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August 25th, 2024

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASTER,
TO WHOM
SHALL WE GO?

— JOHN 6:68 —

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Bruce A. Fortnum, Ph.D., Deacon

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil
(Sunday Liturgy) 5 pm**

**Sunday 9 am
11 am
1 pm (Español)**

Monday 6:30 pm

Tues - Fri 7:30 am

Thursday 6:30 pm (Español)

**Friday School Mass (when in
session) 8:15 am**

Saturday 9 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday (Español): 5:30 - 6:20 pm

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Also available upon request.

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community of faith, we the members of St. Anthony Parish are committed to follow Jesus Christ through prayer and the sacraments, the study of His Word, the teachings of His Church, Evangelization, and through reaching out in service to our fellow human beings, parishioners and non-parishioners, with love, respect, and support.

PLEASE NOTE

The office will be closed in observance of Labor Day. The office will be open on September 3rd. If you have anything to drop off for the office while the office is closed, please place it in the drop box by the doors of the office. Thank you!

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School Financial Secretary, Shawna Chrzanowski	662-1910
School Board Chairwoman, Kathleen Mazick	662-1910
Youth Ministry, Sarah Stephens	662-5674

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Altar Cloths	662-5674
Altar Servers, Calvin Duncan	250-4774
Bereavement Support Group, Sally Kenney	230-0291
Bible Study, Weds. AM, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum	662-5674
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Embrace Your Neighbor, May Hinson	615-2263
Ecumenical Committee, Marjorie Busscher	667-0859
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Julie Manley	667-0040
Knights of Columbus, Philip Payment	904-708-8118
Lectors, Rick Caffrey	303-356-4573
Legion of Mary, Pat Srutkowski	843-230-5738
Meals on Wheels, Suzanna Linton	496-5089
Ministers of Hospitality, Steve Srutkowski	317-1802
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), Mr. Cal Duncan	662-5674
Parking Lot Mission	662-5674
Pastoral Council, Don Manley	667-0040
Prayer Shawl Ministry, Marjorie Busscher	667-0859
Senior Ministry, Silvia Jeanton	718-581-6844
Seven Sisters Apostolate, Suzanna Linton	496-5089
Sick & Homebound Ministry, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum	662-5674
St. Anthony Men's Club, Doug Amon	861-4586
Women's Guild of St. Anthony's, Robin Tange	260-4735
Young at Heart, Julie Manley	667-0040
Young at Heart, Georgette Falcone	621-2692
Youth Group - CYO, Sarah Stephens	662-5674

Dear Parishioners,

It brings me great joy to share that the recent addition of the Holy Spirit's image in our Sanctuary has been warmly received. Many of you have expressed how fitting and meaningful it is to have this beautiful depiction in our sacred space. I am grateful for your positive feedback and the way this artwork has enhanced our worship environment.

As we journey through this week, we also look forward to celebrating the following important feast days:

- **Feast of St. Monica** - August 27
- **Feast of St. Augustine** - August 28
- **The Passion of St. John the Baptist** - August 29

These saints serve as powerful examples of faith and perseverance, guiding us in our spiritual lives.

Over the past five weeks, we have deeply reflected on the Eucharist through the lens of the Gospel of St. John, Chapter 6. Today's gospel presents us with a pivotal moment:

"When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' ... Because of this, many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (John 6:60, 66).

This passage challenges us to consider the difference between Peter and the Twelve who stayed with Jesus and those who turned away. It wasn't that Peter and the others understood the teaching any more clearly than those who left. They too struggled with the idea of eating flesh and drinking blood. However, Peter recognized that even when a teaching is difficult, it is not a reason to abandon Jesus. Unlike the others, Peter did not see Jesus as just one of many teachers; he saw Him as the way, the unique messenger of God.

In our world today, many Christians face similar challenges. When confronted with teachings that are difficult to understand or accept, there can be a temptation to walk away, much like the disciples who left. But as we learn from today's gospel, faith often seeks understanding, yet it does not always find the answers it desires. We are invited to put faith before and above understanding, as Peter and the Twelve did, rather than seeking understanding before faith, like those who turned away.

Let us take this message to heart as we continue to deepen our relationship with Christ, trusting in His teachings and remaining faithful, even when we do not fully understand. May God bless you and your families this week.

