



# St. Anthony Catholic Parish

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## Historic "Little" Church

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Nov 19, 2023

GIVE THANKS  
TO THE  
LORD  
FOR HE IS  
GOOD

## Parish Staff

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### Parish Office Hours

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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 [churchstanthony@dsj.org](mailto:churchstanthony@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

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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## 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.**



Welcome

*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 **no later than Monday by 12 pm** to be added to the upcoming bulletin: please email at [churchstanthony@dsj.org](mailto:churchstanthony@dsj.org)



# FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our readings focus on the end times. In Paul's Letter to the Thessalonians, he tells them that *the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night* – unseen and unannounced. Or it will be *like labor pains upon a pregnant woman* – sudden and bringing risk. We may not know the exact hour of the Lord's return, but it is expected and inescapable. Therefore, we should be prepared.

Today's Gospel gives us a little more information about what to expect upon Jesus' return. In the story, the master distributes his possessions to his servants according to their abilities. One servant receives five talents, another two, and a third receives only one. Then the master leaves for a long time. When he returns, he expects an account of what the servants have done with his talents. Two of the servants are praised, and the third is cast out.

The talents in the story are coins, but we know that God gives all kinds of gifts, both temporal and spiritual. Everything he gives, he expects us to use. The fact that gifts are not distributed equally encourages us to share them. Not only are we invited to share what we have, but also to consider what we lack, recognizing that we need the gifts of others. We were created to live in a community of mutual giving and receiving modeled on the Trinity. We are brought into unity through the variety of what we bring to the kingdom. It does not have to be much – but in order to participate in the kingdom we must take what we have been given and grow it, invest in it, and return with it to the Lord and the building up of the body of Christ.

At the conclusion of the parable, the master says, *For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.* The third servant buried his talent in the ground out of fear of a demanding master. He is not being punished so much as suffering the natural consequences of his action: He may not remain in the company of the master.

We can use only the gifts we have been given, but if we use them as God intends, he will multiply them. If, on the other hand, we sit idle or hide them away, their benefits will be taken from us. The ultimate benefit, the final payout for a life of good and faithful service, is eternal joy with God.

Blessings,  
Fr. Tad



## THANKSGIVING MASS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 AT 9:30 AM

On Thanksgiving Day we remember God's grace toward us. We invite you to bring the food that will be served at your Thanksgiving Dinner for a special blessing.



### Mass Intentions

Sunday, Nov 19	8:30 a.m.	† For Our Loved Departed
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Tuesday, Nov 21	8:00 a.m.	† For Our Loved Departed
Wednesday, Nov 22	8:00 a.m.	† For Our Loved Departed
Thursday, Nov 23	8:00 a.m.	† For Our Loved Departed
Friday, Nov 24	8:00 a.m.	† For Our Loved Departed
Saturday, Nov 25	4:00 p.m.	† For Our Loved Departed

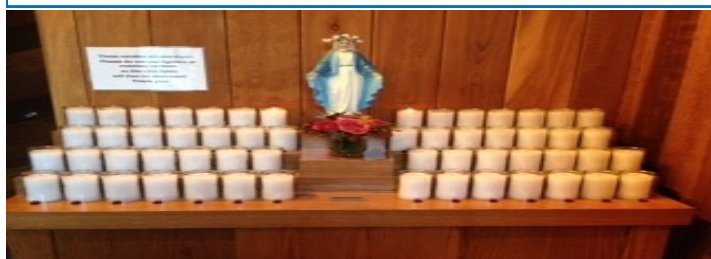


*Mary Katherine Brown, Diane Kelley, Theresa Banchemo-McTighe, Don Muger, Catherine Knaresboro, Ed and Doris Cronin, Bridie Alai, Bronson Phillips, Mary Becker, Delores Schwarz, Karen Golitz-Mabee, Brian Yourstone, Dorothy Castellano, Roy Elkins, Carol Perez, Richard Royal, Helene Eichler, Janet Pryor, Denzil Rout Jr, Barbara Holtsnider, Mary Morrison, Dustin Taylor, MaryAnn Fox, Mary Jane Dias, Roger Rayundo, Todd Ericson, Mary Sheehan, Charles Roig, Tony Elliot, Diego Pelayo, Juanita Elizabeth Croker, Luca Colacino, Janice Page, Tracy Riffe, Carolyn Hackett, Sean Banchemo, 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](mailto: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.



