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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH • DECEMBER 24 - 26, 2021

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MASS TIMES

Cardinal DiNardo, has granted us permission to have public Masses. There is no obligation to attend Mass in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

MONDAY - FRIDAY | 9 AM

TUESDAY & THURSDAY | 6:45 PM

WEDNESDAY | 6 AM

SATURDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

SUNDAY | 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM,
1 PM Español & 6 PM

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Whether is has been 10 years, or 10 months or 10 days, God is waiting for you. Come experience the mercy of a father who loves and forgives you.

WEDNESDAY | 6 - 8 PM *English.*

SATURDAY | 8 - 10 AM *English & Español*
There will be NO confessions on Saturday, December 25th but there will be confessions on Saturday, January 1st in the Church.

ADORATION CHAPEL

All are welcome to visit Christ in the chapel. It is open :

MONDAY - FRIDAY | 7:30 AM-10 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available by scheduling an appointment. Contact : **sdewlen@ap.church**



WAYS TO GIVE



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Give through
General Offertory

NOV. 22ND - NOV. 28TH GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 70,014.23
SAB & THANKS PROJECT	\$ 4,476.94
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 4,620.50
CAMP. FOR HUMAN DEV.	\$ 1,054.44
OTHER FUNDS	\$ 2,511.00
TOTAL \$ 82,677.11	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

NOV. 29TH - DEC. 5TH GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 100,338.82
ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD	\$ 9,217.69
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 5,392.05
DSF	\$ 9,013.48
OTHER FUNDS	\$ 6,834.94
TOTAL \$ 130,796.98	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

DEC. 6TH - DEC. 12TH GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 71,407.32
ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD	\$ 12,996.94
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 3,052.50
FUND FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS	\$ 10,689.23
OTHER FUNDS	\$ 20,845.00
TOTAL \$ 118,990.99	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

Current Figures are not available due to printing schedule.

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

The Diocesan Service Fund is an annual fundraising drive by our Archdiocese that supports over 60 Archdiocesan-wide ministries and services, all of which are essential to the greater mission of the church. Some of those ministries are dedicated to serving the retired clergy of the Archdiocese. The Clergy Pastoral Outreach Ministry and the Residence for Retired Priests continue to care and provide for these men. This was possible due to the generous gifts to support the Diocesan Services Fund.

Another ministry supported by the DSF is the Office of the permanent Diaconate. The Archdiocese is estimated to have the third most permanent deacons in the United States. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is responsible for all aspects associated with the formation of deacon candidates and the ongoing formation and coordination of the Archdiocese's permanent diaconate community. Currently, the Archdiocese has 423 permanent deacons and 138 additional men that are considered "inquirers" as they discern the call to this vocation. Through DSF, Deacons can provide ministry outreach to the marginalized in the community, such as those in prisons and hospitals that would not be possible due to a shortage of priests.

You can make a gift to the DSF at ap.church/dsf. Thank you for your generosity and for helping St. Anthony's support our Archdiocese.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

MASS READINGS

FIRST READING

- **Christmas Eve Masses:** Isaiah 62:1-5
- **Midnight Mass:** Isaiah 9:1-6
- **Christmas Day Masses:** Isaiah 52:7-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

- **Christmas Eve Masses:** Psalm 89
"Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord."
- **Midnight Mass:** Psalm 96
"Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord."
- **Christmas Day Masses:** Psalm 98
"All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God."

SECOND READING

- **Christmas Eve Masses:** Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
- **Midnight Mass:** Titus 2:11-14
- **Christmas Day Masses:** Hebrews 1:1-6

GOSPEL READING

- **Christmas Eve Masses:** Matthew 1:1-25
- **Midnight Mass:** Luke 2:1-14
- **Christmas Day Masses:** John 1:1-18

Background on Matthew 1:1-25

Today's liturgy offers the option to read a longer or shorter form of the Gospel. If we read the longer form, we hear Matthew recount the ancestry of Jesus. This genealogy sets Jesus' birth within the context of the history of Israel, highlighting two of Jesus' ancestors—Abraham, the father of the Hebrew people, and David, the most important king of Israel. Jesus' ancestral lineage reinforces a central theme of Matthew's Gospel: Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies made to the people of Israel.