In Christ,

Fr. Johnbosco Duraisamy, Pastor



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

ILLNESS:

Deborah Altman, Regina Arde, Hsin Yi Armstrong, Pete Balotti, Gregorio Binuya, John C. Blackwell, Martyna Brodecka, Adam Brodecki, Leah Carbonell, Bunnie Dezinno, Yvette Emerson, Jason Grantham, Marge Henry, Maverick Jones, Pat Kull, Kathy Lewis, Judy Lin, Kristina MacPherson, Mary Lou Martinez, Michael Meggs, Silvia Mitchell, Ann S. Nichols, Betty Parks, Marcello Pereira, Shawn Peters, Carol Spinazolla, Elizabeth Sun, Linda Tarte, Marilyn Tilton, Ruth Todd, Elizabeth White, Deacon Mike Woodall

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CANDLES FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary candles are lit for the repose of the soul of Therese Methot Archambeault by Georgette Falcone

Adoration candles are lit for the repose of the soul of Charlene Dominique by Silvia Jeanton

If you would like the Adoration Chapel, Sanctuary Candle or Tabernacle candles lit for your intentions for one week, please visit or call the Church Office.

IF YOU NEED A PRIEST FOR A SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Call the church office during normal business hours, M-F 8 am to 4 pm at 843-662-5674. After regular office hours, dial the same number and your call will be answered by our answering service. Emergency calls will be answered as soon as possible. If you are admitted into the hospital, please don't forget to declare yourself as Catholic, or have a family member do so.

Mass Intentions

Mass	Intention	Requested by
Sat. Aug 24 9:00 am	Special Intentions of Fr. John Bosco	
Sat. Aug 24 5:00 pm	Jack Reyling+	Kathleen Higgins
Sun. Aug 25 9:00 am	Cathy Coomes+	Mike and Sue Cullen
Sun. Aug 25 11:00 am	For the People	
Sun. Aug 25 1:00 pm	Antioco Gonzalez+	Familia Gonzalez
Mon. Aug 26 6:30 pm	Deceased members of the Luck and Stehlik Families+	Mike Stehlik
Tues. Aug 27 7:30 am	Martha Jane Drotar+	Mr. & Mrs. Linton
Wed. Aug 28 7:30 am	Marion and Rudy Salinsky+	Dr. & Mrs. Salinsky
Thurs. Aug 29 7:30 am	Gladys and Cesar Cruz+	Hernandez Cruz Family
Thurs. Aug 29 6:30 pm	Aurora Hererra Velandia+	Moraima Romero
Fri. Aug 30 7:30 am	Marcelo Quitay+	Hanchie Masayon
Fri. Aug 30 8:15 am	Beatrice Quinene+	Doris Fader
Sat. Aug 31 9:00 am	Special Intentions of Fr. John Bosco	
Sat. Aug 31 5:00 pm	Jean Griebel+	Hernandez Cruz Family
Sun. Sept 1 9:00 am	Susanna Nubaryant+	Ann Squires
Sun. Sept 1 11:00 am	For the People	
Sun. Sept 1 1:00 pm	Carmen Zuniga Acosta+	Familia Gonzalez

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/ Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/ Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 6:17-29

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
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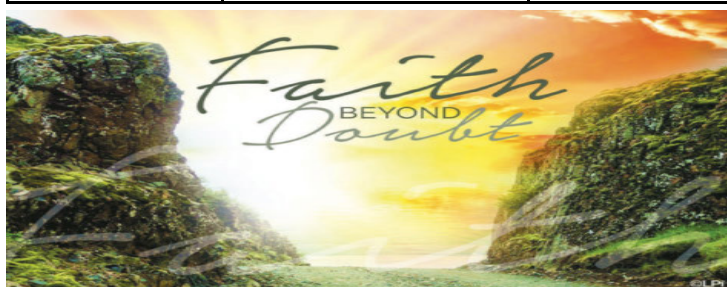
Weekend Ministry Schedule

Aug 24-25

5:00 pm Mass EMHC: Julia Ball Lector: Rebecca Caffrey	11:00 am Mass EMHC: Joe Balotti Lector: Mark Buyck II
9:00 am Mass EMHC: Ann Squires Lector: Mike Woodall, III	1:00 pm Mass EMHC: Rae Anne M Moraima Romero Lector: Teofilo Juarez

Aug 31-Sept 1

5:00 pm Mass EMHC: Julie Manley Lector: Gary Kooper	11:00 am Mass EMHC: Sherri Bender Lector: Robin Tange
9:00 am Mass EMHC: Patrick Peters Lector: Ann Squires	1:00 pm Mass EMHC: Francisco R. Marisol V. Rae Anne M. Olivia M. Froylan Ramos Lector: Alejandra R.





