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MASS TIMES SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 12:05 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

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

Second Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 10, 2023

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2023 - ADVENT, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S - 2024

Parishes of St. Anthony of Padua & St. Mathilda in Eunice, Louisiana

ADVENT



December 3 (Sun.)	First Sunday of Advent - Regular Mass Schedule at both Churches
December 6 (Wed.)	"The Light Is On For You" - Confessions, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 7 (Thu.)	Vigil Mass for the Holy Day of Obligation - 5:15 p.m. @ St. Mathilda
December 8 (Fri.)	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses at 6:00 a.m., 12 Noon, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 10 (Sun.)	Second Sunday of Advent - Regular Mass Schedule at both Churches
December 12 (Tue.)	<u>HEALING SERVICE with Father Clint Trahan - 6:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony</u>
December 13 (Wed.)	"The Light Is On For You" - Confessions, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 17 (Sun.)	Third Sunday of Advent, "Gaudete"- Regular Mass Schedule at both Churches
December 17 (Sun.)	"Live Nativity" presentation - on front steps, 7:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 20 (Wed.)	"The Light Is On For You" - Confessions, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 22 (Fri.)	Adoration Chapel: Closed from today at 7:00 a.m until Jan. 3 at 7:00 a.m.
December 23 (Sat.)	Begin Fourth Sunday of Advent - Mass at 4:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony
December 23 (Sat.)	Begin Fourth Sunday of Advent - Mass at 5:30 p.m. @ St. Mathilda
December 24 (Sun.)	End Fourth Sunday of Advent - Mass at 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. @ St. Anthony
December 24 (Sun.)	End Fourth Sunday of Advent - Mass at 9:30 a.m. @ St. Mathilda

CHRISTMAS

December 24 (Sun.)	Christmas Eve: Mass at 4:00, *** 6:00 *** and 10:00 p.m. @ St. Anthony Christmas Eve: Mass at *** 5:30 p.m. *** @ St. Mathilda (*** Children bring bell(s), a can of food, and a flashlight! ***)
December 25 (Mon.)	Christmas Day: Mass at 7:00, 9:00 a.m. (NO 11:00 & 6:00 p.m.) @ St. Anthony Christmas Day: Mass at 9:30 a.m. @ St. Mathilda
December 31 (Sun.)	Feast of the Holy Family: Regular Mass Schedule at both Churches

NEW YEAR'S

January 1 (Mon.)	Solemnity of Mary Mother of God - Mass at 6:15 a.m. @ St. Anthony
January 1 (Mon.)	Solemnity of Mary Mother of God - Mass at 5:15 p.m. @ St. Mathilda
January 3 (Wed.)	Adoration Chapel will reopen at 7:00 a.m.
January 5 (Fri.)	First Friday Mass, 6:15 a.m. - followed by ADORATION & BENEDICTION
January 6 (Sat.)	First Saturday Mass, 8:00 a.m @ St. Anthony - followed by Breakfast
January 7 (Sun.)	Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord: Regular Mass Schedule at both Churches
January 8 (Mon.)	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (End of the Christmas Season)
February 11 (Sun.)	Super Bowl LVIII - there will be <u>NO 6:00 p.m. Mass</u> @ St. Anthony
February 14 (Wed.)	Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins! [March 31 - Easter Sunday!]

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

November 26, 2023

Sunday's Offertory	\$9,850.00
Mailed-In Contributions	3,126.00
Online Contributions	1,660.00
Total Offertory for the week.....	\$14,636.00
Thanksgiving Day (Funds for the Needy).....	\$570.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development.....	\$339.00
Weekly Average 2023	\$12,233.00

Number Registered Parish Families.....1589

Thank you for your generosity.

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

ADVENT INVITATION



A SPECIAL ADVENT INVITATION

Would you like to really experience Sacred Scripture?
Do you have a deep desire to grow in your faith and prayer life?
Join us the Advent as we gather each Monday evening to journey
through the special season of Advent together.

If interested contact:
Deacon Chuck and Loretta Ortego phone: 337-207-0451 or
Phyllis Pere phone: 337-580-0195

Dates: Dec. 4th, 11th, & 18th
Place: KC Hall, 300 N. 2nd St. Eunice, La
Time: 6 PM



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 11

6:15 a.m.: Kelly Manuel (*Liv. - Birthday*); Jimmy Deshotel (*Birthday*); Susannah Summerlin (*Liv. - Birthday*); Kendall Fontenot

Tuesday, December 12

12:05 p.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Jean Fontenot; Kendall Fontenot family

Wednesday, December 13

6:15 a.m.: Louis (*Liv. - Birthday*) & Carla LaFleur (*Liv.*); Kendall Fontenot

Thursday, December 14

12:05 p.m.: Megan Brown (*Liv. - Birthday*); David Stephens; Kendall Fontenot family; Edmund Frey (*2nd Anniv. of Death*)