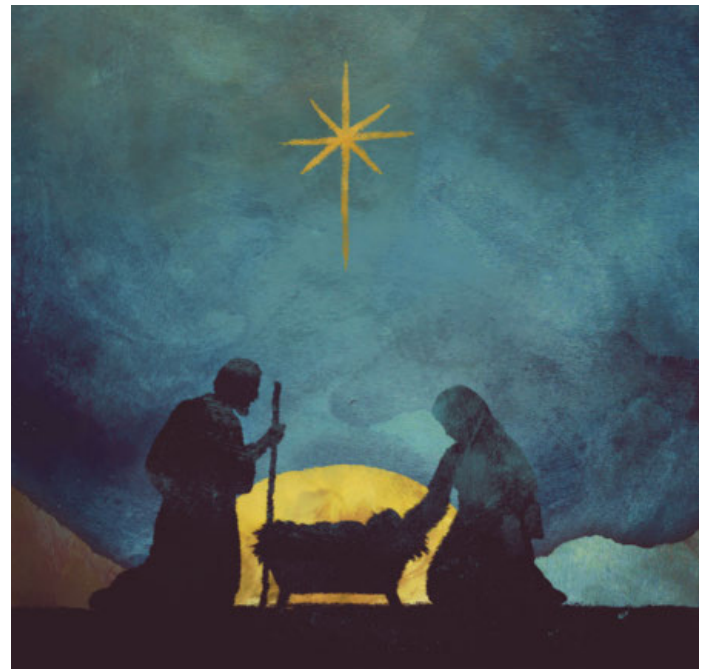
The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of the birth of Jesus from Joseph's perspective. During his betrothal to Mary, Joseph learned that Mary was pregnant. Betrothal in first-century Jewish culture was more than an engagement period; it was part of the marriage contract. A breach of this contract was considered adultery. If adultery was proved, the punishment might be death. Joseph had rights

under Mosaic Law, but he chose to act discreetly in his plans to break the marriage contract so as to protect Mary. The way that Joseph and Mary faced these extraordinary circumstances tells us much about these holy people and their faith in God.

The message the angel gave to Joseph in a dream reveals many important theological details about the child Mary will bear and about the child's role in God's plan. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit. His name will be Jesus, which in the Hebrew means "God saves." He will be the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. He will be Emmanuel, "God with us." This is the mystery we celebrate at Christmas, the Incarnation. God chose to become a human being in the person of Jesus.

Joseph did as the angel of the Lord directed. He took Mary to be his wife and accepted the child in her womb as his own. When Jesus was born, Joseph followed the directions of the angel and gave the child the name Jesus. We often recall Mary's cooperation in God's plan for our salvation. Today's Gospel reminds us of Joseph's important role, which was also crucial to God's plan for Jesus' birth.

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LITURGY & PRAYER

OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY • DECEMBER 24, 2021

- **9:00 AM - Daily Mass**
Friday Daily Mass
- **4:00 PM - Christmas Eve Mass**
Church - Contemporary Music
Gym - Cantor & Accompanist
- **6:30 PM - Christmas Eve Mass**
Church - Traditional & Bell Choir
Gym - Cantor & Accompanist
- **9:00 PM - Christmas Eve Mass**
Contemporary Music
- **Midnight - Christmas Eve Mass**
Traditional Choir & Orchestra

SATURDAY • DECEMBER 25, 2021

There will not be a 6:00 PM Christmas Mass nor will there be a 5:00 PM Vigil Mass for Sunday. There will not be Confessions on Saturday, December 25.

- **7:00 AM - Christmas Day Mass**
Cantor & Accompanist
- **9:00 AM - Christmas Day Mass**
Cantor & Accompanist
- **11:00 AM - Christmas Day Mass**
Cantor & Accompanist
- **1:00 PM - Christmas Day Mass**
Spanish - Luz y Sal

SUNDAY • DECEMBER 26, 2021

There will not be a 5:00 PM Vigil Mass for Sunday December 26th.