School Updates

Called to Action, Rooted in Christ



We are back! We had a wonderful start to our new school year! It is great to hear the laughter, see the smiles, and feel the joy from our students, teachers, and parents!

Our library looks amazing thanks to all of you and all the generous donations from our school and parish community raised during our Honky Tonk Hoedown!

We have chickens in case you haven't noticed! Thanks to Tim Davis, A. J. Mabry and Luis Medina Davila for setting up our chicken coop. Also Mr. and Mrs. King for beautifying the area. A big thank you to Sara Elise Mabry for sharing her vision and bringing it to fruition.

Most of all we have friends and lots of smiling faces!

A special thank you!

We have had so many helpful hands working to have our school ready for the beginning of the year. Thank you to Phillip Payment, Kevin Cook, AJ Mabry, and William Wilcox for deep cleaning our Family Center kitchen. We want to thank Tim Davis and Luis Medina Davila for building our fence for our chickens! Also, thank you to the St. Anthony Men's Club, the St. Anthony Women's Guild and the Knights of Columbus for their contributions to remove and clean up trees around our playground. We could not have done it without you!





September is the Month of the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

Join us as we adore Him and honor His most holy mother for the First Friday-First Saturday Vigil taking place at St. Anthony's on September 6th and 7th, beginning after the 8:15 am school Mass. Confession in English will begin at 6:30 pm with Benediction following at 8pm; continuing with the First Saturday 9 a.m. Mass. Come at any hour and stay for as long as your time will allow or see Doris Fader after the 8:15 am Mass to sign up for a particular hour.



CYO begins Wednesday, September 4th for **ALL** Middle School and High School Students. Yes, **WEDNESDAY!** Join us for Faith, Fellowship, and Fun each week from 6:30 -8:30. Sarah Stephens has a dynamic and engaging year planned. Meet her in our spacious and well-equipped Youth Room. Sixth through 12th-grade students enrolled in CCD are welcome and encouraged to join the Youth Group activities after CCD.

The Peace of Heaven Christian Gift Shop, will be holding a pop-up gift store at St. Anthony's the weekend of September 14th and 15th. Fran will be bringing a variety of items for Confirmation and much more. The gift store will be open on Saturday at 4:00 PM for shopping prior to the 5:00 PM mass. Sunday hours will begin at 8:00 AM and conclude at 2:30 PM. All sales will suspend 15 minutes prior to the beginning of each Mass and will resume after the recessional hymn. If you forget something or have a need that arises after this shopping weekend, her shop is only 30 minutes away in Hartsville.

If you know someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith, or you are a Catholic in need of a refresher course, then this is the class for you!

The OCIA Welcome Class will be on Wednesday, September 4th at 7:00 pm in the Family Center. If you have any questions, please call the Church Office.

St. Damien de Veuster of Moloka'I | May 10

St. Damien de Veuster of Moloka'I (1840-1889) cared for the physical, medical, and spiritual needs of those exiled to the leper colony on the Hawaiian island of Moloka'I. His life of service shed light on the effects of this devastating disease and allowed people to see those afflicted with it with more compassion and love. ©LPi

It's time again for altar server training. If you have a child who is in the fourth grade or older and has already received first communion, please get in touch with Cal Duncan at calvinduncan3@outlook.com. Training will be held on Saturday, 28 September at 10:00 am in the church.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Last Week's Question: Who said, "Let it be done according to your word," in response to an angel's announcement to her?

Answer: Mary, the mother of Jesus.

This Week's Question: According to tradition, what event took place in the home of the apostle Mark's mother?

<p>Aug 17-18</p> <p>Offertory \$ 5,661.90</p> <p>Online \$ 3,438.50</p> <p>Total \$ 9,100.40</p> <p>St. Anthony School- \$ 936.50</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support of the parish.</p>		<p>Aug 25th Second Collection - Catholic Appeal of South Carolina</p> <p>Sept. 1st Second Collection - St. Anthony School</p>
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Welcome Visitors!

Interested in becoming a New Parishioner?

Please take a moment and fill out this form. You can either drop it into the collection basket, bring it to our parish office, or mail it to us. If you are a current parishioner at St. Anthony but have had any changes to your residence, please call the office at 843-662-5674.

