

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



April 6, 2025

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
Saturday.....6:45 am & 5:00 pm
Holidays & Holy Days.....Consult the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday.....4:00 - 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.

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St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 6, 2025



Monday, 6:45 AM	4/7 ALBERT ZAMBINO	JOANNE MINUTELLA
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	4/8 KEVIN BOLINSKI	DONOR
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	4/9 SOULS IN PURGATORY	DONOR
Thursday, 6:45 AM	4/10 HEALING OF SR. LISSY SEBASTIAN	BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF CHRIST THE LIGHT
Friday, 6:45 AM	4/11 WILLIAM MCNEAL	FAMILY
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:00 PM	4/12 PARISHIONERS BLESSING OF THE PALM	
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/13 Palm Sunday JEAN SCALESSA MARY ANN PLASTEK	DONOR FAMILY



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel:

Luke 22:14—23:56

Today's readings promise us a life that never dies if we live and believe in the Spirit of Jesus Christ who dwells in us. St. Francis de Sales reflects on these promises: "When the falconer removes the hood from his bird, the bird sights its prey and spreads its wings, ready to fly and capture its prey. Held back by the falconer, the bird struggles to free itself from him. So too when faith removes the veil of ignorance from us, we see that our supreme good is in God. We then desire to fly to God but the conditions of this mortal life hold us back. Our ardor may subsequently turn to sadness.

However, we must not lose courage and reduce ourselves to despair. Through a thousand promises made in Scripture and the holy inspirations placed in our heart, God strongly assures us that we can attain a life of infinite goodness. Yet, we must be willing to use the means God offers us. If you live under the Crucified Lord, progressively your desire for God's goodness turns into hope animated by God's love. Our Savior will never let you go if you choose Him. When you are completely restored to health by divine love that the Spirit of Jesus pours into your heart, you can go forward and stand by yourself in virtue of your new health and holy love.

While our human nature will always produce self-centered desires and thoughts, they need not delay us on our journey toward loving God's goodness and doing God's work. Happy are they whose self-giving love is in the service of God. God will never let them remain barren and unfruitful! Even though they give up only a little for God, God will shower abundant blessings on them in this life and in the next. God's assurance through many promises of paradise infinitely strengthens our desire to pursue the enjoyment of God's goodness in Jesus Christ whose Spirit dwells in us.

The Oblates

"All the science of the Saints is included in these two things: To do, and to suffer. And whoever had done these two things best, has made himself most saintly."

St. Francis de Sales



In your charity, please pray for
Gerard Vito Angelini, Jr.
and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/30/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 7,114.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,377.53
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$1,263.53
Percent Difference This Week:	- 15.1%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$3,675.52

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Allison Auld	William Crook	Bruce DiBiao
Florence Dilks	Patti Edwards	Joseph Fahey
Joe Formisano	Jacqueline Frey	Mary Jo Ganey
Mia Gravino	Edward Mackey	Paulina Mancini
Gay Meriggi	Kelly Panella	Marlene Papillo
Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Maria Quezon	Ann Marie Russo
Pat Sianni	Alexandra Sparco	Starobynski Family
Marie Stecko	Bonnie Taddeo	Angelo Tiberi
Lou Vella	Casey Wersinger	Barbara White

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

Weddings



The following couples were Married at St. Anthony's since January 1st:
Mike Dauterive & Mackenzie McDougal
Johnny Drumgoole & Alaina Hurley

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2025



Sacrament of Penance
Saturday, April 12
 4:00 to 4:45 PM

No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 19

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Saturday, April 12

Blessing of Palm and Procession
 at 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, April 13
 Masses: 9:00, & 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM
 9:00 Mass *livestreamed*

Holy Week: April 14, 15, 16
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Daily Masses: 6:45 AM

Holy Thursday, April 17

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM
 Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10:00 PM
 7:00 Mass *livestreamed*

Good Friday, April 18

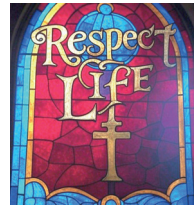
Church open for prayer & reflection:
 12:00 Noon through Lord's Passion
 Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 PM
 3:00 Liturgy *livestreamed*

Holy Saturday, April 19

Solemn Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM
Livestreamed

Easter Sunday, April 20

Masses: 9:00, & 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM
 9:00 Mass *livestreamed*.



