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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)

2nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 18, 2026

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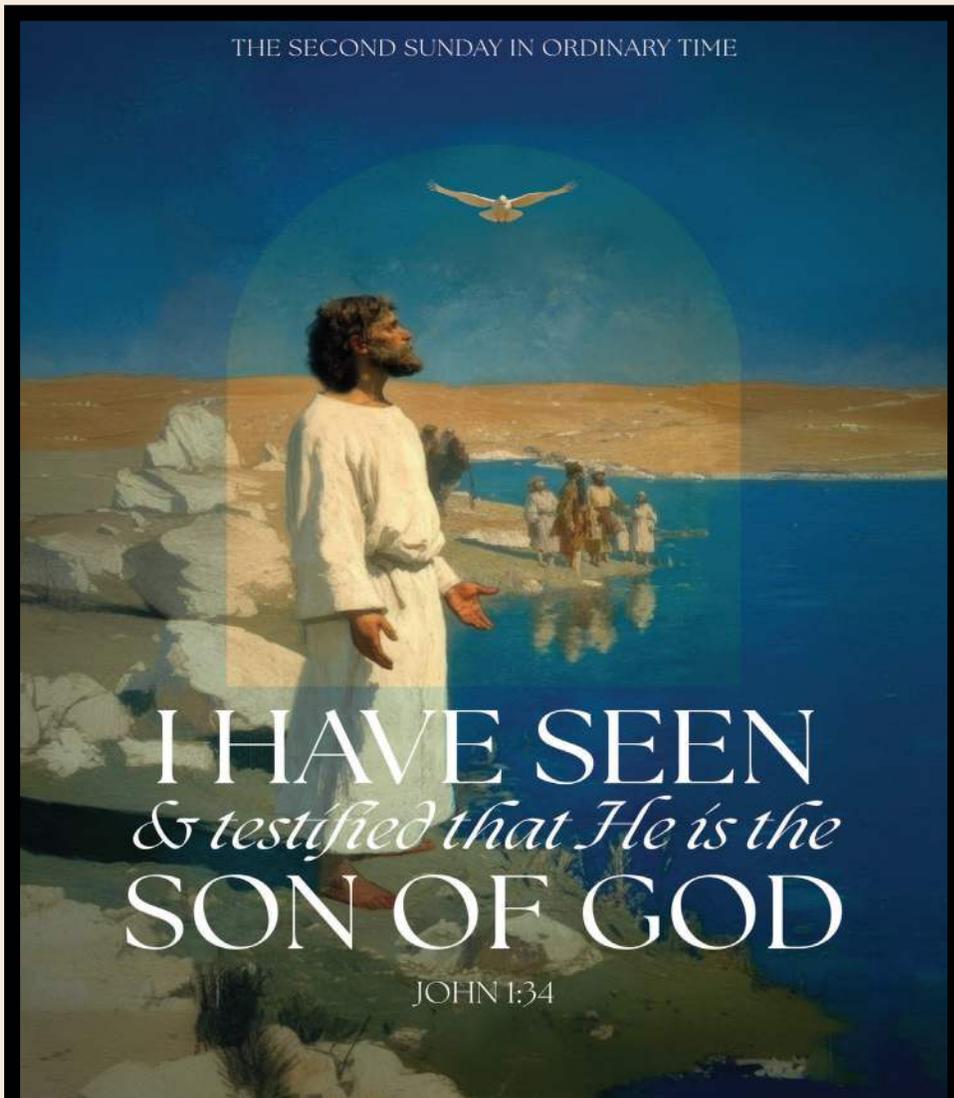
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St. Anthony of Padua
Eunice, LA
125 years
1901-2026

REFLECT ON OUR PAST

(taken from *History of St. Anthony Parish, Eunice, LA 1902-1983*

by Rev. Donald J. Hebert)

