



SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

**Parish Office:**

175 E. Connecticut Ave., Southern Pines. Telephone (910) 692-6613; fax (910) 692-4964. Business hours are 8:30AM—12:00PM, 1:00PM—4:00PM Please call, email or video conference to receive assistance from our parish staff. We are here to serve.

**The Priest's Residence Phone Number is (910) 684-8711.** For emergency calls only. Please conduct your routine office business while the office is open and reserve calls to Father Kane for true emergencies.

**Parish Staff:** If you would like to contact a member of the staff, please visit [stanthonyparish.net/contact-us](http://stanthonyparish.net/contact-us).

Pastor.....	Rev. John Kane
Permanent Deacon.....	Rev. Mr. Eric Rosario
Administrative Assistant.....	John Rowell
Parish Secretary/Bulletins/Cemetery.....	Diana Wake
Parish Bookkeeper.....	Linda McCullers
Facilities/Maintenance.....	Russ Quigley
Music Director.....	Kayleen Roussin
Parish Organist.....	Arren Sevigny
RE Grades K-6/Sacraments.....	Diana Wake
Confirmation Coordinator.....	Ruby Petty
RCIA Coordinator.....	Joshe Raetz
StAY Catholic.....	Donna Boyce/Wendy Smyth
Head Sacristan.....	Karen Cusano
Head Usher.....	Scott Stroker
Parish Food Pantry.....	Anita Monk

**Church Location:**

160 E. Vermont Ave.  
(corner of Ashe & Vermont)

**Office & Mailing:**  
175 E. Connecticut Ave.  
Southern Pines, NC 28387

**Public Mass Schedule:**

Sat: 5pm  
Sun: 8am, 10am & 1pm Spanish  
Mon: 8am • Tue to Fri: 12pm  
Wed: 6:30pm Spanish

**Clerical Staff**

Rev. John Kane, Pastor  
Deacon Eric Rosario  
Deacon Stephen G. Dozier

**Our Pastoral Council**

Rev. John Kane, Pastor;  
Joshe Raetz, President;  
Wendy Smyth, Vice President;  
Thomas Kane, Secretary;  
Jose Alvarado, Tama Carlin,

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Parents must be registered members of the parish for at least one month and be practicing Catholics. Baptisms will alternate between the Saturday 5pm, the Sunday 8am and 10am Masses, and the 1pm Spanish Mass. Please call Diana Wake in the parish office to begin the process.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** You or your fiancé must be a registered and participating parishioner. Diocesan policy is that a period of six months be allowed to complete preparation. Weddings and convalidations may take place in the church. **Please do not set a date until you have met with the pastor.** If any questions, please contact Diana Wake in the office.

**Sacraments for the Sick:** When ill health or age prevent you from receiving the Sacraments, please inform us of your needs and location whether at home, in a care facility or hospital. We are only able to serve you when YOU request the parish office to do so.

**Anointing of the Sick:** For people who are ill, facing surgery, advanced in years, or suffering from a chronic illness. It should be celebrated before entry into the hospital.

**Parish Prayer Chain:** Please contact Lane Bergstrom at (910) 725-0522 with your prayer intentions.

**Funerals:** Funeral Masses are held in the church. Call the office to schedule a funeral.

**Comittal Services:** Please contact the Parish office to make a request.

**St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery:**

Burial plots & columbarium niches are available. Please contact Diana Wake in the parish office.

**Live Stream Mass:**

Sun: 10am  
Sun: 1pm Spanish  
Mon: 8am Tues-Fri: 12pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 11–11:45am  
Saturdays from 3–4:30pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
Wednesdays from 1–6:00pm

**Our Lady of Victory Rosary Warriors:**  
1st Tuesday in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm



Ken Benway, José Espínola,  
Agnes Evans, Francis Guillen,  
Lanny Lucero, Miguelina de Guillen,  
Robbie McKenzie, Scott Richards,  
Michele Rockett, and Tony Wildt

**Our Finance Council**  
Rev. John Kane, Pastor;  
James Duers, Chairman;  
Dixie Chapman, Barbara Collins,  
Keith Maresca, and Mike Zigmund

