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WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



May 18, 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 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.

Contacts

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 901 N. DuPont St., Wilmington, DE 19805

St. Anthony Grade School..... 302-421-3743
 9th & Scott Sts., Wilmington, DE 19805
 Judith Jakotowicz White, *Principal*

Padua Academy.....302-421-3739
 905 N. Broom St., Wilmington, DE 19806
 Dr. Mary McClory, *Principal*

Parish Business Manager
 Bob Shields 302-421-3700 ext. 105

Coordinator of Liturgy & Music
 Stephen Adams..... 302-421-3700

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

Italian Festival 302-421-2790	Buck Serio Lounge / Room Rental Call the Club
Knights of Columbus-St. Pius X Council William Giles, Grand Knight 302-824-8132	Fournier Hall 1814 Howland Street Wilmington, DE 19805
Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality President, Tina Madanat... 302-547-1582	Maplewood 501 S. Rodney Street Wilmington, DE 19805 Bruce Lingafelt... 302-421-9198
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St. Anthony of Padua Grade School: www.sapgs.org
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Instagram: www.instagram.com/sapgs.de

Padua Academy Website: www.paduaacademy.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/paduaacademy

St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival
Facebook: www.facebook.com/stanthonysfestival



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 18, 2025



"After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news in that city they returned... to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, 'It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God.' They appointed elders for them in each church, and with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith."

The book of Acts offers us a glimpse of the early church, its growth, the missionary journeys of Paul and his companions. Cities and towns not familiar to us today readily accepted their teaching, under the influence of the Holy Spirit. That same Spirit is calling believers today to go, teach and make disciples but we are slow to respond.

We lament the loss of family and friends who have given up the faith. We allow non-Christian practices to dominate the scene as far as morality and lifestyles are concerned. The sad thing is not what has led others away, but that we have not been the Paul and Barnabas for them. Who needs to be strengthened in my circle of friends? Who is waiting to be invited to come or return to our flock?

The Oblates

"Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections, but instantly set about remedying them."

St. Francis de Sales

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In your charity, please pray for
Rita A. Delle Donne
and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Parish Trustee Elections

Elections for the parish lay trustees will be held this weekend. Registered, active parishioners are eligible to vote in the election. Election materials will be available at the rear of the church.



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

2nd Reading:

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel:

John 14:23-29

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 05/11/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 7,118.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,377.53
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$1,259.53
Percent Difference This Week:	- 15.0%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$5,069.59

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Allison Auld
Florence Dilks
Joe Formisano
Bill Giles
Paulina Mancini
Marlene Papillo
Ann Marie Russo
Starobynski Family
Angelo Tiberi
Barbara White

William Crook
Patti Edwards
Jacqueline Frey
Mia Gravino
Gay Meriggi
Fr. Francis J. Pileggi
Pat Sianni
Marie Stecko
Lou Vella

Bruce DiBiaso
Joseph Fahey
Mary Jo Ganey
Edward Mackey
Kelly Panella
Maria Quezon
Alexandra Sparco
Bonnie Taddeo
Casey Wersinger

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

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, tune in to hear highlights - including Bishop Koenig's homily - from the priesthood ordination of the newly ordained Father Dennis Stameza. The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm 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.

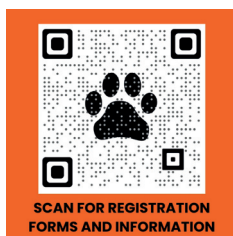
Additional Liturgical Ministers Needed

If anyone is interested in serving as a liturgical minister, including Lector, Eucharistic Minister, serving as a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound, or Usher/Greeter, please contact the rectory. Training is required for these ministry roles and will be provided.

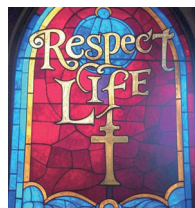
Sodality News

Please join the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality on May 18, 2025, as we honor and crown the Blessed Mother at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sodality Communion Sunday. All are welcome. Sodality members walking in the annual procession should arrive in church at 8:30 a.m. Our monthly meeting will be held in the school Ballad Room promptly after Mass. Any questions, please email BVMsodality@stanthonynet.org call Tina Madanat, President, at (302) 547-1582.

Grade School News



Registration for St. Anthony of Padua Grade School is open! Scan the QR code for more information and to register today!



"Abortion kills twice. It kills the body of the baby and it kills the conscience of the mother. Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers."

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta



Parish Operations Manager Part-Time (25 Hours Per Week)

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is seeking a part-time operations manager to oversee the daily maintenance of all parish facilities, monitoring of life-safety systems, and project coordination. The parish would like to have this position filled by July 1, 2025. Interested candidates are asked to email Bob Shields at bshields@stanthonynet.org stating their interest in this position. Please provide a cell phone number with the email.