- **7:00 AM - Holy Family Mass**
- **9:00 AM - Holy Family Mass**
- **11:00 AM - Holy Family Mass**

- **1:00 PM - Holy Family Mass**
- **6:00 PM - Holy Family Mass**

FRIDAY • DECEMBER 31, 2021

- **6:45 PM - Mary Mother of God Vigil Mass**

SATURDAY • JANUARY 1, 2022

There will be confessions in the Church from 8 AM - 10 AM on Saturday Morning.

- **10:00 AM - Mary Mother of God Mass**
- **5:00 PM - Vigil Mass for the Epiphany**

SUNDAY • JANUARY 2, 2021

- **7:00 AM - Epiphany of the Lord Mass**
- **9:00 AM - Epiphany of the Lord Mass**
- **11:00 AM - Epiphany of the Lord Mass**
- **1:00 PM - Epiphany of the Lord Mass** *(Spanish)*
- **3:00 PM - Eucharistic Procession for the Epiphany of the Lord.**
- **6:00 PM - Epiphany of the Lord Mass**



THE VEIL OF MARY

Have you heard? Our parish has been given a magnificent gift, just in time for Christmas - **one more relic for the new Our Lady of the Angels Chapel! Mary, Mother of God. This second-class relic is a thread of the Veil of Mary, left behind at her Assumption.** Read more about this amazing relic below.

Through the faith and obedience of a young, teenaged girl from Jerusalem, the Savior of the World came to Earth. Mary, the daughter of Sts. Joachim and Anne, showed immense courage when visited by the archangel Gabriel, who brought the news that she would become the Mother of Jesus. And she continued to show that courage when she remained at the foot of her Son, as He hung upon the cross.

As Roman Catholics, we have more theological doctrines, teachings, prayers, teachings, and devotions to Mary than any other faith group. We hold true four very important dogmatic beliefs: 1. that she is Theotokos, or Mother of God, 2. Her perpetual virginity, 3. The Immaculate Conception, and 4. Her Assumption into heaven.

It is this fourth and final dogma that leads us to a relic from the Blessed Virgin Mary; we firmly believe that following her death, she was Assumed body and spirit up into heaven. Not a single first-class relic of Mary will ever be found. However, a few of her personal items remained here on Earth, which would be second-class relics. Of these, the most venerated around the world is the veil of Mary.

Through many of the monumental moments of Jesus' life, there was the veiled Mary – presenting Jesus in the temple, initiating the first public miracle at the wedding in Cana, and even praying with the Apostles following His death. It's unlikely that the seamstress who weaved the silk thread into a beautiful veil could ever have guessed the miracles it would be present for, sitting upon Our Lady's head.

The life of Mary, and the journey of her veil, are not highly documented and many details have been disputed over the years, but the pieces

of information that we do know point to Mary having lived in Ephesus following the death and Resurrection of Jesus. She lived with John, having been instructed by Jesus upon the cross to take Mary into his house, in what is now present-day Turkey.

Her death is not recorded in the scriptures, but tradition told of her body being placed in a tomb in Jerusalem, where she experienced her "dormition", meaning that Mary did not experience the violent separation of body and spirit that occurs due to the stain of original sin; but instead, Mary, free from original sin, "fell asleep" and was assumed, body and spirit into heaven.

The Apostles, upon realizing that Mary had been assumed into heaven, collected her belongings that remained, including her veil. They were kept in Jerusalem until around the year 400, before St. Jerome, the secretary to Pope Damasus I, took the Mantle of Joseph and Veil of Mary back to Rome for safekeeping.

Had St. Jerome not relocated these precious relics, they likely would have been destroyed during the Muslim invasions that soon followed in Jerusalem.

Tracing the remaining journey of the veil is a tough task, but history tells of the veil being transferred from Jerusalem to Constantinople around the year 800. After being presented by the Empress Irene to the Holy Roman Emperor Charlemagne, it was then given to his descendant Charles the Bald, who gave the relic to a cathedral in Chartres, France.

It was in Chartres that stories tell of the veil being taken from the church and paraded as a flag of war in the year 911, when the bandit Rollo and his henchmen were besieging the town. With the veil proudly raised above the city by the bishop, Rollo and his men were defeated, and the siege failed.

The veil was placed in a reliquary, which began attracting pilgrims far and wide to pray near the veil. Since the veil was viewed to provide a

divine protection, many pilgrims placed shirts up against the reliquary in order to wear them prior to going to war or giving birth.