**Deadlines for submission:** Bulletin Friday at noon  
(9 days before corresponding weekend Mass)  
Announcements: Wednesday at noon



**Church Open Hours: for prayer & private adoration time.**

**Sunday: 7am to 2pm**

**Monday: 7am to 4pm**

**Tue, Th, Fri: 8:30am to 4pm**

**Wed: 8:30am to 7:30pm**

**Saturday: 9am to 6pm**

**Adoration: Wednesdays 1pm to 6pm**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/  
Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/  
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/  
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:** The rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful. (Is 55:10)

**Psalm:** The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest. (Ps 65)

**Second Reading:** I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God. (Rom 8:18-19)

**Gospel:** And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:  
"A sower went out to sow. (Mt 13:3)

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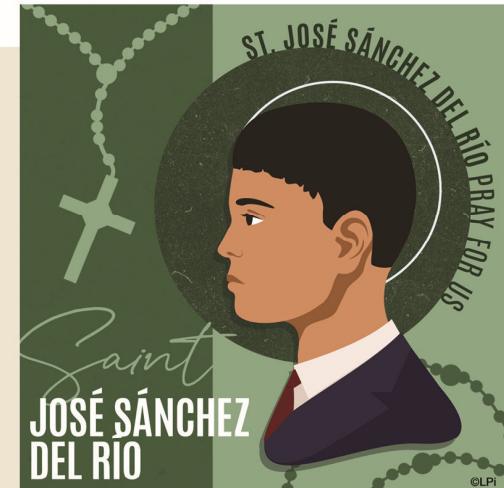
**Mass Intentions for the Week of July 17th**

Time/Date		Mass Intention	Requested by
Mon 8 AM	July 17	† Sally Pratapas	Lori D'Argenio
Tue 12 PM	July 18	† James Murtagh	Moya Murtagh
Wed 12 PM	July 19	Alyse Brautigam	The Brautigam Family
Wed 6:30 PM	July 19	† Harold Anderson	Marion Anderson
Thu 12 PM	July 20	† Joseph & Veronica Grogan	Catherine Golia
Fri 12 PM	July 21	† Pat Mastandrea	Freddy Mastandrea
Sat 5 PM	July 22	† Don Goetz	Ken & RoseMarie Gagnon
Sun 8 AM	July 23	John Reed	Lisa & Ed Roess
Sun 10 AM	July 23	† Carlo Giambellucca	Cecilia DeVito
Sun 1 PM	July 23	† Pro Populo	

We accept all types of credit cards for donations, payments, religious education fees, and funeral arrangements through our WeShare site.



For your convenience you may use this QR code to open a link to give electronically to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church.



**Saint of the week**

Saint José Luis Sánchez del Río was a 14-year-old boy when he was put to death by Mexican government officials trying to eliminate religious freedom locally. Despite continuous public torture and his eventual murder, he refused to ever renounce his Catholic faith.

**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday:	St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Thursday:	St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
Friday:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Mary Magdalene

**Weekly Offering**

**Week ending July 2, 2023**

Weekly Offertory.....	\$10,614
Online Contributions.....	\$2,808
Same week last year.....	\$10,907

**Special Collections for July**

July 2.....	Capital Maintenance
July 16.....	Church in Africa
July 23.....	St. Anthony Charities
July 30.....	Peter's Pence

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### Soil Conditions

I am a hopeless gardener. I never met a plant I couldn't swiftly kill with good intentions and poor understanding of soil conditions.

Because really, it's all about the soil conditions — at least, that's what Google tells me when I helplessly search phrases like "Why aren't any of my seeds sprouting? Please, I tried so hard." I can never seem to match the right type of soil offering the right type of drainage and texture with the right plant. I can't understand why it's not enough to bury the seed in whatever ground is available, sprinkle some water and ask it, very nicely, to grow.

This is also a quality that makes me a poor evangelist to people who do not share my beliefs. How many times have I encountered a friend or loved one who left the faith, and I tried to coax them back by hurling Catechism passages in their direction, offering advice they never asked for and are ill-equipped to understand? I sow these seeds of witness and bang my fists in frustration that they rot where I plant them, never realizing that it's all about the soil.

