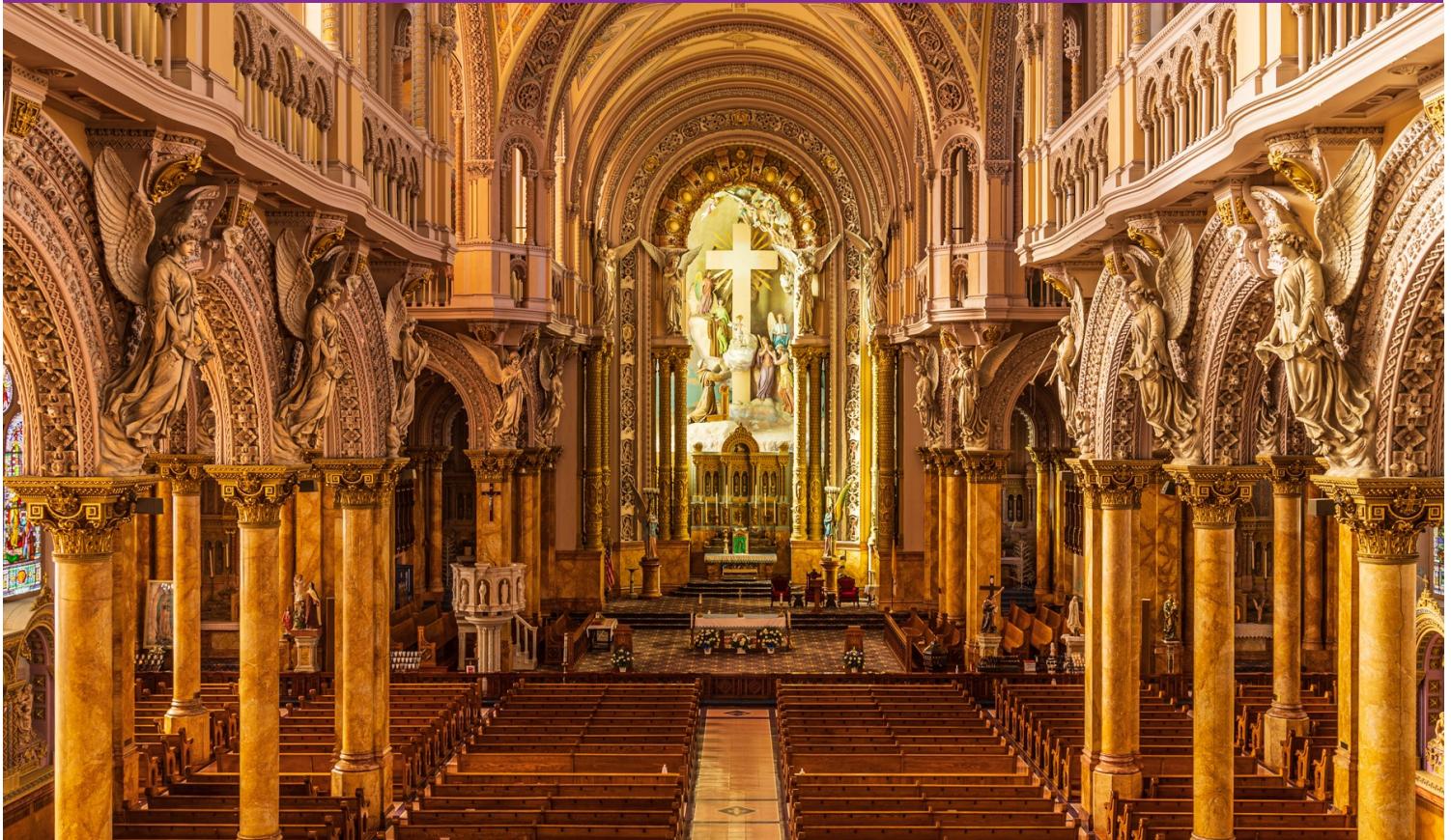




# Saint Anthony of Padua Church

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

## 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)

## CONFESIONS

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 11:00 am – 11:45 am Church  
3:00 pm – 3:45 pm Church

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00 am 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.*

## ANOINTING 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; Saturday 9:30 am – 3:30 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.

