

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

November 17, 2024

Pastor
Rev. Vincent A. Kumar, OSFS

In Residence
Bro. Joseph G. Schodowski, OSFS



Masses

Sunday9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Monday - Friday6:45 am
Saturday6:45 am & 5:00 pm
Holidays & Holy Days.....Consult the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday4:00 - 4:45 pm
Any time by appointment at the rectory.

For guidance with respect to Baptisms and weddings, please contact the rectory at 302-421-3700 / parish@stanthonynet.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Weddings must be booked at least one year in advance of planned wedding date.

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Registration: New parishioners are requested to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with the Parish Secretary.

Italian Festival
302-421-2790

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St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival
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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday, 6:45 AM	11/18 ALBERT ZAMBINO	MINUTELLA FAMILY
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	11/19 HARRY & ALICE SEABERG	JOHN & EILEEN
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	11/20 JOSEPH & REGINA SWEENEY	JOHN & EILEEN
Thursday, 6:45 AM	11/21 ROCKY PANTALONE	WIFE
Friday, 6:45 AM	11/22 EDWARD HOJNICKI	FAMILY
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:00 PM	11/23 ALICE M. CLAFFEY PARISHIONERS	JOHN & EILEEN
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	11/24 DANIEL CONTE AURELIO CONIGLIARO	ARLENE, DANIELLE, NICK & MATT GIOVANNA & VINCENZO CARRIERI-RUSSO



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Daniel 7:13-14

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 93:1, 1-2, 5

2nd Reading:

Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel:

John 18:33b-37



Today's Scriptures remind us that the world as we know it will come to an end.

The apocalyptic events described in today's gospel sound terrifying. How often we have heard them repeated? As believers, redeemed by the blood of Jesus, we must be careful that we don't let ourselves become so focused on the possible terrifying events that may occur, that we forget all that Jesus has told us about the end. He will come again "with great power and glory." But Jesus is also our brother. He is not a stranger but the one whom we know by faith. He knows our human existence from inside and he has suffered and died once for all for our sins.

Our names are written in the book of life. They have been written in the blood of Christ and cannot be erased. Salvation is a promise from our God to all who are baptized into Jesus and have welcomed him into their hearts. Forgiveness of sins has occurred, and continues to occur, so we are very safe. Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith – not us. He has won our salvation and he will keep us safe so long as we stay close to him.

Our faithful living of our vows as Oblates is our way of staying close to Jesus – letting Jesus live in us. We are to be witnesses that Jesus touches human lives and lifts them up to be of service to the Church.

As you renew your vows and we await the return of our Savior and Brother, let us share our joy and hope with our brothers and sisters. With the daily grace of our God, let us become pillars of strength for all those who don't yet know the salvation that is available to all God's children.

May our God continue this good work in us and through us.

The Oblates

"Our minds must not be kept always on the stretch."

St. Francis de Sales

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 11/10/24

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$10,429.75
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,377.53
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$2,052.22
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 24.5%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$ 6,404.56

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

We welcome the recently Baptized:

Karson Elliott-Ray Atkins
Theodore James Bergman
Benjamin James Sandoval
Maxwell Adam Setting

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In your charity, please pray for
Karen Ann Sestak
and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Allison Auld	Toni Bricker	Buzzy Cooke
Michael John D'Alto	Bruce DiBiasco	Patti Edwards
Joseph Fahey	Joe Formisano	Jacqueline Frey
Tara Fridley	Christopher Ganey	Rudy Husfelt
Paulina Mancini	Lynn McElroy	Gay Meriggi
Wayne Norris	Cindy O'Neil	Dolores O'Neill
Kelly Panella	Marlene Papillo	LeVon Peterson
Louis Petrulo	Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Keith Preston
Valerie Preston	Maria Quezon	Karen Ciarlo Sestak
Pat Sianni	Alexandra Sparco	Marie Stecko
Bonnie Taddeo	Casey Wersinger	

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.



Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, author Heather Khym will discuss her new Advent book, "Encountering Emmanuel." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 PM; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoons at 1:30. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum & [FaceBook.com/CatholicForum](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicForum).

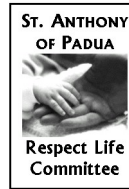
Keep Christ in Christmas

The Knights of Columbus are selling religious Christmas cards, puzzles and car magnets through mid-November. This is an ideal way to express your Christmas wishes to family and friends while keeping Christ as the reason to celebrate.

Gift Cards

The St. Anthony's Home & School board is once again selling gift cards for the holiday season. Use gift cards to shop for everyone on your list and help support the home & school board! Purchase gift cards from top brands, including Amazon, Dunkin, Target, WaWa, and more. Whether you buy the gift cards to shop, or give as presents—you are helping support the board with every gift card purchased. Gift cards will be on sale after mass on December 8th & 15th. Payment by cash/check is **strongly** preferred, but cc/debit cards will be accepted. Any questions, please contact the program coordinator, Ryan McLaughlin @ rymcl177@gmail.com.

