





## DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

### Church Parishes' Get-togethers

Last Sunday Annunciation held a Church Social honoring parishioners who made their first confession and first communion and who made their confirmation this year. Today, St. Anthony has its Church Family Picnic. I appreciate everyone who made these events possible and all who participated. Each event helps us come together as the Church of God, as the Family of God.

### St. Edmund's Spring Fair

The 51<sup>st</sup> Spring Fair will be held next weekend from April 29 - May 1, 2016. Everyone is invited. There will be lots of family fun and much reunion of friends and acquaintances.



### That Man Is You!

We have completed three years of **That Man Is You!** On Tuesday mornings at 5:30 a.m. men from Annunciation, St. Anthony, St. Thomas More, and St. Ann Churches have gathered in Jeanmard Hall for **TMIY**. Each year had two semesters with 13 sessions per semester. That makes 78 sessions in all. Each year focused on a separate theme: Year 1's theme was **Becoming a Man after God's own Heart**. Year 2's theme was **A Light to the Nations**. Year 3's theme was **Revelation of the Father**. A fourth theme has been developed. This fourth theme is **The Spirit of Nazareth: Building Nazareth in your Heart**. As we prepare for the fourth year, I invite our men to consider attending this fourth theme. It has 2 semesters with 12 sessions per semester, totaling 24 sessions. Please keep an eye out for **The Spirit of Nazareth: Building Nazareth in your Heart**.

### DID YOU KNOW?

**Question:** What does it mean to be spiritually dry?

**Answer:** Spiritual dryness is a lack of spiritual consolation in one's spiritual life. It is a time frame during

which one feels deprived of spiritual feelings, especially during prayer. One feels separation from God at this time. Spiritual dryness often leads to a greater closeness to God. Many of the Saints have experienced spiritual dryness, like Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, St. John of the Cross, St. Teresa of Jesus (Avila), plus others.

### Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Easter Cycle C - John 13:31-33a, 34-35

As Christians, we are called to be Christ's witnesses in the world by loving others. In today's Gospel reading, Jesus gave us a new commandment, "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Anyone, everyone, should be able to look at us and see this love in action. If we are not witnesses to this love, then we are falling short of our mission.

So, how did Jesus love us? Selflessly. Jesus often suffered for us, and not just on the cross. Jesus faced rejection and animosity for loving those who were considered "unlovable" in his culture. Jesus lived a life of poverty and simplicity, always willing to give of himself. This is the love we are called to imitate. The task can feel daunting. We are not perfect, and being witnesses to Christ-like love can strike us as a lofty challenge. Thankfully, Jesus does not expect us to do this on our own. Jesus promises us his Spirit to live in us and love through us. Through our baptism, we have his Spirit dwelling in our hearts, along with the supernatural gifts of faith, hope, and love. May we make these gifts flourish.

### Questions of the Week

**John 13:31-33a, 34-35:** How well do you follow this "new commandment" of Jesus to love one another?

**Acts 14:21-27:** Why do you think Paul returned to the city that tried to stone him to death?

**Revelation 21:1-5a:** What do you find most appealing in John's final vision?



*Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero*

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

April 17, 2016

Sunday's Offertory .....\$7,310.00  
Mailed-In Offertory .....2,825.00  
Total Offertory for the week .....\$10,135.00  
Mission Collection .....\$1,594.00

Weekly Average 2016 ..... \$11,441.22

Children's Contribution .....\$5.75

\* Spending time with Granny.....Braden

\* Helping Mom ..... Ainsley & Reese

\* Praying for others..... Shawna, Reese, Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1488

