

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



October 4, 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@stanthony.net.org.

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

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Dr. Mary McClory, *Principal*

Coordinator of Liturgy & Music
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Registration: New parishioners are requested to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with the Parish Secretary.

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2026



Monday, 6:45 AM	10/5 DOMENICK & THERESA SALVATORE	MARIE FIDANCE FAMILY
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	10/6 SADIE & ANTHONY PILEGGI	FAMILY
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	10/7 EDMOND LYNCH	WIFE
Thursday, 6:45 AM	10/8 MIKE & ROSE KIRLIN	DONOR
Friday, 6:45 AM	10/9 SOULS IN PURGATORY	DONOR
Saturday, 5:00 PM	10/10 ANITA DI SIMPLICIO	THERESA DI SIMPLICIO
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	10/11 JOSEPH COFRANCESCO STANLEY F. PLASTEK	FAMILY FAMILY



This Sunday's Readings - #931 in our hymnals

1st Reading:

Isaiah 5:1-7

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

2nd Reading:

Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel:

Matthew 21:33-43

Next Sunday's Readings - #934 in our hymnals

1st Reading:

Isaiah 25:6-10a

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

2nd Reading:

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel:

Matthew 22:1-14

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 09/27/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$7,979.00
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$8,467.58
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 488.58
Percent Difference This Week:	- 5.9%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$ 147.77

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



The vineyard in today's readings fails because those charged with its care do not meet the owner's expectations.

God owns the vineyard of life; we are responsible for its upkeep. We share in creation, redemption, and salvation, and are to harvest grapes of life through honesty, respect, purity, and decency.

We often fall short. Sin, fear, and selfishness yield grapes of wrath instead: jealousy, envy, indifference, hatred, violence, and injustice.

That reality can leave us anxious. St. Paul says, "Have no anxiety at all." St. Francis de Sales adds that, except for sin, anxiety is the greatest evil to a soul: it magnifies the problem, drains courage, and makes the evil seem incurable.

Name the thoughts, feelings, and actions that hinder peace, justice, and love—but without anxiety, which weakens our power to turn from sin. Then live according to what you have learned, so the God of peace will be with you.

Strive each day for a harvest of love, without anxiety.

The Oblates

"Imperfections must die with us, a little each day."

St. Francis de Sales



In your charity, please pray for

Frances Gill

Gustas M. Keenan

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Columbus Day

In observance of the Columbus Day Holiday, the Grade School and parish office will be closed Monday, October 12th. Have a Happy Holiday!

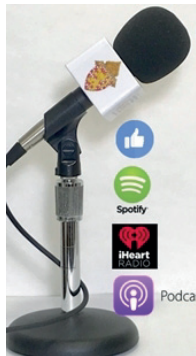
Your Prayers and Support Requested

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
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Joe Fahey
Carmen Gagliardino
Mia Gravino
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...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.



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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.

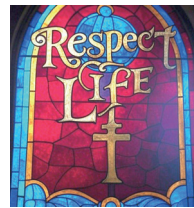
Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their families. On behalf of our mothers, Birthright staff and volunteers, we graciously Thank You!

Sacred Heart Icon Returns

This Icon was on display at our Parish last January. It is scheduled to be here through October 9. This is sponsored by the Delaware State Council of the Knights of Columbus.

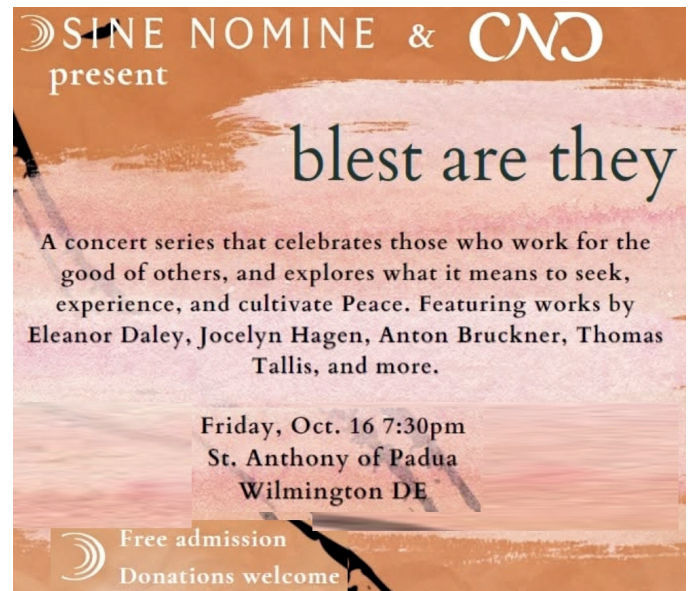
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Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat

... 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.**

Mass of Remembrance



Join us as we remember those who have passed away from our parish family, *with particular emphasis on those who have passed since the Mass of Remembrance one year ago.* This special Mass will

be held at **10:00 AM, Saturday, November 7th.** Family members are welcome to send presentable photographs of their loved ones **who have left us since last All Souls' Day** for display at the Mass and all of November. **Photos should not exceed 8" x 10" nor be accompanied by a frame.** *On the back of the photo, indicate the deceased's name. Reclaim all photos at the rectory starting December 8th.* **We will no longer return photos to you by mail.** Send or drop off photos to Jim at the rectory so that we receive them **no later than Tuesday, October 27th.** ***** The parish will not be responsible for any lost or damaged photos. *****

Parish Calendar

Monday

Church Cleaning

Thursday

9:30 AM, Salesianum Freshmen
Retreat

Friday

5:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday

11:00 AM, Memorial Mass
2:30 PM, Wedding

Sunday

12:00 PM, Baptism

Monday, Oct. 5

through

Sunday, Oct. 11

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

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

9:00 AM, Rosary Pilgrimage

Friday

10:30 AM, St. Mark's Visit
for 7th & 8th Grades



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.

Weddings



The following couples were Married at St. Anthony's since July 1st:

Michael Dunning & Alexandra Thomas
Aaron Ward & Valentina Mattera

Vocations

Young men aged 18 and over are invited to attend the Diocese of Wilmington's priestly discernment meetings for discussions on the priesthood, dinner, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Join us October 8th, November 12th, or December 3rd from 6-8 PM at the Newman Center at UD - 45 Lovett Avenue, Newark DE. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, reach out to Fr. Gebhart, Chaplain: father.gebhart@gmail.com.



Join us for the St. Anthony of Padua Grade School Basket Raffle & Vendor Fair on Saturday, October 3rd, from 11:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Come out for a fun-filled day featuring crafters, local vendors, delicious bites, and fabulous raffle prizes.

Event Details:

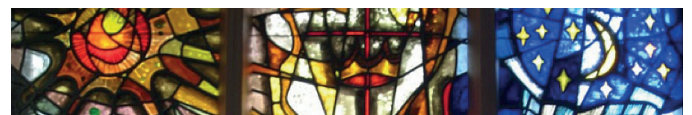
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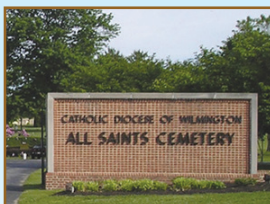
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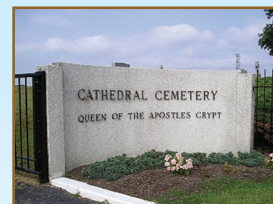
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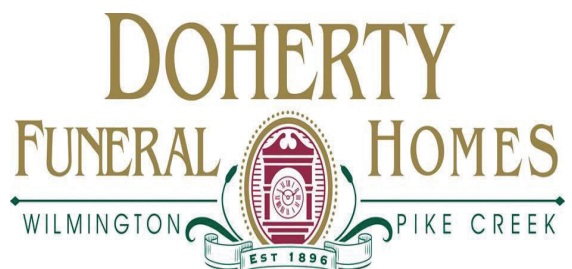
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