It is Christ, and Christ alone, who works within the heart. It is Christ who is the sower of the seed, not me. When I leave him out of the equation, when I fail to offer the Person and instead only offer the teaching, I can anticipate that any witness I have to offer will rot where it is planted just as sure as a tulip bulb in a bed of clay.

*"...my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it."*  
— Isaiah 55:11

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

Why do we use incense at Mass?

#### Answer:

The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass).

### Upcoming Events

July 17—Aug 15 Rel Ed Registration for NEW STUDENTS, Kindergarten and grades 1-10  
 Aug 20 Registration RE for returning students grades K-6 after 8am, 10am, & 1pm Masses  
 Aug 30 Registration RE returning students grades 7-10, Wed., 6:30pm  
 Sep 6 2023 Confirmation Class will meet 6:30pm  
 Sep 9 Confirmation Rehearsal 10am church  
 Sep 10 First Rel Ed class for K-6  
 Sep 12 Confirmation Mass at 6:30pm  
 Sep 13 Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) begins  
 Sep 20 First Rel Ed class 7—10 grades, 6:30pm including 2024 Confirmation 6:30pm

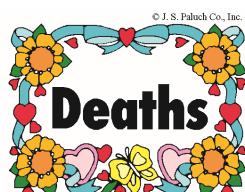


**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) will begin in September.**

Are you a non-Catholic who may be interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you a Catholic who is returning to the Catholic Church? Are you just generally interested in Catholicism and want what we believe explained? Do you have questions on the beliefs, dogma, and doctrines of the Catholic Church? Do you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic? Are you ready to pick up where you left off to complete your Sacraments (First Communion or Confirmation)? **\*\*RCIA is your first or next stop. Classes start September 13<sup>th</sup>. Email Joshe Raetz for more information. stanthonypaduarcia@gmail.com**



*This week's altar flowers were given by Nancy Kilpatrick in loving memory of her parents.*



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Randy Bryan and Bernadine Fowler.  
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

**Religious Education:**  
 Helps to build a strong foundation



### OPEN REGISTRATION for NEW FAMILIES & RISING KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

If you are new to the parish and have children/students you wish to enroll in our Religious Education program for the 2023-24 school year for all grades K-10—including First Communion & Confirmation—please contact Diana Wake in the parish office. Starting this year all students in the diocese must be in the tenth grade or beyond when they receive the sacrament. To register for RE your family must be registered in the parish. A copy of your children's Baptism certificate is required. You may contact Diana Wake in the afternoons this week in the parish office. To request a copy of the Religious Education registration form please email Diana at [d.wake@stanthonyparish.net](mailto:d.wake@stanthonyparish.net).

**Keeping St. Anthony's Looking Nice** Thank you to everyone who has been taking a few seconds after Mass to straighten the church missals and placing them in the rack upright with the cover facing out before leaving their pew. The church looks much better and the sacristans have noticed. It is making a difference. Thank you.



Special Thanks for all of the catechists who served the parish by giving numerous hours preparing and teaching their religion classes this past school year. Their time and dedication to their students each week is most appreciated. Help us thank:

#### Sunday Morning Team, K-6:

Kindergarten - Kate Barber, Marge Swierz  
 1st Grade - Eileen Duryea, Lansing Hange  
 2nd Grade - Elaine Sevigny, Jennifer Vaughn  
 3rd Grade - Jennifer Kennally, Anne Strobel  
 4th Grade - Gwendolyn Tilghman  
 5th Grade - Amanda Belton  
 6th Grade - Christen Thayer  
 Subs: Jonathan Hange, Tama Carlin  
 Children's RCIA Catechist - Marta Kane  
 Baptismal Preparation Class: Rob Deucher  
 Children's RCIA & DRE - Diana Wake

**Wed., Evening Team, Jr High, Confirmation:**  
 7th Grade - Steven Dubuc, Scott Stroker, and Mike Zimmerman

8th Grade/Confirmation:

**Tom Kane, Teri Murphy, and Anne Beaty**

Confirmation Coordinator: Ruby Petty

**Adult Program for those seeking the faith:  
 RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**  
 RCIA Coordinator: Joshe Raetz



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*"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friend." John 15:13*  
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**Have You Moved or Changed Your Phone Number Recently?** We try to keep our records as up to date as possible. If you have moved, changed your address or phone number recently please give the parish office your updated information by calling 910-692-6613.

