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SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH
Wilmington, Delaware

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 29, 2026



Monday, 6:45 AM	3/30 EDWARD HOJNICKI	DONOR
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	3/31 SOULS IN PURGATORY	DONOR
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	4/1 MATTERA FAMILY	DAVINA PILEGGI
Thursday, 7:00 PM	4/2 HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	
Friday, 3:00 PM	4/3 GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	
Saturday, 7:30 PM	4/4 HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL	
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/5 Easter Sunday	



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

2nd Reading:

Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel:

John 20:1-9

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/22/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,129.50
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 26.45
Percent Difference This Week:	- 0.3%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$10,099.34

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

"Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, The teacher says, "My appointed time draws near; in your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples." The disciples then did as the Lord had ordered and prepared the Passover.... While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, 'Take and eat; this is my body...'"

We begin Holy Week, living by memory the sacred and solemn events. How important it is to find in what happened as a single event, expressed in several places, with different persons, but focused on the Person of Jesus Christ. He entered the holy city, observed the Jewish tradition, presided at the Passover supper, then went to Gethsemani, lived an unjust trial, and stumbled on the way to Calvary and crucifixion, just for me and our needy world.

May we see the events as 'the longest day' leading to today and the gift of salvation. May we not just remember the event, but recall why?

'Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner.'

The Oblates

"It is far better to do a few things well than undertake many good works and leave them half-done."

St. Francis de Sales



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

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

The Knights of Columbus will lead the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet following the Communion Prayer at all Masses on the weekend of April 11/12. That Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday instituted by Pope St. John Paul II. Prayer sheets will be provided for this six-minute prayer.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Dina Casale	Buzzy Cooke	William Crook
Bruce DiBiaso	Ann Marie DiBiaso	Florence Dilks
Amber Dawn Ford	Jean Forlano	Mary Jo Ganey
Bill Giles	Mia Gravino	Irene Lawhorn
Paige Lucas	Edward Mackey	John McGee
Cindy O'Neil	Kelly Panella	Marlene Papillo
Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Ann Marie Russo	Betty Rybinski
Wendy Setting	Rami Shehadeh	Alexandra Sparco
Starobynski Family	Robin Swanson	Angelo Tiberi
Ed Tucker	Tobias Weaver	Barbara White

Rev. Mark J. Wrightson, OSFS

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

~The Delaware Chapter of The American Guild of Organists Presents~

The King of Instruments and the Instrument of Kings

The Seipp/Fickley Duo

St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church

Ninth and Dupont Streets, Wilmington, DE

7PM Friday, April 24, 2026

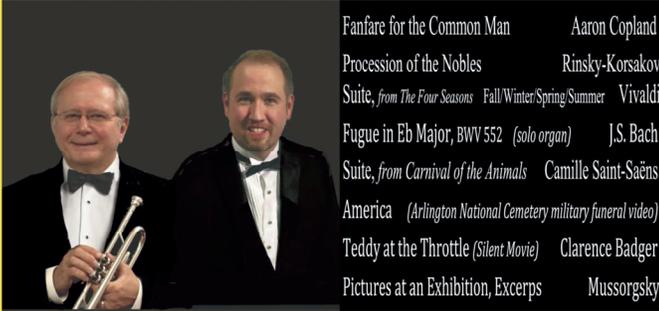
Chuck Seipp, Trumpet

The United States Army Band, *Pershing's Own* (SGM retired)

Todd Fickley, Organ

National Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C.

The Seipp/Fickley Duo craft an entertaining and engaging program to moving videos making this an enjoyable concert for all ages.



Fanfare for the Common Man	Aaron Copland
Procession of the Nobles	Rinsky-Korsakov
Suite, from <i>The Four Seasons</i> Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer	Vivaldi
Fugue in Eb Major, BWV 552 (solo organ)	J.S. Bach
Suite, from <i>Carnival of the Animals</i>	Camille Saint-Saëns
America (Arlington National Cemetery military funeral video)	
Teddy at the Throttle (Silent Movie)	Clarence Badger
Pictures at an Exhibition, Excerpts	Mussorgsky

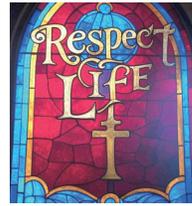
This program is supported, in part, by a grant from the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency, in partnership with the National Endowment of the Arts. The Division promotes Delaware arts events on DelawareScene.com.

HOLY LAND ARTIST ✝

We are proud to introduce ourselves as Holy Land Artist. We have come to the United States representing the Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem and Jerusalem who rely on tourism to support their families.

Due to the bad situation and the interruption of the tourist trade, thousands of families in the Holy Land are in danger of having to leave their homes in search of work. Our mission is to bring and sell the Olive Wood Carvings to the catholic churches in the United States to help the Christian families remain in their homes and support their families. These Christians who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand-carved Olive Wood religious items depend on us to bring these beautiful carvings, such as Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Statues, Picture of the Last Supper, and several other religious items to you.

Coming to St. Anthony's April 11 & 12!!!



"There is no cause more important for preserving freedom than affirming the transcendent right to life of all human beings, the right without which no other rights have any meaning."

