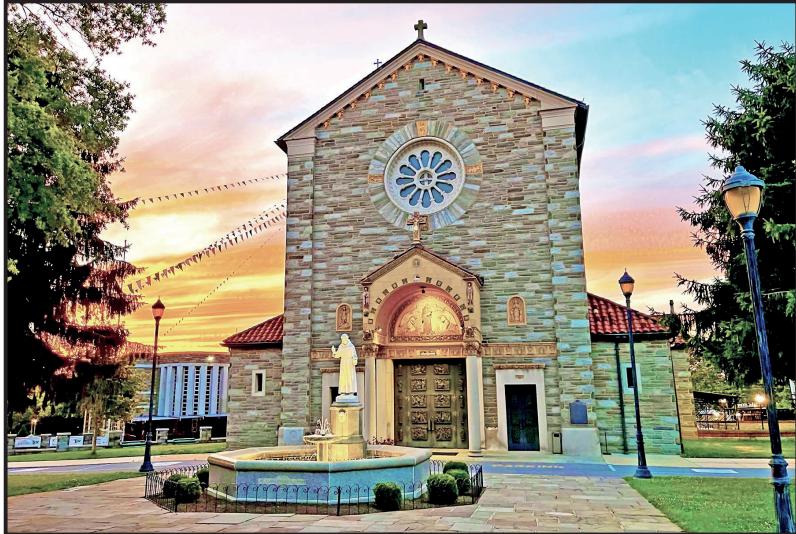


# St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



January 18, 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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St. Anthony Grade School ..... 302-421-3743  
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Judith Jakotowicz White, *Principal*

Padua Academy ..... 302-421-3739  
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Dr. Mary McClory, *Principal*

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.

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# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 18, 2026



Monday,	1/19	MLK Jr. Day
8:00 AM		
Tuesday,	1/20	
6:45 AM	JULIA GRACE GRICOL	DONOR
Wednesday,	1/21	
6:45 AM		
Thursday,	1/22	
6:45 AM	REV. NICHOLAS R. WASELINE, OSFS	DONOR
Friday,	1/23	
6:45 AM		
Saturday,	1/24	
5:00 PM	REV. ANTHONY J. LARRY, OSFS	DONOR
Sunday,	1/25	
9:00 AM		
11:00 AM	YOLANDA MARINI	RITA GIRARDI



## Next Sunday's Readings

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

Isaiah 8:23—9:3

### Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 27:1, 4, 13-14

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

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

### Gospel:

Matthew 4:12-23

## “God’s Plan for Giving”

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 01/11/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 9,954.50
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$1,798.55
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 22.1%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$12,265.86

*Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!*



“John testified further saying, ‘I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘On whomever, you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.’”

As happened last week, we are still at the Jordan, observing the sign of the presence of the Spirit. Isn’t it a powerful moment, when John the Evangelist in His first chapter quotes the Baptist saying, ‘He is the Son of God?’ The Baptist said he did not know Him. This is what we believe! How well do we know Jesus, not just about Jesus. Do I know Him as well as He knows me? Open the bible, read the word, join a discussion group. Jesus and His Spirit will join you.

*The Oblates*

“Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of your tomorrow and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it.”

*St. Francis de Sales*



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

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

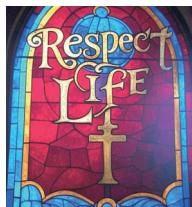
In observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the parish office and our grade school will be closed Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. The only Mass of the day will be celebrated at 8:00 AM.

## 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

Rev. Mark J. Wrightson, OSFS

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



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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.

## 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://809SBroomStWilmington19805). 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.

## 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 for 11 AM Mass in our church!

Football game will be streamed!

## Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all married couples in the Diocese of Wilmington to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on World Marriage Sunday, February 9, 2025, at 1:00pm at St. Margaret of Scotland Church in Newark, DE. Those celebrating significant anniversaries (5-year increments) - 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or any anniversary beyond 50, will receive a special certificate from the Bishop. Reservations are needed, no matter what the anniversary year. Reservations are required by February 4, 2026.

