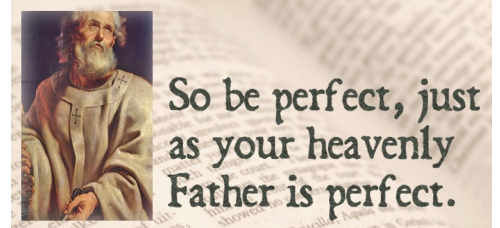


“But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.”

We can almost hear St. Peter and the rest of his disciples saying, “Ah, Jesus, I am still having trouble with that ‘Love your neighbor!’ thing.” Jesus was loving, caring, compassionate and forgiving. And he expected the same from all who wanted to be his disciples. He understood the Great Commandment to “Love your God with your whole heart, soul, mind and strength and love your neighbor as yourself” [an abbreviated form of the Ten Commandments]. But he knew that even pagans can know that through the use of reason because it is written on our hearts by our God who created us. Jesus taught us by his life and words that we must do more. We must try to be better by loving our enemies. We must seek to be the best by praying for those who persecute us. A good teacher, like a good coach, challenges us to be the best that we can be - not the best to ever study a subject or play a sport - but the best that we can be. They push us to be better than we want to be. Jesus is a Great Teacher and a Great Coach.



Eucharistic Adoration:

All are invited to join Adoration each Friday from 8:45 to 11:45 am.

Lord Teach Me To Pray:

Attention all Women! Would you like to improve your prayer life? You are invited to join this program on each Monday at 7:00 pm in the priory. For details, contact Alice at 504-371-2561.

Social Apostolate Food Drive:

The next food drive is March 4 & 5. Please place your non-perishable food donations in the bin by the St. Anthony Altar in the front of the church.

Golden Wedding Anniversary:

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be on Sunday, June 11 at 3:00 pm at St. Philip Neri Church. To participate, please register by calling St. Anthony’s parish office by Friday, March 3, 2017.

Monthly Mass and Healing Service:

Our next Mass and Healing Service will be held on Monday, March 27, at 7:00 pm. Due to Mardi Gras holiday, the February Mass & Healing Service has been cancelled.

Give to St. Anthony on-line by going to our website www.sapparish.org, click on the WeShare icon.

**Give Online
with WeShare**

Mardi Gras Holiday:

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, February 27 & 28 in observance of the Mardi Gras Holiday. We will re open on Ash Wednesday, March 1 at 8:30 am.

Ash Wednesday:

The Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday is as follows: 8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm in English and 7:00 pm Spanish.

 **St. Anthony of Padua is now on Twitter.**
To follow us, please go to <https://twitter.com/stanthonyola>

Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl:

Join us in our annual Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. This is a great way to pray, fast and give alms to the poor around the world. Pick up your family’s rice bowl with instructions from the rear of the Church beginning March 4/5. What you give up for Lent changes lives.

Liturgical Ministry

Are you interested in serving at Mass as a Lector or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? If so, please contact the Parish Secretary, Dawnell Anders for details. Thank-you!

***Prayer of St. Polycarp,
Bishop and Martyr***

"Lord God Almighty, Father of your beloved and blessed Son Jesus Christ, through whom we have received knowledge of you, God of angels and powers, of the whole creation and of the whole race of the righteous who live in your sight, I bless you, for having made me worthy of this day and hour, I bless you, because I may have a part, along with the martyrs, in the chalice of your Christ, to resurrection in eternal life, resurrection both of soul and body in the incorruptibility of the Holy Spirit. For this and for all benefits I praise you, I bless you, I glorify you, through the eternal and heavenly High Priest, Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, through whom be to you with him and the Holy Spirit glory, now and for all the ages to come. Amen."

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat:

There is forgiveness and hope after abortion... If you or someone you love is hurting from abortion, please consider attending this healing retreat. All faiths are welcomed! Date: April 7-9 at Rosaryville Retreat Center. To register, contact Pam Richard at 504-460-9360 or richj504@bellsouth.net.

"Pero yo os digo: Amad a vuestros enemigos, y orad por los que os persiguen."

Casi podemos oír a San Pedro y al resto de sus discípulos diciendo: "¡Ah, Jesús, sigo teniendo problemas con esa cosa de" Ama a tu prójimo! ". Jesús era amoroso, cuidadoso, compasivo y perdonador. Y esperaba lo mismo de todos los que querían ser sus discípulos. Comprendió el Gran Mandamiento: "Ama a tu Dios con todo tu corazón, alma, mente y fuerza, y ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo" [una forma abreviada de los Diez Mandamientos]. Pero él sabía que incluso los paganos pueden saber que por el uso de la razón porque está escrito en nuestros corazones por nuestro Dios que nos creó. Jesús nos enseñó por su vida y palabras que debemos hacer más. Debemos tratar de ser mejores amando a nuestros enemigos. Debemos buscar ser los mejores orando por los que nos persiguen. Un buen profesor, como un buen entrenador, nos desafía a ser lo mejor que podemos ser, no lo mejor para estudiar un tema o jugar un deporte, pero lo mejor que podemos ser. Nos empujan a ser mejores de lo que queremos ser. Jesús es un gran maestro y un gran entrenador.