## RCIA (*Rite 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.

## 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

##### Associate Pastor

Fr. Thomas Steinke, IVE - Ext. 108

##### Deacon

Deacon Eduardo Borges

##### Secretary

Reina McCarty (508) 993-1691 Ext. - 101  
office@saintanthonynb.org

##### Organist & Music Director

Daniel Marshall (401) 288-7172  
music@saintanthonynb.org

##### Maintenance

Luis Sicajau - Ext. 113

##### Religious Education Director

Mother Mater Consecrata, SSVM - Ext. 114  
ccd@saintanthonynb.org

##### Sacristan

Sr. Annette Brassard - Ext. 112

### Remember them in your prayers!

#### Eternal Rest

We pray for those called home to the Lord



We are asked to pray for the sick, especially for  
**Grace Gonsalves, Henrique Trindade, Theresa Quintin, Nancy Paiva, Lucille Connolly, Diane Barksdale, Hunt Barksdale, Rob Jardin, Adrien Aube, Jose Soares, Loretta Hevey, Thomas Sargent, Robert Keegan, Sandra & Family, Antonio Manuel, Alan Edwards, Marcelino De La Cruz**  
 that the Lord may give them health and strength.

### Mass Intentions

#### MONDAY

7:00am †Thomas Vital Amaral

#### TUESDAY

7:00am †Fernando Couto

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00am Karen DeCarlo  
Int. B-Day

#### THURSDAY

7:00am †Saul Osilio Funes Zelaya  
Manuel Pereira

#### FRIDAY

5:15 pm †Friends of Aldarondo & Montanez ,Family.  
†Janice Fauteux

#### SATURDAY

4:00pm †Deceased of the IVE

#### SUNDAY

6:30am English  
8:00am Español  
9:30 am English  
11:00am Español  
†Ernest & Dolores Oliveira  
*Pro Populo*  
†Orphelia & Manuel Santos  
†Eduardo Demedeiros



### 3rd Sunday of Lent

"While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well." (Jn 2: 23-25)

### READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B

<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Mar 3	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/ 1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
<b>MONDAY</b> Mar 4	<i>Saint Casimir</i> 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
<b>TUESDAY</b> Mar 5	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6+7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Mar 6	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
<b>THURSDAY</b> Mar 7	<i>Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs</i> Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
<b>FRIDAY</b> Mar 8	<i>Saint John of God, Religious</i> Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14+17/ Mk 12:28-34
<b>SATURDAY</b> Mar 9	<i>Saint Frances of Rome, Religious</i> Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
<b>4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Mar 10	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

## Pastor's Message

Dear brothers and sisters, on this Sunday the gospel shows the zeal of our blessed Lord for the Temple of Jerusalem. For the Jewish the temple was considered the most holy place in their midst. It was in it where the high priest would do the sacrifices on behalf of the people, who at the same

That was the sign and authority given to the Jews by our blessed Lord when he was asked. The temple represents the presence of God. The Catechism of the Catholic Church affirms, "Like the prophets before him Jesus expressed the deepest respect for the Temple in Jerusalem. It was in the Temple that Joseph and Mary presented him forty days after his birth. At the age of twelve he decided to remain in the Temple to remind his parents that he must be about his Father's business. He went there each year during his hidden life at least for Passover. His public ministry itself was patterned by his pilgrimages to Jerusalem for the great Jewish feasts" (CCC 583.) "Jesus went up to the Temple as the privileged place of encounter with God. For him, the Temple was the dwelling of his Father, a house of prayer, and he was angered that its outer court had become a place of commerce." (ccc 584)

Our Lord teaches us to respect our temple as building but also our body

as temple of the Holy Spirit. Why should we care for our body? Because we will rise again as the Lord did. Jesus suffered, was put to death, and on the third day He rose again with a glorified body. That is why he said "destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up," meaning of his own resurrection.

We Christians by baptism have become a dwelling temple of the Holy Spirit and our body will raise up again. That is why Jesus said, "And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna" (Mt 10:28) May we know how to honor and respect our body as temple of the Holy Spirit.

