

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

August 30, 2026

Pastor
Rev. Vincent A. Kumar, OSFS

In Residence
Rev. Robert G. Mulligan, OSFS
V. Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS
Bro. Joseph G. Schodowski, OSFS

Weekend Ministry
Rev. Robert L. Bazzoli, 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.

Contacts

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Dr. Patricia Scott, *President*
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

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Padua Academy Website: www.paduaacademy.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/paduaacademy

St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival
Facebook: www.facebook.com/stanthonysfestival



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 30, 2026



Monday, 6:45 AM	8/31 JUSTINO DY	GISELA & ELIZAR
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	9/1 ROGER BONDOC	GISELA & ELIZAR
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	9/2 AGNES MUNDEN	GISELA & ELIZAR
Thursday, 6:45 AM	9/3 JOSEPH E. RYAN, SR.	FAMILY
Friday, 6:45 AM	9/4 PRESTILLA DEJOS	GISELA & ELIZAR
Saturday, 5:00 PM	9/5 DOROTHY KELLY	AMY WATKINS
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	9/6 ALICE LABAZZO BILL BECTAL	DESOUZA FAMILY DONOR



This Sunday's Readings - #916 in our hymnals

1st Reading:

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

2nd Reading:

Romans 12:1-2

Gospel:

Matthew 16:21-27

Next Sunday's Readings - #919 in our hymnals

1st Reading:

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

2nd Reading:

Romans 13:8-10

Gospel:

Matthew 18:15-20

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 08/23/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$11,259.75
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,467.58
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$2,792.17
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 33.0%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$ 284.33

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



In today's Gospel, Jesus begins to prepare His disciples for the hard truth of His mission. He tells them that He must go to Jerusalem, suffer greatly, be killed, and on the third day be raised. Peter, full of human affection, takes Him aside and rebukes Him: "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." Jesus replies firmly, "Get behind me, Satan! You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even sincere intentions can become obstacles when they resist the Father's will.

Our Lord then turns to all who would follow Him and sets out the true path of discipleship: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." To save our life we must be willing to lose it for His sake—laying aside our own plans and comforts so that Christ may live in us. The Cross is not optional; it is the shape of Christian life.

Yet this teaching is full of hope. Jesus assures us that the Son of Man will come in His Father's glory with His angels and repay each according to his conduct. Every burden we carry in love is being gathered into that future glory. So let us take up our cross with courage and trust, knowing that in losing our life for Christ we find the life that truly lasts.

The Oblates

"Truly humble persons become more courageous. Realizing their weakness, they place all their confidence in God. He is pleased to magnify His power in our weakness."

St. Francis de Sales



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



Your Prayers and Support Requested

Dina Casale
Bruce DiBiaso
Amber Dawn Ford
Mary Jo Ganey
Maria Haley
Paige Lucas
Cindy O'Neil
Ann Marie Russo
Rami Shehadeh
Starobynski Family
Steve Taylor
Barbara White

William Crook
Florence Dilks
Jean Forlano
Bill Giles
Irene Lawhorn
Edward Mackey
Kelly Panella
Betty Rybinski
Alexandra Sparco
Sharon Sutton
Angelo Tiberi
Rev. Mark J. Wrightson, OSFS

Colleen Demko
Joe Fahey
Carmen Gagliardino
Mia Gravino
Robert LeSieur
John McGee
Marlene Papillo
Wendy Setting
Susan & Romie
Robin Swanson
Ed Tucker

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



Bottles For Babies Fundraiser

Throughout the whole month of October, "Respect Life month," Birthright of Delaware hosts its Annual Bottles for Babies Fundraiser.

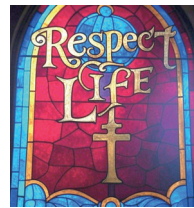
The weekends of October, baby bottles will be distributed after all the Masses. We ask you to Please take as many bottles as you would like and/or give it to a loved one.

Fill the bottle with loose change, cash or a check then please read the insert, fill it out as neatly as possible (if you chose to do so for a Tax credit)! Return the bottle(s) the whole month of October or and/or November whether filled or empty.

Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their families. On behalf of our mothers, Birthright staff and volunteers, we graciously Thank You!

Labor Day

In observance of Labor Day, the grade school and parish office will be closed Monday, September 7th. Have a Happy Holiday!