Por su parte, sean ustedes perfectos como es perfecto el Padre de ustedes que está en el Cielo.

Lecturas para la Semana del 19 de Febrero

Domingo

Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lv 19, 1-2. 17-18; 1 Co 3, 16-23; Mt 5, 38-48

Lunes

Sir 1, 1-10; Mc 9, 14-29

Martes

San Pedro Damián, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

Sir 2, 1-13; Mc 9, 30-37

Miércoles

La Cátedra de San Pedro, Apóstol

1 Ped 5, 1-4; Mt 16, 13-19

Jueves

San Policarpo, obispo y mártir

Sir 5, 1-10; Mc 9, 41-50

Viernes

Sir 6, 5-17; Mc 10, 1-12

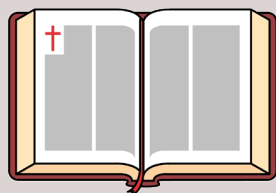
Sábado

Sir 17, 1-13; Mc 10, 13-16

Domingo

Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Is 49, 14-15; 1 Co 4, 1-5; Mt 6, 24-34



Campaña de Alimento para el Apostolado Social:

La próxima campaña es el 4 y 5 de marzo. Por favor, coloque sus donaciones de alimentos no perecederos en los contenedores proporcionados en la parte trasera de la iglesia. ¡Gracias!

Noche Mensual de Alabanza y Culto:

El Apostolado Hispano le invita a una noche de Alabanza y Adoración cada segundo sábado del mes de 7:00 PM a 9:00 PM, 2525 Maine Avenue, Metairie, LA 70003. El Servicio se llevará a cabo en español.

Misa Carismática Mensual:

El Apostolado Hispano los invita a la Misa Carismática el cuarto miércoles de cada mes de 7:00 PM a 9:00 PM, 2525 Maine Avenue, Metairie, LA 70003. La Misa se celebrará en español.

Feriado de Mardi Gras:

La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el lunes 27 y martes 28 de febrero en la celebración del Mardi Gras. La oficina estará abierta el miércoles de Ceniza, 1 de marzo a las 8:30 am.

Miércoles de ceniza:

El horario de misas para el Miércoles de Ceniza es el siguiente: 8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm in ingles y 7:00 pm en español.

Ministerio Litúrgico

¿Está interesado en servir en la Misa como Lector o Ministro Extraordinario De la Sagrada Comunión? Si es así, comuníquese con la Oficina parroquial para más detalles. ¡Gracias!



Servicios Católicos de Ayuda Operación Plato de Arroz:

Únase a nosotros en Cuaresma con el Plato de Arroz de CRS. Esta es una gran forma de orar, ayunar y dar limosna a los pobres de todo el mundo. Recoja el tazón de arroz de su familia con instrucciones de la parte trasera de la Iglesia que comienza el 4 y 5 de marzo. Lo que renuncias durante la Cuaresma cambia vidas.

Adoración Eucarística

Usted está invitado a participar en Adoración Eucarística cada viernes. La adoración comienza a las 8:45am y termina con Bendición a las 11:50 am. Puedes quedarte el tiempo que desees.

Liturgy Intentions: February 18 to 24, 2017
The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAT Blessed Virgin Mary
 Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13

4:00 Ainsley E. D'Alfonso, Collin Ganus, Phyllis D. Chauvin, Anthony D'Alfonso, Jr., †Dr. Charles and †Josephine Wagner, †Robert and †Catherine Cotrell, †Scott Landry, †Luella Waters, †Pedro Hoyos, †Patricia Bopp, †Debbie Wilkins, †Junius Chauvin, †Kurt Ziegler, †Esteban Gil, †Luis and †Antonio Garcia

SUN Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

7:30 The Parishioners of St. Anthony of Padua

9:00 De LaSalle Christian Bros. of San Francisco N.O. Dist., †Eva Couillard, †Felix y †Francisca Martin, †Inocencia y †Jesus Garcia Hoyo, †Esteban Gil y †Luis Garcia, †Evangalina Balbuena, †Padre Pastor González

11:00 Reddi Condi, Sr., The McNulty Family, †Amy Henry, †Raelyn Bordelon, †Sarah Champagne, †Marie T. Vizgete, †Rose B. Spensel, †Louis T. Buseniener, †Elizabeth Mixon, †Rose Lynn C. Burnett, †Rose M. Princ

MON Weekday
 Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29

8:15 †Walter Balsler

12:10 Monday Church Ladies

TUES Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37

8:15 †The Souls in Purgatory

12:10 Special Intention

WED The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle
 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

8:15 †Patricia T. Fleury

12:10 Lauren Cefalu Castanedo, Karissa Jones, †Casey and †Chris Bordelon, †Marie T. Blaum, †Humberto Brocato

THUR Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
 Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50

8:15 Bryan and Blanca Eversole

12:10 †Patsy Bopp

FRI Weekday
 Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12

8:15 Bryan and Blanca Eversole

12:10 Christopher Giovanni Castanedo

SAT Blessed Virgin Mary
 Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

SUN Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 49:14-15; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

Calendar

February 20: Lord Teach Me to Pray 7 pm in Priory Parlor

February 21: Parish School of Religion 6:30 pm Auditorium

February 21: Renacer en Cristo meeting 7:30 pm in the church

February 23: 8:15 am School Mass

February 25: Preach My Psalter Adoration 5 am; Mass 6:15 am

February 25: Legion of Mary meeting 10 am in Conference room

February 27: NO MONTHLY MASS & HEALING SERVICE

February 27: Teach Me to Pray meeting cancelled

February 27: Office Closed for Mardi Gras Holiday

February 28: Mardi Gras Day Office Closed

February 28: Parish School of Religion - No class - Holiday

March 1: Ash Wednesday Mass schedule: 8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm (English), 7:00 pm (Spanish)\

March 4: Preach My Psalter Adoration 5 am; Mass 6:15 am

March 4: Legion of Mary meeting 10 am in Conference room

March 5: First Sunday of Lent

March 4/5: Second Collection: Parish Improvement Fund

March 4/5: Social Apostolate Monthly Food Drive

Parish Giving for February 12, 2017

Fiscal Year	Collections	Budgeted Expenses	Surplus/Deficit
<i>July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017</i>			
Weekend of Feb 11/12	\$3,987	(\$12,000)	(\$8,013)
Fiscal YTD Total:	\$142,001	(\$384,000)	(\$241,999)

No Second Collection for the weekend of February 26, 2017.

Thank you for your generosity to St. Anthony!

"Pues aunque muchas son las promesas de Dios, su Sí está en él; Por lo tanto, el Amen de nosotros también va a través de él a Dios para gloria." 2 Corintios 1:20

Catechism of the Catholic Church ~ 1065

Jesus Christ himself is the "Amen." He is the definitive "Amen" of the Father's love for us. He takes up and completes our "Amen" to the Father: "For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why we utter the Amen through him, to the glory of God". *Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, God, for ever and ever. AMEN.*

"For however many are the promises of God, their Yes is in him; therefore, the Amen from us also goes through him to God for glory." 2 Corinthians 1:20

Are you interested in serving at one of our Masses?

Altar Servers

Mike Vance + 812-0318 + micvance@gmail.com

Eucharistic Ministers

Edward Miller + 408-7036

Lectors

Greg Ernst + 484-7435 + gregoryernst@cox.net

Ushers

Pat Johnson + 319-1091

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Eucharistic Adoration

You are invited to participate in Eucharistic Adoration each Friday. Adoration begins after 8:15 Mass and ends with Benediction at 11:50 am. You can spend as much or as little time as you desire.

Legion of Mary

Meetings are Saturdays 10-11am in the conference room. All welcomed. The Legion of Mary is a lay Apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, serve the Church and their neighbor on a voluntary basis.

Our Mission Statement

The mission of Saint Anthony of Padua Parish is to develop an atmosphere for the members of our Faith Community to live out the four-fold goals of the Catholic Church:
Worship, Word, Service, & Community.

Please pray for the Priests of our Archdiocese



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 Rev. Jason Brauning SJ	20 Rev. Christopher Amadi SSJ	21 Rev. Matthew Clark OSB	22 Very Rev. Philip Landry	23 Rev. G. Amaldoss	24 Pope Francis I	25 Rev. Leo Meyer
26 Rev. Ambrose Udeze MSP	27 Rev. Teodoro Agudo OFM Cap	28 Rev. Paul Thien Duy Vu SDD	March 1 Rev. John Mendicoa	2 Rev. Charles Hughes	3 Rev. John Murray	4 Rev. Bruce Flannagan

Prayer for Priests

Dear Lord,
We pray that the Blessed Mother will wrap her mantle of protection around Your priests and through her intercession may they be strengthened in their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide Your priests, dear Lord, to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you".
(John 2:5)

May Your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the holy cross for the love of God the Father. May Your priests be Holy, as you are holy. And through the power of the Holy Spirit, may they be filled with the fire of Your love seeking nothing but Your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen!
St. John Vianney, pray for us!

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Bible Trivia

Jesus said: "offer no 'What?' to one who is evil."

(Hint: look in today's readings)

Last week's answer:

"the depths of God"

(See 1 Corinthians 2:6-10)

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