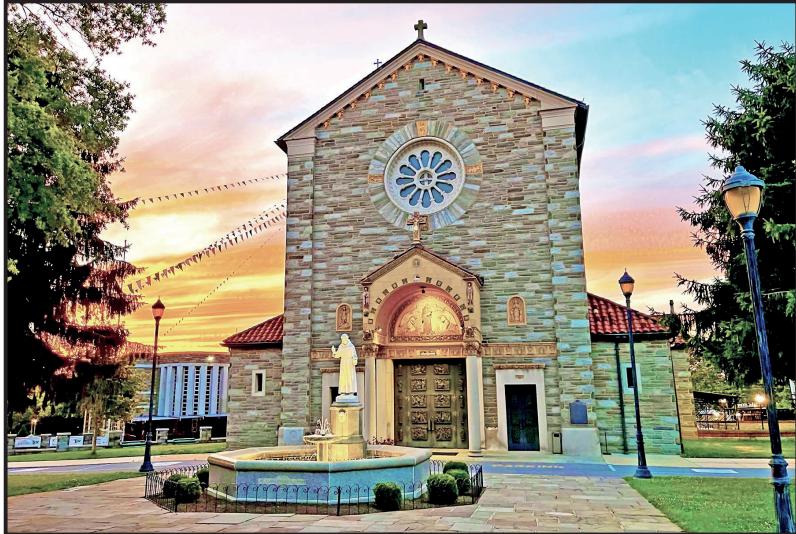


# St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



January 11, 2026

**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@stanthony.net.org](mailto:parish@stanthony.net.org).

**PLEASE NOTE:** Weddings must be booked at least one year in advance of planned wedding date.

## Contacts

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# BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 11, 2026



Monday,	1/12	
6:45 AM	JOHN M. NAWROCKI	FAMILY
Tuesday,	1/13	
6:45 AM		
Wednesday,	1/14	
6:45 AM		
Thursday,	1/15	
6:45 AM		
Friday,	1/16	
6:45 AM	ROSE M. KIRLIN	FAMILY
Saturday,	1/17	
5:00 PM		
Sunday,	1/18	
9:00 AM		
11:00 AM	MARGARET (PEGGY) COLE	DOLORES KOLODGE & FAMILY



## Next Sunday's Readings

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

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

### Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

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

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

### Gospel:

John 1:29-34

## “God’s Plan for Giving”

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 12/28/25

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$8,979.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$823.05
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 10.1%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$7,908.06

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 01/04/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$10,715.20
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$2,559.25
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 31.4%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$10,467.31

*Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!*



**“I the Lord have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand, I formed you and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring prisoners out of confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness... ‘This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.’”**

The description from Isaiah, the words of Peter, describing Jesus ‘going about doing good’, help us appreciate the scene of Jesus’ meeting John the Baptist at the Jordan. They help us appreciate Jesus as He initiates His public ministry. He would quote Isaiah later in Nazareth describing more clearly His pending mission. We who live as children of the covenant, whose eyes were opened through our baptism, who have been freed from original sin and are pleasing to the Father, are now sent on our mission, the singular task the Lord has reserved and entrusted personally to me.

*The Oblates*

“Think often of the Lord for He will enable you to bear your troubles patiently. All troubles will be powerless to move you if you only remember that you have such a friend.”

*St. Francis de Sales*



In your charity, please pray for  
**Michael Williamson, Sr.**

**Joseph Zambanini**

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

In observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the parish office and our grade school will be closed Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. The only Mass of the day will be celebrated at 8:00 AM.

## Your Prayers and Support Requested

Dina Casale      Buzzy Cooke      William Crook  
Bruce DiBiaso      Ann Marie DiBiaso      Florence Dilks  
Amber Dawn Ford      Mary Jo Ganey      Bill Giles  
Mia Gravino      David Juliano      Irene Lawhorn  
Edward Mackey      Cindy O'Neil      Kelly Panella  
Marlene Papillo      Fr. Francis J. Pileggi      Ann Marie Russo  
Betty Rybinski      Rami Shehadeh      Alexandra Sparco  
Starobynski Family      Robin Swanson      Angelo Tiberi  
LuAnn Tiberi      Tobias Weaver      Barbara White  
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## Souper Bowl Food Collection

The Knights of St. Pius X Council will be conducting their annual Souper Bowl Campaign. All non-perishable food items will be accepted for donation at all Masses from the present up through Super Bowl Sunday, February 8. All donations can be placed in the large wicker basket in the back of church and will be delivered to the St. Patrick's Center Food Bank. Thank you for your continued generosity!

## Sacred Heart Icon

The Knights of St. Pius X Council will be displaying a beautiful Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus beginning Saturday, January 17 thru Sunday, February 1. This Icon along with two others have been on display at all the parishes throughout the State sponsored by the Delaware State Council of the Knights of Columbus.



