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January **15** 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOW I HAVE SEEN AND TESTIFIED THAT HE IS THE SON OF GOD.

JOHN 1:34

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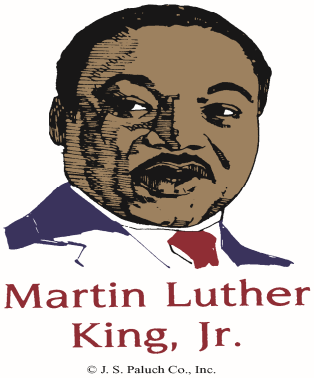


The Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 17, 2023.

Let us honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. and remember a man who's love of Jesus Christ was a source of inspiration.

Mass Times

"BIG CHURCH"
MCKEAN RD

Daily Mass:
Tuesday - Friday
8:00 a.m.

Sunday Masses:
8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

"LITTLE CHURCH"
BERTRAM RD

Saturday Vigil Mass:
4:00 P.M.

We welcome visitors and newcomers to St. Anthony Parish. We encourage new parishioners to register as parish members and become active in our parish community. Registration forms are available on Web Site.

Did you know.....that the Parish Bulletin is posted on our website each week along with the monthly calendar of parish events?? Check out our website at churchstanthony.com

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

It is common practice in the entertainment world to have an opening act before a big event. Lesser-known or up-and-coming celebrities are used to get the crowd in the mood and ready for the moment when the main event comes on stage.

In an imperfectly analogous way, **John the Baptist** performs this role in the drama of our salvation. His task was to prepare the people for the coming of the Messiah, that great moment when God would fulfill his covenant with Israel. From the beginning of John's Gospel, **the Baptist plays a central role in revealing Jesus as both the Word of God and the Messiah.**

As we encounter John today, he is entering the apex of his mission: *Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world*, he says. This is not just someone talking *about* the Messiah, this is a public, well-known figure confirming all that he has been saying up to this point: *He is the one* about whom I have been speaking. John sees with his eyes, and with his spirit, to know this truth. His declaration is meant for all to hear, and heed.

Where does John's authority come from? From his own role as the one who will "open the floor" for the main actor, per God's divine design; but also from what he himself has seen: *I did not know him [Jesus] but the one who sent me … told me* that "I would see the Spirit come down and remain upon the one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit, and this I did see." This foresight, this insight, gives him the authority to proclaim this truth. And without fear he tells all who hear, *now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God*.

Only that which comes from God can be proclaimed as truth, and John had the knowledge from God even before birth – leaping as he did in Elizabeth's womb at the sound of Mary's voice, Mary *the mother of [our] Lord* (Luke 1:43-44). He was destined to be the one who would come on stage first, as it were, gaining the attention not for himself but in order to point to the main act to come.

As John did, so can we. Although we are not on that original stage, we are the ones who continue telling the story and continue pointing to the One whose life, death, and resurrection has transformed the world.

Jesus Christ who is the real story and it is only in a personal, intimate knowledge of Christ, found in the life of an active faith, that we truly experience God's presence. As John the Baptist tells us later: ***He must increase, I must decrease*** *(John 3:30).* For John knows he must ultimately leave the stage and allow Jesus to take his rightful place. **May our hearts be open to this great act of God's loving presence in our lives.**

Blessings,
Fr. Tad

Mass Intentions ~ January 14 - January 20

Saturday, Jan 14	4:00 p.m.	Margaret Yost †
Sunday, Jan 15	8:30 a.m.	Jean Burton †
Sunday, Jan 15	10:30 a.m.	Roger Golitz †
Tuesday, Jan 17	8:00 a.m.	Open
Wednesday, Jan 18	8:00 a.m.	Open
Thursday, Jan 19	8:00 a.m.	Open
Friday, Jan 20	8:00 a.m.	Juanita Taylor †

