

# Saint Anthony of Padua Church

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#### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 5, 2023

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

6:30am English

8:00am Spanish

9:30am English

11:00am Spanish

#### Monday | Thursday

7:00am

#### **Thursday**

7:30pm Spanish

## Friday

5:15 pm

#### Saturday

9:00am Spanish

4:00pm Vigil Mass

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
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Thursday
6:30 pm to 7:15 pm
4:15 pm to 5:00 pm
11:00 am to 11:45 am
3:00 pm to 3:45 pm

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm.

#### BAPTISM

Saturday at 12pm | 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 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 TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30-7:15pm; Friday 4:15 –5pm Saturday 9:30 am -3:30 pm Chapel

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

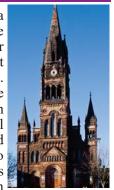
Youth and children, Wednesdays from 6pm to 7:30pm at Immaculate Conception School on 136 Earl Street New Bedford, Ma.

## **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 is 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. Marcelo Da Silva, IVE - Ext. Fr. Thomas Steinke, IVE - Ext. 108

Deacon Eduardo Borges

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Luis Sicajau - Ext. 113

#### **Religious Education Director**

Mother Mater Consecrata, SSVM Ext. 114 sapccd@gmail.com

#### Sacristan

Sr. Annette Brassard - Ext. 112

## Remember them in your prayer!

#### Eternal Rest

We pray for those called home to the Lord



We are asked to pray for the sick, especially for Juliann Hallal, Grace Gonsalves, Henrique Trindade, Theresa Quintin, Nancy Paiva, Lucille Connolly, Diane Barksdale, Hunt Barksdale, Rob Jardin, Louise Parent, Adriano Almeida Jr., Adrien Aube, Jose Soares, Alice Rocheleau, and Marliz Ventura that the Lord may give them health & strength.

#### Mass Intentions

**MONDAY** MARCH 6 7:00am †Arjola Lala

**TUESDAY** MARCH 7

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

†Manuel Pereira 7:00am

WEDNESDAY **MARCH 8** 

> St. John of God †Janice Fauteux

**THURSDAY** MARCH 9

7:00am

St Frances of Rome

Deceased members of SSVM 7:00am

7:30pm †Ramon Montanez

**FRIDAY** MARCH 10

†Romeo Bowman- Nieves 5:15pm †Eduardo De Medeiros

**SATURDAY** MARCH 11

9:00am †Miembros difuntos del IVE 4:00pm †Audette Rego

**SUNDAY** MARCH 12

Third Sunday in Lent

6:30am English †Roland Young

8:00am Español Intentions of the Candle offering 9:30am English

Pro Populo

Int. Marliz Ventura 11:00am Español





The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for Fernando do Couto

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023**

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/ OF LENT Mt 17:1-9 March 5

MONDAY Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38 March 6

Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs TUESDAY Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21+23/Mt 23:1-12 March 7

WEDNESDAY Saint John of God, Religious

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28 March 8 Saint Frances of Rome, Religious THURSDAY

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4+6/Lk 16:19-31 March 9

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20 FRIDAY March 10 -21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

SATURDAY Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/ March 11 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

3RD SUNDAY Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ OF LENT Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 March 12

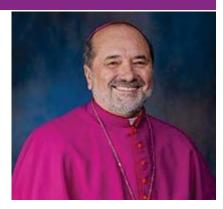
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## Bishop Edgar Da Cunha's Message

#### 2023 LENTEN MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It has been one year since the beginning of the war in Ukraine. We have seen the tremendous loss of life, property and the unimaginable suffering inflicted upon so many innocent people in that country. More recently, we also witnessed the tragedy of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. There, too, we have seen an incredible loss of life and the unthinkable suffering of millions of people who were wounded, who lost loved ones, possessions, and a way of life that will never be the same.



