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St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



July 13, 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.

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 13, 2025



Monday, 6:45 AM	7/14 BRO. MICHAEL J. ROSENELLO, OSFS	DONOR
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	7/15 JOHN M. NAWROCKI	HOPE & FAMILY
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	7/16	
Thursday, 6:45 AM	7/17 REV. NICHOLAS R. WASELINE, OSFS	DONOR
Friday, 6:45 AM	7/18	
Saturday, 5:00 PM	7/19 JOSEPH RYBICKI	WIFE
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	7/20	



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Genesis 18:1-10a

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 15:2-3, 3-4, 5

2nd Reading:

Colossians 1:24-28

Gospel:

Luke 10:38-42

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 06/29/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,040.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,377.53
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 337.53
Percent Difference This Week:	- 4.0%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$11,521.97

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 07/06/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,341.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$ 185.05
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 2.3%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$ 185.05

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells us that Jesus was first in the mind of God when he created the universe.

God decided to unite himself with creation in the person of Jesus. Everything has been created through Jesus and for Jesus. And Jesus has reconciled everything to God through his blood shed on the cross. Jesus is the image of the invisible God; because Jesus has shared our human life, every human person has dignity as an image of God.

That is why it is so important that we understand today's Gospel parable. Jesus is telling us how we are to live as an image of God - loving God with our whole being and loving our neighbor as we love ourselves.

The parable we have just heard is meant to shock us into realizing the extent to which we are to love. Because we all share the dignity of image of God, we are to love as God loves. There is to be no limit to our love. "Neighbor" is a way of acting, and not a person located outside of us. "Neighbor," then, is the way I treat anyone I meet - whether I know them or not, whether I like them or not, whether I consider them friend or foe.

Jesus' point is made when the lawyer identifies the Samaritan as the "neighbor" in the parable - "The one who treated the injured stranger with compassion." Like the lawyer in the Gospel, all of us ask: "What must I do to inherit everlasting life?" Jesus tells us: "Go and do the same."

Each person I meet calls me to be the best person I can be - to image to them as the love of the God who loves them. That's enough challenge for any of us. Trying to meet that challenge each day will assure us of our inheritance - everlasting life with our God. Let us be renewed at this Eucharist and go forth to be compassionate neighbor today.

The Oblates

"If we were to wish to be Saints according to our own will, we shall never be so at all. To be truly a Saint, it is necessary to be one according to the will of God."

St. Francis de Sales



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

Your Prayers and Support Requested

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Marlene Papillo
Ann Marie Russo
Starobynski Family
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Patti Edwards
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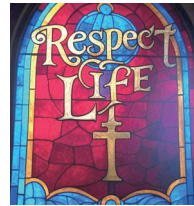
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ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE
Join us in 2026 when we will embark on a 1pilgrimage in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of our Parish!
Highlights in France include Paris, Chartres, Paray-le-Monial, Annecy, and Geneva. Our first stop in 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@stanthony.net. 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!

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 sixth & seventh Pastors of St. Anthony's...

Rev. Anthony F. Silvestri, OSFS 1996 & Rev. Mark A. Hushen, OSFS 1997 – 2001



Although Father Silvestri's term as pastor was the shortest of the twelve men who served in that capacity – just two short months – his contributions were nevertheless significant – both as pastor and in prior years. Father was perhaps best known to the parish as a Religion teacher at Padua Academy. As pastor, it was Father Silvestri's will that St. Anthony's establish an Easter Sunrise Service at St. Anthony-in-the-Hills. Father also gave permission to have the flags of the different nationalities of the parishioners purchased and displayed at certain times of the year in the church. Unfortunately,

illness and the untimely passing of Father Silvestri on November 26, 1996 brought a far too early end to his stewardship of the parish. Known to everyone simply as "Father Anthony", Father remains beloved and missed by all who knew him.



A young Father Silvestri teaching at Padua Academy.

Second youngest priest to assume the role of Pastor of St. Anthony's, "Father Mark" brought a youthful optimism and a new perspective to St. Anthony's. Father energized and reinvigorated the parish's youth ministry. He saw clearly that the parish's young people were the well-spring on which the future of St. Anthony's depended. After four years of his guidance and leadership, Father left parish ministry to serve God in counseling those troubled with drug addictions.



Fr. Mark leading the Procession of Saints at the 1998 Italian Festival.

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

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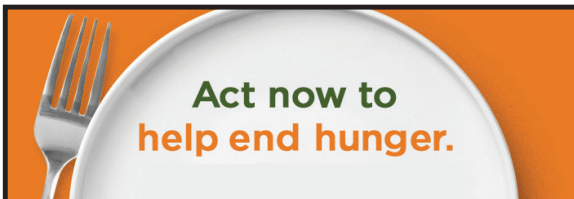
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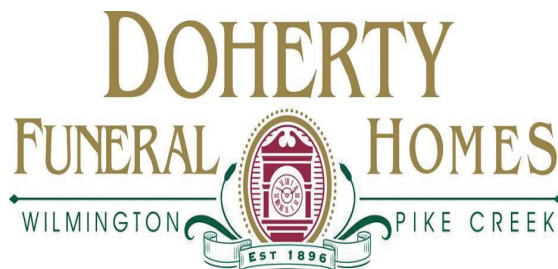
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