Respect Life



"We tried to avoid the women seeing them (the fetuses). They always wanted to know the sex, but we lied and said it was too early to tell. It's better for the women to think of the fetus as an 'it'."

Abortion clinic worker

Christmas Food Baskets

The Christmas Food Basket Program is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, St Pius Council X #4425 in partnership with St Anthony of Padua Parish. As in the past few years, we will be providing gift cards to recipients this year. We are asking for monetary donations to help purchase the gift cards. In the past, Kenny Family Shoprite has been very generous, but we also need help from you, our parishioners, to help make this holiday brighter. Donations (checks or gift cards to local supermarkets) can be dropped into the collection baskets, mailed, or dropped off to the rectory in envelopes labeled "Christmas Food Basket." Checks can be made payable to St Anthony of Padua. You can also donate via the parish online giving program at sapde.org – click on Christmas Basket. If you know of someone in need, we ask you to call the rectory and leave the name and number of the person you would like to add to the list. Names will be taken until November 27. We will confirm with the recipients the first week in December. As always, thank you for your consideration in helping those less fortunate than ourselves this holiday. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Hostler at the parish office: chostler@sapde.org or 302-421-3700. Thank you.

BVM Sodality Winter Clothing Drive

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality will be having its annual Winter Clothing Drive through December 1st. Please drop off all clean, usable clothing in the vestibule of church.

End-of-Year Giving Opportunity

As we approach the end of the year, we invite you to consider a special gift to the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. Your generous support enables vital ministries across our diocese, including Catholic education, family life, and outreach to those in need. Every gift, no matter the size, helps bring hope and faith to our communities. If you haven't yet had the chance to contribute, now is a perfect time to make a meaningful impact. To donate, visit cdow.org/fac or contact the parish office for more information. Thank you for being part of this mission of faith and charity!

Parish Calendar

Tuesday

6:15 PM, First Reconciliation

Thursday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

Friday

4:00 PM, Wedding

Sunday

11:00 AM, Baptisms Within
the Mass

Monday, Nov. 18

through

Sunday, Nov. 24

(All events listed in the
Parish Calendar are
in church unless
otherwise noted.)

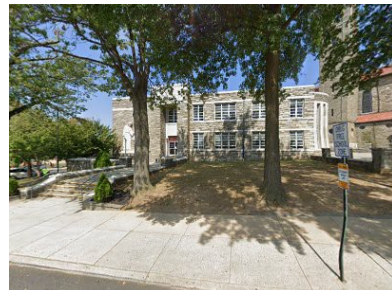
Grade School Calendar

Tuesday

6:15 PM, First Reconciliation

Wednesday

6:00 PM, Home & School
General Meeting



Mother-Daughter Communion Breakfast

We hope you can join us for food, fun and prizes at the traditional Mother-Daughter Communion Breakfast on Sunday, December 8, 2024, in the School Ballad Room following 9:00 a.m. Mass. The ticket cost is \$20, and breakfast is catered by Creations by Catherine. For questions or ticket purchase, contact Lina Plastek, Secretary, at [BVMSodality@stanthony.net.org](mailto:BVMSodality@stanthony.net) or 302-530-4918.

Thank You From The Sodality

On behalf of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality, thank you to those who contributed to the success of the October 26-27 Baked Goods and Fall Decor Sale. The generous donations and product purchases were greatly appreciated. The funds will be used to support our parish community. Parishioners enjoyed the vast array of sweet treats and festive decorations!

Birthright Baby Bottle Return


If you have not had the opportunity to return a baby bottle, please do so by Sunday, November 24. It does not matter if it contains a donation or not, or if you have any bottles from years past, Birthright is trying to retrieve as many as possible to reduce their administrative costs. Many thanks go out to all who have already made a donation!

Advent Confessions

For your convenience, we offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation this year at 7:00 PM, Friday, December 13th, and two sessions on Wednesday, December 18th (12:00 – 2:00 PM; 5:00 – 7:00 PM). Prepare your heart and soul for the Christmastime Eucharist.

Christmas Giving Tree

Volunteers Needed!

Our Giving Tree Committee is taking confidential nominations of gift recipients for Christmas. Those interested in being gift recipients, *especially those from our parish*, should contact Chris Hostler at 421-3700, ext. 100, or email her at chostler@sapde.org for more information. Our Christmas Giving Tree will be up shortly. **The tags will be on the tree till Sunday, December 8th. Please return your tags and gift cards as soon as possible, but no later than Wednesday, December 11th.** We need to present them to the families in time to purchase their gifts. There will be a basket in church at the Giving Tree or drop off at rectory. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Chris would also be most appreciative if one or two volunteers would kindly step forward to help her with this annual parish tradition.

Christmas Flowers



You may wish to help St. Anthony's with our Christmas flower expenses. If you want to donate poinsettias for our sanctuary decorations, each memorial is \$15. Just put your gift in an envelope and mark it, "Christmas Flowers." Include your name and the name of the person(s) in whose memory you are giving it. **Deadline is Monday, December 16th.** After New Year's, we will publish a list of donors. Thank you!

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