The cathedral in Chartres was badly damaged by a fire in the year 1194, and many feared the veil had been destroyed. However, three days after the fire, a procession of priests emerged from the church with the relic intact, having been rushed to a crypt beneath the cathedral for safety. The cardinal of the area declared this as a sign from Mary that she desired a "more magnificent church", and reconstruction began immediately.

Fast forward to the 14th century, when a lead box was discovered at the Basilica of St. Anastasia, where St. Jerome had served as the parish priest. Two miles from St. Peter's, the boxes were opened, and the Veil of Mary and Mantle of St. Joseph were discovered. They were immediately enshrined in the chapel, and in the 1750's, the bishop authorized the creation of relics from tiny pieces of the veil.

Scientific tests on the veil found that the silk veil is of Syrian design and can be traced back to the 1st century. At one point, the fabric was thought to be that of a tunic, but after being unwound, it was discovered to in fact be a veil. Every year in August, on the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady, the veil is processed with great reverence.

With shared reverence, we will soon be receiving a small thread of this very veil to place in the Our Lady of the Angels Chapel. May this relic guide us closer to Jesus in order to grow in faith and love for Him, just as the wearer of this beautiful veil demonstrated every day of her life.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas Flowers, we want to thank and honor those below:

GIVEN BY: Annette Adams, Sharron Aldrich, Cecilia Alfaro, Don Barnett, Lory Barnhill, Ronnie Bilnoski, Patty Black, Monique Blaylock, Eileen Bradley, Daniel Brauweiler, Lindsey Brillantes, Danel Brodie, Richard Bui, Rosemary Buser, Bridget Caletka, Andrea Canizaro, Terry and Lisa Cantu, Amy Chen, John Christiansen, Warren Clark, Jake Codina, Robert Cook-Norris, John Daigle, Krystal Dickinson, Lynn Dimond, Ayla Dominguez, Art Dominguez, Tessie Doucet, Linda Dragone, Anita Eckert, Gloria Ellis, Paul Evanko, Julie Finney, Phyllis Fish, Don Garrow, Kathryn Ghatalia, Glenn Godkin, Gomer Gormley, Harvey Graeve, Rick Graff, Katie Green, Kathy Hiatt, Kim Hodne, Nate Hoffman, Karl Holdaway, Jackie Horden, Juan Huerta, Bill Jennings, Jennifer Jurkus, John Keyes, Clare Koziol, Stanley Kubin, Greg Kurpiel, Lisa Kurzy, Cathy Landry, Mark Lewis, Judy Martinez, Dianne Mashoney, Marjorie Mazurek, James McCabe, Kevin McDonough, Kevin McEvoy, Arlene McGuire, Tracy Miesch, Gary Mills, Carmen Murphy, Mack Neff, Richard Noel, Todd Norman, Dale Nowak, Laurie Nudo, John Palilla, Paul Palma, Patty Pelletier, Thomas Pignetti, Roger and Gail Pool, F. W. Ramsey, Richard Rekieta, Richard Riney, Moira Romero, Maria Rotunda, Lori Rubel, F. A. Ruffer, Joaquim Silva, Deborah Sostek, Phyllis Stehm, Fiona Steinhauhoff, Thelma Lorene Suggs, Greg Sujack, Mary Lou Sullivan, Tim Sweeney, Mike Thomas, Lorrie Thompson, Kim Udell, Paula Van Osdell, John Vreeland, Joyce Walter, Mike Webb, Thomas Wentzler, Joyce and Ken Wiesman, Debby Woods, Craig Wormley, Lee and Michelle Zent, Ana Becerra, Rebecca Partida-Petry

