15

FRIDAY

July 10

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14, 17/Mt 10:16-23

SATURDAY

July 11

Saint Benedict, Abbot

Is 6:1-8/Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

SUNDAY

July 12

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Pastor Message

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus speaks words that have brought hope and comfort to countless generations: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." These words remind us that our Lord understands every sorrow, every struggle, and every burden we carry. He does not promise a life free of difficulties, but He does



promise His presence, His peace, and the strength to persevere. When we place our trust in Him, we discover that His love is greater than our fears and that His mercy renews our hearts each day. As I reflect on this beautiful invitation from Jesus, my thoughts turn to the people of Venezuela who have recently endured a

devastating disaster. In a matter of moments, many families experienced heart-breaking loss, homes were damaged, livelihoods were disrupted, and countless lives were forever changed. Such suffering reminds us of the fragility of life and of our responsibility as disciples of Christ to care for one another. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot remain indifferent to the pain of our brothers and sisters. Through our prayers, compassion, and generosity, we accompany those who mourn and those who continue to rebuild their lives. Let us ask the Lord to welcome those who have died into His eternal peace, to console grieving families, to heal those who have been injured, and to strengthen all who are facing uncertainty. May our Blessed Mother wrap them in her loving mantle and intercede for them before her Son.

I would also like to keep our parish family informed about some recent events here at St. Anthony's. Last week's heavy rain unfortunately caused damage to our bookkeeper's office, affecting both the ceiling and the carpet. We are grateful that the damage was

limited, and repair work is already underway. At the same time, we continue making progress on the finishing of the church window frames. These improvements are important steps in preserving our beautiful parish home for present and future generations.



Thank you for your continued prayers, patience, and generous support as we care for our parish and one another. May we accept Jesus' invitation to come to Him with confidence, allowing Him to give us the rest, consolation, and hope that only He can provide. May His peace remain with each of you throughout the week. Have a blessed Sunday!

Christus Vincit! Christus Regnat!
Christus imperat!
Fr. Mariano Varela, IVE

Liturgy's Corner

2026 Annual
Diocesan Appeal
St. Anthony's
pledge



The Diocese of Fall River serves:

- 45 cities and towns
- More than 60 parishes
- Countless ministries across Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod and the Islands.

AS OF JUNE 29	2026
# S.A FAMILIES	75
\$ PLEDGED	\$14,736.00
AMOUNT PAID	\$12,761.00
BALANCE DUE	\$1,975.00



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Events & Announcements



You are warmly invited to our Parish Picnic on Sunday, July 26, at Camp Cathedral from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Come enjoy an afternoon of fellowship, food, fun, and community. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather as a parish family, strengthen friendships, and get to know one another better. We hope to see many members of our parish community there for this special day together.

Sanctuary Lamp: Beginning July 1st 2026, the cost of sponsoring the sanctuary lamp will change to \$20.00 per week (Sunday through Saturday) the monthly request that are already book will be honored.



Coffee & Donuts
No Coffee & Donuts during the summer months

Thank you for your support,
see you in September

Events & Announcements



Legion of Mary

There will be Rosary prayer led by Legion of Mary team at the Grotto on Nye St.

All are welcomed to join us.

AT

**St. Anthony of Padua
Grotto Nye St.**

Dates	Sunday	Times
July 19, 2026		2:00pm
Aug 23, 2026		2:00pm
Sept. 20, 2026		2:00pm
Oct. 18, 2026		2:00pm

Nov. 1, 2026 2:00pm
PINE GROVE CEMETERY
New Bedford, MA



To know more about the Legion of Mary or about the Public Rosary call (508) 525-6797



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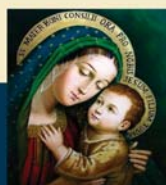
PILGRIM VIRGIN HOME VISTATION STATUE

Families are invited to welcome the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima into their homes for prayer and rosary.