Sometimes we take for granted the peace and prosperity that we enjoy and the blessings of being healthy and living in freedom. Lent reminds us that all things, as St. Teresa of Avila said, "All things are passing away:[but gratefully] God never changes." It is a season to recall we are subject to pain and suffering, to loss and a cross at any time. Lent is a time for us to reflect and recognize how important our faith is in our lives and how important family is to each one of us; it is a time to embrace our faith and our family with generosity, faithfulness, and gratitude.

Jesus tells us in the Gospel that if we want to be His disciples, we must take up our cross each day and follow Him (Luke 9:23). Even though this is a challenging invitation and a difficult path to follow, it is still the best way to a life of ultimate happiness, peace, and salvation. When we embrace our crosses with love, faith and resignation-- knowing that we are not carrying it alone -- the burden becomes lighter and possible to endure.

Lent is also a time to reflect and recognize all that Jesus did for us by dying on the cross and shedding His blood for our salvation. We are called to deeper reflection on the Paschal Mystery - Jesus' suffering, death, and Resurrection.

In his Lenten message this year, Pope Francis writes: "Lent leads to Easter: the 'retreat' is not an end in itself, but a means of preparing us to experience the Lord's passion and cross with faith, hope, and love, and thus to arrive at the resurrection."

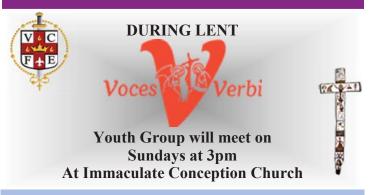
How best to prepare for the glorious feast of Easter? By examining our actions, our attitudes, and our relationship with God with renewed scrutiny and by committing ourselves to repentance and conversion of heart. Now is the time; this is the opportunity of Lent. As a start, we can put into practice the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These offer wonderful means to support our resolve to deepen our faith and to help those around us in need.

It is my prayer that we all open our hearts to the Lenten journey ahead; that it be blessed and transformative. May we ever cherish our faith and be sustained by it, and may we never forget the suffering and crosses borne by our sisters and brothers across the human family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

### Faith Formation



### RITE OF ELECTION AND CALL TO CONVERSION



The Rite of Election takes place in diocesan cathedrals annually throughout the world on the First Sunday of Lent. It marks the beginning of the final phase of preparation for those participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults –better known by the acronym RCIA- the process through which adults enter the Catholic Church. Welcome to our Parish Family Michael & Shoniece.

# LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 6 5:45PM
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## Parish Registration



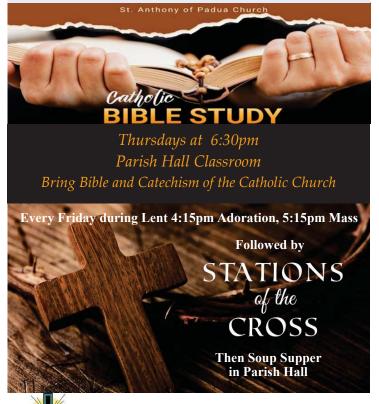
As the parish continues to offer opportunities for new and upgrade parish registration, we have come across an estimate of 150 registration that requires update. Please call the rectory at 508.993.1691 if you

have had a change of address or phone number. Or make a 2 minute stop at the end of the weekend Mass at the rear of the Church. Someone will be at a table to assist you.

#### Daughters of Mary Every Saturday at 10am



Young girls meet at Immaculate Conception Church For prayers, lessons and activities.



Lenten
Soup Suppers Sponsored by one of our
Prayer groups

MARCH 10, 2023 -SALT Ladies

MARCH 17, 2023 - Charismatic group of St Kilian

MARCH 24, 2023 - Holy Spirit Society

MARCH 31, 2023 - Puerta del Cielo

## Second Sunday of Lent

**Opening** – V-241 Forty Days and Forty Nights

Kyrie - - BB-p. 6 #5 No Gloria

**Offertory** – V-352 o Kind Creator Bow thine Ear

Sanctus - Holy V-113

**Agnus Dei - Great Amen-Lamb of God** V-p. 118

Communion - BB-349 The Supper of The Lord

**Meditation -** V-341 When I survey the wondrous Cross

Recessional – V-348 O Love, how deep, how broad, how

high

## Adoration and Confession



We have cancelled Adoration and confessions here at St. Anthony for Tuesday March 14, 2023 We ask that you join us at Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish for