Number of Envelopes Used.....170

Number of Children's Envelopes Used..... 3

**Thank you for your generosity.**

*Please remember St. Anthony Church*

## ST. ANTHONY PARISH ORGANIZATIONS / MINISTRIES AND CONTACT

### ACTS Core Team

#### Facilitator

Mrs. Rachel Andrus

### Altar Servers

Rodney Sonnier

### Art & Environment

Michael & Laura Lombas

### Catholic Daughters of

the Americas

Angela Huckaby

### Choir

Rodney Sonnier

### Come, Lord Jesus

Michael Lombas

### Extraordinary Ministers of

Holy Communion

Msgr. Robert Romero

### Food Bank

Dcn. Gary Gaudin

### Knights of Columbus

Kal Landry, Grand Knight

### Ladies Altar Society

Maxine Moffitt

### Lay Carmelites

Debra Donnatta

Brenda Castro

### Lectors

Rodney Sonnier

### Ministry to Homebound

Genny Dischler

### Ministry to the Hospital

Floyd & Frances Young

### Ministry to Nursing Homes

Dale Francois

Tressella Melancon

### Money Counters

Bob Soileau

Burke Sylvester

### Northwest Vocation Club

Lynn Venable

### Omega Group

Celine Sittig

### Perpetual Adoration

Brenda Castro

### Pro-Life

Sharon Fontenot

### R.C.I.A.

Msgr. Robert Romero

Fr. Travis Ababie

Dcn. Gary Gaudin

### S.G.S. (Still Going Strong)

Tressella Melancon

### That Man Is You

Dr. Zeb Stearns

### Ushers

Rodney Sonnier

### Women's Faith Sharing

Angie Aguiard



## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, April 25

**6:15 a.m.:** Stephanie Guillory & family (*Liv.*); Bobby Soileau

### Tuesday, April 26

**12:00 p.m.:** Pat Schneider (*Birthday*)

### Wednesday, April 27

**6:15 a.m.:** John Karl Belfour; John Marshall (*Anniversary of Death*) & J.D. Arabie

### Thursday, April 28

**12:00 p.m.:** Kenneth Moosa

### Friday, April 29

**6:15 a.m.:** Ricky Coutee (*Liv.*)

### Saturday, April 30

**4:00 p.m.:** George Sonnier; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Dr. Michael D. Landreneau; Pilar Parrie;

Donald Hebert; Burley Marcantel; Jessie Comeaux family (*Liv. & Dec.*); John 'Nookie' Savoy; Leon Stelly

### Sunday, May 1

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

**7:00 a.m.:** St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau

**9:00 a.m.:** Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Ross Michael Andrus; Frankie LaFleur; Deedy Manuel McGee; M/M Norris Young; J.D. & John Marshall Arabie; John 'Butch' Cobb; Ricardo Villalba; J.C. & Ricky Soileau; 'Dutch' Spekschate; Jerry Reviere

**11:00 a.m.:** Elvina D. Guillory; Arnold Garcia; Joe Miller; Jane Courville

**6:00 p.m.:**





## PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

### SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2016

<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Tommy Dietz, Dr. Chip Hebert, Dora Johnson, Jan Ward	Kay Dietz	Andy Hebert, Clay Hebert, Leo Richard, Mia Robinson
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### SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2016

<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Fr. Abadie</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Norma Diaville, Barry Soileau	Lisa Miller	Juliette & Robert Broussard, Gavin Oliver, Kiley Tauzin
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Donnie Darbonne, Kal Landry, Stephanie Manuel	Genny Dischler	Phillip Fontenot, Brooke Young, Joshua & Justin Landry
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Raymond Aguillard, Shelia Aucoin, Glenda Young, Todd & Debbie Ortego	Karl Aucoin	Phillipe Aguillard, Brennon Thompson, Greta Miller <b>Thurifer:</b> Jacque Richard <b>MC:</b> Daniel Lombas
<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Rickey & Angie Aguillard	Lynda Perrodin	Avery & Elizabeth McGee, Chloe & Laura Grace Warner

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER



**Please pray for:** Kathy Henderson, Darlene Faul, Kaitlyn Mire, Bradley Manuel, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Mary Lou Guillory, Diane DeRouen, David Frey & family, Craig Durbin, Bruce Vige, Emma LeBlue, Addison Grace Miller, Rene Duplechain, Eve Morgan, Jude Miller Sr., Harold Lower, Gavin Landry, Carla Sattler, Lenard Craig, Marie Craig, Bruce Vige, Alice Courville, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Shirley Janot, Mary 'Bobbie' Thibodeaux, Phillip Venable, Lisa LeBouef, Joan Burson, Paul Rozas, Ann Duran, George Coleman, Janelle Guillory, Gail Landreneau, Dornetta Duplechain.

