

*YOU SHALL LOVE  
THE LORD, YOUR GOD,  
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,  
WITH ALL YOUR BEING,  
WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH,  
AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND,  
AND YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.*

Luke 10:27



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH • JULY 10, 2022**

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# WELCOME HOME



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## MASS TIMES

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

**MONDAY** | 9 AM

**TUESDAY** | 9 AM & 6:45 PM

**WEDNESDAY** | 6 AM & 9 AM

**THURSDAY** | 9 AM & 6:45 PM

**FRIDAY** | 9 AM

**SATURDAY** | 10 AM & 5 PM (*Sunday Vigil*)

## RECONCILIATION TIMES

Whether it 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.

*Confession is an act of honesty and courage, an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God. - St. John Paul II*

**WEDNESDAY** | 6 - 8 PM *English*.

**SATURDAY** | 8 - 10 AM *English & Español*

## 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](mailto:sdewlen@ap.church)



# WAYS TO GIVE



Give Online at  
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Text **PADUA**  
to **77977**



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## JUNE 13TH - JUNE 19TH GIVING

<b>OFFERTORY*</b>	\$ 87,397.99
<b>ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD</b>	\$ 4,754.00
<b>SVDP LOCAL</b>	\$ 5,325.00
<b>ST. MARY'S SEMINARY</b>	\$ 2,468.41
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	\$ 3,843.94
<b>TOTAL   \$ 103,789.34</b>	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

## JUNE 20TH - JUNE 26TH GIVING

<b>OFFERTORY*</b>	\$64,337.74
<b>ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD</b>	\$ 3,901.00
<b>SVDP LOCAL</b>	\$ 4,267.00
<b>PETER'S PENCE</b>	\$ 3,930.11
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	\$ 2,096.00
<b>TOTAL   \$ 78,531.85</b>	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

## JUNE 27TH - JULY 3RD GIVING

<b>OFFERTORY*</b>	\$ 94,393.41
<b>ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD</b>	\$ 8,068.00
<b>SVDP LOCAL</b>	\$ 5,960.00
<b>DSF</b>	\$ 8,311.19
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	\$ 1,689.00
<b>TOTAL   \$ 118,421.60</b>	<i>*Includes Online Giving</i>

**Thank you for your generosity and support!**

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

**As of May 25, our parish has raised \$204,861 of our \$367,500 DSF goal** – we're over halfway there! Thank you to the nearly 500 donors who have participated in this year's DSF!

Each year, the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston reports on the impact your support makes through the Diocesan Services Fund. Hundreds-of-thousands are served each year in your name through over 60 DSF-supported ministries.

This year's theme, "All for the Glory of God", reminds us that we must all work together as one Archdiocesan family. Information on how you can support the Diocesan Services Fund can be found online at [www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf)

**Make your gift today at [ap.church/dsf](http://ap.church/dsf) or use the QR Code.**



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# MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

## MASS READINGS

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For daily readings, visit [usccb.org](http://usccb.org)

- First Reading : Deuteronomy 30:10-14
- Responsorial : Psalm 69:14,17,30-31,36-37
- Second Reading : Colossians 1:15-20
- Gospel : Luke 10:25-37

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday July 10th

- 5:00 pm Marie Berthiaux (*Vigil*)  
7:00 am Marie Berthiaux  
9:00 am † Juanita Boada  
11:00 am Parishioners of St Anthony  
1:00 pm The Valle Family  
6:00 pm † Denka Zupan

### Monday July 11th

- 9:00 am † Ciro Camacho

### Tuesday July 12th

- 9:00 am † Rocco Agostino  
6:45 pm † Lucas & Louise Maria Kareh

### Wednesday July 13th

- 6:00 am † Paul Calabrese  
9:00 am † Elaine Prater

### Thursday July 14th

- 9:00 am † John Bradley  
6:45 pm † Gerardo Becerra

### Friday July 15th

- 9:00 am † Jeanne Powell

### Saturday July 16th

- 10:00 am † Ryan Dailey

### The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

**Elderly:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism. Love of God and love of neighbor are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

The lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbor whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan.

The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A third person comes along. He is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbor. Samaritans were descendants of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbor in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.  
- *Loyola Press Sunday Connection*

# LITURGY AND PRAYER

## SUMMER CHANT INTENSIVE

Come and join others to make a schola that unites with those who sing chant today and all who have sung the same liturgical texts for almost 2,000 years.