Catholic Business Network

You are invited to join us for the Catholic Business Network Breakfast, June 4th at St. Joseph's on the Brandywine, 10 Old Church Road, Wilmington, DE 19807. Doors open 7:30 AM, program begins 8:00 AM. Keynote Speaker: Bishop Koenig. "The Vocation of the Business Leader." Featuring Hot breakfast buffet - coffee, tea, and juice. For more information, contact Fkorthas@cdow.org

Parish Calendar

Tuesday

6:30 PM, Finance Council
(Grade School)

Wednesday

9:30 AM, Padua Academy
Closing Liturgy



Monday, May 19

through

Sunday, May 25

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

Grade School Calendar

Monday through Friday

Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday

Field Day

Friday

Noon Dismissal



St. Anthony's Italian Festival Celebrates Our Parish Centennial!

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Sunday, June 8 - Sunday, June 15

Italian Festival 8-Day Passes & Gift Cards Now
Available—PRE-FESTIVAL SALES PRICES
Magic Money Cards (formerly known as Advance
Ride Tickets): NOW AVAILABLE
BUY NOW & SAVE!!

Physical 8-Day Admission Passes & Gift Cards are available:

- at the rectory during office hours (9AM-3PM, Monday-Friday)
- via secure online purchase at the Festival website
(<https://sapgs.square.site> or <https://sapde.org/festivalcashless>)
- at the Grade School office during office hours
(8:00AM-6PM) & with Home & School Gift Card

Sales (Friday mornings in the Grade School and Sunday, 5/18 at the church after 9AM and 11AM Masses)

PRICING:

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED 8-DAY PASS SALE:

- **\$17.00—BUY EARLY, SAVE 15% (\$20.00 if purchased on-site at the Festival).**
- A pass provides one admission per person per day to the Festival.
- Daily Admission (purchased on-site at the Festival only): **\$7 daily for ages 16-61;**
Under Age 16 & Over age 61: FREE!
NOTE: Anyone under age 16: MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian age 21 or older at all times
- **NEW this year: FREE Admission on closing Sunday, 6/15!**

ELECTRONIC DAILY ADMISSION AND 8-DAY ADMISSION PASSES ARE AVAILABLE!

Purchase in advance and simply print out or show your QR code on your phone at the admission gate!

Purchase securely via the Festival's Eventbrite site:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-anthonys-italian-festival-2025-tickets-1296045189049?aff=oddtcreator>

FESTIVAL APPAREL & COLLECTIBLES: Purchase a selection of Festival-themed clothing and commemorative items, brought to you by our partners at Stitch in Time! (<https://customstitch.com/>) Purchase items securely via the Stitch in Time site and pick up your purchases at the Stitch in Time tent on the Festival grounds!

Italian Festival Website: <https://sapde.org/italianfestival/>

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED GIFT CARD PRICES:

- \$25.00 Gift Cards: **PRE-FESTIVAL PRICE: \$22.00**
- \$50.00 Gift Cards: **PRE-FESTIVAL PRICE: \$42.00**

A REMINDER: **Almost all Festival vendors are cashless.** Festival gift cards or major credit cards only will be accepted for purchases.

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED MAGIC MONEY CARDS (formerly Advanced Ride Tickets for Midway rides):

- Magic Money Cards are available for purchase for \$35. Each card is pre-loaded with 175 Midway ride credits.

• **Purchase in advance to save almost \$10 vs. purchasing the same card on-site at the Festival!**

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR THE 2025 ITALIAN FESTIVAL:

• **The Italian Festival is cashless to maximize convenience!** All major credit cards, as well as Festival Gift Cards, will be accepted on-site.

• **Festival Money Cards:** For those who do not have a credit card, Festival Money Cards will be available to purchase on-site with cash. A Money Card may also be purchased with a credit card. The Money Cards replace cash, and will work like a Festival gift card or a credit card.

• **IMPORTANT NOTE: Festival Gift Cards will NOT be accepted at the Midway. Midway patrons who have not purchased a Magic Money card prior to the start of the Italian Festival will need to visit the Majestic Midways kiosks on the Midway to purchase a Magic Money Card for use at Midway rides and games.**

• **Everyone is strongly encouraged to purchase items before the Festival to save time and save money.**

• **To ensure the safety of all Festival patrons, all attendees will pass through security screening for admittance to the Festival grounds. Screening is designed for quick and efficient admission.**

2025 Italian Festival
June 8th - 15th

Sunday, 6/8: 4:00 - 10:30 PM
Monday-Friday, 6/9-6/13: 6:00 - 10:30 PM
Saturday, 6/14: 4:00 - 10:30 PM
Sunday, 6/15: 2:00 - 6:00 PM

Feast Day Mass (with readings and music in Italian) in Church at 12:30PM; *Festa Patronale* Procession at 2PM, commencing from the front of the church.

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