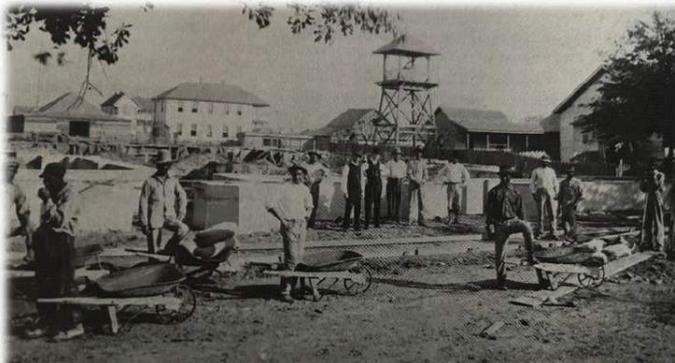
Fr. Louis Laroche would ask the Archdiocese in 1907 for permission to build a new church. After making a Canonical visit to Eunice in June of 1908, Archbishop James Hubert Blenk wrote in his report: "We encourage {the building committee} to take up the work of collecting funds in the autumn of this year when crops are being taken off and to do all in their power to collect money enough to build a handsome brick church to replace the tumbled down frame building which seems to be a continual menace to life."



ST. ANTHONY CHURCH as it appeared between 1914 [after the foundations were built] and 1923 [when the church walls were actually begun.] It was moved onto the present-day parking lot while the new church was being built. The priest and others in the picture have not been identified. The picture could possibly have been taken in 1922 when it was necessary to brace the church structure as the result of a storm on 25 March 1922.

Work on the interior of the church continued for many years. An organ and loudspeaker system were installed in 1938; stained glass windows were added in 1941.

Fr. Alphonse Martel commissioned Dr. Rudolphe Compte of New Orleans to finish the interior work of the church. In 1948, he hung the portraits of the twelve apostles and angels and the Holy Trinity over the altar. "Every decoration will be symbolical of heaven," Compte told a local newspaper.



FOUNDATIONS FOR THE NEW CHURCH begun in 1913. Fr. Chambon is the sixth person from the left and is seen with the workers and foreman on the job. The rectory is seen on the far right along with the rectory addition. The tower on the left of the rectory housed the church bell from 1911 to 1917. The building behind and to the left of the bell tower is a Livery Stable owned by Mr. Richards and is across Third Street. The two-story building is St. Paul Institute school, which opened in 1911. The school pavilion is seen to the far left. The Sisters' Convent is the two-story building in the far background. It burned in December 1920.

In 1912, the wooden church was moved, and work on the foundation began in 1913. Financial struggles caused delays. In 1918, Fr. Edmund Duall created a new building committee dedicated to raising funds for continued construction. After losing funds in the failed banking system in 1921, construction of St. Anthony's brick church was once again postponed. In 1923, construction of the brick walls began and were completed a year later. On November 27, 1924, the new church was dedicated and blessed by Bishop Jules Jeanmard.



DEDICATION OF ST. ANTHONY CHURCH - 27 Nov. 1924. crowd is seen leaving the church with the Bishop.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 18, 2026

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

January 4, 2026

Sunday's Offertory.....	\$9,333.00
Mailed-In Contributions (Dec. 23 - Jan. 9).....	\$18,713.00
Online Contributions.....	\$1,741.32
Total Offertory.....	\$29,787.32
Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund.....	\$2,558.00
Mary, Mother of God Collection (Jan. 1).....	\$3,945.00
<i>Weekly Average 2026.....</i>	<i>\$29,787.00</i>
<i>Number Registered Parish Families.....</i>	<i>1630</i>

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PERPETUAL ADORATION



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- 1) For your loving presence in my family and in my life.
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St. Anthony of Padua Church Sanctuary Candle holder has a candle inside the holder that 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. The cost is \$20 for the candle.



January 19 - February 1, 2026
George & Ella Mae Sonnier

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 19

6:15 a.m.: Bella Manuel (*Birthdays*); Randy Manuel (*Anniv. of Death*)

Tuesday, January 20

12:05 p.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Laci McBride (*Liv. - Birthdays*); Nason & Lurline Fuselier; Clifton T Clause

Wednesday, January 21

6:15 a.m.: Roddie Bellon; Patricia Oubre; Darryl Feucht (*Anniv. of Death*); Dr. Ben Miller (*Anniv. of Death*); Brenda Castro (*Liv. - Birthdays*); Lorraine F. Gipson (*Birthdays*); Nora Fontenot (*Liv.*)

Thursday, January 22

12:05 p.m.: Clifton T Clause; DeVillier & Czahajda fly.