"Abortion is inherently different from other medical procedures because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life."

Potter Stewart

## OCIA

If you are interested in preparing for the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) into the Catholic Church, our program this year will be handled at St. Elizabeth's Church, [809 S. Broom St., Wilmington 19805](http://809Sbroomst.wilmington.de). Fr. Roger DiBuo is the contact and his phone is 743-6429. Their program involves meeting on Sundays from 9:00 am to 9:55 am, then attending 10:00 am Mass. It is held on alternative Sundays. Fr. Roger will welcome any questions you may have. For our parishioners, the conversion of faith will take place at Easter Vigil Mass on April 4, 2026 at 7:30 pm.

## VIA CRUCIS 2026

IN PERSON SIGN UP -- January 11<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 in Church. Bring your friends, all are welcome.

## St. Anthony of Padua Grade School Open House for Prospective Families

Come see what we are all about and consider joining our Preschool through 8th Grade family. Meet our dedicated staff!

Sunday, Jan 25th from 12-3  
1715 W. Ninth Street

Wilmington, DE 19805

You are welcome to join us before 11 AM

Mass in our church!

Football game will be streamed!

## Weddings



The following couples were Married at St. Anthony's since October 1<sup>st</sup>:

**José De La Guerra & Victoria La France**

**Anthony J. Serio & Kirsten Mackey**

**John Lawler & Bethany McKelvey**

**Lou Pangia & Rachel Sniegowski**

**Christopher White & Emily Rose Schroeder**

**William Durr, III & Juliann Purcell**

## Parish Calendar

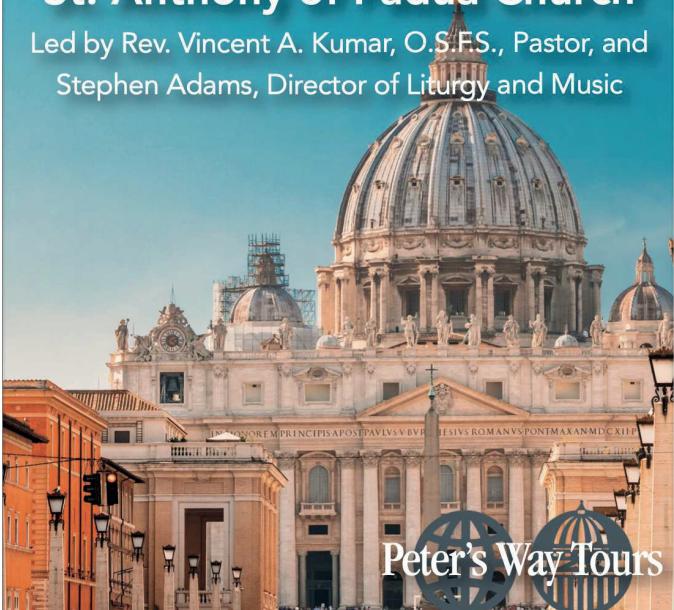
Sunday

1:30 PM, Via Crucis Signups  
2:00 PM, Via Crucis Practice



## 12-Day Pilgrimage to France and Italy Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Anthony of Padua Church

Led by Rev. Vincent A. Kumar, O.S.F.S., Pastor, and  
Stephen Adams, Director of Liturgy and Music



July 13–24, 2026

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If you are interested in signing up or have further questions, please email Stephen at [sadams@stanthonynet.org](mailto:sadams@stanthonynet.org). Deadline to reserve your place on the trip is February 6, 2026.



Monday, Jan. 12

through

Sunday, Jan. 18

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

## Grade School Calendar

Tuesday

12:30 PM, Winterthur  
Presentation Grades K – 3

Friday

11:00 AM, MLK, Jr. Prayer  
Service (Students Only)

## Knights Raffle Winners List

The Delaware State Council of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce the winners of this year's Sight & Sound Theater raffle. They are as follows; Mary Vawter, Christopher Council 3182, St. Thomas Council 12374, Gary Leader, and our own Anthony Albence. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who supported the ticket sales.

## Mass of Remembrance Photos

We still have between 10 and 20 photos at the rectory of deceased loved ones from 2025's Mass of Remembrance. If you submitted one of these photos and would like to retrieve it, please visit the rectory during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 3:30.

## Christmas Food Baskets Program: Thank You!

Because of your generosity, and the support of the Kenny Family Foundation, the operators of area ShopRite supermarkets, our parish helped 21 families enjoy Christmas this year! Thank YOU to all who supported this year's collection benefitting for the Christmas Food Baskets Program. May God bless you in the new year!

## Year End Donation Report

For the calendar year 2025, the St. Anthony of Padua Parish Community donated a total of 3,584 pounds of non-perishable food items to the Knights of Columbus continuing food drive. Ninety-eight pounds were donated to the Bayard House with the rest to the St. Patrick's Center Food Bank. The Knights are most grateful for your humble generosity.

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