Carol Perez, Michael Hough, Richard Royal, Helene Eichler, Charles Keyon, Janet Pryor, John Haugh, Denzil Rout Jr, Stephanie Procker, Barbara Holtsnider, Mary Morrison, Heidi, Preston, Jeff Verne, Dustin Taylor, Kathy Thrash, Colleen Denver Walczykowski, MaryAnn Fox, Mary Jane Dias, Chris Thrash, Roger Rayundo, Todd Ericson, Mary Sheehan, Charles Roig, Tony Elliot, Diego Pelayo, Juanita Elizabeth Croker, Luca Colacino, Janice Page, Tracy Riffe, Carolyn Hackett, Kathy Zwibelman, Sean Banchero, Dale Anderson, Rose Flowers, Sally Pfeiffer, Matt Cesario, Jack Williams

To add a name to the Prayer List **OR** remove, please contact the Parish Office: churchstanthony@dsj.org

ANOINTING & CARE OF THE SICK

† If you or someone you know is preparing for surgery, received a recent serious medical diagnosis, or is experiencing the burden of years, please call the Parish Office for Anointing of the Sick.

† Communion can be brought to anyone who is ill or homebound through our Pastoral Care Ministers **or** upon request **by Fr. Tad on the First Friday of the month**. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Daytime Adoration Jan 18Th

Friends, do not be afraid of silence or stillness. Listen to God. Adore Him in the Eucharist. – Pope Benedict XVI

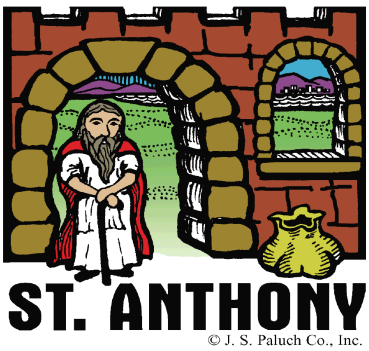
Join us for Adoration on Wednesday, January 18. This will be an opportunity to quietly sit with the Lord and to pray with our community at St. Anthony Church during the day. Stay for as long or little as works for you. Adoration will begin after the 8:00 am Mass will conclude at 3:00 pm with praying of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and the benediction.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tuesday:	St. Anthony
Wednesday:	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Thursday:	Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
Friday:	St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Saturday:	St. Agnes



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CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer to Begin the Day

Lord God, may everything we do
begin with your inspiration
and continue with your help,
so that all of our work today will bring us closer you.
Guide us in our work today,
that we may do it not for ourselves alone,
but for the common good of all.
We ask this in your name. Amen.

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GOD KNOWS BEST

God's creative wisdom was at its best when making humans. There are four holes in the head for information to go in, and only one for it to go out.

—Anonymous

January 15, 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6 | 1 Cor 1:1-3 | Jn 1:29-34

Written by
THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I'm not sure I've ever seen a dove close up. The dove is a powerful symbol for Jews and Christians alike, representing love and a deep sense of peace. The dove has special significance for Christians, as a sign of the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, John the Baptist testifies, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him ... He is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit." The Baptist further testifies that Jesus is the Son of God. The *catechism* (701) reminds us that John the Baptist not only paved the way for Jesus, but for all of us who followed: "The Spirit comes down and remains in the purified hearts of the baptized." Through our baptism, we can follow in the footsteps of John the Baptist by telling others about Jesus. The Holy Spirit will give us what we need in order to become messengers of love and peace to those we encounter.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

During his 1988 campaign, President George H.W. Bush used the phrase "a thousand points of light" to describe volunteers "spread like stars throughout the nation, doing good." This phrase came to mind as I listened to the reading from Isaiah, in which the Lord vows to make Israel "a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." John the Baptist baptizes with water to prepare the people for Jesus' coming. As we settle into the dark days of winter, today's readings challenge us to become points of light to others, leading them to Christ. How we do that will differ for each of us – praying for others, visiting an elderly relative, writing that letter we've been putting off. We may not be prophets like Isaiah and John the Baptist, but we have the gift of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to inspire us.

