

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



January 25, 2026

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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Stephen Adams.....302-421-3700

Registration: New parishioners are requested to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with the Parish Secretary.

Italian Festival

festival@stanthonynet.org

Knights of Columbus-St. Pius X Council

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Padua Academy Website: www.paduaacademy.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/paduaacademy

St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 25, 2026



Today's reading from Isaiah announces once again that Jesus' coming among us has brought light to the darkness and gloom of our world. Jesus has smashed the yoke of sin; he brings us joy and reason for great rejoicing. You and I have been brought into the Light through our baptism, and we are grateful for this gift.

We look around us, and it's easy to see the gloom and darkness that cover so many peoples' lives. Since our baptism gives us a share in Jesus' mission to bring Light to the world, it's important that His Light be with us as we go about our daily living. The way we reach out to the people we live with and work with offers us an opportunity to share His Light. Our caring, our honesty, our compassion, our willingness to forgive - each can bring Light into the darkness which envelops many of our brothers and sisters.

Today we are invited to spend some time renewing our commitment to live in the Light of Christ. In prayer and Eucharist, we can gain some new insights into how we can do this more completely. And now the Lord will come to nourish us for our continuing journey with him.

May we let Jesus live in us more and more each day and may His Light shine through us in all we do.

May God be praised in our efforts today!

The Oblates

"Just trust in Him and He will continue to lead you safely through all things. Where you cannot walk, He will carry you in His arms."

St. Francis de Sales



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



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Gospel:

Matthew 5:1-12a

Weekly Offertory Report

Due to a delay made necessary by the holiday this past Monday, collection figures for January 18th will be shown next weekend.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Dina Casale	Buzzy Cooke	William Crook
Bruce DiBiao	Ann Marie DiBiao	Florence Dilks
Amber Dawn Ford	Mary Jo Ganey	Bill Giles
Mia Gravino	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.



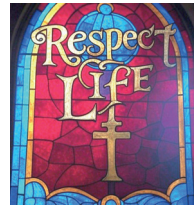
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Souper Bowl Food Collection

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.



"Life's dignity and meaning is lost in the secular eye. No human life, no matter how unanticipated, by us is ever a mistake on the part of God."

Bishop Mark Seitz of El Paso

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://809.S.Broom.St.,Wilmington.19805). 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.

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. Registration can be completed by using the following link - <https://cdowmarriagepreparation.wufoo.com/forms/qf0nytf11mqi00/> or by going to the Diocesan Website - Ministries - Marriage and Family Life.

Parish Calendar

Tuesday

10:00 AM, Padua Academy
Bishop's Visit

Friday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday

2:00 PM, Wedding

Sunday

12:00 PM, Baptism Celebration
Gathering
2:00 PM, Via Crucis Practice

Monday, Jan. 26

through

Sunday, Feb. 1

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

Grade School Calendar

Monday through Friday

Catholic Schools Week

Thursday

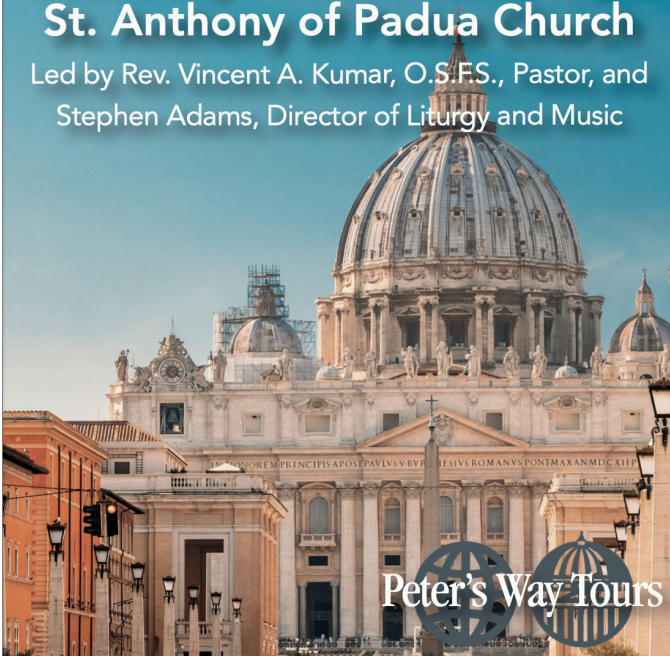
9:30 AM, K – 2nd Grade
Field Trip



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12-Day Pilgrimage to France and Italy Celebrating the 100th 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. Deadline to reserve your place on the trip is February 6, 2026.

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.

Baptism Celebration Event

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

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!

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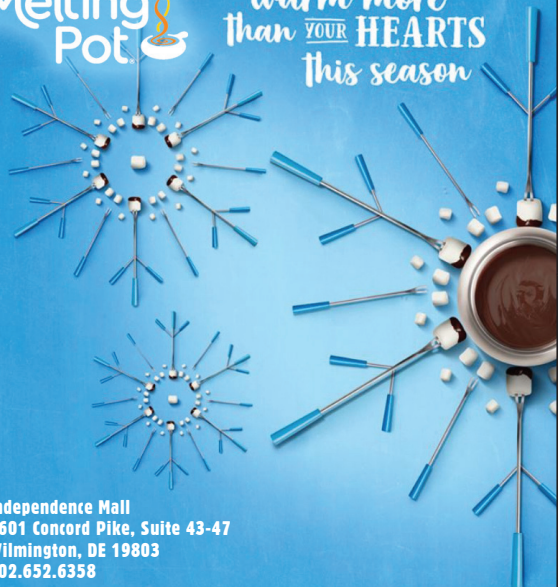
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