Bishop Koenig will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 12:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 12:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. Questions may be referred to the Office for Marriage and Family Life at 302-295-0657 or by emailing [OMFL@cdow.org](mailto:OMFL@cdow.org). Registration can be completed by using the following link - <https://cdowmarriagepreparation.wufoo.com/forms/qf0nytf11mql00/> or by going to the Diocesan Website - Ministries - Marriage and Family Life.

## Parish Calendar

Monday, MLK Jr. Day

Parish Office closed

Friday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday

2:00 PM, Wedding

Sunday

2:00 PM, Via Crucis Practice

Monday, Jan. 19

through

Sunday, Jan. 25

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## Grade School Calendar

Monday, MLK Jr. Day

School closed

Tuesday

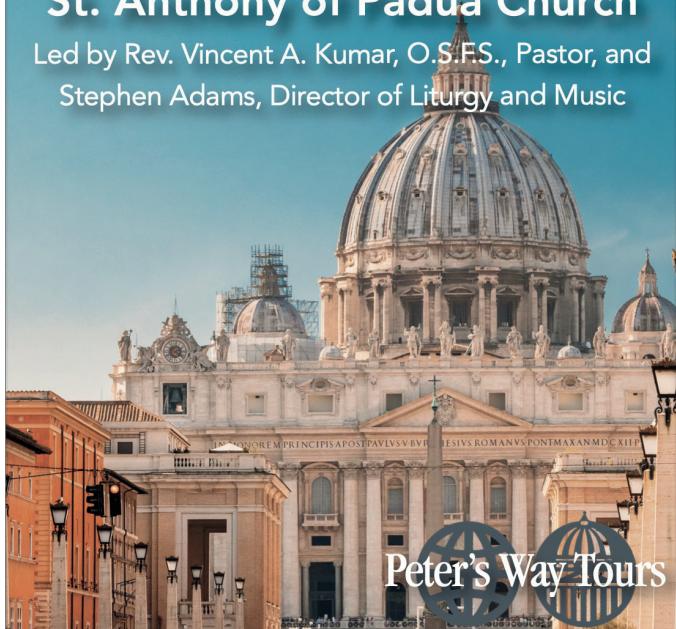
9:00 AM, Child Find Screening  
for Preschool

Friday

Wear Green for Gus Day

## 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.

## Baptism Celebration Event

Parents and guardians of children Baptized in 2025 are invited to attend 11:00 Mass on Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. After Mass, parents & guardians should go to the Ballad Room (school cafeteria) 10<sup>th</sup> Street entrance to attend the reception. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to [office@sapgs.org](mailto:office@sapgs.org) by January 26<sup>th</sup>.

Monday, Jan. 19

through

Sunday, Jan. 25

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## Parish Trustee Elections

Per Delaware law, each year the annual election of the two lay trusses of the parish corporation board of directors is conducted. The currently serving trustees, Anthony Albence and Anthony Frabizzio, have indicated that they are willing to continue serving in these roles. If any other parishioners are interested in serving as a trustee, please contact the parish office by this Friday, January 23. To serve as a Parish Trustee, one must be an active parishioner and be at least 25 years of age.

## Confirmation

On Saturday, December 16, 2025, the following young people of the parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation: **Dominic Carlo, Valentino Valentino, Dominic Costantino Pio, Luke Carlo, Gunnar Zeno, Viggo Berardo, Sylvie Maria, Gabrielle Mary, Katelyn Marie, Benjamin Jude Michael, Tru E. Elizabeth, and Dominic Rudy Lawrence.**

Confirmation names are in italics. Last names have been omitted for privacy reasons.

## VIA CRUCIS 2026 VIA CRUCIS SIGN-UP

Missed sign-ups due to a scheduling conflict? It's NEVER too late!! Hope to see you on in Church at 1:45 PM. Full rehearsal will follow at 2:00 PM. Don't forget to bring a friend. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

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