PRAY Today's psalm reminds me of the popular hymn, "Here I am, Lord." While I love the melody, the psalmist offers a simple spoken version that we can pray to point ourselves in the direction of Jesus each day: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

It's Not Me, It's Him

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 • The servant of the Lord
- 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 • Greeting to the church
- John 1:29-34 • John's testimony to Jesus

All four gospels give an account of Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. This story by the author of John's gospel (who was not the same person as John the Baptist) is perhaps the most puzzling of the four. John speaks in somewhat odd and cryptic language, beginning with "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

As Catholics today, we recognize that phrase from mass when the priest holds up the consecrated host. However, readers and hearers of John's Gospel would have understood it as a reference to their Jewish heritage. In Jesus' day, Jews would take a lamb to the Temple in Jerusalem to be sacrificed as an atonement for their sins. When John stated that Jesus was the Lamb of God, he was making quite a claim—that Jesus was taking the place of a sacrificial lamb and that he was taking on the sins of the entire world!

There are suggestions in several of the gospels that some people were beginning to think John the Baptist was the long-awaited Messiah. In this Gospel, John says everything he can to convince people that it isn't him, but Jesus, who deserves that recognition. Clearly, he had a profound experience after baptizing Jesus when the Spirit came "down like a dove from heaven," leaving him without a doubt that Jesus was the Messiah, not him.

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"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight."

Sheepish Question:

What living offering will I make for Jesus' purposes this week?

Questions of the Week

1. If you have children or godchildren who were baptized, what was that experience like for you?

2. Jesus is given many different titles in the Gospels: Lamb of God, Lord, Savior, Teacher, Christ, Messiah, etc. What title do you relate to the most? Why?

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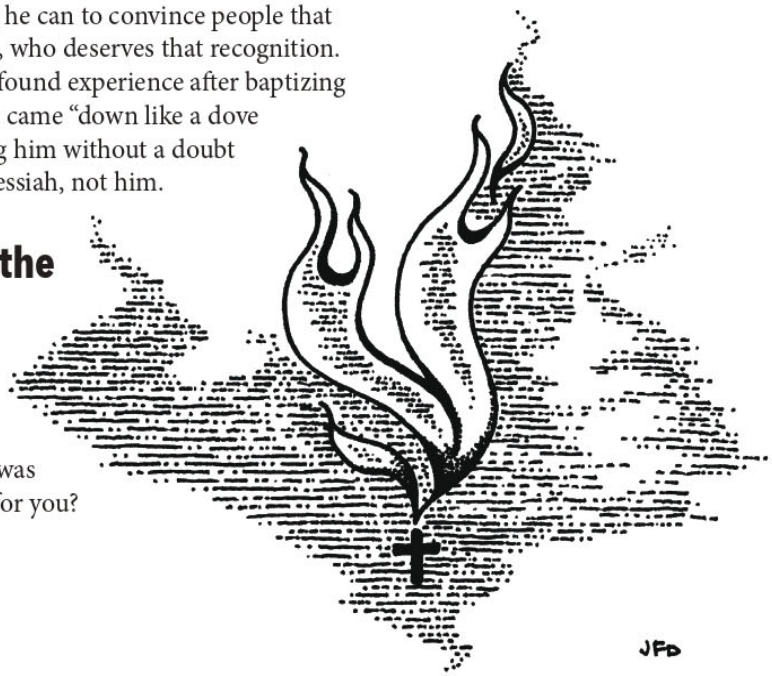
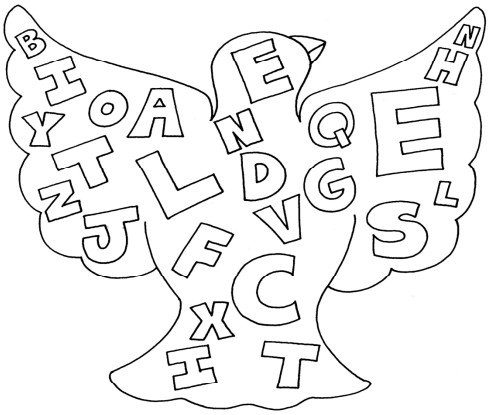


God's Word for Children

"To testify" means to declare that something is true.
When he talked about Jesus, John the Baptist said,
"Now I have seen and testified
that he is the Son of God" (John 1:34).
Look inside the dove shape and use yellow to
color the letters that spell TESTIFIED.
Remember, when Jesus comes into our lives
we can testify to his great love for us!



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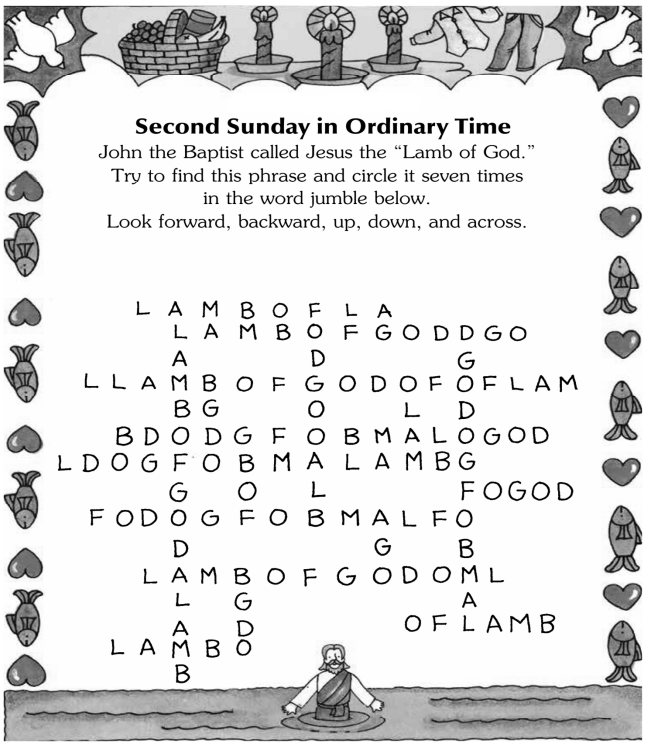

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John the Baptist called Jesus the "Lamb of God."
Try to find this phrase and circle it seven times
in the word jumble below.
Look forward, backward, up, down, and across.

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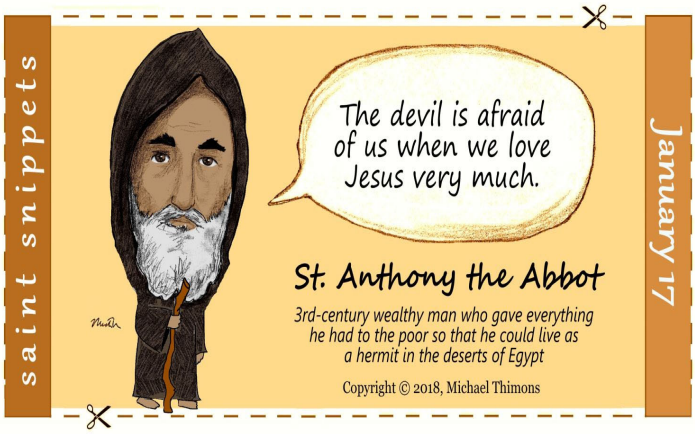
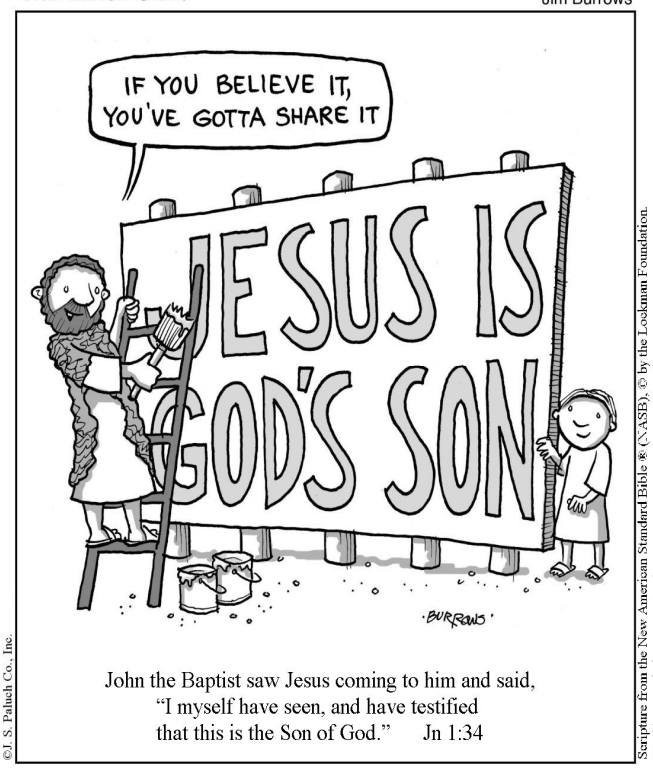


The Little Ones — Jim Burrows



John the Baptist saw Jesus coming to him and said,
"I myself have seen, and have testified
that this is the Son of God." Jn 1:34

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King's Cake for Hospitality Sunday

St Anthony's Youth Group helped serve

STEPHEN MINISTRY Are you or someone you know struggling with emotional challenges like isolation, anxiety over health, grief due to some kind of loss, tension from work, juggling childcare, school, financial strain or job loss, uncertainty about the future or any other unexpected life challenges? If so, you don't have to face it alone. Stephen Ministers provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties. Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support. A Stephen Minister will meet with you privately--by phone, by video chat or if possible, in person--to offer care and support. The service is free and completely confidential. For more information contact Claranne at 408-782-1413

CELEBRATION OF LIFE - FRIENDLY REMINDER

As Catholic Christians, our funeral and memorial celebrations enable the Christian community to mourn, as well as to hope by focusing on the mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ.

Please, first contact the Parish Office or Fr. Tad if you are planning a Funeral Mass or a Memorial Mass for a loved one at St. Anthony Church.

You will be provided with our necessary guidelines which are established to assist in effectively preparing the funeral rites with individuals and families.

FIRST FRIDAY PASTORAL VISITS

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to offer pastoral visit for those parishioners who are elderly or sick and haven't had or have the opportunity to come to church.
I would like to designate the 1st Friday of each month for a pastoral visit.
Anyone who would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion, please, call the Parish office and set up an appointment.

Fr. Tad

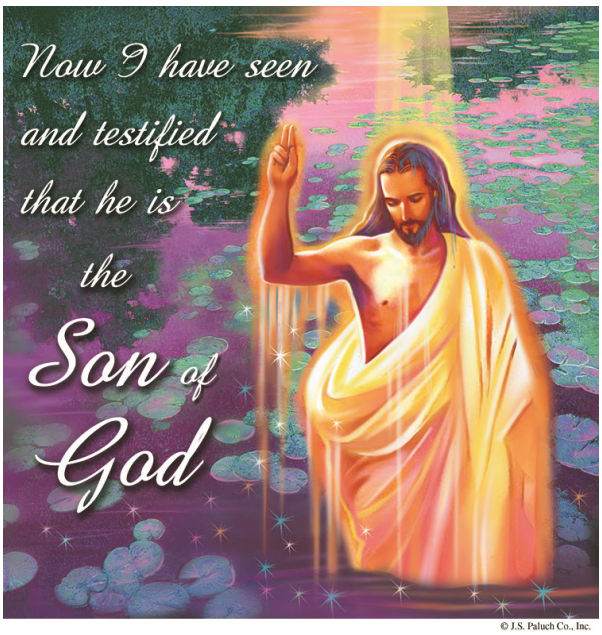
Visiting with Joan and Louis Pirnik

CALLING TO BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

It's slowly and carefully, becoming the time to call upon our children to come back to church and to be engaged in the life of the parish by **becoming an Altar Server.** We would like to call upon boys and girls who have received already the **1st Holy Communion** to register for this program.

Parents, please, help your children to do so if they express such a desire to become an Altar Server. **PLEASE**, submit the names of your children to the Parish Office.

We are aspiring for a life giving and vibrant liturgy! Your kids will have an important role in it.



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To submit announcements to the Bulletin Editor please submit announcement **no later than Monday by 12 pm** to be added to the upcoming bulletin: please email at churchstanthony@dsj.org

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

The 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM choirs are looking to recruit more singers and musicians. We are especially looking for another pianist to help at our Masses. Please consider sharing your talent and joining us in praising God through music.

Rehearsals for the 8:30 AM Mass are on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM and Rehearsals for the 10:30 AM Mass (The Band Fearless) are on Thursdays at 7:00 PM.

For more information, contact Denise Delong at denisedelong68@gmail.com or speak to a choir member after Mass.

2023 Mass Intention Book

The 2023 Mass book is available and weekend Masses are filling up quickly.

A very special prayer practice that is offered at every Mass is a Mass Intention. Intentions are offered for many reasons, for the living and the dead. Masses can be offered for birthdays, anniversaries, illness, special intentions and answered prayers. Consider remembering a loved one this upcoming year.

If you are looking for a specific date for the Mass, call soon to reserve your date so that it isn't taken.

Contact Carmen at the parish office ~ (408) 997-4800; email us at churchstanthony@dsj.org.

A donation of $10 is suggested.

It is High Time to Sign-up for a pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey!

Will YOU Go? Contact Fr. Tad for more information

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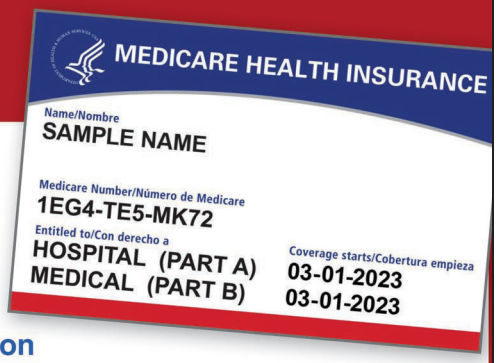

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Giving Method

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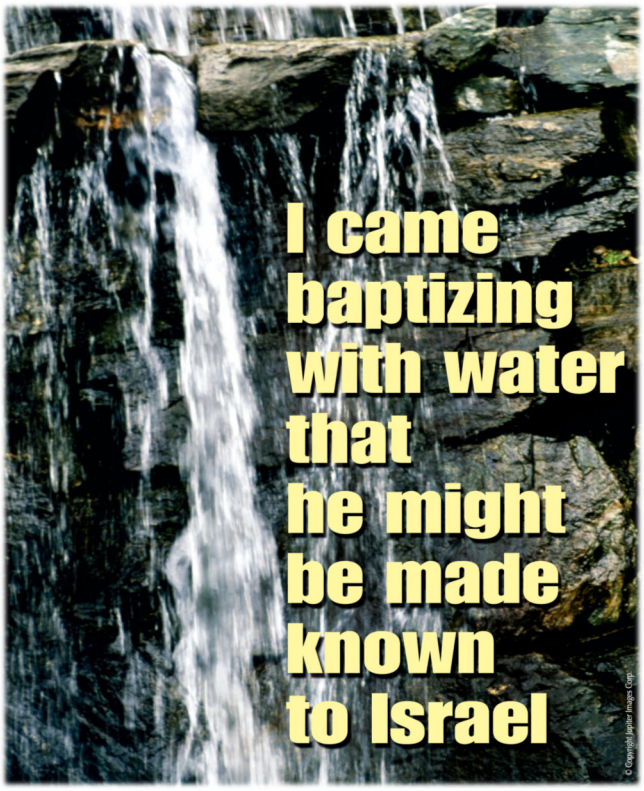

Welcome to St. Anthony Catholic Church! We are so glad you joined us today.

Welcome

Would you like to register or learn more about our community? We would love to connect with you.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

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Please drop this card at the Information Table in the foyer.
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