

# St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

April 26, 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@stanthonynet.org.

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

## Contacts

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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.

**Italian Festival**  
festival@stanthonynet.org

**Knights of Columbus-St. Pius X Council**  
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**Padua Academy Website:** www.paduaacademy.org  
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**St. Anthony's Italian Festival:** www.sapde.org/italianfestival  
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# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26, 2026



<b>Monday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>4/27</b> MICHAEL J. KIRLIN, SR.	DONOR
<b>Tuesday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>4/28</b> REV. CHARLES J. MATONTI	ED ANDREWS
<b>Wednesday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>4/29</b> COLUMBA POLITO	DAVINA PILEGGI
<b>Thursday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>4/30</b> MARY R. KIRLIN	DONOR
<b>Friday,</b> 6:45 AM	<b>5/1</b> PADRE PIO	DONOR
<b>Saturday,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>5/2</b>	
<b>Sunday,</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>5/3</b> JOHN L. P. PEDICONE	THELMA & FAMILY



## Next Sunday's Readings

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

Acts 6:1-7

### Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

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

1 Peter 2:4-9

### Gospel:

John 14:1-12

"The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice...I am the gate, whoever enters through me will be saved."

The church, on the fourth Sunday of Easter, designates this as Good Shepherd Sunday, reflecting the role of Jesus, and we, the members of His flock. Simple words say a lot. 'Hear His voice', 'recognize' that voice, follow the shepherd, leading ultimately to the gift of salvation.

Our chief shepherd, the Vicar of Christ, our Holy Father, is entrusted with the care of the flock, to lead and feed, protect and guard the sacred trust given him, to guide us on the way of salvation. May we attentively, listen to his voice and follow Jesus.

*The Oblates*

"Learn of me,' He said, 'that I am humble and gentle of heart.' That says it all; to have a heart gentle toward one's neighbor and humble toward God. At every moment give this heart, the very heart of your heart, to our Savior."

*St. Francis de Sales*

## "God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 04/19/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,768.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,155.95
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$ 612.05
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 7.5%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$13,038.78

*Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!*



In your charity, please pray for  
**Marie Russo Burton**  
**Dominick Papa**  
and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.



## Your Prayers and Support Requested

Dina Casale	Buzzy Cooke	William Crook
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Bill Giles	Mia Gravino	Irene Lawhorn
Robert LeSieur	Paige Lucas	Edward Mackey
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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.

## Combined Membership Drives

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality and the Knights of Columbus-St. Pius X Council #4425 will conduct a joint membership drive for their respective organizations. This is scheduled before and after all Masses the weekend of **May 2-3**. This is an opportunity to learn more about the benefits of membership in these Catholic organizations.

## Mother's Day Rose Sale

The Knights of Columbus will be selling roses before and after all Masses the weekend of May 9-10 to benefit Birthright of Delaware. This organization provides help to women facing crisis pregnancies so they may choose life for their babies. Individual roses are \$3 each, three roses for \$5, a dozen is \$20 and \$45 for a bouquet of twenty-five. Let's honor our moms with this special gift on her special day.

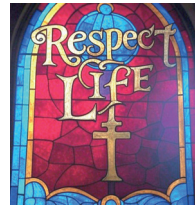
## St. Anthony of Padua Grade School

Enrollment is open now! Visit [sapgs.org](http://sapgs.org) to schedule a tour at your convenience or call the school office at 302-421-3743 if your child would like to shadow for the day. Come meet our school family - a special part of our parish!

## First Eucharist

The following young people received First Eucharist on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>:

**Andrew Ashe, Blaise Borsello, Layla Cook, Dominic Charles DeMarco, Violetta Fabris, William Galloway, Andrew Jakotowicz, Damian Lara, Ella Lyons, Adaline Mackie, Mya Pisutvacharakul, Violet Rogers, and Scarlett Zavala.**



"There can be no division between public and private morality. It is untenable to say, 'I am personally opposed to abortion', but support someone else's right to kill their unborn."

Bishop William K. Weigand of  
Sacramento, California

## 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: (<https://www.osvhub.com/sapde/giving/funds>) 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!

## Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>



On Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Anthony's will host an Oblate ordination for Deacon Jonathan S. Dick, OSFS at 11:00 AM. A reception will follow in the Ballad Room at 12:30 PM. In recognition of this happy event, **we will celebrate just one Mass on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**. Like our earlier Jubilee Masses, **the Mass will begin at 10:30 AM**. Please take note of this.

## Vocations

### Ongoing priesthood discernment group at the Newman Center at UD

One gathering remains on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Open to young adult men who are age 18 or older. Those interested may contact Fr. Gebhart for more information or go to [RSVP: Father.Gebhard@gmail.com](mailto:Father.Gebhard@gmail.com).

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## Parish Calendar

### Friday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

### Saturday

2:00 PM, Wedding

### Sunday

12:00 PM, Baptisms

3:00 PM, Wedding

Convalidation

Monday, Apr. 27

through

Sunday, May 3

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

## Grade School Calendar

### Monday

3:00 PM, Girls on the Run  
End of Season Celebration

### Wednesday

9:00 AM, Kick Off Walk-a-  
thon Assemblies  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade "Teach Children to  
Save Day"

### Friday

9:30 AM, Grade School Mass

### Saturday

6:00 PM, Varsity Sports  
Banquet  
8:30 PM, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance



Sunday, June 7 - Saturday, June 13

Sunday, 6/7 & Saturday, 6/13: 4:00PM-10:00PM

Monday, 6/8 through Friday, 6/12: 5:30-10:00PM

<https://sapde.org/italianfestival>

<https://facebook.com/stanthonysfestival>

#### PHYSICAL WEEKLY PASSES, GIFT CARDS, & MAGIC MONEY CARDS:

- at the rectory (9:00AM-3:00PM, Monday-Friday)
- at the Grade School office (8:00AM-6:00PM, Monday-Friday)
- Gift cards also available on Festival website (delivery or pickup) (<https://sapgs.square.site> or <https://sapde.org/festivalcashless>)

#### PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED WEEKLY PASSES:

- **\$20.00 Pre-Festival; \$23.00 After Festival starts**
- Provides one admission per person per day to the Festival.

