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St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



August 3, 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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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 3, 2025



Monday, 6:45 AM	8/4		
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	8/5 VIVIAN & NEVIO MARINI	FAMILY	
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	8/6		
Thursday, 6:45 AM	8/7		
Friday, 6:45 AM	8/8 ANN A. ODDO	FAMILY	
Saturday, 5:00 PM	8/9		
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	8/10 ALFRED R. GUARALDO	ALFRED M. & STEPHEN F. GUARALDO	



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Wisdom 18:6-9

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

2nd Reading:

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel:

Luke 12:32-48

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 07/27/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,000.09
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 155.86
Percent Difference This Week:	- 1.9%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$2,322.69

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



Today's Scripture readings call us to do some reflecting on the way we live as a baptized follower of Jesus.

St. Paul reminds us that we have been given a share in the life of Jesus by our baptism. We are called to focus our way of living our daily life in a new way - a way that is influenced by Jesus' life, death and resurrection. As Jesus has told us: the only thing that gives our life here on earth ultimate value is remembering that life is a gift of God, and it is given to us to lead us to eternal life with God.

With that perspective in mind, we can appreciate the viewpoint of Qoheleth in today's first reading: "All things in this life are vanity" - a mere breath, a vapor - transient and ultimately empty. All the hard work and worry we may put into accumulating things here on earth - what will it ultimately matter when we come to die? The Lord isn't going to ask us: "How much did you make during your life?" He will ask us: "How much did you love?"

And our willingness to love flows from the new life given to us in baptism. Because we share the life of God, we are able to love as God loves. If we choose to live and love in this manner, then the way we live will be different from the way those live whose only concern is this world and all it has to offer.

In order to live and love as God does, we will have to learn to discipline our choices to follow the lead of grace. And grace will call us to rise above evil desires, passion, lust and uncleanness. Lying has no part in anyone who genuinely loves. Neither does prejudice nor discrimination. Love is about treating everyone with dignity and respect - as brothers and sisters who are the image of the Creator.

All of us can benefit from some prayerful reflection on today's word from our God. May our reflection lead us to grow in knowledge and grace. May we be formed anew each day in the image of our Creator. Then our daily living will help us to grow rich in the sight of God and bring us ultimately to share his life forever.

The Oblates

"Stay close to God. The gentleness of His shadow is more healthy than the brightness of the sun."

St. Francis de Sales



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

Your Prayers and Support Requested

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Alexandra Sparco	Starobynski Family	Marie Stecko
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Casey Wersinger	Barbara White	

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

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, Dr. Joseph Arminio discusses bitcoin and the sin of usury. 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.

Mass Intentions for 2026

We will begin taking intentions for Masses for the 2026 calendar year Monday, August 4th. We ask a stipend of \$10 for each weekday Mass, \$25 for each Saturday and Sunday Mass. Only one person's name should be submitted for each Mass. Allowable exceptions would be for a married couple, or other couplings of people very closely related.



"Euthanasia and assisted suicide are never acceptable acts of mercy. They always gravely exploit the suffering and desperate, extinguishing life in the name of the 'quality life' itself."

St. John Paul II

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 100th 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!

If you are interested in signing up for this trip, please email Stephen at sadams@stanthonynet.org. While costs are still being finalized, those who sign up now will be given first access to reserve their spot on the tour. Signing up now does not lock you in, but gives you early access to the materials and pricing when they are made available in late August. After that, the reservations will be open to the public. If you have any questions, please email Stephen. Grazie!

JOIN BISHOP KOENIG AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS FROM THE CITY DEANERY PARISHES FOR THE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON'S MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

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The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holyday of Obligation this year. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 AM on the 15th. There will also be a Vigil Mass at 5:30 PM Thursday, August 14th.

100 YEARS

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH

We finish the series with the twelfth Pastor...

Rev. Vincent A. Kumar, OSFS
2024 - present



Father Vincent is the first Pastor of St. Anthony's from India. As an Oblate, Father has served as an associate pastor and superior of Minor seminarians in India. Later, he was Pastor of parishes and Associate Dean in the Archdiocese of Munich, Germany. He then served as Regional Superior of Oblates in India just before coming to St. Anthony's.

Father Vincent has helped us celebrate the parish's 100th Anniversary through a series of special

Jubilee Masses – each Mass focusing on a different aspect of parish life.

Father also reconstituted Parish Council, the parish advisory board that laid dormant since the COVID Pandemic.

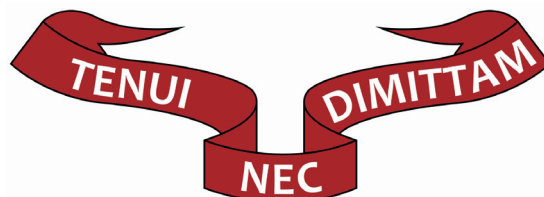
This June, he celebrated his first full year at St. Anthony's. As he guides the parish into its second century, he looks forward to the new school year about to begin at our Grade School and Padua Academy, to the administering of Sacraments to our parish families, and Father will spiritually prepare us for the Advent season and beyond.



Father Vincent, Father Wrightson, and Father Sleeva.



Father Vincent on the altar of our beautiful church.



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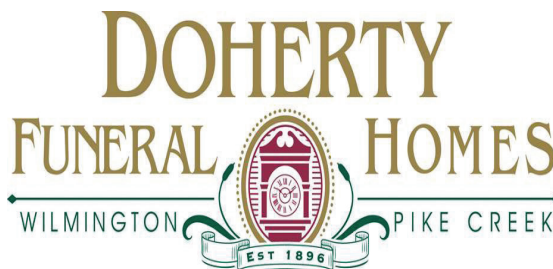
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