Have a blessed Sunday and a fruitful Lent.

*Christus Vincit! Christus Regnat!  
Christus Imperat!*  
Fr. Mariano Varela, IVE

## "From the Choir Loft "

This weekend, our spotlight shines on the Entrance and Communion Antiphons, a focal point since the inception of our rendition during the past Advent, following the transition to the Source & Summit Hymnal. While previously, I offered a brief introduction to the antiphons, today, I yearn to delve deeper into their historical significance and their more profound integration into our worship.

The Introit (entrance antiphon), Offertory, and Communion Antiphons serve as the propers of the Mass, resonating with the Gospel or Feast being commemorated. These texts, altering daily, lend a distinctive voice to each liturgical celebration. Alongside the Antiphons, the Responsorial Psalm and the prayers uttered by the priest after he invokes, "Let us pray," compose part of these proper texts. Set apart from the unvarying ordinary texts of the Mass, such as the Gloria and Kyrie, these propers offer a dynamic reflection of the day's theme.

In numerous parishes throughout the United States, the tradition of employing Proper Antiphons during weekday Masses endures, often spoken rather than sung. Before Vatican II, these antiphons, sung in Latin by the choir, supplanted the customary opening, offertory, and communion hymns. Nevertheless, congregants remained actively engaged by participating in the singing of the Creed, Gloria, and responding to the chanted Mass responses, a tradition that persists to this day.

So, why the transition towards hymns over Antiphons in recent times?

Following Vatican II, the translation of Antiphons into English failed to garner immediate attention from the higher ecclesiastical echelons. Consequently, church musicians sought English alternatives, finding solace in Protestant hymn tunes, which they adapted to align with Catholic theology. This divergence from Antiphons in favor of hymns in the vernacular has endured into the present era.

As I articulated in my inaugural article about these antiphons back in November of 2023, these chants have remained an integral part of our liturgical tradition for nearly two millennia. As we traverse through this Lenten season, I implore all of you not only to join us in singing these antiphons but to allow them to center your thoughts on the profound themes of the readings for each Mass.

Prayerfully Yours,

*Daniel B. Marshall  
Director of Sacred Music & Organist*



## Community & Diocesan News



### Have you Lived Cursillo?

Cursillo is a three-day learning experience in Christianity featuring practical insights

into an everyday life of faith and service. It is a truly unique experience to deepen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Cursillo weekends are held at the Holy Cross Retreat House in Easton. For more information, please visit [www.RetreatHouse.org/Cursillo](http://www.RetreatHouse.org/Cursillo)  
Have you already lived Cursillo? Please reach out and introduce yourself, we are always looking for volunteers to help bring cursillo to our parishes.  
[www.RetreatHouse.org/cursillo-parishvolunteer](http://www.RetreatHouse.org/cursillo-parishvolunteer)

## Faith Formation

### MANDATORY CONFIRMATION RETREAT Make Up

Saturday, March 23 9am – 2pm  
St. Ann's Parish Raynham, MA  
Cost: \$40

RSVP and payment to M. Consecrata  
by March 4

## Operation Rice Bowl

Through CRS Rice Bowl, you help reach more than 250 MILLIN PEOPLE with lifesaving support. THANK YOU for changing lives this Lent!

- Place your CRS Rice Bowl on your Family's dinner table.
- Follow the calendar's daily reflections.
- Put your Lenten sacrifices into your CRS Rice Bowl.
- Bring the bowl at the end of the Lenten season to share with people in most need.



## Parish News

2024

To Jesus through Mary

### Legion of Mary

Our Lady of Good Counsel

### St. Anthony of Padua Church

1359 Acushnet Ave. New Bedford, MA 02746

"The Legion aims to bring Mary to the world as the infallible means of winning the world to Jesus" Founder Frank Duff

We meet every Tuesday during Lent  
6pm-7pm

For information call the parish rectory at:  
508-993-1691



**YOUTH GROUP**

DURING LENT YOUTH GROUP WILL BE ON

**SUNDAYS FROM 3PM-5PM**

AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH 136 EARLE ST. NEW BEDFORD, MA JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Portuguese Parish of the Immaculate Conception in New Bedford, Massachusetts is searching for either Full-Time or part time Music Director/Organist to lead the music program forward for the glory of God and the edification of the faithful. Chief responsibilities include playing for Saturday evening, and Sunday masses, choir rehearsal, and special mass and liturgies during the year. Interested applicants should email to [i.conception@comcast.net](mailto:i.conception@comcast.net) or call to 508-992-9892 for further inquiries. Pastor: Fr. Mariano Varela.

