St. Anthony Catholic Parish



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20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

If you need to access the Church or Office after 3 p.m. please ensure your meeting is on the calendar by sending the details to churchstantho-ny@dsj.org. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Annually at the Easter Vigil. Adults or children aged seven or older please call or email the Parish Office

BAPTISM OF INFANTS

New or expectant parents should contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with the pastor. Infant Baptism is celebrated in Mass.

Baptism preparation session is required

CONFIRMATION FOR TEENS

Classes begin in Fall 2023

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the parish upon their Engagement and usually 6 months prior to the desired date of the Wedding Ceremony

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Mass Times

"BIG CHURCH" MCKEAN RD

Daily Mass:

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

*There will be no Daily Mass 7/25 - 9/8



Sunday Masses:

8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

"LITTLE CHURCH" BERTRAM RD

Saturday Vigil Mass:

4:00 P.M.

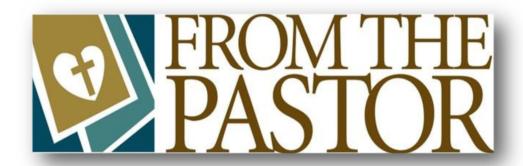




We welcome visitors and newcomers to St. Anthony Parish. We encourage new parishioners to register as parish members and become active in our parish community. Registration forms are available on Web Site.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Dear Parishioners,

Our readings today resound with the joy that God's love brings to all. In the first reading, God tells the prophet Isaiah, all who keep the Sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer. The Lord is announcing that anyone, Jewish or not, who desires the goodness, justice, and love of the covenant, he will consider as his people. He will accept their offerings; he will receive their gratitude for his love, and he will welcome their prayers and sacrifices.

The joyful praise of the nations for God's blessings is found also in today's psalm. It resounds with the delight of the worshiping people in the presence of a loving God: O God, let all the nations praise you!... may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation.

Paul's message in his letter to the community in Rome echoes, in a way, that of the psalm. Paul is addressing a mix of both Gentile and Jewish Christians – that is, a microcosm of "people of all nations." In the part of the letter we heard today, his words convey that everything they are experiencing as a growing Church is part of God's design. The outpouring of God's mercy is for all.

A clear example of this is found in today's Gospel. A Canaanite woman approaches Jesus and asks for healing for her daughter. This is culturally and religiously shocking because she is an outsider and a woman. The Lord does not immediately give her satisfaction, but upon her expression of confidence and faith he commends her for it. Let it be done for you as you wish, he says, and her daughter is healed.

On one level, this is a beautiful story of the healing of an individual. But on a more profound level, following our other readings for the day, we see that it also points to the healing that God desires for all of his people. It is the grounds and justification for us to reach out in love to one another accordingly.

Where do we more deeply experience our oneness than in the body of Christ? Today, let us give thanks for the real presence of Christ and the salvation he brings for all, that we may go forth and joyously proclaim it to the world.

Blessings, *Fr. Tad*

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



Mass Intentions ~ August 20 - August 26

Sunday, Aug 20	8:30 a.m.	Frances Chung, Si
Sunday, Aug 20	10:30 a.m.	Lori Peterson Owen †
Tuesday, Aug 22	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wednesday, Aug 23	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thursday, Aug 24	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Friday, Aug 25	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Saturday, Aug 26	4:00 p.m.	Open

Prayer Requests & Special Intentions Our Community Lifting Each Other in Prayer

Ed and Doris Cronin, Bridie Alai, Steve Pekarthy, Bronson Phillips, Mary Becker, Delores Schwarz, Karen Golitz-Mabee, Brian Yourstone, Dorothy Castellano, Roy Elkins, Carol Perez, Richard Royal, Helene Eichler, Janet Pryor, Denzil Rout Jr, Barbara Holtsnider, Mary Morrison, Dustin Taylor, Kathy Thrash, Mary Ann 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, Sean Banchero, Dale Anderson, Rose Flowers, Sally Pfeiffer, Matt Cesario, Jack Williams

To add a name to the Prayer List **OR** <u>remove</u>, 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.

Eucharistic FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, Sept 8



Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to his Sacred Heart!

Adoration "My joy, my pleasure, my delight is to be with *you*." (Prov 8:31)

Eucharistic Adoration will follow a 6:30 Mass on Friday, September 8th at the McKean Road church. Come to sit quietly in meditation, pray, or read your Bible or other spir-

itual books, or to simply be in Jesus' presence. All are invited to come at their convenience throughout the night and also for the 7:00 am breakfast that follows the benediction on Saturday.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/ Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/ Mt 19:16-22

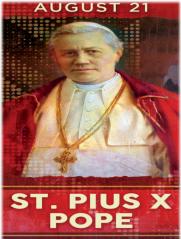
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-

10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X, Pope

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Thursday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Saturday:



 $oldsymbol{1}$ t is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. _ Mt 15:26b-28



August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7 | Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 | Mt 15:21-28

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

Written by

DISCIPLE

THE FAITHFUL

The abundance of God's love for us is what stood out for me in our readings today. If we consider the concept of abundance outside the Scriptures, it can be tricky. When we have it, does it imply we have too much when others have too little? If we are speaking of material things, then perhaps. But God's infinite and merciful love for us resound in each of our readings today, and this is cause for joy. In Isaiah, the Lord announces that he will accept offerings from anyone who holds to his covenant, Jewish or not. Saint Paul stresses that God's mercy is for *all*, and Jesus, after some back-and-forth with the Canaanite woman, heals the woman's daughter because of her great faith. God never tires of desiring healing and wholeness for *all* his children, which is a great gift. Let this gift of grace from God be a catalyst for us to reach out in love to others so that we also can come to God's "holy mountain and [be made] joyful in [his] house of prayer."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How can we reach out in love to others as we called to do? Perhaps we can start with our parish. Is there a ministry we have read about in the bulletin that needs volunteers? Or a coordinator? Perhaps it is time to ask God how we can be his instrument in the world. We can start small. I will never forget when my friend volunteered to run our Vacation Bible School one summer. Of course, she turned to her friends to help her with this daunting task! What she desperately needed was someone to go from classroom to classroom and lead the children in song. Talk about out of my comfort zone! But she gave me the music books and song suggestions, and pretty soon, "This Little Light of Mine" was reverberating through the halls of the school. I learned then and there that kids don't notice the quality of your voice if you are joyful and enthusiastic. They love to sing! Take a chance and get out there. You won't regret it.

PRAY Lord, Jesus Christ, give me the wisdom to view my hands as extensions of yours. Give me eyes to see all people as you see them. Help me to use my voice to praise you and bring the truth of your goodness to everyone I encounter. Give me the strength to have unwavering faith. Amen.

Outsiders Included

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 The Lord's house open to all
- ► Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Israel's final conversion; the triumph of God's mercy
- ► Matthew 15:21-28 Faith of the Canaanite woman

This Gospel story often puzzles us because of what sounds like a disrespectful and harsh reply from Jesus to a woman's plea for help. Some find it troubling because it suggests that Jesus wasn't perfect, and a woman had to help him learn something new and change his mind. The story makes more sense if we understand more about the Jewish context Jesus was living in during his day.

A strong streak of teaching in the Old Testament instructed Jews to keep themselves separate from non-Jews so that they wouldn't be tempted to stray from their worship of Yahweh to other gods. They weren't supposed to marry anyone outside of their faith to help maintain their Jewish purity. They were proud to be God's "chosen people," and it was a short move from believing themselves to be the chosen ones to relegating others to being less-than because they weren't chosen.

According to Matthew, Jesus understood his mission as only being to Jews. "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (Mt. 15:24). When the Canaanite woman, who was not Jewish, showed such faith in him and recognized him as the Lord, Son of David, Jesus had a revelation. His understanding of himself and his mission expands to those beyond Judaism. It was as if a light went on, and he remembered that there are also passages in the Old

Testament in

which God

tells the people that



"So shall your way be known upon the earth; among all nations, your salvation."

Sheepish Question:

How do I experience God's natural creation praising his name for all to know?

he is for *everyone*. We heard an example of that in the first reading today when Isaiah, speaking for the Lord, said that foreigners could "join themselves to the Lord"—which is exactly what the Canaanite woman did (Isa 56:6). Yes, Jesus was divine, but he was human too, and just like any human, his under-

standing grew and matured over time. In this case, it was a foreigner, and a woman, who helped him become who he was meant to be.

Questions of the Week

How do you see the notion of "insiders" (chosen ones) and "outsiders" still playing out in Christianity today?

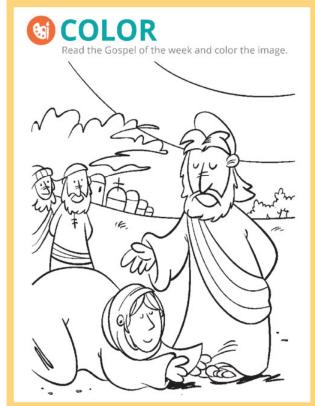
What is your reaction to Jesus changing his mind because of the faith of this woman. Do you find it troubling in any way? Or do you find it heartening? Please share.

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YOUTH MINISTRY







20th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 15:21-28



REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for Religious Education. Our faith formation and youth ministry program will be starting this Fall 2023-2024 school year for all students K-12th grade! Stay tuned for more details as we finalize our registration process and gear up for a wonderful Faith Formation / Youth Ministry year.





SAS HAPPENINGS – SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE CHANGE

Summer break is over for SAS! Due to a conflict with Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, Sept. 8, our next meeting has been moved to MONDAY, SEPT. 11 @ 7 PM inside the McKean Church.

Although our last meeting was in May, we met socially twice over the summer: First, at our annual Welcome Summer Potluck in June at Lake Almaden, and second, at Kirigin

Cellars for wine tasting and a picnic in July. Lots of fun and socialization for all!

If you're curious about our group, Saint Anthony Seniors, come check us out at our September Meeting. Feel free to contact Jeanne Schwab, SAS Secretary, at Jeanne.schwab@gmail.com, or 408-205-2522.



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

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

The Diocese of San José remains committed to the well-being of the children and vulnerable adults entrusted to our care, both past and present. We strongly encourage anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct perpetrated by diocesan personnel, including volunteers, at any diocesan institution, either historically or currently, to report their allegations to the local civil authorities. Victim/survivors or other individuals with knowledge of abuse or misconduct are also encouraged to contact the Diocese's Office for the Protection of Children & Vulnerable Adults at 408-983-0113 to file a report. Reports can be made directly to the office or via the Dioceses' secure third-party reporting service at opeva.ethicspoint.com or call 1-844-372-1691.

THE PRAYERS GOD ALWAYS ANSWERS

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I cracked the spine and turned to the first page.

I had been spending a lot of time asking God — begging God, actually — over and over again for some specific things that were not materializing. Frankly, it was beginning to feel a lot like that time I asked Santa Claus for a new house, only to wake up on Christmas morning to find ordinary, non-house-shaped presents under the tree — and a growing sense of suspicion that my faith had been ill-placed.

To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, my mother's book was not a directory of magical phrases God is compelled to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I tossed it aside, disappointed.

I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still she will not be deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her — still, she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith makes her ready with a reply.

Somehow, I am sure that even if Christ had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish," she would have still dropped to her knees and worshiped him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship.

The story of the Canaanite woman is not a story about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.

"Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith!" — Matthew 15:28

FUNDRAISER EVENT FOR CAMBODIA

Dear Friends.... the annual gala to raise money for girls' scholarships for the Doris Dillon School in Cambodia is scheduled for Sept. 9, from 4 to 7pm. Since 2007, Jim and Denise DeLong have worked to fund these scholarships to girls who would otherwise have to drop out due to their family's poverty. This year, our In-Country Director Ms. Sokna Chhin will be traveling from Phnom Penh to attend, thanks to the generosity of one of our board members. If this is something you would like to attend, please email me for more information. We have limited space so please let me know asap. We will be holding a pre-sale of our very popular Cork Pulls in the next few days, offering \$100 & \$200 corks for 81 wine packages worth an average of \$175 for a \$100 cork and \$357 for a \$200 cork. We received incredibly generous donations of wine from 81 Napa, Sonoma, Paso Robles and local wineries. Twenty tasting packages at some of the wineries are included. Buying a cork will support the grils' scholarship fund as well as provide you with wine valued well over the purchase price. Our upcoming pre-sale of corks has sold out in just a few days in past years, so please email me if you are interested in participating in the cork pulls and attending our free fundraiser.

For more information contact denisedelong68@gmail.com



SIGN-UP FOR SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We are accepting sign-ups for the Sacrament of Confirmation and encourage parents to sign up your children.

Why it is important to be confirmed?

Confirmation is a sacrament of initiation in which the one who is confirmed (confirmandi) receives the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the imposition of hand and anointing with oils by the bishop. This sacrament establishes young adults as full-fledged members of the faith and it is called *confirmation* because the faith given in baptism is now confirmed and made strong. During your baptism, your parents and godparents make promises to renounce Satan and believe in God and the Church on your behalf. At confirmation, you renew those same promises, this time speaking for yourself. During confirmation, the focus is on the Holy Spirit, who confirmed the apostles on Pentecost and gave them the courage to practice their faith. We believe that the same Holy Spirit confirms Catholics during the sacrament of confirmation and gives them the same gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude (courage), knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are supernatural graces given to the soul. It might be a time for your children to experience those graces.



Daytime Eucharistic Adoration

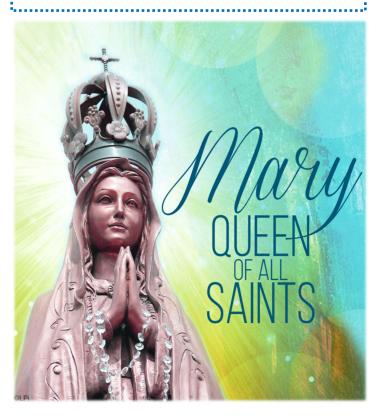
All are encouraged to come for our next daytime Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, September 13. We are being offered something wonderful – time with our Lord. Come when it works best for you. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am Mass and ends with praying of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and the benediction, completed at 3:00 pm.

Here are the dates through the end of the year:

September 13 (no date for August) October 18 November 15 December 13

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For those needing assistance with everyday essentials, St. Vincent de Paul provides critical support to those in need. Some of the services provided by St. Vincent de Paul are help with rent, utilities, food, gas, clothing, furniture etc. If you or someone you know is looking for help, please call the main help line at 408-249-2853. St. Vincent de Paul will direct you to the closest facility to where you live.





Taco Thursday Social August 24th at 5 p.m.

Frequent requests for casual social gatherings at St Anthony Parish prompted us to organize our first Taco Thursday event. In less than a week. Thanks to he availability of our local Taco Trucks and a few determined parishioners, a successful event was had! We were able to get the word out and we had close to 80 people attend and enjoy delicious Mexican food, margaritas and fun socializing with one another.

Please join us for our next Taco Thursday event on August 24th from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Hope to see you there!

SUNDAY OBLIGATION OF ATTENDING MASS

Q. To fulfill the Sunday obligation to attend Mass, how long or for what parts must you be present? What is the penitential rite? Must you be present for that? When may you leave and still fulfill the obligation? If you left for the homily or while Communion was being distributed, then returned, would you fulfill the obligation?

A. The present Code of Canon Law reads: "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass." It doesn't say part or parts of the Mass. The expectation is that the person will attend a complete Mass. A Catholic Catechism quotes the canon and states, "Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin."

Before Vatican II, moral theologians and canonists would talk about the three principal parts of Mass as the Offertory, Consecration and Communion. If you missed any one of those parts, they wrote, you would not have fulfilled the obligation of hearing Mass. Today, canonists and liturgists do not use that terminology. They speak of the gathering, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and the commissioning as the main divisions of Mass.

And moralists are more likely to speak of substantial observance of the law and what that might mean. They would assert that the law imposes a serious obligation. But some would question whether a person seriously or gravely violates the law if on one occasion he or she does not attend Sunday Mass. And all moralists would acknowledge that to miss a few minutes would not be a serious matter.

If you look at your missalette or recall your experience on Sundays, the penitential rite is part of the Mass. It takes place after the entrance song, right after the priest has entered the sanctuary and greeted the people. It can take different forms. One commonly used is the Confession of fault (Confiteor) and Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison). So, if you come after these prayers, you are late for Mass.

Just as there can be excuses for missing Mass, there could be excuses for coming late or leaving early or missing part of the celebration. A parent might have to take a crying child from the church. A person may feel ill or need to use the restroom. There would be no fault in leaving for such reasons. But to step outside because of boredom would hardly be sufficient causes.

A hospital worker may have to leave early, or a mother may have to hurry home to watch children while Dad takes a turn at going to Mass. A traveler may have to make a bus or plane. Surely such reasons would excuse from fault. **But to be first out of the parking lot, no!**

While an emergency may demand that a person leave before the end of Mass, one who has departed before the consecration and Communion can hardly be said to have attended Mass. But the emergency may excuse that person from further effort to go to Mass.

SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEK: 8/13/2023

Giving Method

Cash \$501

Check \$3,490

Online \$1,105

Collection Total \$5,096

Weekly Budgeted Collection \$7,692

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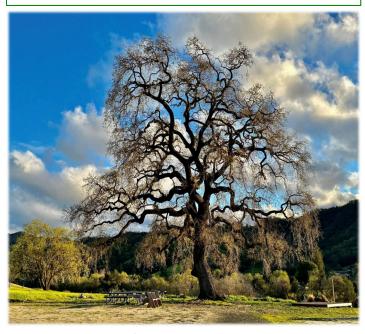
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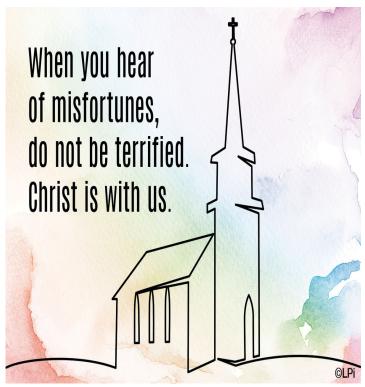




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Outdoor Mass 8/27/2023 Please join us under the Oaktree on Sunday, August 27th at 10:30 a.m.





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: ______

Address: ______ Preferred method of contact:

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____ Phone

Please drop this card at the Information Table in the foyer.
For more information about St. Anthony, please visit www.churchstanthony.com