Friday, December 15

6:00 a.m.: Pamela Slade; Kendall Fontenot

Saturday, December 16

4:00 p.m.: Patsy Ruth Fontenot family; Payton Angelle (*Liv.*); Elward P. Reed family; Dr. Ben Miller; Newton Thibodeaux; Beth Sylvester; Burke Sylvester (*Liv.*); Terry Sylvester (*Liv.*); Rev. Fr. Verbis LaFleur; Rev. Fr. Will Sylvester; Segar & Courville fly.; Joseph J. Deshotel; Soileau & Ardoin fly.; Ella Mae Sonnier; Lloyd & Rosalind Chachere; L.D. Savoy; Larry Stout; Blake Leger (*Liv. - Birthday*); Jacob Vige; Holly Cooper;

Kendall Fontenot; Rowland & Lourella Fontenot; Brenda Fontenot (*Liv. - Birthday*); M/M Louis Langley family; M/M Lester Reed family; Rose Fontenot (*Anniv. of Death*)

Sunday, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m.: Parishioners of St. Anthony; Kade Guidry; Dexter Guillory; Lester Johnson; M/M Eloï Rider; M/M Isaac Lavergne

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; JoAnn DeRouen; Debbie DeRouen; Johnathan & Lindsay Cleland (*Liv. - Wedding Anniv.*); Getty Eval; Fr. Nick Ware (*Liv.*); Bradley Fontenot; Kendall Fontenot; Brenda & Everette Pickell (*Liv.*); Betty Pitre; Penny Miller (*Liv.*)

11:00 a.m.: John Michael Fruge; Tyler Fruge (*Liv. - Birthday*); David Grant Fontenot

6:00 p.m.: Kendall Fontenot; J.B. LeJeune





**ADVENT EUCHARISTIC
HEALING SERVICE
TUES. DEC. 12 - 6PM
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
CHURCH
LED BY FR. CLINT TRAHAN**



"Come to me, all you who labor and are
burdened, and I will give you rest" (Mt. 11:28).

*Thank
You!*

THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

The Ladies Altar Society would like to give special thanks to all the Parishioners and Bakers for our successful Bake Sale!! We appreciate all who helped make this a success!!

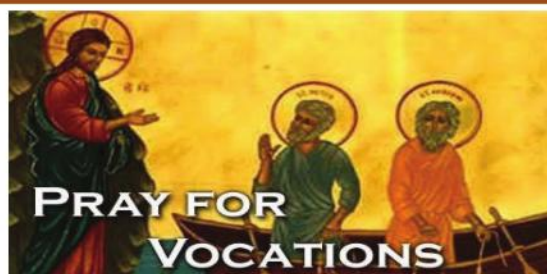
MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Mary Ann Richard, Alberta Walker, Larry Brown, Emily LaCombe, Jo Ann Fruge, Steve Lavergne, Fr. Hampton Davis, Maddix Ashford, Kurt Guillory; Ronnie J. Ashford; Rosemary Smith, Lance Elkins, Trish Elkins, Amanda Goff, Jeff & Ashley Bentivegna, Francis

Bass, Mitchell Savant, Helen Savant, Joey Godeau, Glen & Sharlene Laughlin, Germaine Frey, Rose Blanchard, Tessie Cormier, Jayln Mitchell, Geri Ruppert, Linda Gaudin, Genny Dischler, Colleen Landreneau, Ben Burson, Joan Burson, Craig Durbin, Benny Foret, Ian C. Deshotel, Chase LeJeune, Lapan & Pat Bertrand, Heidi DeRouen, Mel & Carrol Godeaux, Craig Cart, Krista Stelly, Charles Soileau, Anita Masar, Benny Foret, Joey Godeaux, Robert Richard, Rose Johnson, Andy Courville, Frank & Elaine McGee, Kathleen Bolfa, Hilda Carrier, Ronald Ashford, Joshua Mark LeJeune, Wayne Hornsby.

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



The **Maria Garcia** family
has accepted the Vocations Prayer Cross
and is praying for vocations
December 10 - 22, 2023

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✂ DISCOVERMASS

EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023

4:00 p.m.	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Richlynn Fruge, Cliff Miller, 2 Ministers Needed	Jude Huckaby	Reese Manuel, Shawna Manuel, Millie Miller, Molly Miller
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023