IN HONOR OF: Aldrich and Robertson Families, Beatriz Macchi, Ben and Polly Duhon, Betty and Lavon McDonald, Bill & Beverly Eckert, Bob & Debby Woods, Bob Kerwin, Christopher Caletka, Claire Beeman, Clara and Ava Brillantes, Col. Roy R. Alvarez, Deacon John, Debbie Bui, Deceased Members of the Stehm and Conheady Families, Dickinson Family, Dr. Thomas Henry Vreeland MD, Frank and Carrol Stack, Hoffman Family, Hope, Benedict, and Perpetua Gormley, In Memorial of Mercel Palma +, In Memorial of Mildred Gertrude Moreira +, In Memorial of Roy Raymond White Sr +, Irene and Vernon Landry, Jerry and Ann Bilicek, Jill Long Wittmann, John Bradley, John W. and Alice Kiley, Jose and Juanita Avena, Joseph and Kristen Formica, Joyce C Price, Ken & Kim Hoover, Larry Riney, LeBlanc Family, Lee Zent Family, Lemiel and Adelaide barnhill, Linda and Richard Fitzgerald, Margaret Nugent, Martin Villegas, Martin, Sophia and Helen Cymbor, Mary S. Gallegos, Max Finney, Michael Fish, Miesch Family, Mr and Mrs Russell Macaluso, Mr and Mrs Stephen Laurent, Mr George Brodie and Mrs Diana Brodie, Natalie Ghatalia, Our Loving Mother Antoinette Mardel, Palilla and Chowaniec Families, Parents of Joyce and Ken Wiesman, Parents of Linda & Kevin McDonough, Paul & Thomas Caletka, Paul and Betty Webb, Polikart & Ursula Caletka, Ponciano Guevara Oviedo, Repose of the soul of James Nudo, Riney Family Special Intention, Rotunda/Fabara Family, Rubel Family, Sarah Durham, Scott Sullivan, St Anthony of Padua Catholic School Teachers, Stephen J. and Kay Caletka, Trevor Hodne, Walter and Mae Kiley, Zak Webb, Fernando Flores, Minerva Gonzales, Theresa Morales, Immaculate Mary

AROUND THE PARISH

STAOP CATHOLIC SCHOOL



St. Anthony of Padua
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Founded in 2001, recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2012, and distinguished as an Archdiocesan S.T.R.E.A.M. Synergy school in 2019, our parish school

serves students in Pre-K3 through 8th Grade. For more information visit: **AP.SCHOOL** or visit us on Facebook or Instagram **@apschooltx**.

JANUARY 29-30, 2022

National Catholic School's Week Second Collection Supporting St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School

FEBRUARY 3, 2022

Future Family Open House at 6:30 PM.

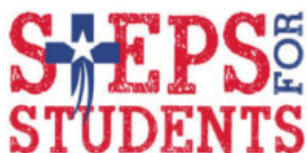
Our Future Family Open House will give you the opportunity to meet members of our faculty, learn about our academics and activities, and visit your future students' classrooms.

FEBRUARY 12, 2022

St. Anthony of Padua's **Steps for Students** team will be raising funds to fund a technology iPad cart to facilitate our new NWEA testing program. This is critical in allowing our testing to be conducted more efficiently among all grade levels. Thank you for supporting this effort!

Join or support our team at **runsignup.com/apschool!**

- **December 27, 2021:** Deadline to guarantee your Archdiocesan race t-shirt size AND the last day to order Dri-Fit shirts.
- **January 26, 2021:** Deadline to guarantee a "St. Anthony Race Shirt" sponsored by Doucet Safety Analysis.
- **January 31, 2021:** All race fees increase \$10



YOUTH MINISTRY

The Youth Ministry Team wishes you a Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year! Programs are on break until the New Year. See our first 2022 Session Dates below:

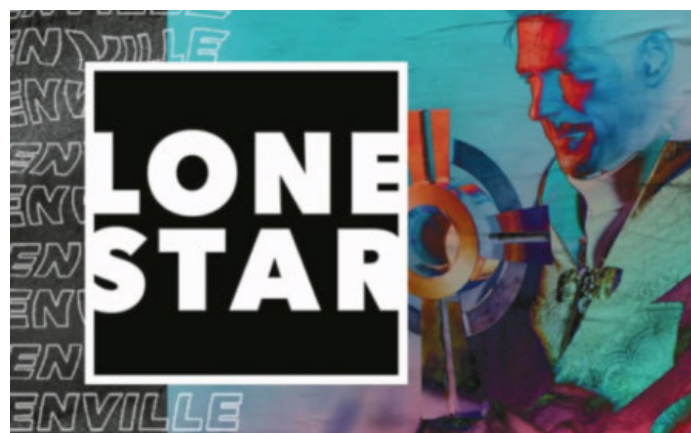
- Life Teen Year 1 and UpperClass – January 9
- Anchor – January 11
- EDGE – January 11
- Confirmation – January 5