Would you like your new home to be blessed?
 _____yes _____no

Please print:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____

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MEDITACION DEL EVANGELIO

Algunos de los seguidores de Jesús no pudieron creer lo que les dijo. Era demasiado para ellos: “Mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida” (Juan 6:55). A pesar de que Jesús lo explicaba de

muchas maneras, algunos decidieron abandonarlo. Él no hizo nada por detenerlos, los dejó libres respetando su decisión. Después de esos acontecimientos de abandono, Jesús pregunta directamente a los doce: “¿Quieren marcharse también ustedes? Pedro le contestó: Señor, ¿a quién iríamos? Tú tienes palabras de vida eterna. Nosotros creemos y sabemos que tú eres el Santo de Dios” (Juan 6:67-69). Ahora, en la realidad que vivimos tan llena de ruido y modernidad, ¿sabemos a dónde vamos, a quién dirigirnos? Pedro, lo supo y el deseo de la Iglesia es que sepamos que solo Jesús tiene palabras de vida eterna. Y que su Pan de Vida se nos da gratuitamente en la Eucaristía. “La Eucaristía y la cruz son piedras de tropiezo. Es el mismo misterio, y no cesa de ser ocasión de división. ¿Quieren marcharse también ustedes? (Juan 6:67): esta pregunta del Señor resuena a través de las edades, como invitación de su amor a descubrir que sólo Él tiene palabras de vida eterna (Juan 6:68), y que acoger en la fe el don de su Eucaristía es acogerlo a Él mismo”. (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, numeral 1335). Hagamos la prueba y veremos qué bueno es el Señor, como nos dice el Salmo de la liturgia de este domingo.

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**HORARIO DE LA OFICINA**

LA OFICINA ESTÁ ABIERTA LOS MIÉRCOLES DE 5:00- A 6:00 PM Y LOS DOMINGOS DE 12:00 A 3:30 PM CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES EL PRIMER SÁBADO DEL MES A LAS 10:00 AM Y LOS BAUTISMOS CADA TERCER SÁBADO DEL MES A LAS 11:00 AM.

REQUISITOS PARA CUALQUIER SERVICIO:

SI TIENE PLANEADO HACER UN BAUTIZO, PRESENTACIÓN DE UN NIÑO O UNA QUINCEAÑERA ACÉRQUESE A LA IGLESIA POR LO MENOS CON ANTICIPACIÓN.

Por favor pregunten con anticipación en la oficina Hispana de la iglesia,

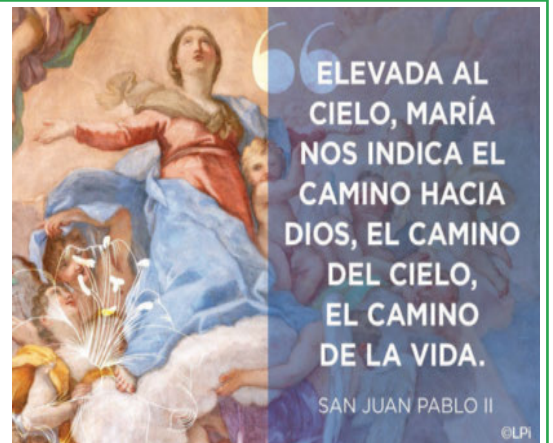
LA ASUNCION

Pregunta: ¿Qué lecciones debo aprender de la Asunción de María?

Respuesta: Crecer en santidad es similar a entrenarse en un deporte. Necesitamos que alguien nos muestre cómo podemos vivir bien nuestra fe. María es un modelo de santidad. Ella nos muestra cómo ser fieles a la voluntad de Dios, viviendo cada día con confianza en la misericordia y el amor de Dios. En la Natividad, en el ministerio público de Jesús y en la Crucifixión, vemos su confianza inquebrantable. Ella permite que el Señor use su vida para cumplir su plan para ella y para todos nosotros. En el Prefacio de la Misa de la Asunción de María, rezamos: “Hoy la Virgen Madre de Dios fue asunta al cielo como principio e imagen de la perfección de tu Iglesia y signo de segura esperanza y consuelo para tu pueblo peregrino”.

Es esta imagen de santidad la que nos esforzamos por imitar. En la oficina, en casa o en nuestra comunidad, buscamos signos de la gracia de Dios que nos llaman a amarlo cada vez más a Él y a los demás. Una mayor conciencia de Dios es un signo de la conversión de nuestro corazón que vive las lecciones que enseña María.

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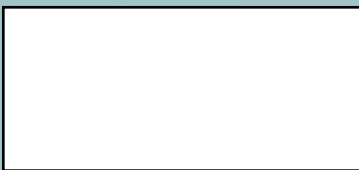
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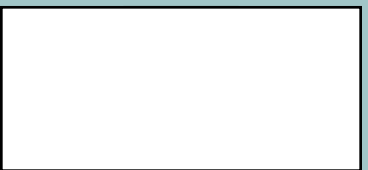
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