## Hymns for the 3rd Sunday of Lent - Year "B"

**Entrance Antiphon:** S&S Missal pg.196

**Processional:** #185 Forty Days And Forty Nights

**Offertory:** #224 In Prayer Together Let Us Fall.

**Communion Antiphon:** S&S Missal pg. 202

**Communion:** #126 Attend to Us, O Lord

**Recessional:** #251 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



*Following the 5:15 pm mass and stations of the cross:*

MARCH 8, 2024 - Charismatic group of Saint Kilian

MARCH 15, 2024 - Holy Spirit Society

MARCH 22, 2024 - Puerta del Cielo

Thank you to all the groups for their generosity in preparing these dinners for the parish!

## GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29, 2024

### Easter Lilies Donations



Help our parish as we prepare for the Easter season! Support us with donations to purchase the Easter lilies. Checks and cash donations should be made out to St. Anthony's and placed in the collection baskets. They may include the names of loved ones that will be placed on the Altar during the Easter Season.



### Deanery Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 6:30pm

at Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

The New Bedford Deanery priests are hosting a Lenten Penance Service at 6:30PM at Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 121 Mt. Pleasant St., New Bedford. Various priests from the area will be available for Confession, a sure way to prepare our heart for the Lord in this Lenten Season.

*There will be no Adoration and Confessions at Saint Anthony's on that day.*

## Sacrificial Giving and Stewardship

# Weekly Collections

FEBRUARY 25 2024

Weekly Collection ..... \$ 5,606.25

Fuel ..... \$ 2,487.35

Candles/Shrines ..... \$ 81.53

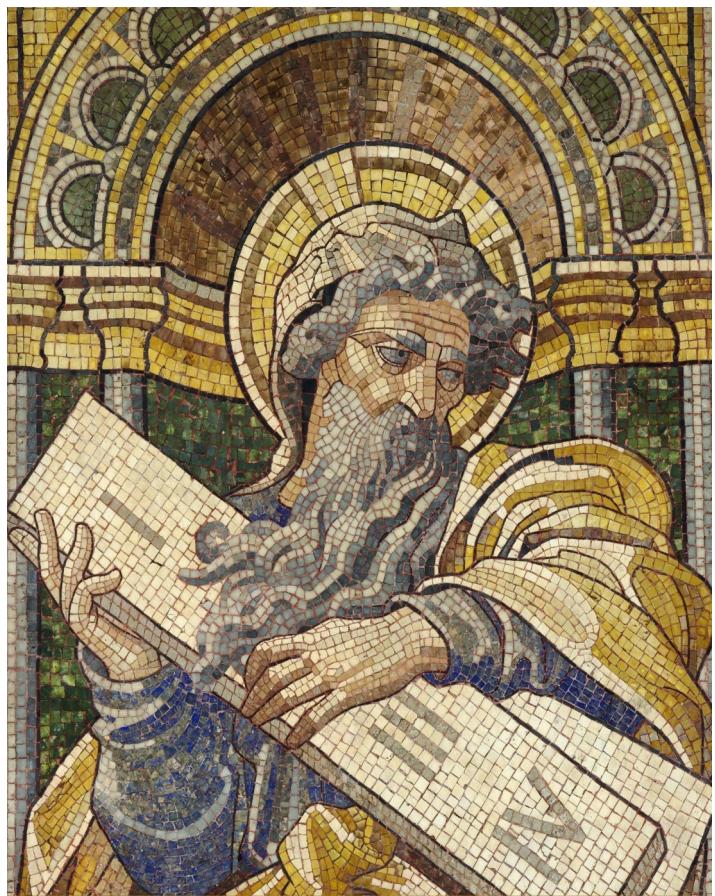
*Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity.*