### SESSION 2 BEGINNER - JULY 12-15

For the experienced, who want to deepen their discovery of 2,000 years of reflection on sacred texts. Revisiting chant in its simplicity always reveals nuances of the texts. The Chant Intensive provides those experienced, with a greater command of notation, rhythmic singing, and insight into how the "ever ancient" chant reveals the "ever new" prayer of the text

For more information and registration, visit [ap.church/events](http://ap.church/events)

## 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 : [bjones@ap.church](mailto:bjones@ap.church)**

## USHERS GUILD

Ushers at St. Anthony of Padua welcome and assist parishioners at each Mass every Sunday, and on holy days of obligation. If you are interested in joining this ministry and becoming an Usher, please contact Brian Jones at [bjones@ap.church](mailto:bjones@ap.church)

## BROWN SCAPULAR

**SATURDAY, JULY 16TH • 10 AM MASS**

**Saturday July 16th is the Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.** To honor Our Blessed Mother on this day, we are inviting parishioners to bring their own wool Brown Scapulars to be blessed at this Mass.

Immediately following the Prayer after Communion, but before the Final Blessing, all those with brown scapulars will line up in the center aisle like they are going to receive Holy Communion. The Priest will pray the short blessing prayer, and sprinkle all the brown scapulars held by the faithful with holy water.

After the sprinkling with holy water, the parishioners with brown scapulars will come forward to give the Priest their scapular. The Priest will then vest each, by placing the scapular around their neck. The parishioners will then be seated. The Priest will return to his chair and offer the Final Blessing.

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

**Join us for Morning Prayer before Daily Mass. All are welcome in the church beginning at 8:00 AM Monday through Friday.**

The Liturgy of the Hours are the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day and sanctifying the day with prayer. The Hours are a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer.

## COMMUNAL ROSARY

Join us in praying a rosary as a parish family every day before the 9 AM Daily Mass, immediately following our ongoing Liturgy of the Hours.



# CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

All our Student Ministries, from Kindergarten to Senior Year, will be available for online registration and in-person assistance in **AUGUST ONLY!** There will be **no late registration** for the 22-23 year.

## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

### ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION • K - 4TH • \$80

- Sunday at 2:30 PM
- Sunday at 4:15 PM
- Monday at 5:30 PM
- Wednesday at 4:45 PM

### HOMESCHOOL FAITH FORMATION • K - 8TH • \$50

- Homeschool to be done throughout the year.

Registration for Faith formation,  
Youth Ministry and Sacramental  
Preparation will be open

**AUGUST 1 - AUGUST 31**

Classes Kick Off the week of

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2022**

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### ANCHOR • 5TH - 6TH • \$150

- Monday at 5:30 PM

### EDGE • 7TH - 8TH • \$150

- Sunday at 4:00 PM

### LIFE TEEN YOUTH GROUP • 9TH - 12TH • \$150

- Sunday at 7:30 PM  
*Youth Group is voluntary and open to guests. Registration for Youth Group is included in the registration for Conf. Y1 & Y2.*



## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION • AGE 7 - 8TH GRADE • \$30

- See the website for a detailed schedule.

### CONFIRMATION YEAR ONE • 9TH - 11TH • \$150\*

- Tuesday at 7:00 PM *\*Includes Youth Group Registration\**

### CONFIRMATION YEAR TWO • 10TH - 12TH • \$325\*

- Wednesday at 7:00 PM *\*Includes Youth Group Registration & Retreat fee\**



## CATECHIST/CORE EARLY REGISTRATION AND DISCOUNTS

In gratitude for your volunteering as a Catechist or Core Member, you will receive a discount and early registration (July 15th-31st) for your children! Discounts for committed weekly volunteers:

- Children's Catechist: 50% off Children's FF (K-4), 25% off YM (5-12)\*
- Youth Ministry Core: 25% off Children's FF (K-4), 50% off YM (5-12)\*
- Confirmation Core: \$75 off Confirmation Y2. 25% off Children's FF (K-4), 50% off for YM (5-12)\*  
*\*No discounts for First Communion & Confirmation Sacramental Preparation.*

# FORMACIÓN EN LA FE DE LOS NIÑOS Y MINISTERIO JUVENIL

¡Todos nuestros Ministerios Estudiantiles, desde el jardín de infantes hasta el último año, estarán disponibles para inscripción en línea y asistencia en persona **SOLO EN AGOSTO!**

*No habrá registro tardío para el año 22-23.*

## FORMACIÓN EN LA FE DE LOS NIÑOS

**PARA LOS NIÑOS DE KINDER HASTA EL 4 GRADO • \$80**

- Domingo a las 2:30 PM
- Domingo a las 4:15 PM
- Lunes a las 5:30 PM
- Miércoles a las 4:45 PM

**FORMACIÓN DE FE DESDE EL HOGAR • K - 8 • \$50**

- Homeschool se llevará desde su hogar durante todo el año escolar.