7:00 a.m.	Stephanie Manuel, Wayne Richard, Christain Walker	John Frug	Alex Crowe, Colin Duplechin, Caitlyn LeDoux, Aubree Thibodeaux
9:00 a.m.	Rachel Andrus, Cindy Frey, Dr. Chip Hebert, Tricia Richard, Barbara Thibodeaux	Tad Richard	Joseph Oliver, Liam Oliver, Michael Oliver, Kaden Thompson
11:00 a.m.	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Brett Garcille, Sarah Moser Fruge, Charles Feucht, Vergie Ardoin	Sherry Smith	Trip Fontenot, Vivian Fontenot, Ainsley Fruge, Reese Fruge
6:00 p.m.	Rickey & Angie Aguillard, Scotty Richard	Andre Aucoin	Jack Aucoin, Joe Aucoin, Jude Aucoin, Ross Leger

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, December 11

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
 Elementary Faith Formation Classes -- 4:00 p.m.
 Childrens' Choir practice -- 5:15 p.m.
 Adult Choir practice--6:15 p.m.
 Jr. High Faith Formation Classes -- 6:00 p.m.



Tuesday, December 12

That Man Is You -- 6:00 a.m. Parish Hall.
St. Edmund School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
 Daily Mass -- 12:05 p.m.
 Women's A.C.T.S. Formation -- 5:45 p.m. Parish Hall.
 Fr. Clint Trahan Healing Servie -- 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
 Men's A.C.T.S. Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda.
 Light Is On For You (Confessions) -- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Eunice Youth Group [9th - 12th Grade]
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Thursday, December 14

Daily Mass -- 12:05 p.m.

Friday, December 15

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Saturday, December 16

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

Sunday, December 17

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.
 Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.
Live Nativity -- 7:00 p.m. in front of St. Anthony Church.

PERPETUAL ADORATION



Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Great test results.
- 2) For the gracious gift of your love.

ADORERS NEEDED for the following hours

**starting at: Mon 2 am, 3 am; Wed. 1 pm;
 Thurs 5 pm; Fri 2 am; Sat 12 midnight, 3pm
 Prayer Partner needed Fri 3 pm.**

To commit one hour, call Brenda Castro 337-457-7965.

Come spend an hour with Jesus...

NEW SANCTUARY CANDLE

St. Anthony of Padua Church has a new Sanctuary Candle holder. The candle inside the holder will burn for 14 days. This is a way to honor your loved ones with the 14 day Sanctuary Candle. We will post the honored family / family member in our bulletin for 2 weeks. **Dates are now available for 2024.**

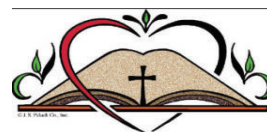


December 11 - 24, 2023

Jimmie Deshotel

2023 MASS BOOK OPENED

The 2023 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.



LITURGICAL DECORATIONS



In the coming weeks, you may wish to make a donation towards paying for Altar flowers and decorations for the church. Your donation (*in a separate envelope*) can be put into any collection basket or mailed to / dropped off at the Rectory. If you would like to make the donation in memory of a loved one (*living - or - deceased*), please write their names on the envelope. On the weekends of December 16/17 & 23/24 - a list of the donations will be published.

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH ANNUAL GIVING TREE

The gifts can be placed at the Giving Tree and will be stored and then delivered on distribution date. The last day to place the gift at the Giving Tree is **Sunday, December 17th**. On **Tuesday, December 19th**, the child's gift will be brought to their schools. Please return the gift AND ornament by placing the Christmas Ornament on the gift so that we know for who it is.



The Light is ON for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Advent Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 p.m.
December 6, 13 & 20
St. Anthony of Padua Church

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Our Lady of Eunice Youth Group



ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

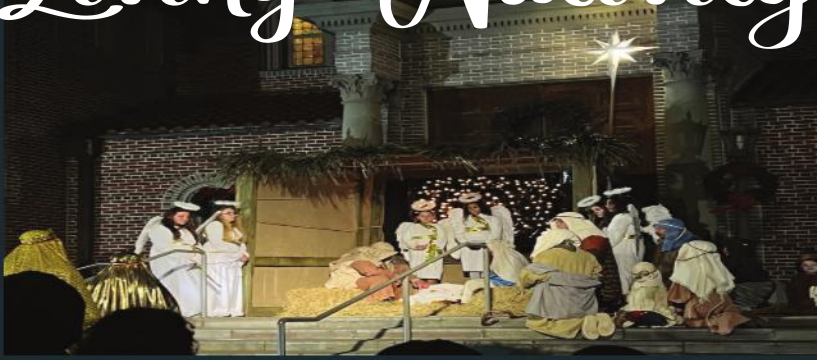
Helping Families, Homeless, and Elderly

The Annual Eunice Foodbank Food Drive is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** at the Eunice Food Bank (new DMV) 2101 W. Ash Ave. We accept non-perishable food items, canned goods, toiletries, as well as any monetary donations.



ST. ANTHONY OF
PADUA

Living Nativity



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17
AT 7:00 PM

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL
PRESENTATION OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD.

BRING A LAWN CHAIR AND BLANKET

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