### Upcoming Second Collection

March 10 - Catholic Relief Services Collection

March 29 - Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

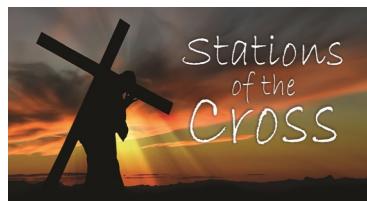
March 31- Retired and Infirm Priests



Third Sunday of Lent

I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. Exodus 20:2

## ATTENTION!



The 5:15pm Mass on Fridays during the Lenten Season, will be celebrated in the Main Church followed by the Stations of the Cross.

## Mensaje del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, en este domingo el evangelio muestra el celo de nuestro Señor por el Templo de Jerusalén. Para los judíos el templo era considerado el lugar más sagrado de su pueblo. Era en este lugar donde el sumo sacerdote realizaba los sacrificios en nombre del pueblo, que al mismo tiempo estaba fuera orando. Jesús se presenta volcando las mesas de los negociantes, derramando las monedas etc. por el gran respeto que tenía por el templo. Al mismo tiempo afirma sobre su propio cuerpo resucitado: "Destruid este templo y en tres días lo levantaré" Esa fue la señal y la autoridad que nuestro Señor dio a los judíos cuando se lo pidieron. El templo representaba la presencia de Dios.

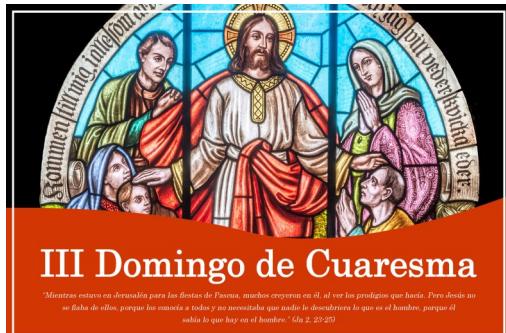
El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica afirma: "Como los profetas que le precedieron, Jesús expresó el más profundo respeto por el Templo de Jerusalén. Fue en el Templo donde José y María lo presentaron cuarenta días después de su nacimiento. A los doce años decidió permanecer en el Templo para recordar a sus padres que debía ocuparse de los asuntos de su Padre. Fue allí cada año durante su vida oculta, al menos para la Pascua. Su mismo ministerio público se inspiraba en sus peregrinaciones a Jerusalén para las grandes fiestas judías" (CIC 583.)

Nuestro Señor nos enseña a respetar nuestro templo como edificio, pero también nuestro cuerpo como templo del Espíritu Santo. ¿Por qué debemos cuidar nuestro cuerpo? Porque resucitaremos como lo hizo el Señor. Jesús sufrió, fue condenado a muerte y al tercer día resucitó con un cuerpo glorificado. Por eso dijo "destruid este templo y en tres días lo levantaré", refiriéndose a su propia resurrección.

Nosotros los cristianos por el bautismo nos hemos convertido en un templo morada del Espíritu Santo y nuestro cuerpo se levantará de nuevo. Por eso Jesús dijo: "Y no temáis a los que matan el cuerpo, pero no pueden matar el alma; temed más bien a aquel que puede destruir el alma y el cuerpo en la Gehenna" (Mt 10, 28) Que sepamos honrar y respetar nuestro cuerpo como templo del Espíritu Santo.

Que tengáis un domingo bendecido y una Cuaresma fructífera.

*Christus Vincit! Christus Regnat! Christus Imperat!  
Fr. Mariano Varela, IVE*



## Atención

### REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL

¿Es usted un feligrés registrado?

Si usted es mayor de 18 años y asiste a misa aquí regularmente, lo invitamos a registrarse como miembro de la parroquia de San Antonio de Padua.

Hay tres razones por las que registrarse es importante:

1. Facilita la preparación para los Sacramentos cuando llegue el momento. Bautizos de niños, registro de para la catequesis, ser padrino/padrino de bautizos o confirmaciones, y especialmente casarse (ya sea que usted se case en esta parroquia, en otra parroquia, o celebrando la boda en otro país) implican un registro de participación parroquial.