The Legion of Mary will bring to your home the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The statue will stay in your home for one week during which you are encourage to invite friends and neighbours to welcome Mary upon her arrival and have them join you in prayer each day the statue is in your home.

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For Additional Information and details, please contact:
Parish Rectory (508) 993-1691
Edwin Aldarondo (508) 525-6797

Announcements and Events

Parish Bazaar

As we planned for the next parish bazaar we need your generosity. Please donate gift cards, children toys, new items you would like to donate.

Saint Anthony Food Pantry

Volunteers are always needed. Feel free to come to see if that is for you. Thursdays from 10am to 11:30am. For permanent volunteers you will need to do the Safe environment training.

OCIA Classes

If you or someone you know you like to know more about the Catholic Church, or receive the Sacrament of Confirmation as adult, please call the secretary for enquiries. We meet every Sundays after the 9:30am Mass or meet Mother Aieparthenos for more information.

Legion of Mary

Every Friday of the year from 6pm to 7pm in the classroom of the parish. Weekly meeting and home visiting, and special events.

Faith Formation Volunteer

We need volunteers to teach and share the faith, and security volunteers. Talk to the sisters if you want to volunteers.

Altar Bread & Wine Donations

Honor the memory of a loved one by donating the Altar Bread and Wine for the month. This is a meaningful way to remember someone special while supporting our parish's liturgical celebrations. For more information or to reserve a month, please contact or speak with the Parish Secretary.



SAINT VERONICA (JULY 12)

According to legend, Veronica was the woman who took pity on Jesus as he carried his cross, wiped his face with a cloth and was left with an image of the suffering Christ. Her story was included in the Stations of the Cross in the 19th century.

St. Veronica, pray for us!

Sacrificial Giving and Stewardship

Weekly Collections

SUNDAY JUNE 21, 2026

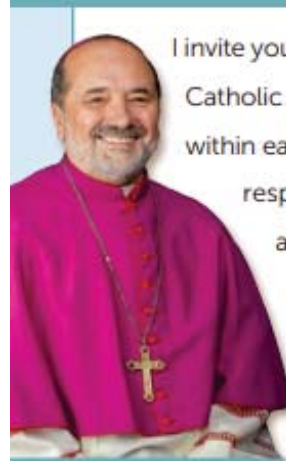
Weekly Collection	\$ 5,700.00
Renovation	\$ 2,402.00
Candle Shrine	\$ 256.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY
Upcoming Second Collections

07/05/2026 St. Anthony Youth Ministry

07/19/2026 Renovation

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,



I invite you to support our diocese's 85th Catholic Appeal, because PEACE starts within each of us. Together, let us take responsibility for caring for one another and for advancing the mission entrusted to us. May peace truly begin with each of us. Thank you, and God bless you always.



Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.
Bishop of Fall River

July, devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus



Designating July as the month dedicated to the Precious Blood provides believers with a specific period to deepen our devotion to Jesus' sacrifice and to reflect on the salvific power of

His Blood. It is seen as the ultimate expression of God's love and mercy, as it was freely given for the forgiveness of sins and the salvation of souls.

Noticias & Eventos




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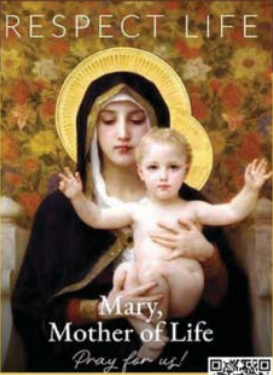
Secretariat for
The New Evangelization

Annual Diocesan Respect Life

MASS AND CONFERENCE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026

End of Life Medical Choices
Making Ethical Decisions in Sickness and Compromised States



RESPECT LIFE

Mary, Mother of Life
Pray for us!

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, PhD

The Annual Diocesan Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D., Bishop of Fall River, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, 327 Second St, Fall River, MA, at 10:30AM.

The Annual Respect Life Conference will follow at 12:00 PM at White's of Westport, 66 State Road, Westport, MA. Attendees are required to register before September 30th. Conference and lunch are included in the registration price of \$45. (Group registration available.)