STEUBENVILLE LONESTAR

Join us this summer for a road trip to the Dallas, Texas area for the Steubenville Lone Star Conference! June 24-26, 2022

The theme for the conference is FEARLESS. The goal of this conference is to strengthen and inspire teens in their journey with Christ. Amazing speaker lineup includes Fr. Joseph Espailat, Emily Wilson, Bob Lesnefsky, and Andrew Laubacher

Open to current (2021) 8th – 12th Graders. More information can be found at **stanthonyym.org/summer-trips**



BEYOND THE BULLETIN

Join Nate Hoffman and Michael Gormley as they turn the page on Beyond the Bulletin and talk about the new direction and purpose of our parish podcast! Listen at **beyondthebulletin.church**, or on your favorite podcast app!

OUTREACH & ORGANIZATIONS

THANKSGIVING PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the Thanksgiving Project. We had about 200 volunteers on our distribution days and we had hundreds of families participate in the project through the month of November. Thank you!

Families Served : 1,693 families

Individuals Served : 6,920 individuals

POUNDS OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED:

1,700 Turkeys from HEB	23,800 lbs
1,700 Hams from HEB	5,100 lbs
1,700 pies from HEB	3,400 lbs
200 extra turkeys from MCFB	2,800 lbs
1,693 TGP-Box	52,483 lbs
Box of Cereal	1,100 lbs
Box of Produce (Qty 800)	12,800 lbs
TOTAL	101,483 lbs



ADVENT PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the Advent Project. The Advent Project supported multiple ministries in our community and we are grateful for your support. Thank you!

Kolbe Halfway House: Socks & Sweatshirts:
1240 items, which includes 1035 pairs of socks

SVDP/KOC

Coats 184 coats between the drive and their own members participating

St. Clare Prayer Blanket Ministry:
Fabric for 83 blankets.

PACN/Loving Choice:

Diapers/Wipes and Formula: 315 items, which included diapers, wipes, and formula

Catholic Charities:

Toys/Gifts = 1,349 total

Gift Cards = 217 cards (\$7,080.00 total value)

ALTAR GUILD

St. Benedict's Altar Guild at St. Anthony of Padua is a service organization formed to serve the priests, the deacons, and the parish by preparing the sanctuary for liturgical events and by caring for the wares necessary for our liturgies.

Volunteers in the ministry reflect the Catholic tradition of preparing the altar and sanctuary for Mass, caring for the vestments and altar linens, providing flowers in the sanctuary, taking care of the candles throughout the church, caring for the holy water fonts, polishing the brass appointments on the candles, and preparing for funerals.

We are always looking for new members. Training is provided. Contact Brian Jones for more information: bjones@ap.church

ADULT FORMATION

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian? Do you want to follow Jesus Christ for the rest of your life? This is the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship! This is the Catholic Church's process to bring people, through study, spiritual growth and community, into the heart of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Formally, it is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which is our formation process for adults who desire to follow Jesus Christ and be a member of His Catholic Church. We have various classes and programs and we would love to talk to you about what program would be the best fit for you.

Those who are interested in learning more about Catholicism and interested in Converting, Please email Mary Batey at mbatey@ap.church.

ANNULMENTS

The ending of a marriage is a difficult experience, and divorce is one of life's tragedies. Many marriages end in divorce in spite of good intentions and the establishment of a family. We are sensitive to the pain and stress that a failed marital relationship brings to all involved. We are here to assist those who petition for a possible annulment. For more information and FAQ's about annulments, visit ap.church/annulments. Questions? Contact Mary Batey at mbatey@ap.church

MARRIAGES

Are you newly engaged and looking to get married in the Catholic Church? Contact us at least 9-12 months before your desired wedding date. We are here to answer your questions and help you receive the sacrament of Marriage! For all inquires visit: ap.church/marriage

LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY

(LTMTTP) is a three-part prayer series, rooted in Ignatian spirituality. It helps deepen prayer life and offers ways to overcome dryness and obstacles in prayer. It introduces the methods of Ignatian prayer: meditation, contemplation, and Consciousness Examen

There will be two Part 1 Sessions available starting in the Spring.