#### EUCHARISTIC NIGHT & RELIC TOUR 6:30 to 8:00pm

With talk by Fr. Roger Landry National Eucharistic Preacher

Adoration, confessions, and opportunity for veneration of the relics of Bl. Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Garcia, and the Eucharistic Miracle Exhibits

#### DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?

May 22-24, 2023 - 6:30pm - 9:00pm

St. Anthony of Padua is hosting an EVENT for everyone with a "I will believe it when I see it attitude, don't miss this event.





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Watch a video preview of this event at: https://www.sciencetestsfaith.com/newbedford

#### Can miracles stand to the test of science?

 Exclusive film footage of a stigmatist who bleeds from her hands, feet and head. Are these the wounds of Christ? What does science has to say?

 A consecrated
 Communion Host becomes living Flesh and blood. Is it heart tissue? What does the science has to say?

 A scientist (former athiest), an attorney and a famous TV Journalist witness statue of Jesus weeping real tears and shedding real blood.
 Are these claims real? What does science has to say?

### Worcester Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, March 25, 2023 Assumption University doors open at 7:30am for registration followed by speakers, lunch, Confession, Adoration, and Mass. Tickets: \$30 for Students, \$50 for adults on or before March 13th. After March 14th \$85.00. Purchase: Tickets online at www.catholicmenworc.com or phone 508-835-8551 Corinn Dahm. Speakers: Bear Woznick, Jeff Joaquin, Msgr. James P. Moroney, Adam Minihan, David Niles, Father Chris Alar, and Bishop Robert J. McManus

## Sacrificial Giving and Stewardship



Weekly Offertory: February 26, 2023

Parish Collection	\$ 5,425.75
Candles/Shrines	\$ 349.75
Fuel	\$ 2,473.00

Among this Week's Bills and Expenses:
Parish Staff Average Weekly Salaries \$ 3,743.70
Parish Staff Average Weekly BC/BS \$ 964.20

## **Upcoming Second Collection**

March 5 - Special Collection Syria/Turkey

March 12 - Catholic University

March 19 - Catholic Relief

#### Easter Flowers

### 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.

#### Annual Bazaar

For Lent...would anyone consider giving up one of their coffee runs?.. and use money to donate to the bazaar. We could use \$5 gift cards from Dunkin Donuts, Honey Dew or anywhere.

## St. Julie's Women's Conference

St. Julie's Catholic Woman's Conference will be held May 20th Flyers, Conference details, schedule, and registration form can soon be found on St. Julie's parish website.

## Transgender Issues and Gender Dysphoria

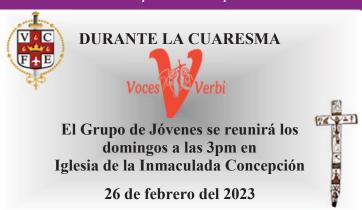


## On Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Father Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D., will present a talk entitled, "*Transgender Issues and Gender Dysphoria*" at St. John Neumann in East Freetown. This event will begin at 7:00 p.m. and the cost for the event

is \$20. For ticket information, please reach out to Irina De Lucca, Family and Respect Life Director for the diocesan Secretariat for the New Evangelization at (508) 669-7702 or you may email her at idelucca@dioc-fr.org. Refreshments will be served by St. John Neumann's Circle of Life apostolate. Father Tadeusz is a priest of the Diocese of Fall River and also the Director of Education for the National Catholic Bioethics Center in Broomall, PA.