Clergy and religious are encouraged to contact the Office of Family and Respect Life before registering.

TO REGISTER FOR CONFERENCE VISIT: FALLRIVERDIOCESE.ORG

This Mass is sponsored by:
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Word of Life

“O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus...We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We make reparation for the offenses against you and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation. May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops “Local Celebrations of the Consecration of the United States of America to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus”

Desde el 29 de Junio	2026 La Colecta Anual Diocesana
# de Familias	75
\$ Prometido	\$14,736.00
Monto Pagado	\$12,761.00
Balance	\$1,975.00

Noticias y Eventos

BAUTISMOS PARA EL MES DE AGOSTO



Clase: Viernes 7, de Agosto a las 7:30pm
en el Salón Parroquial

Bautismo: Sábado 29 de Agosto a las 12pm
en la Iglesia principal



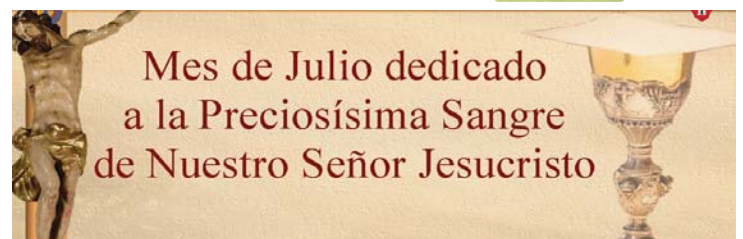
Lampara del Santuario: Comenzando el primero de Julio 2026 el costo del patrocinio de la lampara del Santuario va ser de \$20.00 semanal. (Domingo a Sábado) se respetaran todas las solicitudes mensuales que ya habían sido reservadas.



Cathedral Camp, Freetown

Julio 26, 2026

12:00pm a 4:30pm



Rosario de Los Jueves

Comunidad San Kilian: 07/09/2026

Comunidad Maria Sede de la Sabiduría: 07/16/2026

Comunidad Puerta del Cielo: 07/23/2026

Comunidad San Kilian: 07/30/2026

Comunidad Maria Sede de la Sabiduría: 08/06/2026

Grupos de Limpieza

Comunidad Puerta del Cielo: 07/04/2026

Comunidad Maria Sede de La Sabiduría: 07/11/2026

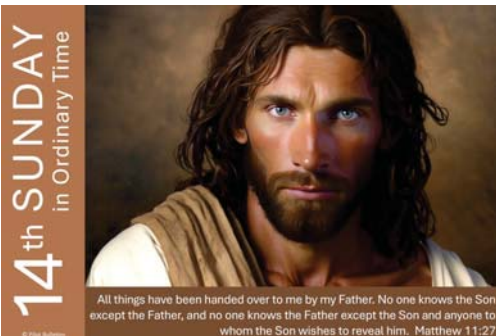
Comunidad San Kilian: 07/18/2026

Comunidad Puerta del Cielo: 07/25/2026

Comunidad Maria Sede de La Sabiduría: 08/01/2026

Mensaje del Padre Mariano

Queridos hermanos, en el Evangelio de este domingo, Jesús nos dirige una de las invitaciones más consoladoras de toda la Sagrada Escritura: «Vengan a mí todos los que están cansados y agobiados, y yo los aliviaré». Estas palabras nos recuerdan que nuestro Señor conoce el peso de nuestras preocupaciones, nuestras pérdidas y nuestros sufrimientos. Él



no nos promete una vida sin dificultades, pero sí nos asegura su presencia constante, su paz y el consuelo que solamente Él puede ofrecer. Cuando depositamos nuestra confianza en Cristo, descubrimos que su amor fortalece nuestra esperanza y nos da la serenidad necesaria para continuar caminando con fe.

