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# St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



July 6, 2025

Pastor

Rev. Vincent A. Kumar, OSFS

In Residence

Bro. Joseph G. Schodowski, OSFS



## Masses

Sunday .....9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Monday - Friday .....6:45 am

Saturday..... 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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# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 6, 2025



<b>Monday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>7/7</b> MICHAEL J. KIRLIN, SR.	DONOR
<b>Tuesday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>7/8</b> MIKE & ROSE KIRLIN	DONOR
<b>Wednesday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>7/9</b> PAULA WILLIAMS	DONOR
<b>Thursday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>7/10</b>	
<b>Friday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>7/11</b>	
<b>Saturday,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>7/12</b>	
<b>Sunday,</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>7/13</b>	



## Next Sunday's Readings

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

### Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:

Colossians 1:15-20

### Gospel:

Luke 10:25-37

## Weekly Offertory

Due to early deadlines made necessary by the Independence Day holiday, collection figures for June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> will be shown in next weekend's bulletin.

Imagine for a moment what those early disciples must have felt like as Jesus sends them out on their first mission to announce: "The reign of God is at hand."

He sent them to prepare the towns and villages for his coming. They were to proclaim "peace" everywhere they went. And he gave them power to cure the sick.

Marvelous things must have happened on their journeys because they come back overjoyed with their experience: "Even the demons are subject to us in your name."

Jesus shares their joy, but he warns them: don't get so caught up in the power you have that you forget that you are disciples who have been created anew by placing your faith and trust in me. I am the source of your salvation; any power you have comes from me.

Any good that we are able to do happens primarily through our cooperation with God's grace. That is why we are urged to put our gifts at the service of the Church. Sharing our gifts for the good of one another enables us to grow, not only in our love, but in our humility.

Jesus sends us out into the world every day to announce by the way we live that the reign of God is here. We must try to bring Christ's peace to everyone we meet and everything we do. We can do that best when we begin our day by remembering God's presence in us and asking for the grace to live this day well as a faithful disciple.

We may often feel like lambs among wolves; Jesus told us we would. That's all the more reason to stay focused on the presence and grace of God within us. He will give us what we need to be good news to the world around us. May we learn to boast in nothing but the cross of Jesus. From him comes the saving power of grace.

*The Oblates*

"God not only means us to be saved, but actually gives us all we need to achieve salvation."

*St. Francis de Sales*



In your charity, please pray for

**Mary Ann Calvo**

**Joseph G. Paoli, Jr.**

**Florinda Sheahan**

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.



## Your Prayers and Support Requested

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Marlene Papillo	Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Maria Quezon
Ann Marie Russo	Pat Sianni	Alexandra Sparco
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*...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.*



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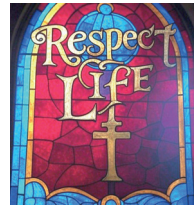
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## Online Giving

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"The direct and intentional destruction of innocent human life from the moment of conception until natural death is always wrong and is not just one issue among many. It must always be opposed."

Doctrinal Note on Some Questions Regarding the Participation of Catholics in Political Life



**France & Italy**  
**SAVE THE DATES**  
**July 13-24 2026**

**100 YEARS**  
 ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH  
**ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE**

Join us in 2026 when we will embark on a 1 pilgrimage in celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of our Parish!

Highlights in France include Paris, Chartres, Paray-le-Monial, Annecy, and Geneva. Our first stop in Italy will be Padua to honor our beloved parish patron! We'll continue on to Venice, Bologna, Assisi, and finally, Rome.

We hope you will join us!

**Fr. Vincent Kumar, OSFS**  
 Pastor  
**Stephen Adams**  
 Music Director

**Watch the bulletin for updates!**

## 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.



# 100 YEARS

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH

We continue the series with the fourth & fifth Pastors of St. Anthony's...

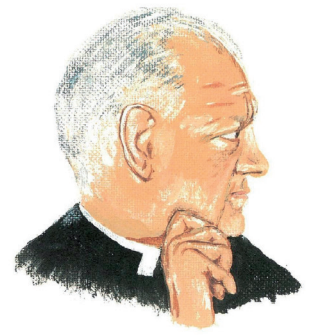
Rev. William J. Keech, OSFS  
1988 – 1995  
&  
Rev. James T. Dever, OSFS  
1995 – 1996



Among Father Keech's contributions to the parish are the establishment of the Parish Business Office and an ambitious remodeling of the banquet room at Fournier Hall. Father Keech, like many other Oblates, had a flair for being artistic. Perhaps his best-known work among St. Anthony's folks is his painting of the four pastors – the three that preceded him plus himself – included on this page. Father Keech passed away October 14, 2023.



Very Rev. J. Francis Tucker, O.S.F.S.



Rev. Joseph L. McCoy, O.S.F.S.

*Pastors of  
Saint Anthony's*



Rev. Roberto Balducelli, O.S.F.S.



Rev. William J. Keech, O.S.F.S.

*Wm. J. Keech*

Father Dever's term as Pastor was among the shortest. Nevertheless, Father is responsible for major improvements in the church – including the backdrops behind the crucifix, the modernization of the sound system in church, and the remodeling of the sacristy. Father also instituted a more practical and responsible fiscal policy for the parish. Today, Father is a retired Oblate at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Cape May, New Jersey.

(Excerpted from "The Pastors of St. Anthony of Padua Parish", 2005.)





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