**Are You New in the Parish?** If you have recently moved here, you can register online on our website: [www.stanthonyparish.net](http://www.stanthonyparish.net).

#### Safe Environment



**Training** along with a background check is required every five years for all employees of the parish, or anyone working with children or youth who use our facilities. Those needing the training include Catechists, Scouts, home school groups, etc. The training is available online and takes 2.5 hours. Contact the parish office.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC—RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### TRANSFIGURED

We have all had moments when we seem to get a glimpse of Heaven. For me, they come with the sacraments: in the pew following my First Communion, kneeling before the bishop as he sealed my forehead with oil at my Confirmation, standing opposite my husband on our wedding day, cradling my newborns as the priest poured holy water over their little foreheads, claiming them for Christ. Moments when the veil between this world and the one to come is pulled away, and our hearts cry out: "Lord, it is good we are here."

Like Peter at the Transfiguration, we desperately wish the feeling would last forever. We want to hang onto the certainty, the confidence and the joy that radiates from our souls. We want to spend forever looking upon the transfigured face of Christ.

But we are not in heaven yet. We raise our eyes, seeing only this world before us, the words of Jesus ringing in our ears: "Rise, and do not be afraid."

*"His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed." — Daniel 7:14 ©LPi*



#### St. John Paul II Catholic School

2922 Camp Easter Rd., Southern Pines. For information about enrollment please send all correspondence directly to the school. Phone (910) 692-6241; [sjp2catholicschool.com](mailto:sjp2catholicschool.com).

The 2023-2024 school year will begin August 23, 2023. While space is limited, SJPII is still accepting students for enrollment in the following grades: Pre-Kindergarten for 4 year olds, and Kindergarten. Call the school if interested.



**Life Care Pregnancy Center in Carthage** is in need of diapers of any size and diaper wipes.

New outfits for infants and toddlers size 0-18 months are always needed. You may place your donations in the collection tote in the back of church. Your support helps mothers in crisis pregnancies in our local community. The LCPC needs volunteers, call: 910-947-6199.



Please show your support for your parish by also supporting our advertisers many of whom are parishioners. Without them we wouldn't be able to bring you our bulletin every week. Please encourage and remind others to show their support and shop local.



#### FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

We need these food items: canned fruit, cereal, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, jelly, instant mashed potatoes and noodles.

You may place nonperishable unexpired food items and plastic bags in the baskets in the back of church. We will also recycle your paper grocery bags to distribute food. Please help if you can. We support needy families in our area.

**Cemetery Lots** St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery located on Camp Easter Road on the campus of St. John Paul II school offers a peaceful resting place for your loved ones. Ground plots and columbarium niches are available. For more information please contact Diana Wake in the parish office at 910-692-6613.



## 15º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO / 16 DE JULIO DE 2023

### EVENTOS

#### Julio

- 16 Misa en español a la 1pm.
- 17 VBS empieza y termina el viernes 21.
- 19 Exposición y Adoración. 1pm  
Benediccción a las 5:45pm
- 19 Confesiones a las 6. Misa a las 6:30pm.

#### Educación Religiosa—Registración

Estén atentos, por favor, para las registraciones próximas para la educación religiosa. Todas las actividades tomarán lugar en el salón parroquial:

17 de julio a 15 de agosto: plazo para la registración de **nuevos alumnos** en nuestro programa de educación religiosa.

20 de agosto: los alumnos que retornan a nuestro programa de educación religiosa **Kinder a 6 de primaria**. Registración después de las misas 8am, 10am and 1pm del domingo.

30 de agosto: los alumnos de **grados 7 a 10** que retornan a nuestro programa de educación religiosa. Registración a las 6:30pm.

#### Donativos para nuestro banco de comida.

Nuestro banco de comida de San Antonio de Padua ha tenido que duplicar nuestra asistencia. Para seguir apoyando a las personas necesitadas que acuden a nuestro banco para ayuda, nos hacen falta estos alimentos: espaguetis, mantequilla de maní, cereales, productos secos (puré de patatas instantáneo, fideos...). Los donativos se podrán colocar en los cestos cerca de las entradas de nuestro templo. Agradecemos mucho su apoyo.



