

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



April 14, 2024

Pastor
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Parochial Vicar
Rev. Sleeva Raju Kala, O.S.F.S.

Oblate in Residence
Rev. Francis J. Rinaldi, O.S.F.S.



Masses

Sunday9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Monday - Friday6:45 am
Saturday.....6:45 am & 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.

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Parish Business Manager
Bob Shields 302-421-3700 ext. 207

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
302-421-2790

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302-932-3253

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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



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024



Monday, 6:45 AM	4/15 REGINA SWEENEY	JOHN & EILEEN
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	4/16 REV. NICHOLAS R. WASELINE, OSFS	DONOR
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	4/17	
Thursday, 6:45 AM	4/18	
Friday, 6:45 AM	4/19 JULIA GRACE GRICOL	DONOR
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:00 PM	4/20 PARISHIONERS FANNIE FRABIZZIO	FAMILY
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/21 CAROL CIOTTI PRZYCHODZIEN STELLA COFRANCESCO	HUSBAND FAMILY



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

2nd Reading:

1 John 3:1-2

Gospel:

John 10:11-18

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/31/24

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 7,511.70
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 7,973.28
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 461.58
Percent Difference This Week:	- 5.8%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$19,407.41

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 04/07/24

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 9,258.73
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 7,973.28
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	+\$1,285.45
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 16.1%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$20,692.86

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



In today's Gospel we come to see how the Disciples' faith is affirmed as they continue to experience Jesus' presence among them. St. Francis de Sales tells us that God also continues to affirm our faith:

So loving is God's hand as it handles our hearts! So skillful is God's hand in bringing its strength to us without depriving us of freedom. God's power gently gives us power as the Holy Spirit pours into our hearts the first rays of the divine light of faith.

These movements of the Spirit are the beginning of holy love. They are the first green buds that the soul, warmed by the Heavenly Sun, begins to put out in the springtime. Joyous, beautiful, and pleasing is this dawn of sacred love. Still it remains true that the dawn is not the day. These movements of divine love precede our act of faith. When God gives us faith, God enters into our being and speaks to us by way of inspiration.

Little by little our Lord strengthens the grace that comes to us from divine inspiration. So pleasantly does God propose to us what we must believe that we adhere to the light of truth with a gentle but powerful certitude: faith alone makes us love and believe in the truth of Christ's love by diffusing a certitude in our mind. Faith is the best friend of our spirit. For step by step as it were, we are led back to God.

How gently Our Lord proceeds in hearts that consent to serve God throughout their life by keeping the Commandments. I believe that God would give us still more help if it were not because of our failure and the obstacles we place in the way. Therefore, let us be attentive to our progress in the love we owe to God, for then the love that God brings will never be wanting to us, and our faith in Christ will grow just as the Apostles' faith did after the resurrection.

The Oblates

"We must suffer our imperfection in order to have perfection."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized:

Chase Michael Cantrell

Gianna Leigh Cantrell

Tristan James Ford



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

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Eve Archangelo	Allison Auld	Toni Bricker
Buzzy Cooke	Michael John D'Alto	Luci Deputy
Joe Formisano	Tara Fridley	Christopher Ganey
Rudy Husfelt	Lynn McElroy	Eva Meriggi
Gay Meriggi	Samuel Mirabella	Wayne Norris
Cindy O'Neil	Dolores O'Neil	Kelly Panella
Marlene Papillo	LeVon Peterson	Louis Petruolo
Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Keith Preston	Valerie Preston
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...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.



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Padre Pio Mini Retreat

Immaculate Heart of Mary is hosting a MINI RETREAT on PADRE PIO! Please join us for an informational session AND hear up-close and personal experiences by Father John Aurilia O.F.M., PhD, Tuesday, April 16, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon, IHM Church, 4701 Weldin Road, Wilmington. Fr. John was the secretary to Saint Padre Pio in 1967 and he will share his remarkable experiences with Saint Pio. For questions, contact Rita McDowell at mcdowell@ihm.org or 302-438-9739. To register, contact Lisa Krueger at lkrueger@ihm.org or 302-762-5550.

Sodality

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality is a faith-based women's organization that honors the Blessed Mother and leads initiatives to support the St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Sodality Communion Sunday is held every third Sunday of the month from September through May (except December). The office of the Blessed Mother is recited at 8:40 a.m. followed by 9:00 a.m. Mass. Monthly Meetings are held in the Ballad Room promptly after Mass. All women 14 years of age and over are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please email BVMSodality@stanthony.net, or contact Tina Madanat, President, at 302-547-1582.

Respect Life



Abortion is inherently different from other medical procedures because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life.