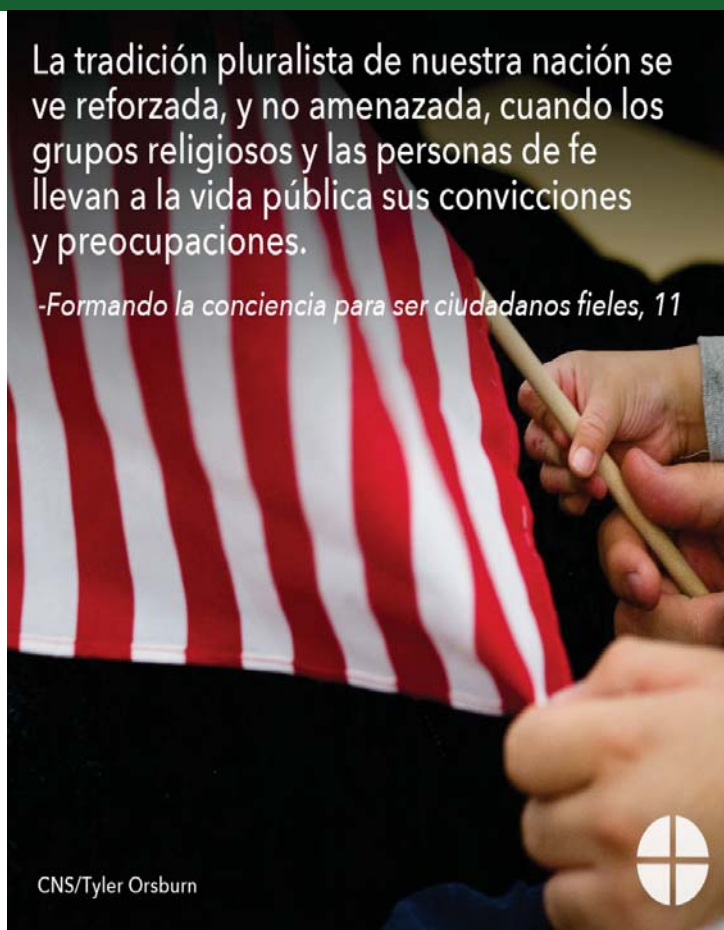
Al meditar en este hermoso pasaje del Evangelio, mi corazón se dirige de manera especial hacia el pueblo de Venezuela, que atraviesa momentos de profundo dolor a causa de una tragedia que ha dejado personas fallecidas, familias destrozadas y muchos hermanos y hermanas que han perdido a sus seres queridos y sus medios de vida. Frente a tanto sufrimiento, no podemos permanecer indiferentes. Como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, estamos llamados a acompañar con nuestra oración a quienes lloran, a quienes han quedado heridos física y espiritualmente, y a todos aquellos que enfrentan un futuro lleno de incertidumbre. Pidamos al Señor que reciba en su Reino a quienes han partido de este mundo, fortalezca a quienes sobreviven y conceda esperanza a quienes sienten que sus fuerzas se agotan. Que nuestra Santísima Madre María los cubra con su manto protector y les alcance el consuelo que tanto necesitan.

También deseo mantener informada a nuestra familia parroquial sobre algunos trabajos en nuestra iglesia. Las fuertes lluvias de la semana pasada causaron daños en la oficina del contador parroquial, afectando el techo y la

alfombra. Gracias a Dios, ya estamos trabajando para reparar esos daños y devolver ese espacio a su buen estado. Asimismo, continúan los trabajos para finalizar los marcos de las ventanas de nuestra iglesia, una mejora importante para la conservación y el embellecimiento de nuestro templo.

Agradezco profundamente sus oraciones, su paciencia y su constante generosidad. Que esta semana respondamos con confianza a la invitación de Jesús, llevando hasta Él todas nuestras cargas. Él nunca abandona a quienes ponen su esperanza en su amor misericordioso y siempre ofrece descanso, fortaleza y paz a los corazones que lo buscan con fe. Que tengan un muy feliz y bendecido domingo!

Christus Vincit! Christus Regnat!
Christus imperat!
Fr. Mariano Varela, IVE



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