#### Daily Admission (purchased in advance via **EVENTBRITE\*** or on-site):

- **\$8 for ages 16-61**
- **Under Age 16 & Over age 61: FREE!**
- **NOTE: Anyone under age 16: MUST be always accompanied by a parent or guardian age 21 or older**

#### PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED GIFT CARD PRICES:

- \$25.00 Gift Cards: **Pre-Festival Price: \$22.00**
- \$50.00 Gift Cards: **Pre-Festival Price: \$42.00**

#### DAILY AND WEEKLY ELECTRONIC PASSES VIA **EVENTBRITE\***:

- Purchase in advance and simply print out or show your QR code on your phone at the admission gate!
- **\$20.00 Pre-Festival; \$23.00 After Festival starts**
- Purchase securely via the Festival's Eventbrite link at: <https://sapde.org/italianfestival>

#### DISCOUNTED MAGIC MONEY CARDS Info:

- Magic Money Cards are available for purchase for \$35. Each card is pre-loaded with 175 Midway ride credits.
- **Purchase in advance & save almost \$10 vs. purchase on-site**

\*NOTE: Eventbrite service fees apply

#### FESTIVAL APPAREL & COLLECTIBLES

Purchase a selection of Festival-themed clothing and commemorative items, brought to you by our partners at Stitch in Time! (<https://customstitch.com/>)

Purchase items securely via the Stitch in Time site and pick up your purchases at the Stitch in Time tent at 9<sup>th</sup> & Scott Sts. on the Festival grounds!

#### ENTERTAINMENT & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

- Music nightly on 3 stages by Italian and contemporary artists!
- Italian cultural activities throughout the week, including St. Anthony's Feast Day Mass & Procession of Saints (Sunday, 6/7), Italian children dance troupe (Monday, 6/8), Opera Delaware concerts of Italian arias (Thursday, 6/11), and the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Home Winemakers Competition (Saturday, 6/13).

*Visit the Festival website for full details!*

#### GOOD TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:

- **The Italian Festival is cashless to maximize convenience!** All major credit cards, as well as Festival Gift Cards, will be accepted on-site.
- For those who do not have a credit card, Festival Gift Cards will be available to purchase on-site with cash (credit cards also accepted to purchase Gift Cards).
- Festival Gift Cards are NOT accepted on Midway, only Magic Money Cards. Purchase discounted Magic Money cards in advance or visit the Majestic Midways kiosks on the Midway to purchase a Magic Money Card on-site during the Festival.
- To ensure the safety of all Festival patrons, all attendees will pass through security screening for admittance to the Festival grounds.

#### NEW FOR 2026:

**Feast Day Mass (with readings and music in Italian) and Procession of Saints now on Festival opening day, Sunday, 6/7, at 12:30PM and at 2:00PM, respectively.**

2026 Italian Festival

June 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Sunday, 6/7: 4:00PM-10:00PM

Monday, 6/8-Friday, 6/12: 5:30PM-10:00PM

Saturday, 6/13: 4:00PM-10:00PM

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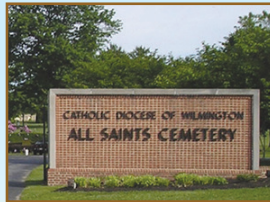
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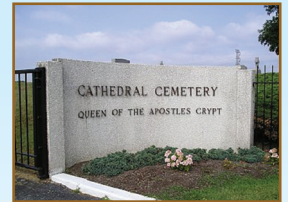
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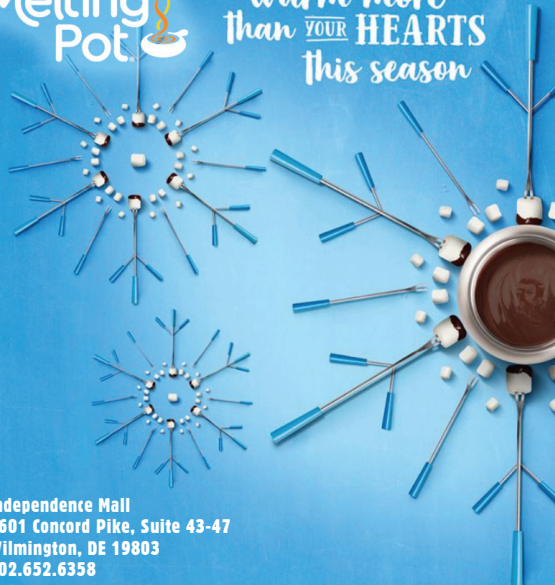
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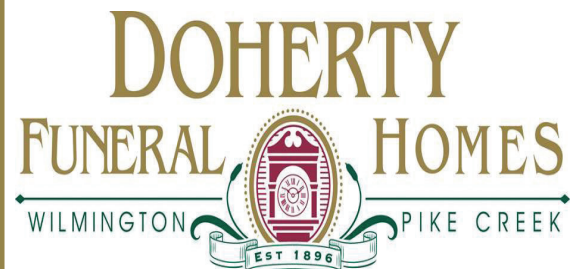
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