You will not find a right to abortion anywhere in the Constitution. We have freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion. etc. We have come too far to reduce a woman's "right" to mean the right to kill her own children.

Veterans' Day Clothing Collection

The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Mardaga Assembly is requesting assistance from our fellow parishioners to help hospitalized and nursing home veterans in need. We are collecting white t-shirts, white boxer briefs, white crew socks, and sleep pants, all in various sizes. We are also collecting shaving cream, disposable razors, and toiletries. We will be delivering the items on Veteran's Day. The collection begins Sunday, September 6th, and ends Sunday, October 10th, 2026. Items can be dropped off in the box at the entrance of the church during this time.

If you would prefer, a monetary donation can be made online at <https://clothing-for-veterans-2026.cheddarup.com>. Checks, made payable to Bishop Mardaga Assembly, can also be mailed to K of C Bishop Mardaga Assembly #2014 c/o Clothing for Vets, 135 Princeton Ave, Claymont, DE 19703.

Any questions please contact: Bryan Gallagher at 856-896-5636 or briangallagher713@gmail.com

Neal Potts at 302-632-8436 or npotts823@gmail.com

Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all who have supported the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. If you have pledged, please remember to fulfill your commitment as payments are received throughout the year. If you have not yet participated, there is still time to make a gift and help support the many ministries that serve our Diocese. Every gift makes a difference.

Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. **The next program begins the weekend of October 2 - 4, 2026 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register, call 215-766-3944 or visit www.MarriageHelpDelVal.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Parish Calendar

Monday

Church Cleaning



Monday, Aug. 31

through

Sunday, Sept. 6

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

Grade School Calendar

Monday

First Day of School

Noon Dismissal



CATHOLIC MEN OF DELMARVA

Catholic Men of Delmarva

Catholic Men of Delmarva (CMD) will have its inaugural conference on Saturday, October 3, 2026 at Saint Mark's High School in Wilmington. Titled ***Authentic Masculinity: A Call to Catholic Men***, the conference will feature presentations from noted speakers, Holy Mass with Bishop Koenig, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, refreshments, catered lunch, displays, and more. **DON'T MISS IT!** Visit DelmarvaCatholic.org for more information and to register. The conference is open to all men in the diocese age 18 and older. Younger sons may attend if accompanied by an adult male

The Legion of Mary at St. Elizabeth's Church - A Birthday Celebration for Our Blessed Mother

Saturday, September 12, 2026

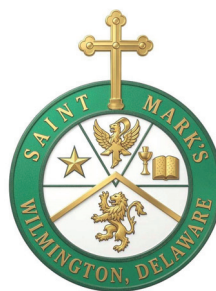
St. Elizabeth's Church

Mass at 8:15 AM followed by the Rosary, a procession around the Church grounds, and crowning of the Blessed Mother at the Grotto. Brunch at Grant Hall with a short presentation by Deacon Ken Pulliam will follow. All are welcome including families and children! (Additional information in the attached flyer.)

Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat

... will be held the weekend of November 6-8, 2026. This retreat offers emotional and spiritual healing for anyone who has struggled with grief and loss from abortion or miscarriage. Whether you are post-abortive or know someone who is, freedom awaits. **Contact Nan Bernardo-Freeman** at 302-463-7711 (call or text) or lucyminn929@gmail.com by **October 11**.

Saint Mark's High School Class of 1976 50th Class Reunion



Sept. 25, 6-10 p.m.: Saint Mark's High School Class of 1976 50th Class Reunion, Christiana Hilton. Saint Mark's is also hosting a Welcome Home Celebration and tour of SMH for Class of 1976 Alumni on Thursday, Sept.

24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The reunion committee would like to connect with alumni. Contact Patty Curtin White at: patriciacurtin@comcast.net or PCurtin@christianacare.org Or Terri Larson Seeman at: Glennsman@comcast.net (302)893-3479.

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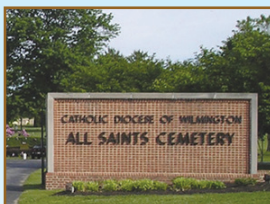
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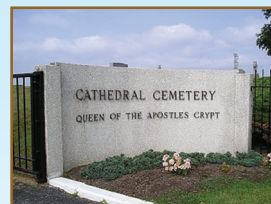
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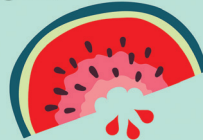
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