***Pray for our troops & peace in the world!***

## PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) For bringing my grandson back from his military tour of duty.
- 2) Safe trip.

**Adorers needed for the following hours starting at:** *Tues. 2 am; Thurs. 2 am, 3 am; Fri. 4 pm; Sat. 2 am, 3 am, 11 am; Sun. 1 am*

**Prayer Partners Needed:** *Mon. 8 am, 9 am; Wed. 7 am, 8 am, Noon, 1 pm; Thurs 4 pm, Sat 3 pm*

**To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.**

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### **Monday, April 25**

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
St. Edmund High School Mass -- 1:30 p.m.  
St. Edmund Advisory Committee -- 5:30 p.m.

### **Tuesday, April 26**

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.  
Annulment Workshop -- 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

### **Wednesday, April 27**

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
St. Edmund Elementary Mass -- 8:00 a.m.  
Women's Faith Sharing -- 5:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

### **Thursday, April 28**

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

### **Friday, April 29**

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
Eunice Manor / Oaklane Masses -- 9:30 a.m.  
**St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 6:00-10:00 p.m.**

### **Saturday, April 30**

**St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.**  
Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.  
Anticipated Sunday Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

### **Sunday, May 1**

Masses -- 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
**St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.

# St Edmund **SPRING FAIR**

**Friday, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>** 6pm - 10pm  
**Saturday, Apr 30<sup>th</sup>** 10am - 10pm  
**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** 10am - 6pm



**It's All At the Fair!**

**Lots of Rides!**

**LIVE AUCTION!**  
**SUNDAY, May 1st**  
 2:00PM  
 Parking Lot  
 Weather Permitting



Be sure to visit the  
**Blue Jay Boutique!**

**Weekend Armbands May Be Purchased:**

Monday, Apr. 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-7:00pm • in Cafeteria  
 Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30am-8:30am at the Jeanmard Hall  
**ALL Armbands are NON-REFUNDABLE**

## **BINGO**

### **Regular Bingo**

Fri-- 6pm - 10pm  
 Sat--10am - 9pm  
 Sun--10am - 5pm

### **Big Bingo**

**\$15 at the door...**  
**\$10 in Advance**  
 Saturday 9pm  
 Sunday 5pm  
 9 Games @ \$100  
 1 Black-Out with \$500  
 (both days)

## **5K COLOR FUN RUN/ 1 MILE WALK**

**Sun, May 1st**  
**8:00am**  
 \*Registration  
 begins 7:00am

## **FOOD, FOOD AND MORE FOOD!**

Boiled Crawfish,  
 Bar-B-Que Hamburgers,  
 Shrimp Etouffee, Fried Catfish,  
 Candies & Sweets, Cotton Candy,  
 Funnel Cakes, Sno-Cones and more!

## **ARMBANDS**

Friday Armband: \$20  
 Saturday Armband: \$20  
 Sunday Armband: \$20  
 Weekend Armband: \$45  
 Ticket booth will open 5:30 Friday  
 Regular Armbands will be sold on  
 Friday: 6pm-10pm • Saturday: 12pm-4pm  
 Sunday: 12pm-4pm

## **SAVE THE DATE:**

# **HAPPY DAYS 2016**

This year (2016) St. Anthony Church will be the only Catholic Church in Eunice with a Vacation Bible School. Our Happy Days Program will be held June 13-17, 9:00-11:30 a.m. We will only be accepting the first 100 students to register. Registration forms will be in the bulletin beginning in May. So, save the date and register early.

**All Are Welcome! Sign up early!!**

## **BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT**

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## **ANNULMENTS:**

**What They Are and How to Go About It**  
 (What the Church Means by a Declaration of Nullity and How to Petition for One)

**When:** Tuesday,  
 April 26, 2016  
 6:30 P.M.

**Where:**  
 St. Anthony of Padua  
 (Eunice)  
 Jeanmard Hall

**Presenter:**  
 Very Rev. Msgr.  
 Robie Robichaux, JCL, VJ  
 Diocese of Lafayette

**Mercy:**  
 the bridge that connects  
**God** and man,  
 opening our hearts  
 to the hope  
 of being loved forever  
**despite** our sinfulness.  
 -Pope Francis



