



St. Anthony of Padua Parish

May the Light of Faith shine forth from our parish as a beacon to guide our community to the Lord. When life seems difficult and troublesome, may our faith offer us security and strength. When we come together to celebrate God's gifts may the Holy Spirit fill us with joy.

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Chair - **Tim Manross,**
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Chair—**Rick Gurley, Trevor Theobald, Tom Langer,**
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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL 4 p.m.
SUNDAY 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
DAILY MASS: Wednesday at 8 a.m.
CONFESSIONS every Saturday at 3p.m.
or anytime by appointment.

MEETINGS/GROUPS

Parish Council	354-4525
Altar/Rosary	221-7140
1st Tuesday September - May	
Parish Life Commission	354-4337
Finance Committee	354-4525
Music Ministry/Choir/Cantors	251-6820
Building/Maintenance	354-4525
Spiritual Blessing Card Ministry	354-3769
Good Samaritan Fund/Food Bank	357-6714
Aluminum Recycling	
All items can be placed by the garage or call	354-4525
Spiritual/Liturgical Commission/Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers/Acolytes/Ushers	354-4525
Bereavement	354-4525
Prayer Line Requests	352-7703
Jail Ministry / Dee Trepal	382-1889

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) September-May

Steve Biro, Parish Catechetical Leader
Director of Junior High and High School Ministry
steve@stafh.org

Grades K-7 on Sundays 11:00a.m.-12:00 noon
Confirmation grade 8+ scheduled Sundays 6:00-7:30 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Please call the rectory to set up an appointment.

WEDDINGS

Six months notice is required.
Please call the rectory to set up an appointment.

My Sisters and Brothers of St. Anthony Parish,

In today's Gospel, they said about Jesus, "What is this? A new teaching with authority." People noted that there was something very different about Jesus when He spoke. They seemed to be attracted, even "astonished" by His words (although some were seemingly very threatened). Unclean spirits were destroyed by Him. What is this? More importantly, how are we affected when the Lord speaks? Do we feel a sense of urgency and "authority" that compels us to respond? And, what is this "authority"? Is it His title, His powerful style, His power or eloquence? I believe authentic authority comes when one speaks the truth with love, integrity and transparency. In other words, Jesus lived what He preached, and did everything with genuine love in His heart and for the good of others. That is true "authority". So the challenge for us is two-fold. When the Lord speaks, do His words have the same powerful effect on our lives? Second, when we speak to others, whether through words or actions, does our message speak with authority? I suppose the clear message is this: if we listen to true authority, then we can speak with authority. That authority comes only from the Lord, and the measure of it is found in genuine love. In other words, "If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts."

It is almost hard to believe that we begin the month of February this Monday. I barely (actually don't) have all my Christmas decorations put away. February is the shortest month, but holds lots of important things. We begin with the feast of the Presentation of the Lord on Tuesday, and especially think about the beautiful symbol of candles to remind us of the light of Christ. This feast is often referred to as Candlemas Day. Wednesday is the feast of St. Blaise. Please remember that Fr. Greg is good enough to celebrate Mass at St. Anthony's every Wednesday at 8 am, and will offer the traditional blessing of throats. This year the Church has asked us to do a general blessing in place of individual blessing of throats. It obviously has the same value. Two weeks from Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Certainly it is not too early to start thinking about ways we can "repent and believe in the Gospel" even more. February is a good month to look at the quality of our loving relationships—Valentine's day, World Marriage Sunday—and to grow in the example of Christ's love. And, although Winter continues in many ways, Spring is in sight. Never lose hope. There will be new life—in the seasons, the pandemic, and hopefully in our spiritual lives as we look toward Easter. You can never hold back the Spring.

Thank you for all the ways you enable St. Anthony's to grow. You are such an important way of helping this parish to be all that God has intended. May God bless you and all in this community, and may God continue to bless our great nation. Peace be with you.

***In God's love,
Fr. Fred***



**Our heart is restless until it rests in you
(Lord)-St Augustine**

Life nowadays seems chaotic, noisy and isolated. If we are honest with ourselves, we can all use some quiet time can't we?! Because we are unable to offer more daily Masses, we have come up with an alternative.

Our parish will begin Eucharistic adoration on **Wednesday, February 3rd** between **3-7pm** in the church. You can stay the whole time or just drop by for 10 minutes and speak with Jesus. This devotion is a time for quiet, for listening and speaking in the silence of our hearts with Jesus.

We will be offering Eucharistic adoration every **Wednesday** afternoon/evening for all to come and spend some time with Jesus in prayer. We will have enough space to spread out. This is a wonderful opportunity to be with one another while also being safe.

Eucharistic adoration is a 900 years old prayer devotion that began in Liege, Belgium. St Juliana of Liege, a young woman who had a strong devotion to the Eucharist, went to the Bishops of her time and convinced the Catholic hierarchy the need for the faithful to have access to the Eucharist. Today, because of this young lady, more than a billion Catholics share in this form of prayer.

In the coming weeks, we will talk more about Eucharistic adoration, why it is important, how we can participate in Eucharistic adoration in fruitful ways, the different prayer experiences during adoration and more. We will see you here Wednesday afternoons/evenings in the church!

Next Week's Presider Schedule

Sat. 2/6	4 p.m.	Fr. Schaut
Sun. 2/7	8 a.m.	Fr. Schaut
Sun. 2/7	10 a.m.	Fr. Schaut



Electronic giving is available on our website: www.stafh.org. Thanks to all who use the online giving option.

Lectors

Sat. 2/6	4 p.m.	Barry Sabol
Sun. 2/7	8 a.m.	Tim Manross
Sun. 2/7	10 a.m.	Laura Urban

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 2/6	4 p.m.	Joe Tomasik
Sun. 2/7	8 a.m.	Joe Hawkins
Sun. 2/7	10 a.m.	Natalie Urban

~Announcements~

Ministers Schedule

Please let Deacon John know if you would like to be included in the Ministers Schedule as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister. We especially need ministers at the Sunday 10 am mass.

The February Ministers Schedule is available in the foyer.

How you ever felt you wanted to share your faith? Do you enjoy talking with children and young people? Are you tech savvy? Have you ever thought about sharing your faith? If you have answered yes to these questions, you should consider being a **PSR teacher** for next PSR year 2021-22? If you are interested please call **Steve Biro, PCL 440-354-4525** or by email steve@stafh.org to discuss further. There is an interview process and catechetical teacher training included in this process.

Calendar

Jan. 31	1st Reconciliation for First Communion Students only	11 a.m.
Feb. 3	Weekday Mass	8 a.m.
Feb. 3	Eucharistic Adoration	3 –7 p.m.
Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday	8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 1/30	4 p.m.	James O. Spence family
Sun. 1/31	8 a.m.	Dave Dalhoff
Sun. 1/31	10 a.m.	Parishioners

Sat. 2/6	4 p.m.	Vincent A. Nasca
Sun. 2/7	8 a.m.	Elizabeth Mitchell
Sun. 2/7	10 a.m.	Mary & Mike Arcadi Mary & Joe Rego

Collection for January 24, 2020

Regular Collection:	\$1224
Online Giving:	\$560
Youth Activities:	\$44
Building Fund:	\$140
Food Bank:	\$300
Initial Offering:	\$15
Church of Latin America:	\$56
In Memory of O'Donnell Family:	\$150

Thank you for your Generosity !



Today's Readings

First Reading: I will raise up for them a prophet-like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. (Dt 18)

Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading: An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. (1 Cor 7:34)

Gospel: The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. (Mk 1:22)

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