## MINISTERIO JUVENIL

**ANCHOR • DEL 5 AL 6 GRADO • \$150**

- Lunes a las 5:30 PM

**EDGE • DEL 7 AL 8 GRADO • \$150**

- Domingo a las 4:00 PM

**"LIFE TEEN" • DEL 9 AL 12 GRADO • \$150**

- Domingo a las 7:30 PM • *\*El grupo de jóvenes es voluntario y está abierto a traer invitados. La inscripción para el Grupo de Jóvenes está incluida en la inscripción para Conf. Y1 y Y2\*.*

*Las inscripciones para formación en la fe, ministerio juvenil y preparación sacramental estarán abiertas:*

***DEL 1 DE AGOSTO AL 31 DE AGOSTO.***

*No habrá registro para clases después de esta fecha, no se la pierda.*

*Las clases comenzarán la semana del*  
***11 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2022***

## PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

**PRIMERA COMUNIÓN • 7 AÑOS AL 8 GRADO • \$30**

- Visite el sitio web para obtener un cronograma detallado.

**CONFIRMACIÓN AÑO UNO • DEL 9 AL 11 GRADO • \$150\***

- Martes a las 7:00 PM *\*Incluye Inscripción Grupo Juvenil\**

**CONFIRMACIÓN AÑO DOS • DEL 10 AL 12 GRADO • \$325\***

- Miércoles a las 7 PM *\*Incluye la tarifa de registro y retiro del grupo de jóvenes\**



## INSCRIPCIÓN ANTICIPADA Y DESCUENTOS PARA CATEQUISTAS

¡En agradecimiento por su voluntariado como Catequista o Miembro catequista del equipo juvenil, Usted tendrá la oportunidad de registrar anticipadamente (del 15 al 31 de julio) a su(s) hijo(s) además de recibir un descuento en el precio de su inscripción! Descuentos para los voluntarios que se comprometan a venir una vez por semana durante las clases:

- Catequista de niños: 50% de descuento en FF (K-4), 25% de descuento en Ministerio Juvenil (5-12)\*
- Miembro catequista del Ministerio Juvenil: 25% de descuento en FF para niños (K-4), 50% de descuento en YM (5-12)\*
- Miembro catequista de confirmación: \$75 de descuento en la confirmación Y2. 25% de descuento en niños FF (K-4), 50% de descuento para YM (5-12)\*
- *\*No hay descuentos para la Preparación Sacramental de Primera Comunión y la Confirmación.*



# AROUND THE PARISH

## YOUTH MINISTRY

We invite you to join our **Middle School Mornings and High School Hangouts for the month of July!**

### SUMMER SCHEDULE

- **July 12th • Middle School Mornings**  
9 AM Mass • Open Youth Room & Gym until 12 PM
- **July 13th • High School Hangout**  
6:30-8:30 PM Open Youth Room and Gym
- **July 19th • Middle School Mornings**  
9 AM Mass • Open Youth Room & Gym until 12 PM
- **July 20th • High School Hangout**  
6:30-8:30 PM Open Youth Room and Gym.
- **July 27th • High School Hangout**  
6:30-8:30 PM Open Youth Room and Gym.
- **July 29th • Volleyball/Basketball Tournament**  
6:30-8:30 PM Open Youth Room and Gym

For any questions, please contact **Samy Pierce (spierce@ap.church)** and **PJ Pierce (ppierce@ap.church)**



## INFANT BAPTISM

### BAPTISM FOR INFANTS (0 – 6 Years Old)

It is always a joyful experience for us to welcome a new Christian into the Church and into our parish community. Through baptism, your child will be adopted into God's family, receive the grace of salvation won for us by Jesus Christ's death and resurrection, and have life in the Holy Spirit.

- Is your child 6 years old or younger?
- Have the parents of the child attended a Baptismal Preparation class?
- Are the parents of the child registered parishioners of St Anthony of Padua?

If you can answer YES to all the questions above, you are ready for Baptism. If you and your spouse have not attended a Baptismal preparation class in more than 3 years, visit us at **ap.church/baptism** to check our calendar of dates, register for a Baptismal class or to obtain more information.

### BAUTISMO PARA INFANTES (0 – 6 años)

Nos llena de gozo dar la bienvenida a un nuevo cristiano en la Iglesia y en nuestra comunidad parroquial. A través del bautismo, su hijo será adoptado en la familia de Dios, recibirá la gracia de la salvación ganada para nosotros por la muerte y resurrección de Jesucristo, y tendrá vida en el Espíritu Santo.