Contact: Nikki Sonnier @  
 337-322-8738  
 or email: nsonnier@diolaf.org



**May 20**  
7:00 p.m.  
St. Edmund High School  
Graduation & Mass

# St. Anthony of Padua Church

**May 2016**

**May 20**

6:30 p.m.  
Eunice High School  
Graduation



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> Pray for Pope Francis <b>St. Edmund Spring Fair</b> 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass	<b>2</b> Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI <b>Spring Fair Cleanup</b> 6:00 PM ACTS Core Team Meeting 6:00 PM C.D.A.	<b>3</b> Pray for Bishop Jarrell Pray for Bishop Deshotels	<b>4</b> Pray for Msgr. Robert Romero 8:00 AM St. Edmund All School Mass 5:30 PM Women's Faith Hour 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda (final meeting & social)	<b>5</b> Pray for Fr. Travis Abadie	<b>6</b> Pray for Deacon Gary Gaudin 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane 11:00 AM Ladies Altar Society Luncheon 7:00 PM Baptism Class	<b>7</b> Pray for Deacon Jim Cormier 8:00 AM First Saturday Mass - St. Thomas More
<b>8</b> <i>Ascension of the Lord</i> <i>Mother's Day</i> Pray for Fr. Dustin Dought 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass	<b>9</b> Pray for Fr. Clinton Sensat & Den. David Guillory	<b>10</b> Pray for Fr. Darren Eldridge & Deacon Robbie Leger	<b>11</b> Pray for Fr. William Schambough 5:30 PM Women's Faith Hour 6:00 PM S.G.S.	<b>12</b> Pray for Fr. Matthew Barzare	<b>13</b> Pray for Fr. Alphonse Thainese & Deacon Chuck Ortego 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane	<b>14</b> <i>Collection: Bishop's Services Appeal</i> Pray for Fr. Austin Leger
<b>15</b> <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> Pray for Deacon T.J. Richard 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass	<b>16</b> Pray for Sr. Nell Murray & Sr. Marlene Ste. Marie	<b>17</b> Pray for Fr. Nathan Comeaux	<b>18</b> Pray for Fr. Gil Dutel & Fr. Tom Voorhies 5:30 PM Women's Faith Hour	<b>19</b> Pray for Fr. John Brown, S.J. 6:00 PM St. Edmund Class Night @ SEH Gym 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus	<b>20</b> Pray for Fr. Kendal Faulk & Fr. Jerry Mesley 9:30 AM Nursing Home Masses 6:30 PM Eunice High School Graduation 7:00 PM St. Edmund High School Graduation & Mass	<b>21</b> Pray for Fr. Henry Broussard KC's Fund Raiser (Pass out baby bottles)
<b>22</b> <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i> Pray for Fr. Joseph Sai Tran & Fr. David Hebert 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass	<b>23</b> Pray for Fr. Blaine Clement 1:30 PM SEH School Mass 5:00 PM St. Edmund Finance Comm.	<b>24</b> Pray for Fr. Randall Moreau 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation	<b>25</b> Pray for Fr. Sonny Brown & Fr. Tommy Montelaro 5:30 PM Women's Faith Hour	<b>26</b> Pray for Fr. Stephen Ugwu	<b>27</b> Pray for Sr. Agnes Thevis St. Ed - Last day of school 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane	<b>28</b> Pray for Fr. Jonathan Janise KC's Fund Raiser (Pick up baby bottles) 10:00 AM Transitional Diaconate Ordination at St. John's Cathedral
<b>29</b> <i>Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</i> Pray for Fr. Jim Brady 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass	<b>30</b> <i>Memorial Day</i> Pray for Sr. Joel Miller & Sr. Stephanie Brignac <b>Rectory Office Closed</b>	<b>31</b> Pray for Fr. Paul Lafleur 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation	<b>St. Edmund Spring Fair</b> <b>Friday, April 29 -- 6 pm to 10pm</b> <b>Saturday, April 30 -- 10 am to 10 pm</b> <b>Sunday, May 1 -- 10 am to 6 pm</b>			

