



## St. Anthony of Padua Parish

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Masses at 5:00pm Saturdays, 7:30, 9 & 11am Sundays, 12:30pm in Spanish  
Weekday Masses 7:30am, Saturday 8am and 9am Sun. Mass is Live Streamed  
**\*\*Morning Prayer\*\*** Tuesdays at 8:30am by the Friars is Live Streamed.



*January 10th, 2021, Baptism of the Lord*

### Prayer to Saint Joseph—2021

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.  
Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.  
Amen**



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*Mass Intentions*

**Monday** **January 11**  
7:30am Special Intentions: The Bucinell Family  
**Tuesday** **January 12**  
7:30am Special Intentions: Drum Family  
**Wednesday** **January 13**  
7:30am Special Intentions: Romayne Juracek  
**Thursday** **January 14**  
7:30am Joseph Juracek  
**Friday** **January 15**  
7:30am James & Josephine Signorini r/b Family  
**Saturday** **January 16**  
8:00am For the deceased Friars  
5:00pm Terence Farrelly  
r/b Carol & Joe Cunningham  
Margie Bistromowicz r/b Toni Colletti

**Sunday** **January 17**  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**7:30am** Paul F. Rosenkranz r/b Family  
**9:00am** The Deceased members of Cusack, Kiely & De Pascale Families r/b Marge  
Special Intentions: Carolina & Family r/b Amy  
**11:00am** Pat & Joel Riley r/b Family  
Al & Megan Walzer r/b Liam & Katie Kennedy  
**12:30pm Mass in Spanish**

**STOP THE SPREAD**

- **Avoid close contact with others**
- **Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others**
- **Wash your hands often**
- **Cover coughs and sneezes**
- **Clean and disinfect often**
- **Monitor your health daily**
- **Practice social distancing**
- **Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected!**



*Pray For...* For all that are ill, especially Daniel O'Donnell, John David Caruso, Karen Ball Potucek, Philip Guidotti, Joey Poretta, Fr. Joseph Laracy, Christopher Zittel, Claudia Olimpia, Claudiu Dorin, Roy Davidson, George Conklin, Joanne & Joseph Spero

We ask you to call the parish office to request prayers and give us updates.

**Pray for all the deceased** especially Jonathan DiGangi, Catherine Higgins



Last week's collection totaled **\$3,747.50.**  
**WE SHARE** totaled **\$1,065.00.**

**Thank you very much for your generosity!**

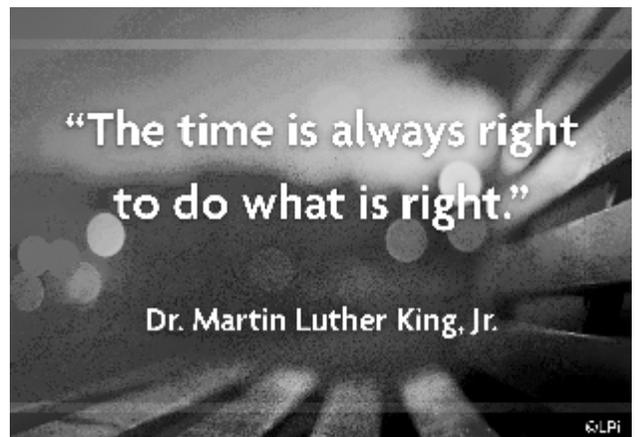
Please consider maintaining your financial support of our parish at this time. This can be done through mailing your donation envelopes to 65 Bartholdi Avenue, Butler, NJ 07405 or donating online through this website:  
<https://saopp.churchgiving.com>  
**We are grateful for your continued support especially at this time.**

**Consider St. Anthony's Parish in your will.**



**A FOOD DRIVE IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 16TH FROM 9 TO 11AM IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH. NON PERISHABLE FOOD WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED! THANK YOU!**

**Monday, January 18**  
**The Parish Office will be closed.**



**2020 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL**  
**DIOCESE OF PATERSON**  
**'LOVE THY NEIGHBOR'**



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."  
- Mk 1:7-8

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

## January 10, 2021 The Baptism of the Lord

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

On Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, we began a new calendar year by honoring  
Mary with the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.

