

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 31, 2019



Monday, 6:45 AM	4/1 FRANCIS R. MATZ	CHILDREN
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	4/2 JOSEPH PERROTTI, SR.	FAMILY
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	4/3 MILDRED PERROTTI	FAMILY
Thursday, 6:45 AM	4/4 JOHN J. HAMMERER	JOANNE & PAUL SEITZ
Friday, 6:45 AM	4/5 NATALIE & BART MERIGGI	FAMILY
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:30 PM	4/6 MERIGGI-ROGGERO-KNIGHT FAMILIES EDITH MORABITO	FAMILY FAMILY
Sunday, 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/7 PARISHIONERS	



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Isaiah 43:16-21

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

2nd Reading:

Philippians 3:8-14

Gospel:

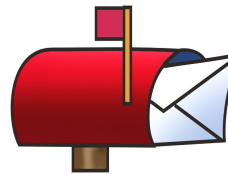
John 8:1-11

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/24/2019

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,579.41
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$11,017.12
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$2,437.71
Percent Difference This Week:	- 22.1%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$34,999.71

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

THE PRODIGAL SON

This weekend, we have the beautiful parable traditionally referred to as the PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON. It is unique to the Gospel of Luke. The word prodigal means *spending money or resources freely and recklessly; wastefully extravagant*. If we think about it, this definition could allow us to apply prodigal to the younger son, the father, or for that matter, the elder son.

With which of these three characters do we identify? Do we find ourselves freely spending what we think is rightfully ours? Are we free with the spending of our love for family and friends? Have we been overly parsimonious with our care for one another - thereby missing many moments and opportunities to love God and neighbor?

Take some time with this parable. One of the things we try to get out of our Lenten journey is healing: healing of ourselves so we can become stronger to be Christ for one another. At this stage of Lent, where do we have yet to be healed to better live the life to which Christ has called us?

Father Mark



"Our Lord will give us peace in this life only when we humble ourselves and suffer patiently."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized...

Elliana Katherine Celano



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



Via Crucis (Latin for "The Way of The Cross") is a living passion play presented at 7:30 PM, every Friday in Lent, ending with the Good Friday performance on April 19th. Via Crucis is presented free-of-charge, however, good will donations are accepted.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Mateo Ahumada	Kenyon Blough	Nancy Brown
Marianne Calvarese	Roger Chao	Nancy Ciocca
Tori Daniello	Alfred DiBiasco	Anita DiSimplico
Naz DiVirgilio	Tommy DiVirgilio	Joe Formisano
Christopher Ganey	James Ganey	Curtis Hughart
Louis Jung	John Malone	Ronald Marsilii
Ivone Marvel	Lorraine McLaughlin	Nick Mercantini
Eva Meriggi	Joe Meriggi	Jerry Osborne
Kelly Panella	Fr. Francis Pileggi, OSFS	Jack Pipa
James Poppiti	Deborah L. Rosenberg	Larry Silvestri
Eileen Swindel	Albert Vietri	Robert Walton

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

Catholic Forum

Are you an early riser? If so, listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 6:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. If not, after it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum.

Second Collection

Next weekend, April 6th and 7th, there is no scheduled second collection.

Saint Anthony's Designer Bag Bingo

When: April 7th, 2019

(Doors open at 12:00 / Games begin at 1:00)

Where: Saint Anthony's Ballad Room. Enter through main entrance of grade school

Cost: \$25.00 for a 20 game packet.

How to purchase: Contact Giovanna Ortiz Send email to gto91408@gmail.com, call/text 302-685-0211 or use square link <http://www.sapgs.org>

VIA CRUCIS RESERVATIONS

Groups of 10 or more may reserve pews for Via Crucis by calling the rectory at 421-3700 during business hours.

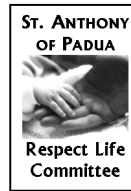
Parish Easter Egg Hunt 2019

The annual Parish Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Palm Sunday, 4/14, after the 11:00AM Mass (approximately 12:30PM start time) in the Ballad Room of the Grade School. We will have three age categories: up to age 2, ages 3-5, & ages 6-10. A prize basket will be awarded for each age category for the participant who finds the egg containing a "golden ticket". We've also have been told the Easter Bunny will be able to stop by and say hello (& pose for some pictures with everyone)! Enjoy the full array of delicious refreshments offered at parish socials (Serpe's donuts & tomato pie, Degnars breakfast pizza, & much more)!

Please RSVP with number of children, children's names and ages, and a contact phone/e-mail by Thursday, 4/11. Please RSVP to Anthony Albence via e-mail to cua20064@aol.com or via phone to (302) 983-3200. (Please leave voicemail with info if no answer.) Please include child name, age, parent name & email/phone # in your email or voicemail.

ALSO RETURNING THIS YEAR: The annual Scholastic Book Sale will be open during the Easter Egg Hunt. A perfect place to pick up an educational Easter gift that will also help our school!

Respect Life: Fact of Life



A word of caution: not all states (including California and Maryland) report the number of clinic abortions to the CDC. And an additional troubling note: no major research organization has counted how many Americans are getting abortions by ordering abortion-inducing drugs over the internet.

Stand 4 Life, 12/25/18

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2019

Sacrament of Penance

Deanery Lenten Penance Service

Sunday, April 7

3:00 PM (at St. Anthony's this year)

Saturday, April 13

4:00 to 5:15 PM

No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 20

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 13

Solemn Blessing of Palm and Procession

at 5:30 PM Mass

Sunday, April 14

Masses: 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

Solemn Blessing of Palm and Procession

at 11:00 AM Mass

Holy Week: April 15, 16, & 17

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Daily Masses: 6:45 AM

Holy Thursday, April 18

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 11:00 PM

Good Friday, April 19

Church open for prayer & reflection:

12:00 Noon through Lord's Passion

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 PM

Via Crucis: 7:30 PM

Gesù Cristo Morto Procession: 8:30 PM

Holy Saturday, April 20

Solemn Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 21

Masses: 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

Answer Bishop Malooly's Invitation to Journey to the Kingdom.

Bishop Malooly invites youth, young adults, and families from all parishes and schools to join him as we come together for the tenth annual Pilgrimage on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Pilgrims from across the diocese will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through the streets of Wilmington with the Bishop as a representation of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and His journey on Good Friday to Calvary. The day begins at St. Elizabeth parish with opening prayer and a concert featuring Ben Walther at 10:30 am. We conclude with the 5pm Mass at St. Elizabeth. Don't miss this great opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. Cost for the day is \$15 per person or \$45 max per family (bring your own lunch). To register, please contact Patty Roach at proach@stanthonynet.org. For more information, visit www.cdowcym.org. Registration deadline is April 5, 2019.

Parish Calendar

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Friday

7:30 PM, Via Crucis

Sunday

10:00 AM, PREP (Grade School)

12:00 PM, First Eucharist Practice

1:00 PM, Designer Bag Bingo

(Ballad Room)

3:00 PM, Deanery Penance Service

Monday, Apr. 1

through

Sunday, Apr. 7

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

Grade School Calendar

Friday

8:00 AM, School Mass

2:00 PM, Stations of the Cross



St. Ann's Church & School

Presents... "The Wizard of Oz"

Tickets now on sale for St. Ann's Church & School's performances of *The Wizard of Oz*. The shows are April 5th at 7pm and Saturday April 6th - matinee at 1pm and a final evening performance at 7pm. You may purchase tickets by calling the rectory at 654-5519 or email jmatyger@thesaintannschoool.org. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 10 or under. Limited tickets may be for sale at the door. For more info, email or call Jane using the above listed numbers. Hope to see you there!

PADUA'S ANNUAL BLUE GOLD

"BRING A BUDDY TO BINGO" NIGHT!

FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

TIME: DOORS OPEN A 5:30

FIRST GAME AT 6 PM

COST IS \$10 - (\$5 FOR KIDS 10 AND UNDER)

INCLUDES: 6 BINGO CARDS; ONE SLICE OF PIZZA, DRINK AND 3 RAFFLE TICKETS.

BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

THERE'S A KIDS CORNER SUPERVISED BY PADUA STUDENTS AND MORE!

BINGO PRIZES ARE GIFT CARDS TO AREA RESTAURANTS

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT DFRC AND PADUA'S BLUE GOLD ORGANIZATION!

Contact Lisa Kowalski at: lkowalski@paduaacademy.org for more information.

PADUA ACADEMY SUMMER CAMP

June 17th - 20th or June 24th - 27th

For girls in grades 6th-8th, \$235 each week

9:00a.m. - 300p.m., includes camp t-shirt

Build a video game workshop. Games and crafts, Science Spectacular, Spanish Culture Crafts, and Cooking.

Air Force Association's Cyber Camp - 5 days, \$255

Video Boot Camp - 5 days, \$255

Online registration: <https://tinyurl.com/y7pzlawa>

Easter Flowers Memorials



Once again, we are presenting our Easter Flowers program. This effort helps to fund the Easter Flower church decorations. As in years past, we ask \$15.00 per memorial. Send your memorials marked "Easter Flowers" to the rectory no later than **Monday, April 8th**. A booklet listing all the memorials will be available in church in the weeks following Easter.

2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

"As I have done for you, you should also do"

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal will be conducted in parishes throughout the diocese next weekend. Funds generated by the Appeal provide pastoral, charitable, and educational ministries to tens of thousands of people in our 12-County diocese.

As members of St. Anthony of Padua, we are proud to be part of the Church of Wilmington. As members, it is important that we reach out in service to others by sharing our resources. Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes and the diocese. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers us a chance to work in collaboration to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us.

Our Parish target is \$39,000.00. Your financial support also provides funding for your parish since **100%** of monies collected above our target will be returned for our own ministerial needs.

Please give prayerful consideration to your resources as well as the thousands of individuals and families who receive needed assistance through the 37 ministries supported by the Annual Catholic Appeal. Decide ahead of time the contribution you wish to make this year and come to church next weekend prepared to offer your support.

You can learn more about the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal by picking up a copy of the campaign information handout in church, or by visiting the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal.