# 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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Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.

Mark 9:37

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

Novena to St. Therese September 23-October 1, 2018 Sisters of Monastery of Mary, Mother of Grace Lafayette, Louisiana

#### **Novena Prayer**

ST. THERESE, you recognized and accepted the call of Jesus inviting you to the fullness of life and love and lived it with your Way of Spiritual Childhood. Today, look on everyone, young and old, who prays to you. I unite myself to them as brothers and sisters. Show us how to live as God's beloved children, strong in faith, hope and love. Teach us to abandon our past, with its sorrows and mistakes, to His merciful forgiveness, our future, with its fears and fortunes, to His all-powerful providence, and our present situation, with its struggles and trails, its challenges and choices, to His merciful love. In the midst of our busy lives, teach us to turn to Him in prayer. May we follow your Way of Spiritual Childhood, always looking up in faith to our heavenly Father who can and will make all things work together for our good. Stay with us and make our troubles and hopes your own. Show yourself our sister; pour out on us a "shower of roses" and ask Jesus to grant the graces we desire, if it be His will. In every circumstance, may our hearts, like yours, abide in His peace. Amen.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul is much more than a patron saint of thrift shops! Young Vincent became a priest hoping to advance and rise above his modest upbringing. His early ambition amounted to little when he was assigned to a poor rural parish. Here he experienced a new joy in his vocation. Hearing the profound deathbed confession of a dying servant, Vincent became more convinced of the special attention that must be given to the poor. In 1625, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission for the purpose of caring for the poor. Originally priests only, the mission expanded to include groups of laity who provided for spiritual and material needs of the poor in each parish. Nearly 400 hundred years later, his legacy lives on!

## WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** We often times focus on issues of peace and justice. What are the principles that guide decision making and social morality?

**Answer:** There are seven principals of Catholic social teaching that guide our sense of social morality. These seven key points are the hallmarks of a just society, moral laws, and

good leadership. They help shape our social "conscience" and lead us to choose those things that characterize social justice. They are 1) respect for the life and dignity of the human person; 2) call to family, community, and participation; 3) rights and responsibilities; 4) a preferential option for the poor; 5) the dignity of work and the rights of workers; 6) solidarity; and 7) care for God's creation.

Catholic social teaching has had a great influence in our history and continues to guide us well. We must value every person in all walks of life, but especially those who are weak, vulnerable, and least able to defend themselves. We cannot justify the ends with the means, so no life can ever be sacrificed for the sake of another. The basic necessities of life cannot be denied someone: food, shelter, clothing, and medical care. We can and must find ways to put into practice the Gospel values we preach and proclaim, so that all people can know and experience God's love for them. That might be the greatest principle of all!

## Gospel for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – Mark 9:30-37

The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big.

Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. "The Son of Man is to be handed over ... and they will kill him." Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. "They ... [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest." True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. "'If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.""

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

## IN ORDINARY TIME

September 23, 2018

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# STEWARDSHIP TO St. Anthony of Padua Church

## **September 16, 2018**

Sunday's Offertory	\$7,360.50
Mailed-In Offertory	805.00
Online Giving	3,015.00
Total Offertory for the week	<u>\$11,180.50</u>
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$276.00
Weekly Average 2018	\$9,224.27
Children's Contribution	\$5.25
* Extra prayers	Matthew
* Praying for Nanny Jane Elllen Ulery	Shawna, Reese,
A	Iriana & MacKenzie
Number Registered Parish Families	1506
Number of Envelopes Used	153
Number of Children's Envelopes Used	2

## Thank you for your generosity.

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

## Msgr.'s Article Continued...

#### **Questions of the Week**

**First Reading – Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 -** We hear from the Wisdom writer the mindset of those who oppose God. Where do you see this mentality in the world today?

**Second Reading – James 3:16-4:3 -** James speaks of one's passions as the source of much conflict in the world and in ourselves. Which of your passions have caused conflict for you?

Gospel Reading - Mark 9:30-37 - Jesus teaches the disciples today that true discipleship requires humility and simplicity. In what ways is this condition of discipleship a challenge for you?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

## **New Servers' Schedule**

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for October - November 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 **Sept. 24**<sup>th</sup> to get your changes into the new schedule

## Masses for the Week

## Monday, September 24

**6:15 a.m.:** LeRoy & Ione Christ family (Liv. & Dec.)

## **Tuesday, September 25**

**12:00 p.m.:** Frankie LaFleur; Donald V. Tanner, Sr. (Anniv. of Death); Jeanne Miller; Cindy Miller; Raymond 'Poochie' Fonteot; Helen Tanner; Harry D. Begnaud

## Wednesday, September 26

**6:15 a.m.:** Sherry McManus Hundley; Donald & Helen Tanner (*Wedding Anniv.*); Wilda Hollier (*Anniv. of Death*)

## Thursday, September 27

**12:00 p.m.:** Louis McGee, Sr (Anniv. of Death); Barbara Pousson Ashford (Birthday); Carla, Julia & Jayia Watford (Anniv. of Death); Helen Tanner; Wilda Hollier (Birthday)

## Friday, September 28

6:15 a.m.: Hilda M. Roche

## Saturday, September 29

**4:00 p.m.:** Merita Guillory; Frankie LaFleur; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; M/M Stewart Rozas; Glenn Durbin; Pat (Birthday) & Jeré Roy (Liv.); Barry Ashford (Anniv. of Death); Landry Fulgence Coco, Jr.; Helen Tanner; Ryan & Angie Trahan (Liv.); Roger & Cynthia Trahan (Liv.); Ed & Lois (Liv.) Dietz

## Sunday, September 30

## **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7:00 a.m.:** St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau; Helen Vidrine; M/M Jared Manuel family (*Liv.*); Chase Ryan Manuel; Vernell Soileau; Helen Vidrine

**9:00 a.m.:** Frankie LaFleur; Mary Babineaux; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Myra Lachute; Jessie Harrington (*Liv.*);

**11:00 a.m.:** Ozzie Mott

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle McManus

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

Saturday, September 29, 2018					
4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Michael Lombas, Stephanie Manuel Ken Richard, Barry Soileau	Aimee Summerlin	Peyton LaCombe, Brennan Manuel Henry & Doug Summerlin, Jr.	
Sunday, September 30, 2018					
7:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Kal Landry Norma Diaville, Denise LeBouef	Mark DeRouen	John Austin, Joshua & Justin Landry Isaac Russell	
9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Doug Marcantel Jason & Kelly Bertrand	Candy Atteberry	Ashley & Nicholas Bertrand Victoria Marcantel, Trent Thibodeaux	
11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Den. Gary Gaudin, Donnie Darbonne, Samantha Bertrand Mike & Angelle Driggs	Genny Dischler	William & Wesley Driggs; Jace Miller <b>Thurifer:</b> Austin Poncho <b>MC:</b> <i>Minister Needed</i>	
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Debbie DeRouen Jeff & Angel McGee	Rachel Smith	Anna Chapman, Jillian DeVillier John Patrick Fruge, Emile Soileau	

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Frank McGee, Tyler Bellow, Jordan Zygulski, Liz Charlie, John & Elaine Guillory, Pat Manuel, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Linda Gaudin, Yvonne Perrodin, Robert Duran,

Dr. Kevin LeJeune, Rene Vidrine, Donna Ardoin Rossner, Suzanne DeRouen, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Pauline Miller, Shirley Ortego, Claude DeVillier, Hollie Matte, Gail Landreneau, Sheila DeRouen, Ann Duran, Juanita LeBouef, Karl Comeaux, Elaine McGee, Craig Durbin, Hunter Vidrine, Henry Trahan, August Courville Jr., Jesse Harrington, Joan Burson, Earline Prather, Tammie Boone, Patricia Gaspard, Lana Montelaro Cormier, Bradley Bertrand, Sloane Fontenot, Ben Burson.

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, September 24

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Elementary Faith Formation (CCD) classes -- 4:00 p.m. Jr. High Faith Formation (CCD) classes -- 6:00 p.m. Men's ACTS Retreat Reunion -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall

## **Tuesday, September 25**

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. at Parish Hall.

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Women's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.

## Wednesday, September 26

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

St. Edmund Elementary Mass -- 9:00 a.m.

R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More Parish Hall.

## Thursday, September 27

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

## Friday, September 28

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Mass -- 9:30 a.m.

St. Edmund Homecoming Mass - 9:00 a.m.

SEH Football vs South Cameron -- 7:00 p.m. (Away)

EHS Football vs Crowley -- 7:00 p.m. (Away)

## Saturday, September 29

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

## Sunday, September 30

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Women's ACTS Commissioning Mass -- 11:00 a.m.

Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.



## CENTURY OF LOVE



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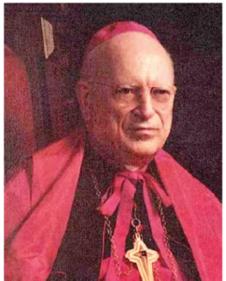
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## Joy and Hope:

# The Church of Acadiana in the Modern World

"For the first time, the Church of Lafayette, as a distinct entity, will join with the other Churches of the Catholic world in solemn and important deliberations and decisions which we fervently hope and pray will bring about the great renewal so

much desired by our Holy Father and so necessary for our era." These words of Bishop Maurice Schexnavder were read all the Churches in the Diocese of Lafayette October 14, 1962 as the Bishop was in Rome for the start of the Second Vatican Council.





Pictured above left to right:
Bishop Maurice Schexnayder, Pope John XXIII

Pope St. John XXIII shocked the world in January 1959 when he called for an ecumenical council. Since the Council of Trent, which was called to respond to the Protestant Reformation in the mid-1500s, there had only been one ecumenical council. It was clear from the beginning that this Council would be the largest the Church had ever seen, with well over 2,000 participating bishops. After almost four years of preparation, the first session of the Second Vatican Council began on October 11, 1962. In his opening address, Pope St. John XXIII encouraged the thousands of bishops in attend-

ance: "Your role [is] to show prompt obedience to the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit and to do your utmost to answer the needs and expectations of every nation on earth. To do this you will need serenity of mind, a spirit of brotherly concord, moderation in your proposals, dignity in discussion, and wisdom in deliberation. God grant that your zeal and your labors may abundantly fulfill these aspirations. The eyes of the world are upon you; and all its hopes."

The Second Vatican Council met over the course of four vears from 1962-1965. The Council consisted of four sessions, each lasting a few months durina autumn. The Bishops of the world were invited to participate and were given votes throughout process as the Council set forth its agenda and,

in time, began producing documents to help the Church see herself in the modern world. Bishops who attended the Council were called "Council Fathers" because of their role. Bishop Schexnayder attended three of the four sessions, missing only Session Two in the fall of 1963. Schexnayder was well suited for this time in Rome, as he had studied in Rome to finish his theological preparation during his time in seminary.

After the Council concluded in December of 1965, Bishop Schexnayder returned to Lafayette and



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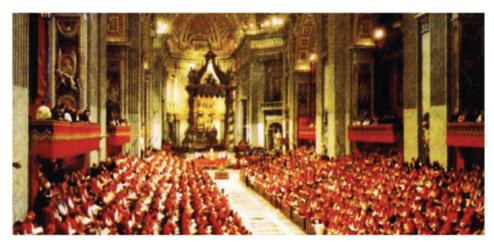
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promptly began writing to his flock about the importance of the Council documents. Schexnayder asked that a series of homilies be preached at every church in the Diocese beginning the first Sunday in Lent 1966. In his first letter to the Diocese of Lafayette after the Council on January 24, 1966, Bishop Schexnayder outlines the goals of the Council.

"The primary purpose of the Council was that the Church examine Herself, Her fidelity to the mission given Her by Her Divine Founder and to make Her mission more effective in the world.



The Second Vatican Council

We must speak the language of Christ in words that modern man can understand and that will recall to his mind his divine vocation. Hence it is that 11 of the 16 Conciliar documents are directed to the renewal of the Church Herself and to the more effective fulfillment of Her mission to preach the Gospel to every creature. ... The second purpose of the Council, important but secondary in nature, was to strive for Christian unity. ... Thirdly, the Council strove to address itself and the Church to all men, even to those without any faith."

His letter to the people of the Diocese of Lafayette continues: "In summary, then, what can we say was the spirit and purpose of the Council? It was the purpose of the Council to honor God, to rediscover

with new vitality the divine mission of the Church; to bring God's truth more effectively to all men, and to do so with love and charity, with understanding and in the spirit of service."

The Second Vatican Council would push the Catholic Church ever more into her role of evangelizing and serving as a light to the nations. Amidst the joys and sorrows

> of the world. Church the declared her fidelity to the mission of Jesus Christ. Bishop Schexnayder worked implement the Council in the Diocese of Lafayette until his retirement in 1972 after serving as the

Bishop of Lafayette for over 16 years. Today, over 50 years after the conclusion of the Second Vatican Council, the Church is grateful to the vision of the Council Fathers and our Holy Fathers who have helped us interpret the Council and put its teachings into practice.