Visit our website ap.church/events for more information and registration.



EL CAMINO

El Camino es un grupo donde poder redescubrir, crecer y fortalecer tu Fe en un ambiente amigable, respetuoso y sin presiones, que responde a la Nueva Evangelización a la que estamos invitados.

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"PARA QUE TODOS TE CONOZCAN: INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA"

- Curso Gratuito. Todos los jueves de 6–8:30 PM
- Cada mes: 3 reuniones vía Zoom, y 1 reunión presencial en el AMR de St Anthony of Padua.
- A partir del 9/Septiembre/2021 (Zoom)

El Camino siempre tiene abiertas sus puertas para ti! elcaminostaop@outlook.com

Please visit our website at ap.church/aff for all the upcoming Bible Studies, Classes, and Community Groups in English and Spanish!

ADULT FORMATION

THE GREAT ADVENTURE

The heart of The Great Adventure is The Bible Timeline™ Learning System. The Bible Timeline™ Learning System ties all of Scripture together by following God's "family plan" from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. With its unique color-coded system, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. A Life-Changing Approach to Scripture!

This Spring semester, starting in January, we will have different classes offered morning, afternoon, and evening.

- **Revelation** - Tuesday Mornings
- **Prophets** - Wednesday Evenings
- **Prophets** - Thursday Mornings
- **1st Corinthians** - Friday Mornings

Registration will open on December 1st. For more info and registration: ap.church/aff

ST. MONICA'S SOCIETY

St. Monica's Society is for mothers of school age children. They share the joys and struggles of motherhood and learn more about how to apply their faith to their vocation. St. Monica's Society holds weekly Friday Meetings at noon.

This January-February they will be studying the book *Embracing Edith Stein-Wisdom for Women*. by Rev William P Saunders Ph D. For more information and to register. Contact Katie at mrsgreen.katie@gmail.com or Meg at mmv0818@comcast.net



MEN'S ACTS DISCERNMENT

ACTS English Men's Discernment Meetings: Join us and enjoy visiting with your ACTS brothers, pray, "break bread", meet the leadership team, listen to various ways you can participate, and then decide if you are being called by the Holy Spirit to team on this retreat.

The retreat will be May 12-15, 2022. We look forward to seeing everyone!

DISCERNMENT MEETINGS:

Monday, Jan. 3rd from 6:30-8:30 in the AMR.
Monday, Jan. 10th from 6:30-8:30 in the AMR.

ACTS WOMENS RETREAT

ACTS Women's English Retreat offers an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ which fosters a desire for intentional discipleship. The Retreats begin on Thursday evenings and end with Sunday Mass in the parish. Utilizing prayer, service, and teaching, the ACTS Retreat meets people wherever they are on their Spiritual Journey. Through the four pillars of the apostolate, adoration, community, theology, and service, retreatants are invited to prayerfully consider how they can respond to His love by spiritually surrendering to Jesus in order to have a new life with Him.

The retreat will take place **March 3-6, 2022** at Circle Lake Retreat Center.

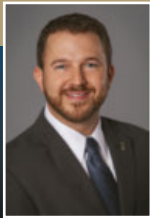
Registration is now open at ap.church/events

YOUNG ADULTS

Are you a young adult in your 20s or 30s? Do you desire to meet other young adults? Do you desire to grow in your faith? Then come join us! We are re-starting the St. Anthony's Young Adult Group, and we'd love to have you. For info, contact Betsy Cole at youngadult@ap.church about our upcoming events.

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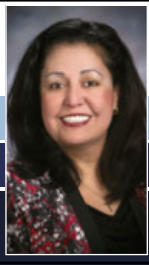
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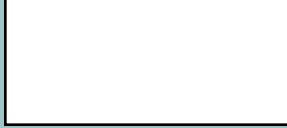
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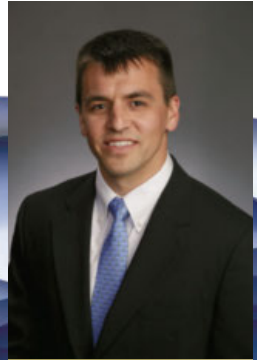
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