"We must appreciate the dignity of life in all its seasons, even the path of the elderly in the twilight of their years, to work toward the day when every child, born and unborn, is welcomed to life and protected by law."

George W. Bush

Via Crucis



Please join us every Friday in Lent, through April 18th, at 7:30 PM for our passion play, Via Crucis ("The Way of The Cross"). In this live presentation, the Stations of The Cross are acted out by a cast of young people from St. Anthony's and surrounding parishes. Admittance is free, but donations are accepted. The presentation runs about an hour.

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR EASTER

RECONCILIATION MONDAY
APRIL 14 • 3-8 PM

VISIT A CATHOLIC CHURCH IN DELAWARE OR MARYLAND'S EASTERN SHORE DURING OUR EXTENDED CONFESSION HOURS. VISIT CDOW.ORG TO FIND A CHURCH NEAR YOU.



Our fourth annual **Reconciliation Monday** will take place on Monday of Holy Week, April 14, 2025 from 3 until 8 p.m. Not only will we have Confession here in our church during that time, but all parishes in the diocese will be holding confessions. So, if it is more convenient for you to go to another church closer to work or school, feel free to do so. Please invite those friends, neighbors and family members who have been away from the Sacraments to take advantage of this opportunity. Visit cdow.org/ReconciliationMonday for more information.

Holy Week 2025
LIVE-STREAM SCHEDULE

FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER IN WILMINGTON, DE

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 13TH 9:30 A.M.*

HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 17TH 7 P.M.*

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18TH 3 P.M.*

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 19TH 8 P.M.*

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20TH 9:30 A.M.

*BISHOP WILLIAM E. KOENIG, PRESIDING

www.YouTube.com/DioceseOfWilm



Parish Calendar

Thursday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

Friday

7:30 PM, Via Crucis

8:30 PM, Cast Party

(Ballad Rm.)

Saturday

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, CYM

Pilgrimage

2:30 PM, Wedding

Monday, Apr. 7

through

Sunday, Apr. 13

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

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

1:15 PM, "Teach Children To Save Presentation", 4th Grade

Friday

9:00 AM, 5th – 8th Grade Field Trip

Sunday

12:00 – 2:00 PM, Easter Egg Hunt (cafeteria)

Correction

Regarding the announcement that ran in last weekend's bulletin, the Birthright of Delaware Mother's Day Rose Sale will not take place this year at St. Anthony's.

Additional Liturgical Ministers Needed

If anyone is interested in serving as a liturgical minister, including Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or serving as a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound, please contact the rectory. Required training for these ministry roles will be provided.

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, prepare for Reconciliation Monday by hearing an interview with Sr. Orienne Pietra Rene Dyke, FSP and Sister Allison Regina Gliot, FSP about their new book, "Forgiven: A Guide to Confession and the Examen Prayer." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoon at 1:30. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and [FaceBook.com/CatholicForum](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicForum).

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality

...will host a Baked Goods and Flower Sale on Saturday, April 12, and Sunday, April 13, in the Church Vestibule before and after all masses. Please stop by and purchase your favorite cakes, pies, sweets and flowers!

12th Annual Szczerba 5K

April 10th, 6:00 PM, Abessinio Stadium



Honoring the life of Lt. Joseph Szczerba (Class of '85) and supporting the scholarship in his name at Salesianum. Register at: sals1903.org/runforjoe

Easter Flowers Memorials



Once again, we are presenting our Easter Flowers program. This effort helps to fund the Easter Flower church decorations. As in years past, we ask \$15.00 per memorial. Send your memorials marked "Easter Flowers" to the rectory **no later than Wednesday, April 16th**. A booklet listing all the memorials will be available in church in the weeks following Easter.

Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for the Home and School Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 13th after the 11:00 mass. Enjoy light breakfast fare with the egg hunt beginning at 12:30pm. Ages Infant-11yrs. may participate-prizes awarded in each age category. The Easter Bunny will be stopping by for a visit and pictures! A \$5.00 donation per family is suggested at the door. Please R.S.V.P. to rdetlefsen@stanthony.net with the number of children attending and their ages. Children should bring their own basket or container for egg collecting. We look forward to a fun afternoon!

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