Several Masses took place including one at 11:00am in Spanish with Fr. Mike Tyson, OFM presiding.

Thank you to Br. Paul Chelus, OFM for the photos



**The Sanctuary Lamp that burns for a period of about a week.**

This is the candle that burns near the tabernacle to indicate the living presence of Christ in our sanctuary in the reserved sacrament of the Eucharist. An offering of \$20 a week to remember your loved ones. Please make a request at the parish office.

A Note from Good Counsel - homes + hope for babies + mothers

Dear Father Joseph and Father Matthew,

I hope and pray that you and your parishioners are well. Thank you again for your prayers, generosity and having Debbie DuHaime speak at your parish on behalf of Good Counsel. You and your parishioners were very, very generous...\$1,471. was collected for the moms and babies. Thank you again and again for making a difference.

Peace, prayers & blessings,  
Lynn Gully  
Fund Development Specialist

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**Remember your loved one.**  
You can have a candle lit from the candle stand for a year in memory of or in honor of your loved ones. The donation is \$250.00 and a small engraved plate would be placed on the last row. Please stop by the parish office.

*What does love look like?  
It has the hands to help others.  
It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy.  
It has eyes to see misery and want.  
It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrow of all.  
That is what love looks like.*

~ St. Augustine



**Celebration of the Eucharist**  
**Saturday at 5:00pm**  
**Sunday at 7:30, 9, 11am &**  
**12:30pm in Spanish**

**Live Streamed Masses at 9am Sunday and**  
**7:30am Monday to Friday, 8am Saturday**  
**\*\*Morning Prayer\*\* Tuesdays at 8:30am &**  
**Wednesdays by the Friars is Live Streamed.**

**Baptisms**

Please ask for Annette at the parish office to find out more information. 973-838-0031

**Marriage**

Please call the parish office and leave message for Fr. Joe. The preparation period is one year.



**Thanks to everyone that has brought food in for the pantry. Any non-perishable food can be brought to the parish office from**

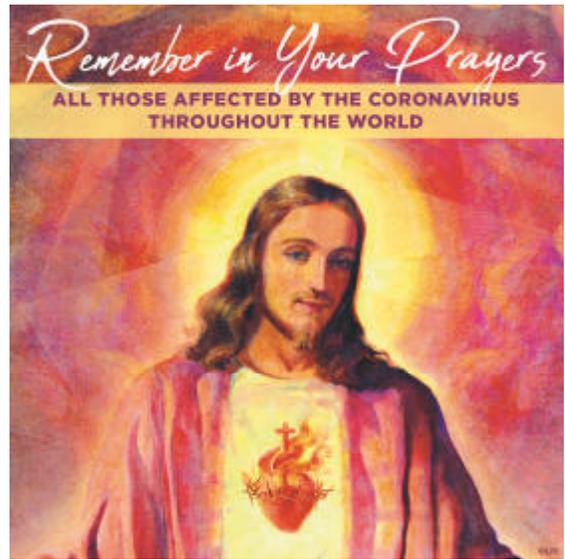
**9am to 3pm on Monday to Friday or can be placed in the box in church when you attend mass. Food is given out once a month.**

**As always, thank you for your generosity and appreciation!**

**Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers!**

**OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday - Friday 9am-3pm**  
**PARISH STAFF**

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| Sue Bosi   | Trustee                 |



**Prayer During A Health Crisis**

Compassionate and Loving Father,  
 In the face of confusion and concern  
 impart to us the calm of your presence.  
 In You allow us to find hope and healing.  
 Be with those who serve the sick and give them  
 Your caring hands.  
 Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit  
 of wisdom.  
 Be with those who have fallen ill and give them  
 Your comforting heart.  
 Wrap your arms around our world  
 and hold us in your love.  
 Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as  
 instruments of that love to all we meet.  
 We ask this in Your Name.  
 Amen.  
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**Pray for all the Active Men & Women in the Military**

Cmd. Kevin Dore USN, 1st Lt. Tim Dore,  
 Isis Rivera, USN Col. Justin Sapp,  
 Capt. Bridget McGovern USAF,  
 Lt. (j.g) Brian Fritz USN,

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**PRAY FOR PEACE**



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