April is **Abortion Recovery Awareness Month**

Are you or someone you love suffering from a traumatic pregnancy loss and experiencing:

- Depression
- Anxiety and panic attacks
- Intense grief, sadness, rage
- Feelings of shame and guilt
- Suicidal thinking and behavior
- Drug or alcohol abuse
- Problems maintaining intimate relationships
- Eating disorders
- Nightmares, flashbacks

you can find healing. 

Experience forgiveness and be freed from shame. Confidential, compassionate, non-judgmental help is available. You're not alone:

- **For an in-person weekend retreat:**
RachelsVineyard.org
- **For online and/or in-person* Bible-based programs:**
HerChoiceToHeal.com (part of RamahInternational.org)
SaveOne.org
SheFoundHisGrace.org

Contemporary Christian Music Night of Song Prayer

Sunday, April 21, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm at Resurrection Parish, 3000 Videre Dr, Wilmington. Song sheets will be provided! Snacks to follow.

Birthingright of Delaware



... will host its Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale at our parish. Please support Birthingright's pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Masses on Mother's Day weekend which is May 10th - 12th.

Roses cost:
 \$3/one Rose
 \$5/three Roses
 \$20/Dozen Roses
 \$45/Twenty-five Roses (Bouquet)

Your help will truly make a difference! Thank you! We deeply appreciate your support!! You can also make a donation to Birthingright of DE in lieu of roses, our address is: 1311 North Scott Street Wilmington, DE 19806

Parish Calendar

Tuesday

6:30 PM, First Reconciliation

Sunday

12:30 PM, Baptisms



Monday, Apr. 15

through

Sunday, Apr. 21

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

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

1:15 PM, Teach Children
to Save Day

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



2024 YOUTH FOOTBALL SPRING CLINIC

St. Elizabeth Athletic Association in coordination with the High School Football staff is proud to host this Spring Football Clinic with special guest alumni football players to provide specific position based skills training.

The Spring Football Clinic is open to students entering grades 3 to 8 for the 2024-2025 school year who are interested flag or tackle football. Experienced players as well as new comers are welcomed. This skills session will be held on Sunday May 5th from 12 to 3pm at the St. E Center and the football field in Canby Park. Coaches will focus on position driven skills based on the participants' desired position as well as overall fundamental skills of football.

Registration fee is \$40 and includes a Viking Football t-shirt which will be distributed at check-in. Check-in will begin at 11:45am at the St. E Center. A discounted registration fee of \$30 is available for St. Elizabeth students and members of St. Elizabeth Parish.

This clinic is being run by High School Football head coach Mike Lemon and his coaching staff along with special guest Alumni Coaches Steve Azzanesi, Eric Patton, Dante Tiberi, Andre Patton, Gavin McCarthy, Craig Napier, Jeff Fletcher, Rich Conway and Joe Durney.

Please direct questions to: stelizabethathleticassoc@gmail.com

FAQs:

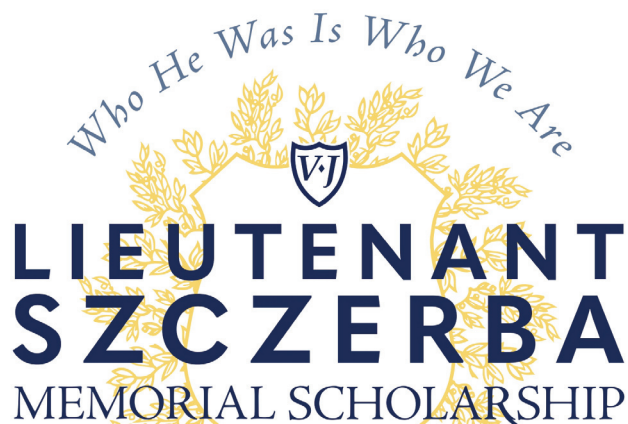
What equipment will participants need for this clinic? The only necessary equipment is sneakers, a labeled water bottle, and a good attitude. Cleats are recommended but not required.
Will there be tackling at this clinic? This is a non-contact clinic. Techniques of blocking and tackling will be taught but there will be no live drills with those skill incorporated.

Can I sign up a participant/participant's sibling that is younger than grade 3? This clinic is limited to those who will be in Grades 3 to 8 during the 2024-2025 school year and we cannot make exceptions at this time.



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH

St. Anthony's is proud to celebrate a century of ministry and service, commemorating the selfless dedication of so many who labored to create the parish we love and cherish today. We will mark our centennial over the year ahead with fun and memorable events. This milestone moment is even more special as we also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Italian Festival and the 70th anniversary of St. Anthony of Padua Grade School and Padua Academy! Stay tuned for details on our upcoming festivities as we honor our legacy and work together in forging the future as we begin our second century!



11th Lt. Joseph Szczerba Memorial 5k

April 25, 2024 – Thursday
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<https://raceroster.com/events/2024/85747/11th-lt-joseph-szczerba-memorial-5k>

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