#### Aquí están algunas fotos de nuestro grupo de jóvenes: Jóvenes cantando a los demás.

Palomitas recién hechas para nuestra tarde de cine. Jóvenes disfrutando de nuestra primera proyección





#### Patrocinada por uno de nuestros grupos parroquiales.

10 de marzo - SALT Ladies

17 de marzo - Grupo carismático de San Kilian

24 de marzo - Sociedad del Espíritu Santo

31 de marzo - Puerta del Cielo



## Mensaje del Padre Marcelo

## SE TRANSFIGURÓ DELANTE DE ELLOS"

Hoy, camino hacia la Semana Santa, la liturgia de la Palabra nos muestra la Transfiguración de Jesucristo. Aunque en nuestro calendario hay un día litúrgi-



co festivo reservado para este acontecimiento (el 6 de agosto), ahora se nos invita a contemplar la misma escena en su íntima relación con los sucesos de la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección del Señor.

En efecto, se acercaba la Pasión para Jesús y seis días antes de subir al Tabor lo anunció con toda claridad: les había dicho que «Él debía ir a Jerusa-lén y sufrir mucho de parte de los ancianos, los sumos sacerdotes y los escribas, y ser matado y resucitar al tercer día» (Mt 16,21).

Pero los discípulos no estaban preparados para ver sufrir a su Señor. Él, que siempre se había mostrado compasivo con los desvalidos, que había devuelto la blancura a la piel dañada por la lepra, que había iluminado los ojos de tantos ciegos, y que había hecho mover miembros lisiados, ahora no podía ser que su cuerpo se desfigurara a causa de los golpes y de las flagelaciones. Y, con todo, Él afirma sin rebajas: «Debía sufrir mucho». ¡Incomprensible! ¡Imposible!

A pesar de todas las incomprensiones, sin embargo, Jesús sabe para qué ha venido a este mundo. Sabe que ha de asumir toda la flaqueza y el dolor que abruma a la humanidad, para poderla divinizar y, así, rescatarla del círculo vicioso del pecado y de la muerte, de tal manera que ésta —la muerte— vencida, ya no tenga esclavizados a los hombres, creados a imagen y semejanza de Dios.

Por esto, la Transfiguración es un espléndido icono



de nuestra redención, donde la carne del Señor es mostrada en el estallido de la resurrección. Así, si con el anuncio de la Pasión provocó angustia en los Apóstoles, con el fulgor de su divinidad los confirma

en la esperanza y les anticipa el gozo pascual, aunque, ni Pedro, ni Santiago, ni Juan sepan exactamente qué significa esto de... resucitar de entre los muertos (cf. Mt 17,9), ¡Ya lo sabrán!

Que Dios los bendiga. Pe. Marcelo da Silva, IVE

#### Bautismo

## Próximas charlas de bautismo y fecha de los mismos NO HAY BAUTISMOS EN MARZO



#### **ABRIL 2023**

## Charlas:

Viernes 14 de abril 7:30pm en el salón parroquial

#### Bautismo:

sábado 22 de Abril a las 12pm

### Charlas Matrimoniales

#### Que:

Charlas Prematrimoniales

Cuando:

Miércoles 8. 15, 22 & 29 de Marzo

Miércoles 8, 15, 22 & 29 de Marzo Miércoles 12 de Abril **Hora**: 6:30pm

Lugar: en el salón Parroquial.



#### Bazar Anual

#### Para la Cuaresma...

¿alguien consideraría renunciar a uno de sus cafés y donar el dinero para el bazar?

Podríamos usar tarjetas de regalo de \$5 de Dunkin Donuts, Honey Dew o de cualquier otro lugar.

## Grupos de Oración

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 3/9/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 3/16//2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 3/23/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 3/30/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 4/6/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/13/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/20/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 4/27/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 5/4/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 5/11/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 5/18/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 5/25/2023

## Grupos de Limpieza

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 3/11/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 3/18/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 3/25/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/1/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/8/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 4/15/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 4/22/2023

Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 4/29/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 5/6/2023

Comunidad María Sede de la Sabiduría: 5/13/2023 Comunidad María Puerta del Cielo: 5/20/2023

Comunidad San Kilian: 5/27/2023





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