

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

September 27, 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@stanthonymet.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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026



Monday, 6:45 AM	9/28 SOULS IN PURGATORY	DONOR
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	9/29 PAULA WILLIAMS	DONOR
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	9/30 BAMBINA DE LUCA	LYDIA & FAMILY
Thursday, 6:45 AM	10/1 NANCY BESTWICK	AL
Friday, 6:45 AM	10/2 MARC DEEGAN	DONOR
Saturday, 5:00 PM	10/3	
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	10/4 ALICE LABAZZO VITO CAPRIGLIONE	DE SOUZA FAMILY FAMILY



This Sunday's Readings - #928 in our hymnals

1st Reading:

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel:

Matthew 21:28-32

Next 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

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 09/20/26

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$9,043.46
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$8,467.58
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$575.88
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 6.8%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$636.35

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



St. Paul reminds us that one way of acting keeps us united in the Christian community: "Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus." He then sings the great hymn of Jesus' loving humility.

The Son of God emptied himself of divine glory to become like us. Jesus humbled himself still more, becoming obedient even to death on a cross. Because of this, God exalted him as Lord, so we might kneel before him as Savior.

Yet kneeling is not enough. We must take on Jesus' attitude each day, striving to be a community of one mind and one love, united in heart.

Paul urges us to do nothing from selfishness or vainglory. We are all sinners redeemed by Jesus. To be like him, we must regard others as more important than ourselves and consider their interests as well as our own.

This is not the way of the world, so it takes effort. Each day we must stay conscious of Jesus' loving humility—perhaps using Paul's hymn as morning meditation.

Today's Gospel tells us not to be undone by failure. Our failings humble us, but God generously forgives and strengthens us. St. Francis de Sales urges us to begin again as often as we must.

Let us encourage one another daily to have the attitude of Jesus, so we may be of one mind and one heart, loving humbly as he has loved us.

The Oblates

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

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 DiBiao
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.

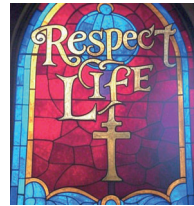
Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their families. On behalf of our mothers, Birthright staff and volunteers, we graciously Thank You!

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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"I believe every abortion is a tragedy."

Diane Abbott

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.

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 4th.* **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

11:00 AM, Funeral

Saturday

12:00 Noon, Sodality Rosary

Retreat

Sunday

12:00 PM, Baptism

Monday, Sept. 28

through

Sunday, Oct. 4

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

Grade School Calendar

Friday

10:00 AM, Grade School Mass



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.



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:

*FREE Admission!

*\$20.00 for a book of raffle tickets

*\$10.00 per ticket for a chance for special raffles

*50/50 Raffle will also be held!

You do not need to be present to win!



Join us to honor and celebrate the service of all first responders and public safety personnel across the Diocese of Wilmington!

Tuesday, September 29, 2026
11:00 AM

St. John the Beloved Roman Catholic Church
907 Milltown Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19808
reception to follow from 12-2 PM

The Blue Mass honors all law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and military personnel who live and serve across Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore.

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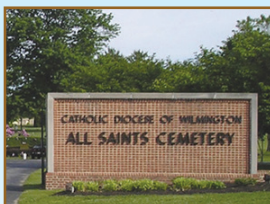
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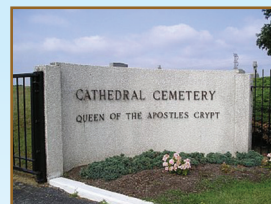
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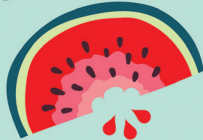
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