*Acuérdense de Sr. Randy Bryan y la Sra Bernadine Fowler quienes fallecieron recientemente. Que Dios los tenga en su santa gloria.  
Que descansen en paz.*

#### Templo Parroquial:

160 E. Vermont Ave.

(corner of Ashe & Vermont)

#### Oficina & Domicilio para correspondencia:

175 E. Connecticut Ave.

Southern Pines, NC 28387

#### Horario Ordinario de Misas:

Sab: 5pm

Dom: 8am, 10am & 1pm Español

Lun: 8am • Mar a Vie: 12pm

Mie: 6:30pm Español



#### Personal de la Parroquia

Rev. John Kane, Párroco;  
Diácono Eric Rosario;  
Diácono Stephen G. Dozier

#### Nuestro Consejo Parroquial

Rev. John Kane, Párroco; Lanny Lucero, Vice Presidente; Thomas Kane, Secretario; Jose Alvarado, Agnes Evans, Francis Guillen,

#### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 1, 8-14. 22/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/Mt 10, 34—11, 1

Martes: Ex 2, 1-15/Sal 68, 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/Mt 11, 20-24

Miércoles: Ex 3, 1-6. 9-12/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7/Mt 11, 25-27

Jueves: Ex 3, 13-20/Sal 104, 1 y 5. 8-9. 24-25. 26-27/Mt 11, 28-30

Viernes: Ex 11, 10—12, 14/Sal 115, 12-13. 15 y 16. 17-18/Mt 12, 1-8

Sábado: Cant 3, 1-4 o 2 Co 5, 14-17/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18

#### VOUCHER—ESCUELA SAN JUAN PABLO II

Si tienen a sus hijos inscritos en la escuela católica San Juan Pablo II para el año escolar 2023 a 2024, por favor presentense en la oficina de la parroquia para llenar un formato "voucher" que le otorgará un beneficio de \$500 por alumno para aplicar a su colegiatura. Deben ser registrados y participantes.

**Ministerio de la Misericordia** ¿Qué es? Es un nuevo ministerio establecido en nuestra parroquia con la intención de ayudar a nuestros propios feligreses que se encuentran con una necesidad financiera de emergencia inesperada, como servicios públicos, alimentos y gas. El Ministerio de la Misericordia está aquí para brindar ayuda limitada para una necesidad de no más de \$200 por familia. Si necesita ayuda, comuníquese con el Sr. Jim Duers al 910-391-9890. Nuestra ayuda está destinada a ser sólo una asistencia a corto plazo. El comité del Ministerio de la Misericordia considerará las solicitudes que reciba en función de los fondos disponibles. ¿Cómo puedes ayudar? Si puede y desea apoyar el Ministerio de la Misericordia, puede hacerlo escribiendo "Ministerio de la Misericordia" en la línea de memo de su cheque a nombre de San Antonio de Padua.

#### HORARIO DEL TEMPLO

Domingo: 7am - 2pm; Lunes: 7am a 4pm;

Mar, Jue y Vie: 8:30am - 4pm;

Miércoles: 8:30am to 7:30pm;

Sábado: 9am to 6pm

#### Transmisión de Misas:

Todas las liturgias de la Semana Santa y Triduo estarán transmitidas en vivo

**Sacramento de Reconciliación:** No hay el Sacramento de la Reconciliación durante la Semana Santa o Triduo.

**Adoración Eucarística:**  
Mie from 1—6:00pm

**Rosario Nuestra Señora de la Victoria:**  
Primer Martes en el salón parroquial: 7:00pm

Para solicitar avisos en el boletín o durante la misa, por favor comuníquese con John Rowell

church.office@stanthonyparish.net  
Tél: (910) 692-6613

Miguelina de Guillen, Michele Rockett,  
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Raetz, Robbie McKenzie y Scott

Richards.

#### Nuestro Consejo Financiero

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**Fechas tope para solicitar:** Boletín Viernes antes de 12pm  
(9 días antes del domingo correspondiente del aviso)

**Anuncios:** Miércoles antes de las 12pm