2. Cartas de recomendación. A veces hay ocasiones en las que se necesitan cartas de recomendaciones de su párroco (por ejemplo, inscripción en una escuela católica, becas, elegibilidad de padrinos, etc.). Si no está registrado, no podemos proporcionarle esta carta a usted o a su familia.

3. Si nosotros como parroquia no sabemos quién está afuera, ¿cómo podemos servir las necesidades de todos? Esto incluye a personas solteras o familias jóvenes que tal vez no vean la necesidad de registrarse.

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¡Registrarse es fácil! Visite la oficina parroquial, llame a la oficina o envíe un correo electrónico a [office@saintanthonynb.org](mailto:office@saintanthonynb.org) para solicitar un formulario de inscripción.

Los sacerdotes del Decanato de New Bedford están organizando una *liturgia penitencial cuaresmal* a las 6:30 p. m. en la Parroquia del Santo Nombre del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, 121 Mt. Pleasant St., New Bedford. Varios sacerdotes de la zona estarán disponibles para la Confesión, una forma segura de preparar nuestro corazón para el Señor en esta temporada de Cuaresma.



**Martes 12 de Marzo 2024**

**6:30pm**

*Ese día no habrá adoración con Confesión en San Antonio.*

### PRÓXIMAS CHARLAS DE BAUTISMO Y FECHA DE LOS MISMOS

#### **MARZO 2024**

*Charlas:* Viernes 1 de Marzo 7:30pm en el salón parroquial

*Bautismo:* sábado 6 de Abril a las 12pm

**NO HAY BAUTISMOS EN MARZO SOLAMENTE**  
**LAS CHARLAS. LOS BAUTISMO SERAN EN ABRIL**

## Anuncios

- ♦ Primera Comunión de Adultos  
El Domingo 28 de Abril 2024 en la misa de las 11am.
- ♦ Primeras Comuniones: Domingo 5 de Mayo en la Misa de las 11:00 am
- ♦ Confirmaciones: Miércoles 8 de Mayo 2024 a las 7pm con la presencia del Señor obispo. En la Iglesia de los Portugueses.
- ♦ El Padre Mariano dará una serie de charlas sobre el catecismo de la Iglesia Católica desde las 9 a las 10:30am los sábados durante la cuaresma.



### ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Todos los viernes en la iglesia principal después de la Misa de 5:15pm.



### Después del Vía Crucis uno de los grupos estará a cargo de la cena en el Salón Parroquial

San Kilian - VIERNES 8 DE MARZO  
Espíritu Santo (*Portugueses*) - VIERNES 15 DE MARZO  
Puerta del Cielo - VIERNES 22 DE MARZO



Plato de Arroz de CRS, las familias aprenden cómo nuestros hermanos en todo el mundo superan dificultades como el hambre y la desnutrición, y cómo gracias a nuestras limosnas de Cuaresma, tenemos el poder de hacer del mundo un lugar mejor para todos. **POR FAVOR RECOJA SU CAJA PARA COMPARTIR.**

## Formación de Fé

### RETIRO OBLIGATORIO DE CONFIRMACIÓN para los que se lo faltaron

sábado 23 de marzo

9am – 2pm

St. Ann Parish, Raynham

pago: \$40

RSVP y pago a M. Consecrata antes  
del 4 de marzo

"Dos  
sedientos,  
Jesús mío:  
Tú de almas y  
yo de saciar  
tu sed.  
¿Qué nos  
detiene pues?"

SANTA LAURA MONTOYA



### Rosario de los Jueves

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 3/7/2024

Comunidad San Kilian: 3/14/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 3/21/2024

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/4/2024

Comunidad San Kilian: 4/11/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/18/2024

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/25/2024

Comunidad San Kilian: 5/2/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 5/9/2024

### Grupos de Limpieza

Comunidad San Kilian: 3/2/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 3/9/2024

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 3/16/2024

LIMPIEZA GENERAL TODAS LOS GRUPOS: 3/23/2024

Comunidad San Kilian: 3/30/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/6/2024

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/13/2024

Comunidad San Kilian: 4/20/2024

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/27/2024

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 5/4/2024