

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

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Rev. Fr. Matthew Hebert

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Deacon Gary Gaudin

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.*

Psalm 63:2



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

Men's ACTS Retreat

A Men's ACTS Retreat is scheduled for January 25-28, 2018. Talks are given this weekend at both St. Anthony and Annunciation inviting parishioners to register for this retreat. With the Thanksgiving

Holiday and Christmas and New Year's Holidays following, we may find that while we intend to register for the retreat – we forget. So please sign-up at a time you will not forget, preferably before Thanksgiving. The retreat offers a lot:

- Learn more and grow in your faith & prayer life.
- Renew yourself spiritually & deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Unburden yourself from the past & grow closer to God.
- Meet other people who are beginning or are already on a spiritual journey.
- Build lasting friendships with members of our parishes and faith communities.

Eucharistic Procession for Christ the King

Last year in Eunice the Catholic Parishes together concluded the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy with our annual Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. We did this to move the procession to the celebration of Christ the King as the weather is more amiable for outdoor processions in November than in June, where we held the procession on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). Last year's host parish was St. Thomas More. This year it is St. Anthony of Padua's turn to host the procession. Next year's host parish is St. Mathilda. So this year it is on **Sunday, November 26, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. beginning in St. Anthony of Padua's Church.** Please try to attend!

Preparing for Advent and Christmas at St. Anthony

Parishioners of St. Anthony are invited to join together to assemble the trees in the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas on **Saturday, November 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in St. Anthony Church.** Families may dedicate the tree they set up in memory of a loved one.

Giving Tree

At both Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church and at St. Anthony of Padua Church, we have a Giving Tree during Advent. Each Church's Giving Tree has its own unique practice.

For Annunciation, the Giving Tree will in the foyer area of Church for the first Sunday of Advent. On the Tree will be slips of paper with a suggested gift. Parishioners can choose a paper and place their gift in an envelope. The money collected will be used to help a needy family. The deadline for these gifts is **Sunday, December 17, 2017.**

For St. Anthony, the Giving Tree will be near the statue

of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Sunday, November 26, 2017. On the tree there will be a Christmas Ornament with a number and information regarding a gift for a child. Also near the tree there will be a poster with the corresponding number of the ornament. Parishioners are asked to take an ornament and on the corresponding poster write their name on the line number corresponding to the number on the ornament. The gifts can be placed at the Giving Tree and will be attended to at that time. The last day to place the gift at the Giving Tree is **Thursday, December 14, 2017.** The gifts will be delivered to the children on December 18, 2017. Please return the ornament by placing the Christmas Ornament on the gift so that we know for whom it is. Individual parishioners or groups of parishioners can come together in adopting a child. Groups could be family, class, civic organizations, or business. I take this occasion to thank parishioners of both Annunciation and St. Anthony for your love and care.

WHY DO WE DO THAT

CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question: November is called the month of All Souls. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

Answer: November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory. While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing towards perfection before meeting our perfect God face-to-face.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time,

Year A - Matthew 25:1-13

"But the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps." The foolish versus the wise. Today's parable sets these two groups in stark contrast to one another. Two crowds of young women wait for a wedding feast. One group comes prepared for the unexpected, the other just assumes everything will go according to schedule. But it doesn't! The Bridegroom is late,

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 12, 2017

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

November 5, 2017

Sunday's Offertory	\$9,157.00
Mailed-In Offertory	870.00
Online Giving	200.00
Total Offertory for the week	<u>\$10,227.00</u>
Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund.....	\$1,789.00
All Saints Day Collection.....	\$2,473.00

Weekly Average 2017 \$9,563.56

Children's Contribution \$11.25

* Extra prayers Matthew

* Praying for Uncle Gary in heaven Shawna, Reese,
Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1494

Number of Envelopes Used.....176

Number of Children's Envelopes Used 4

Thank you for your generosity.

*Please remember St. Anthony Church
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

and the foolish virgins are left out in the dark—literally—while the wise ones enjoy the feast inside.

The lesson here is not just about having foresight and gathering the corresponding equipment. It's about being ready for the second coming of Christ. Jesus himself is the "Bridegroom." Traditionally we refer to the Church as the "Bride of Christ" and we, as the people of God who constitute the Church, are even now awaiting the real feast, the culmination of time when Jesus returns. But are we standing among the wise or the foolish as we wait?

Jesus tells us today, "*Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.*" Are we spiritually awake? Do we have extra oil to see us through, or are we hitting the bottom of the barrel and running on spiritual fumes so to speak? Do we think it's enough to do the bare minimum as we wait for Christ—stepping into church without really being present, or calling ourselves Christian without really taking up the challenge of the cross? In order to avoid standing outside the feast with the foolish, we will want to make sure we fill our flasks with oil or, in other words, fill our hearts with the love of God, fill our minds with his word and his teachings, and fill our souls with the virtues that unite us to his will. If we stock up on these important supplies, we can count ourselves among the wise!

Questions for the Week

Matthew 25:1-13 The parable of the ten virgins forewarns believers to be prepared for the return of Christ. How do you think this is best accomplished?

Wisdom 6:12-16 The virtue of wisdom is personified in today's reading. What do you think our author means by saying wisdom is "the perfection of prudence"?

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 According to Paul, what is the sequence of events that will occur at the second coming of Christ?

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 13

6:15 a.m.: Josie Snorgrass (*Liv.*)

Tuesday, November 14

12:00 p.m.: Ed (*Liv. - Birthday*) & Myrtle Miller (*Birthday*); Julius Bischoff; M/M Sady Courville

Wednesday, November 15

6:15 a.m.: Gene Duplechin

Thursday, November 16

12:00 p.m.: M/M Gabie Fontenot; Liz Moreau; Vernell Soileau (*2nd Anniversary of Death*); Robert Etney Brown family (*Liv. & Dec.*)

Friday, November 17

6:15 a.m.: Lois & Jack Miller (*Anniversary*); Merlin Moreau (*Anniversary of Death*); J.B. 'Johnnie' Summerlin; Ortere LaHaye; Connie Larson

Saturday, November 18

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Annie F. Montelaro; Liz Moreau; Merita Guillory; Joan Schatzle-McManus; Ed Dietz; Leon Stelly; Kirk Stelly; John & Jay Kirkland; Royce Normand; Robert Etney Brown family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Mary & Raymond Daigle

Sunday, November 19

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Carla F. Miller; Denise L. Hanks; Dr. F. J. DeRouen

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Hilda M. Roche; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Glen 'Butch' Marcantel; Clifton F. Seale; Gary Henry; Kelly Keller; Geraldine L. Keller

11:00 a.m.: Charlotte Fruge; Gene Duplechin

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle-McManus

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017

4:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Den. Gary Gaudin, Mitch Fontenot, Dr. Chip Hebert, Michael Lombas, Ken Richard	Rachel Smith	Alex Fontenot, Gabby Fontenot, Andy Hebert, Clay Hebert
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Brad Miller, Kayla Fontenot, William Parrie	Jacque Pucheu	Clay Miller, Kate Miller, Mary-Helen Miller, Millie Miller
9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Den. Gary Gaudin, Ed & Reneé Benoit	Tara LeBlanc	Hannah & Rebecca Benoit, Ariana & MacKenzie Manuel
11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Den. Gary Gaudin, Mike & Angelle Driggs, Dr. Scott & Deborah Eckholdt	Michelle LeJeune	Jacelyn Boone, Wesley & William Driggs MC: Needed Thurifer: Needed
6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Brayden Gaspard, Angie & Rickey Aguillard	Life Teen Member	John Patrick Fruge, Emile Soileau Blake & Harry Summerlin III

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: John Kirk Feucht, Leroy Vige, Amanda, Caroline & Kentry Prather, Anita Maser, Dana Dubois Guthrie, Gail Landreneau, Dale Cormier, Susie Simien, Patsy Andrus, Mary Montelaro, Joan Burson, Sheila DeRouen, Kakee Feucht, Colleen Landreneau, John Lejeune, Kathy Fruge, Evette Fall Bellow, Shirley Ortego, John Edward Thibodeaux, Pat Manuel, Andrew Aucoin, Hunter Vidrine, Bill Miller, Joseph & Dorothy Thibodeaux, Dwayne Richard, Murriss Gorley, Gertie Kibodeaux, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Lenard Craig, Craig Durbin, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Jo Ann DeRouen, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Hubert J. Blanchard, Rose Comeaux, Cynthia Price, Ann Duran, Carl Comeaux, Marcus Venable.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:
www.parishesonline.com

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, November 13

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Elementary Faith Formation (CCD) Mass -- 4:00 p.m.
Jr. High Faith Formation (CCD) classes -- 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 14

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Women's ACTS Mission Formation -- 6:00 p.m. in Hall.

Wednesday, November 15

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Men's ACTS Mission Formation -- 6:00 p.m. FLC / VP
Men's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Hall.

Thursday, November 16

St. Edmund All School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus -- 7:00 p.m. at KC Hall.

Friday, November 17

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.
SEH Football Playoffs -- 7:00 p.m.
EHS Football Playoffs -- 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 18

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.
Sunday Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.
Ladies Altar Society Bake Sale after Masses this weekend.

Sunday, November 19

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.
Life Night -- 7:00 p.m.

Save the Date!!

St. Anthony Men's ACTS Retreat
January 25-28, 2018



LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL BAKE SALE

NEXT WEEKEND November 18 / 19 -- our *Ladies Altar Society* will be hosting a Bake Sale. Pick up a dessert for your family and help support our Ladies Altar Society.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 45 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.uscb.org/cchd/collection

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



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2018 MASS BOOK OPENED

The 2017 Mass book is now open for scheduling Masses. Come to the Rectory during our regular office hours to schedule Masses for your loved ones -- living or deceased. Each Mass Intention is \$5.00.

NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for December - January will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **Nov. 24th** to get your changes into the new schedule.

The logo for TMIY (That Man Is You) features the letters "TMIY" in a large, bold, blue, sans-serif font. Below the letters is a silhouette of a man and a child. Underneath the silhouette, the text "THAT MAN IS YOU!" is written in a blue, sans-serif font. Below that, in a smaller font, is "BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART". At the bottom, it says "Tuesday mornings @ 5:30 am" and "St. Anthony Parish Hall".

TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
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Tuesday mornings @ 5:30 am
St. Anthony Parish Hall

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Successful surgery.
- 2) For revealing more of yourself to me.



Adorers needed for the following hours

starting at: Wed 8 am, 5 pm, Sat. 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am; Wed 8 am; Thurs 4 pm, Fri 7 am; Sat 3 pm, 4 pm

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



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November 11, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the United States, more than 46 million people are living in poverty. Unfortunately in Louisiana, one in 4 Louisiana kids or 28.4 percent are growing up in families that cannot afford the basic necessities. In addition, these children living in poverty, experience undue stress and uncertainty in their lives.

Through an annual parish collection, the United States Catholic Bishops' national anti-poverty program, Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), is able to support those living in poverty and address the unique obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this national collection, together, we bring the transforming power of God's mercy into society and *evangelii gaudium*, the joy of the gospel into communities. In addition 25% of funds collected stay in our diocese for anti-poverty projects.

With your support, people living on the margins can create real change in their lives and experience the hope of Christ. Please prayerfully consider how you are able to extend the hand of solidarity and create real change in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ and bring the transforming mercy of Jesus into their communities. If you would like more information about the collection and those it supports, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel
Bishop of Lafayette

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