Friday, January 23

6:15 a.m.: Brittany Manuel (*Birthdays*)

Saturday, January 24

4:00 p.m.: Holly Cooper; Jay Deshotel fly.; Patsy Ruth Fontenot; Patsy Ruth Fontenot; Rowland & Lourella Fontenot; Bill Kitley (*Liv. - Birthdays*); Clifton T Clause; Dove Kilgore Forbes (*Birthdays*)

Sunday, January 25

7:00 a.m.: Parishioners of St. Anthony; Kade Guidry; M/M Isaac Lavergne; M/M Eloi Rider; Todd Gaspard; Linda Higginbotham (*Liv.*); Barbara Boenig

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; James Douglas Miller (*Liv. - Anniv. of Baptism*); Craig Durbin Getty Eval (*Birthdays*); Trisha Bertrand (*Liv.*)

11:00 a.m.:

6:00 p.m.: Donald & Dora Price; Curley & Clorine Godeaux



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- **EVENT VOTING IS ALSO AVAILABLE DURING THE SHOW.**

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4:00 p.m.	Den. Gary Gaudin, Vergie Ardoin, Mitch Fontenot, Dr. Chip Hebert, Barbara Thibodeaux	Nikki Sonnier	Millie Fontenot, Reese Manuel Shawna Manuel, Natalie Richard
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

7:00 a.m.	Wayne Richard, Debra Miller, Matt Miller	Michelle LeJeune	Zoe Ardoin, Aden Redlich Joselyn Spekschate, Aubree Thibodeaux
9:00 a.m.	Cindy Reviere, Tricia Richard Tyler Short, Joey & Tiffany Thibodeaux	Tad Richard	Benjamin Guillory, Kohen Guillory Elly Ortego, Everett Reppond
11:00 a.m.	James 'Jr.' Bergeron, Dr. Scotty & Deborah Eckholdt, Charles Feucht, Brett Smith	John Fruge	Nora Cleland, Camille Fontenot Trip Fontenot, Vivian Fontenot
6:00 p.m.	Khasi Cart, Scotty Richard, James Siffert	Aimee Summerlin	Clara Leger, Ross Leger Archie Summerlin, Stella Summerlin

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, January 19

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Rectory Office closed

No Faith Formation classes

Women's A.C.T.S. Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.

Tuesday, January 20

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

Daily Mass -- 12:05 p.m.

Wednesday, January 21

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Our Lady of Eunice Youth Group [9th - 12th Grade]

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Thursday, January 22

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

Rosary for Life -- 11:00 a.m. at Parish Hall.

March for Life -- 12:00 p.m. begins at Picou's on 2nd St.

Daily Mass -- 12:05 p.m.

Men's ACTS Retreat -- January 22 - 25

Friday, January 23

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Saturday, January 24

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.

Anticipated Sunday Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

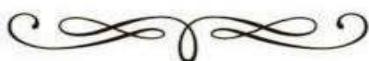
Sunday, January 25

Mass -- 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Men's ACTS Return Mass -- 11:00 a.m.

Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.

Confirmation Meeting -- 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall.



NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE



The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for February - March 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 **January 19th** to get your changes into the new schedule.

2026 MASS BOOK OPENED

The 2026 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 per person.



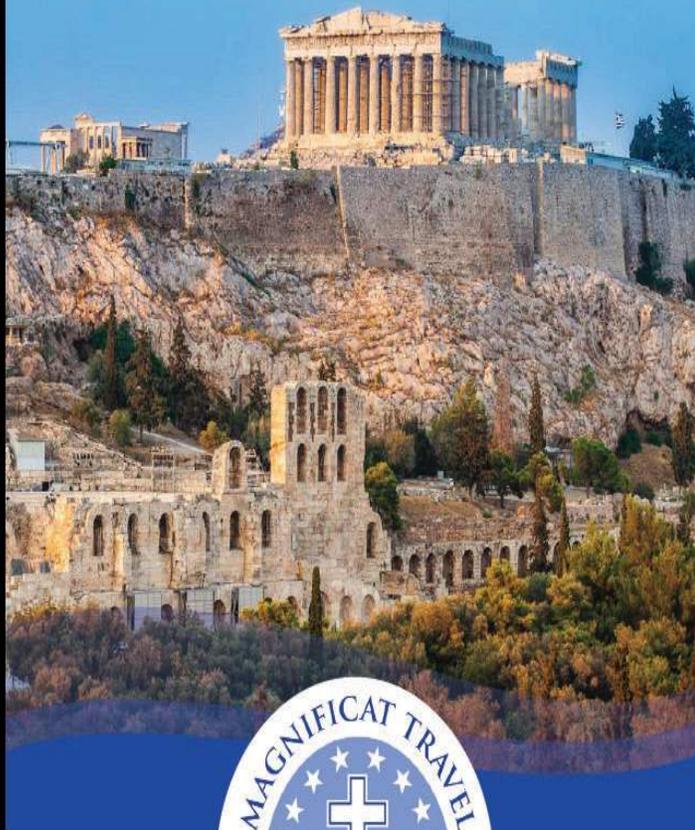
2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