In the month of November, please consider lighting a year long candle in memory of your loved one. Your loved one's name will be placed on a small metal plaque below your candle. Forms are available in the vestibule, or you can call the parish office for information (408-997-4800).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

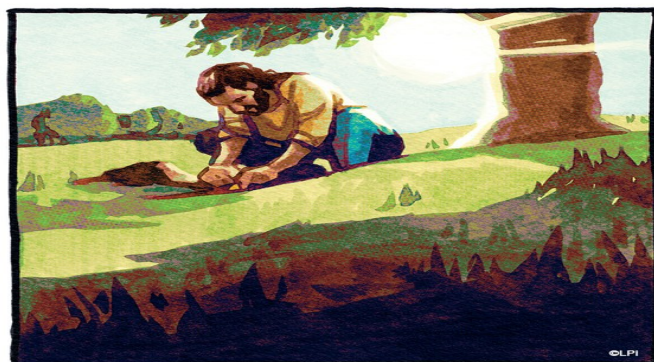
Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21  
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43  
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10  
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28  
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44  
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48  
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday:  
Tuesday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wednesday: St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr  
Thursday: St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr; Thanksgiving Day  
Friday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs  
Saturday: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

### MASS ETIQUETTE

- Remember to silence, turn off, and put away your cell phones, tablets, and gaming devices prior the start of Mass. This includes chewing gum.
- Keep in mind the Communion fast – we are to fast from food and drink (water and medicine excluded) one hour before receiving Holy Communion. Let us prepare our body and soul to worthily receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
- When we are in the church (specifically in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament), we should keep our volume to a reverential whisper, if conversation is necessary. This is to promote prayer with Christ in the Eucharist and to prepare our hearts and minds for Mass. Community time is best for after Mass in the vestibule or outside the church. Thank you for your mindfulness.



“After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, ‘Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’”

## WHAT IS MASS?

Dear Parishioners,

We are in the process of Eucharistic Revival in our Universal Catholic Church and in our diocese. Many people express their desire to know and understand better what **mass** is beside knowing that it is a sacrament. How does it differentiate from other sacraments?



The Holy Eucharist in the Mass is different from all the other sacraments in that it is conferred not just on single individuals (or a couple, in matrimony), but rather it is a universal sacrament because it is a universal sacrifice. Let's see what St. Thomas Aquinas says about this:

*The usefulness of this sacrament is universal because the life it gives is not only the life of one person, but, so far as concerns itself, the life of the entire world: and for this the death of Christ is fully sufficient. "He is the offering for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the entire world" (1 John 2:2). We should note that this sacrament is different from the others: for the other sacraments have individual effects: as in baptism, only the one baptized receives grace. But in the immolation of this sacrament, the effect is universal: because it affects not just the priest, but also those for whom he prays, as well as the entire Church, of the living and of the dead. The reason for this is that it contains the universal cause of all the sacraments, Christ.*

As we can see, the sacrament of the altar is not just about me, it is about the whole world.

Our worship at the Mass is still a thing of incomparable power for our consolation and conversion of heart. How so? Because it is first and foremost a sacrifice.

In fact, it is the once for all Sacrifice of Christ on Calvary that transcends time and space, made present for us again in an unbloody manner. It is the perfect Sacrifice that all the Old Testament sacrifices prefigured (see *Malachi 1:11*). In it, Jesus Christ lovingly offers Himself in an Act of Oblation to God the Father on our behalf. He adores God the Father, He atones for our sins, He offers thanks and praise, and He intercedes for our needs.

As Catholics, we have the privilege of attending this Sacrifice, and uniting ourselves to Christ's self-offering. