

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



May 5, 2024

Pastor
Rev. Mark J. Wrightson, O.S.F.S.

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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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.

Italian Festival
302-421-2790

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302-824-8132

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St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival
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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 5, 2024



Monday, 6:45 AM	5/6 DEACON ROBERT LEONZIO	DONOR
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	5/7	
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	5/8 FRANCIS J. SCHIAVELLI	FAMILY
Thursday, 6:45 AM	5/9	
Friday, 6:45 AM	5/10 REV. JOHN F. MCGINLEY, OSFS	DONOR
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:00 PM	5/11 PARISHIONERS JOSEPHINE BURTON	DAUGHTER
Sunday, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	5/12 CAROL CIOTTI PRZYCHODZIEN ADA SFAMURRI	HUSBAND SOFIA GIANNATTASIO & FAMILY



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel:

Mark 16:15-20

In today's Gospel we experience Jesus telling us to remain in His love. By remaining in His love we will learn to love one another. St. Francis de Sales notes:

Love causes us to be like what we love. We are given a natural inclination to love God. Moreover, we are commanded to love God and the things of God above all other things. Alas, we are like the eagles that have greater power of sight than flight. While we see how worthy of love God's goodness is, we have less strength of will for loving it.

Yet, this human heart of ours is capable of producing certain beginnings of love for God. But to advance to the true maturity of love, that is, to love God and all the things of God, we need divine love. Through God's goodness our spirits are raised up and united with God's love. Overflowing with divine love, we come back to share this pure love with others.

To love God without loving the neighbor is impossible. God has chosen us as children and thus we must show that we are truly God's children by our loving one another dearly in all goodness of heart. Our Savior, in coming into the world, raised our nature higher than all the angels and has made us so like Himself, that we can say that we resemble God perfectly. In becoming human, Our Lord has taken on our likeness and has given us His. Oh, how earnestly we ought to summon up our courage to live according to what we are! Imitate as perfectly as possible Him, who came into this world to teach us what we need to do: to preserve in ourselves this divine resemblance.

It is this divine resemblance only that we are called to love and honor in our neighbor. Is this not a powerful motive to have for loving each other? All nations, which have a union of hearts that reflect the image of God, will surely be filled with joy.

The Oblates

"Our imperfections will accompany us to the grave."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized:

**Mila Grace Cullen
Anna Marian Germiller**



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

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 04/28/24

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 7,902.61
Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year:	\$ 7,973.28
Actual vs. Last F/Y:	-\$ 70.67
Percent Difference This Week:	- 0.9%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	+\$18,805.40

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Allison Auld	Toni Bricker	Buzzy Cooke
Michael John D'Alto	Joe Formisano	Tara Fridley
Christopher Ganey	Rudy Husfelt	Lynn McElroy
Eva Meriggi	Gay Meriggi	Samuel Mirabella
Wayne Norris	Cindy O'Neil	Dolores O'Neill
Kelly Panella	Marlene Papillo	LeVon Peterson
Louis Petruolo	Fr. Francis J. Pileggi	Keith Preston
Valerie Preston	Karen Ciarlo Sestak	Joseph Setting, III
Pat Sianni	Alexandra Sparco	Mary Stabley
Marie Stecko		

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

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. Next week, learn about the work of Bayard House when Stacy Brooks, Bayard House Program Manager, is the guest. The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoons at 1:30. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and FaceBook.com/CatholicForum.

Birthright of Delaware



... will host its Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale at our parish. Please support Birthright'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 Birthright of DE in lieu of roses, our address is: 1311 North Scott Street Wilmington, DE 19806

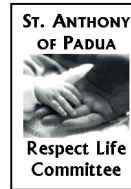
Sodality Communion Sunday

Please join the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality on May 19, 2024, as we honor and crown the Blessed Mother at the 9:00 a.m. mass on Sodality Communion Sunday. All are welcome. Sodalists walking in the annual procession should arrive in church at 8:30 a.m. Our monthly meeting will be held in the school Ballad Room promptly after Mass. Any questions, please email BVMSodality@stanthonynet.org call Tina Madanat, President, at (302) 547-1582.

Respect Life

"A nation that kills its own children is a nation without hope."

Pope John Paul II



2024 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal

"One Body, One Spirit in Christ"

Embracing the gospel message, "I am the vine: you the branches – he that abide in me and I in him, the same bears much fruit. For without me you can do nothing. I am the way, and the truth and the life. No man cometh to the Father but by me." Let us come together as one Body and one Spirit in Christ for our Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. Just as the branches bear much fruit when connected to the vine, our collective generosity will bring forth abundant blessings for our community. Your giving is not only a response to the call of Christ but a tangible expression of our interconnectedness. Let us unite in giving, knowing that without each other and without Christ, we can do nothing. Join the Appeal and be a vital part of the fruitful journey we share in faith and charity.

Thank you to everyone who pledged to the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. Your participation strengthens our community. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. Pledge envelopes are available in the pews and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity and support



To learn more about the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal," or simply scan this QR code with your cellphone.

Gift Card Sales

The St. Anthony's Home & School board is once again selling gift cards. Purchase gift cards from top brands, including Kohl's, Target, Amazon, Walmart, WaWa, and more. Whether you buy the gift cards to shop, or give as presents—you are helping support the board with every gift card purchased. Gift cards will be on sale after mass on May 19th & June 2nd. Payment by cash/check preferred, but cc/debit cards will be accepted. Any questions, please contact the program coordinator, Ryan McLaughlin @ rymcl77@gmail.com.

Parish Calendar



Monday, May 6

through

Sunday, May 12

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

Grade School Calendar

Monday

2:00 PM, May Procession

Practice

Tuesday

9:30 AM, May Procession

Practice

2:00 PM, May Procession

St. Anthony's Italian Festival 2024 Celebrating 50 Years!



Sunday, June 9 - Sunday, June 16

Italian Festival 8-Day Passes & Gift Cards Now Available—PRE-FESTIVAL SALES PRICES
Magic Money Cards (formerly known as Advance Ride Tickets): NOW AVAILABLE
BUY NOW & SAVE!!

Physical 8-Day Admission Passes & Gift Cards are available:

- at the rectory during office hours (9AM-3PM, Monday-Friday)
- via secure online purchase at the Festival website (<https://sapgs.square.site> or <https://sapde.org/festivalcashless>)
- at the Grade School office during office hours (8:00AM-6PM) & with Home & School Gift Card

Sales (Friday mornings in the Grade School and Sunday, 5/19 and Sunday, 6/2 at the church after 9AM and 11AM Masses)

PRICING:

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED 8-DAY PASS SALE:

- **\$15.00—BUY EARLY, SAVE 25% (\$20.00 if purchased on-site at the Festival).**
- A pass provides one admission per person per day to the Festival.
- Daily Admission (purchased on-site at the Festival only): **\$7 daily for ages 16-61;**
Under Age 16 & Over age 61: FREE!
NOTE: Anyone under age 16: MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian age 21 or older at all times

NEW FOR 2024: ELECTRONIC DAILY ADMISSION AND 8-DAY ADMISSION PASSES ARE AVAILABLE!

Purchase in advance and simply print out or show your QR code on your phone at the admission gate!

Purchase securely via the Festival's Eventbrite site:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/833001709537?aff=oddtcreator>

COMING SOON TO THE FESTIVAL EVENTBRITE SITE: Purchase a selection of Festival-themed clothing and commemorative items, brought to you by our partners at Stitch in Time! (<https://customstitch.com/>) Purchase items securely via the Eventbrite site and pick up your purchases at the Stitch in Time tent on the Festival grounds!

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED GIFT CARD PRICES:

- \$25.00 Gift Cards: **PRE-FESTIVAL PRICE: \$22.00**
- \$50.00 Gift Cards: **PRE-FESTIVAL PRICE: \$42.00**

A REMINDER: **Almost all Festival vendors are cashless.** Festival gift cards or major credit cards only will be accepted for purchases.

PRE-FESTIVAL DISCOUNTED MAGIC MONEY CARDS (formerly Advanced Ride Tickets for Midway rides):

- Magic Money Cards are available for purchase for \$35. Each card is pre-loaded with 175 Midway ride credits.

• Purchase in advance to save almost \$10 vs. purchasing the same card on-site at the Festival!

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR THE 2024 ITALIAN FESTIVAL:

• **The Italian Festival is cashless to maximize convenience!** All major credit cards, as well as Festival Gift Cards, will be accepted on-site.
• **Festival Money Cards:** For those who do not have a credit card, Festival Money Cards will be available to purchase on-site with cash. A Money Card may also be purchased with a credit card. The Money Cards replace cash, and will work like a Festival gift card or a credit card.

• **IMPORTANT NOTE: Festival Gift Cards will NOT be accepted at the Midway. Midway patrons who have not purchased a Magic Money card prior to the start of the Italian Festival will need to visit the Majestic Midways kiosks on the Midway to purchase a Magic Money Card for use at Midway rides and games.**

• **Everyone is strongly encouraged to purchase items before the Festival to save time and save money.**

• **To ensure the safety of all Festival patrons, all attendees will pass through security screening for admittance to the Festival grounds. Screening is designed for quick and efficient admission.**

2024 Italian Festival

June 9th – 16th



Sunday, 6/9: 4-10:30PM

Monday-Friday, 6/10-14: 6-10:30PM

Saturday, 6/15: 4-10:30PM

Sunday, 6/16: 2-6PM

Feast Day Mass (with readings and music in Italian) in Church at 12:30PM; *Festa Patronale* Procession at 2PM, commencing from the front of the church.

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