- ¿Tiene su hijo 6 años o menos?
- ¿Han asistido los padres del niño a una clase de preparación bautismal en los últimos 3 años?
- ¿Los padres del niño son feligreses registrados de San Antonio de Padua?

Si puede responder Sí a todas las preguntas anteriores, está listo para solicitar el Sacramento del Bautismo para su hijo. Si usted y su cónyuge no han asistido a una clase de preparación bautismal en más de 3 años, visítenos en **ap.church/baptism** para consultar nuestro calendario de fechas, registrarse para una clase bautismal u obtener más información.



# AROUND THE PARISH

## MENS ACTS SPANISH

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 the Men's Spanish ACTS Retreat, November 10-13, 2022.

### DISCERNMENT MEETINGS:

- Monday, July 25 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM • Paduan Center
- Monday, Aug. 1 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM • Paduan Center

Please prayerfully consider serving on this powerful retreat! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the ACTS Men's Spanish Retreat Leadership Team Members. We will be happy to help you! **Guadalupe Gamino - Retreat Director:** [guadalupegamino1114@gmail.com](mailto:guadalupegamino1114@gmail.com)

## ST. ANTHONY 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.

**St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School currently has openings in 3rd and 6th Grade for the 2022-2023 school year.** To learn more about admissions, contact Cathy Russell at [crussell@stapops.org](mailto:crussell@stapops.org) or visit our website at [AP.SCHOOL](http://AP.SCHOOL).

## LITTLE SAINTS

The primary responsibility of Little Saints is to provide a quality, developmentally appropriate experience for young children in a Christian environment. Ages: 18 months–5 years. Hours: 9 AM–2 PM

**Open enrollment for the 2022-23 school year.** Limited spots available in our T/TH 4's and M-F Transition, a bridge to Kindergarten, programs. Wait list spots available for all other classes.

**Contact : 832-381-2093 • [LittleSaints@ap.church](mailto:LittleSaints@ap.church)**  
**More information at [LittleSaintspreschool.org](http://LittleSaintspreschool.org)**

## FACILITIES TECHNICIAN

**St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church is seeking a full-time facilities technician.** Applicants must be over the age of 18; must be able to lift 40 pounds; must be able to push and pull heavy carts; can work in a standing position; and can work outdoors.

**Primary Functions:** The Facilities Technician is responsible for general maintenance and repair of the buildings and grounds of St. Anthony and supporting the needs of the parish, school and ministries that meet on campus. This position will respond to emergency situations to minimize the risk and loss of property.

**Status:** Full Time/40 hours/week; shift schedule

**Salary:** Based on Background and Experience

This full time position is eligible for benefits

Send resume and/or letter of interest to

[spoconnell@ap.church](mailto:spoconnell@ap.church).

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church is seeking a full-time Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation and Marriage Preparation.** Applicants must be over the age of 18; must know and love their Catholic faith; can stay organized amidst guiding multiple ministries, classes, and more.

**Primary Functions:** The Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation and Marriage Preparation is responsible for guiding our retreat ministries, Bible studies, prayer classes, and more to bear fruit for the Gospel. Bi-lingual is a big plus. This role necessitates the ability to both know and love their Catholic faith, while being able to speak to it in classrooms and to individuals. Moreover, one must know the Catholic theology of Holy Matrimony, the Theology of the Body, and the moral teaching on sexual morality. You will work with couples and individuals in crisis marriages as well as assist the clergy in their formation for Holy Matrimony.

**Send cover letter & resume to Mike Gormley at [mgormley@ap.church](mailto:mgormley@ap.church)**

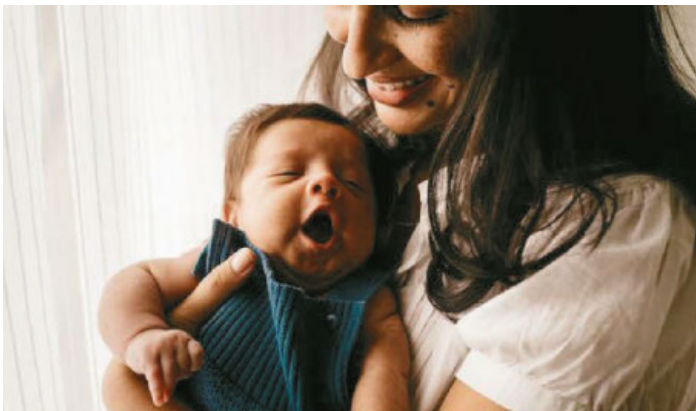
# OUTREACH MINISTRIES

## PRO-LIFE OUTREACH

**This July 9-10, after Mass at the hospitality in Shelz Hall, be sure to stop by the Respect Life Table. Learn about how much Pro-Life groups are doing to support women and their children throughout pregnancies and beyond throughout Texas and right here.**

1. Did you know that for every abortion chamber, there are five Pro-Life pregnancy assistance centers with trained medical staff, counselors, free parent training, free diapers and formula, and so much more. Find an example at Texas Pregnancy Care Network.
2. Did you know Texas has set aside millions of dollars to help women with pregnancies.
3. Did you know that the Catholic Church offers **Project Rachel** that provides counseling support for women and men who have dealt with abortions in their past. The Church stands ready to provide forgiveness and reconciliation.
4. The **Gabriel Project** offers hope and assistance to any woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy. The project helps expectant moms with various practical needs, such as, assistance with pre-natal care, clothes, and various baby items, referrals for housing, medical care and counseling, and parenting support or adoption information

For more information, visit [ap.church/events](http://ap.church/events)



## CONCERT FOR LIFE

**The 9th Annual Concert for Life, supporting Houston Pregnancy Help Centers, returns on Thursday, July 28 at Bayou City Event Center!**

It is totally free! All proceeds go Houston Pregnancy Help Centers. The concert features original music from Fr. David Michael Moses.

**What is Houston Pregnancy Help Centers?** We present life affirming alternatives to the tragedy of abortion, while respecting a women's decision without ridicule or rejection. We share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in both word and deed, as the Holy Spirit presents the opportunity.

**Are there minimum age requirements to enter the event?** There are no minimum age requirements. The show is appropriate and entertaining for the whole family! Babies welcome

For info and tickets visit: [ap.church/events](http://ap.church/events)

## ST. LEONARD SOCIETY

St. Leonard Society makes specially designed rosaries for incarcerated men and women in prisons throughout the state of Texas.

Even though rosaries may be readily available to us, those who are imprisoned have to request one, and can wait up to two years to get it due to the lack of supply. SLRG has provide 9000 plus rosaries over the last four years. .

Visit our website at [ap.church/outreach](http://ap.church/outreach) if you are interested in helping with this ministry even from the comfort of your own home!

## ST. CLARE PRAYER BLANKETS

St. Clare's Society prepares lap-sized prayer blankets for those who may be in need of spiritual comfort during times of physical or emotional illness. Please stop by the Parish Office and pick up a prayer blanket for a loved one! Find more info about volunteering at [ap.church/outreach](http://ap.church/outreach)

# OUTREACH MINISTRIES

## FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

### PANTRY OPERATIONS VOLUNTEERS

**Contact: Franklin Marsan at [fmarsan@ap.church](mailto:fmarsan@ap.church)**

Volunteers are needed daily to unload truck deliveries, unload car deliveries, sort food donations, stock shelves and pre-pack food bags and load food into clients cars

- **Mondays 7:30 AM-12 PM**
- **Tuesdays 8 AM -1 PM** *Pantry Distribution Day*
- **Wednesdays 7:30 AM-12 PM**
- **Thursdays 8 AM -1 PM** *Pantry Distribution Day*
- **Fridays 7:30 AM-12 PM**
- **Saturdays 9 AM -1 PM** *Pantry Distribution Day*

### VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS FOR PANTRY OPERATIONS VOLUNTEERS:

- **Under 18 years old** – Can volunteer at the pantry if accompanied by a parent/guardian. The parent/guardian is required to stay with the child. The parent/guardian is also required to be Safe Environment trained.
- **18 and older** – You will need to be Safe Environment trained. This is an online class and is required to participate in any of the ministries at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church. The class takes no more than 90 minutes to complete. Visit CMGConnect to register and complete the training.
- **Closed-toe shoes** (no sandals) are required.
- **Physical requirements depending on task:** Standing for a long period of time (2-3 hours), lifting up to 20-30 pounds, bending over often to reach for food items, standing outside in the heat/cold, loading/unloading supplies, moving continuously.

### PANTRY OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Data entry, filing, various office organizational tasks. Some work can be completed at home or off- site to fit with volunteers' schedules

- **Monday - Friday 9 AM - 3 PM**

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of SVDP is a Catholic lay organization, which leads women/men to join together to **grow spiritually** by offering **person to person service** to the needy and suffering in the traditions of founder, Frederic Ozanam and patron St. Vincent De Paul.

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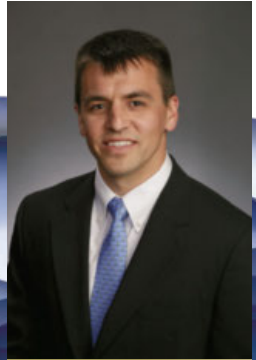
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