Pres. Ronald Reagan

Abortion and the Conscience of the Nation

Sponsor a New Hymnal

You have likely seen the new blue *Glory and Praise* hymnals in our pews! St. Anthony's is excited to introduce these to the parish community, our first new hymnals in 30 years, which include a wider selection of songs that are familiar to you, as well as Mass readings and responses for all three years of the church's liturgy cycle. We are pleased to offer an opportunity to dedicate a hymnal in honor of or in memory of an individual. Support will be noted by a recognition permanently affixed to a hymnal. If you are interested in this opportunity, please visit the parish's online giving site: [St Anthony of Padua RC Church - WILMINGTON, DE | Online Giving](#) or submit your contribution to the rectory, noting whom you would like to honor or remember, and your contact info as well. Thank you for your ongoing support!



Our fifth annual Reconciliation Monday penance event will take place on Monday, March 30th from 3 until 8 p.m. Once again, this year, every church in the diocese will have opportunities for confession during these extended hours. So if it is more convenient for you to go to another church, feel free to do so. Please invite those friends and family members who have been away from the Sacraments to take advantage of this opportunity. Visit cdow.org/ReconciliationMonday for more information.

Holy Week / Easter Holiday Hours

Parish Office:

The Parish Office (the rectory) will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd, through Easter Monday, April 6th.

Grade School:

The grade school will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd, through Wednesday, April 8th.

Have a Happy Easter!

Parish Calendar

Monday

3:00 – 8:00 PM, Reconciliation

Monday

Tuesday

6:00 PM, First Reconciliation

Friday, Good Friday

Parish Office Closed

7:30 PM, Via Crucis

Monday, Mar. 30

through

Sunday, Apr. 5

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

Grade School Calendar

Monday

3:00 PM, Girls on the Run Practice

Tuesday

6:00 PM, First Reconciliation

Wednesday

6:00 PM, Dress Rehearsal for Living Stations

Thursday, Holy Thursday

10:00 AM, Living Stations
Noon Dismissal

Friday, Good Friday

School Closed

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2026

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, March 28

4:00 to 4:45 PM

Monday, March 30

3:00 to 8:00 PM

No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 4

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, March 28

Blessing of Palm and Procession
at 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, March 29

Masses: 9:00, & 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

9:00 Mass livestreamed

Holy Week: March 30, 31 & April 1

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Daily Masses: 6:45 AM

Holy Thursday, April 2

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10:00 PM

7:00 Mass livestreamed

Good Friday, April 3

Church open for prayer & reflection:

12:00 Noon through Lord's Passion

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 PM

3:00 Liturgy livestreamed

Holy Saturday, April 4

Solemn Easter Vigil: 7:30 PM

Livestreamed

Easter Sunday, April 5

Masses: 9:00, & 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

9:00 Mass livestreamed.

Grade School News

We are excited to invite families to “Walk Through Wednesdays” throughout March. Stop by for a drop-in tour from 3:00 – 6:00 PM to see the school and speak with our administration. Tours during the day may be scheduled at your convenience.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA GRADE SCHOOL

◆ BASKET BINGO ◆

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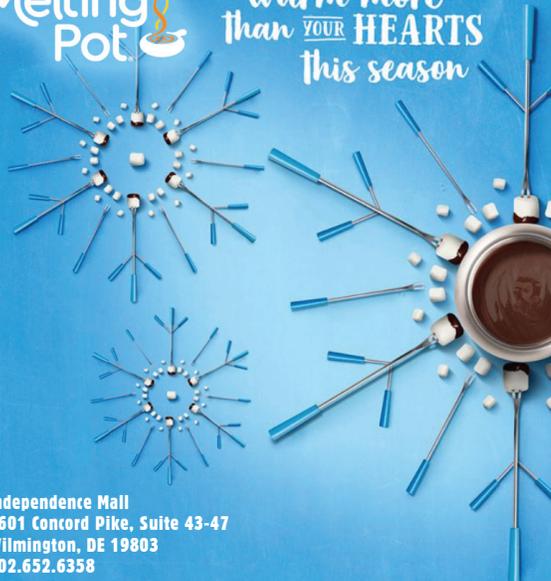
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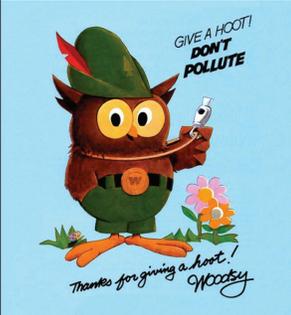
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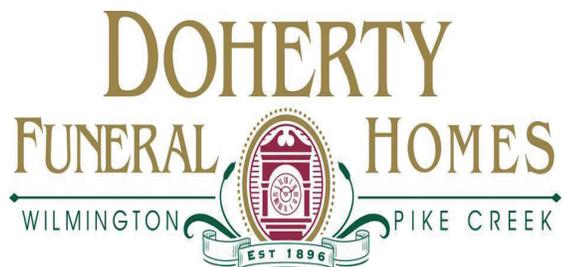
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