If you have made any contributions to the church through the envelope system or by bringing the contributions to the office -- your 2025 contribution statement will be available at the Rectory office. Call the office (337-457-5285) and leave your name and mailing address -- and the contribution statement will be mailed to your home.

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EUNICE MARCH FOR LIFE

Our Catholic Daughters invite all to join in a Rosary for Life to be held at Jeanmard Hall at 11:00 a.m. immediately before the March for Life on Thursday, January 22, 2026. Hope to see you all there.

***Invitation to all parishioners -- please join in our annual March for Life on **Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 12 noon**. We will begin our March for Life on 2nd Street at Picou's Drug Store and end at Eunice City Hall where we will be led in prayer for all those states who still allow the taking of innocent lives through abortion and / or through the mail order abortion pill. Both your presence and your prayers are needed.



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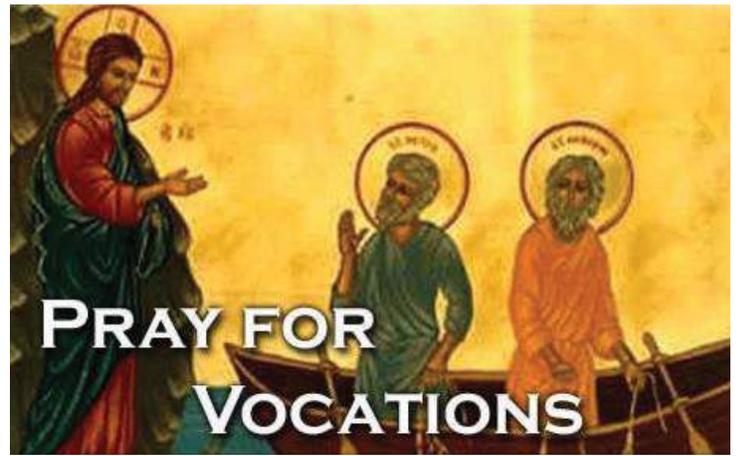


MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Lisa Doucet, Nicole Turk, Everett Pickell, Jacqueline Thevis Shirley, Scott Outlaw, Warren Thomae, Sherry Hopf, Gayle Manuel, Robbie Miller, Cindy Darbonne, Dana Lavergne, Duane Comeaux, Kent Guillory, Jackie Thibodeaux, Jacory Stewart, Tiffany Bergeron Chassion, Kurt Guillory, Cheryl Durbin, Kim Cormier, Nora Fontenot, JoAnn Moncla, Priscilla LaFleur, Shelva Vigeo, Todd McFarlain, Kevin McFarlain, Kim Fontenot, Kirsten Owen, Andre G. Miller, Caroline Belfour, Dcn. Chuck Ortego, Linda Gaudin, Louis McGee Jr., Becky & David Cole, Timothy Carrier, Hilda Carrier, Janet Jenkins, Travis Jenkins, Hudson Manuel, Kenny Fontenot, Matthew Tilley, Mel & Carrol Godeaux, Tressella Melancon, Fr. Raymond Ssebina, Glenn & Sharlene Laughlin, Linda Higginbotham, Kathy Courville.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!



The Kerry & Kim Miller family has accepted the Vocations Prayer Cross and is praying for vocations
January 14 - 30, 2026
 If your family would like to host the Vocations Prayer Cross in your home for 2 weeks, please call the office: 337-457-5285

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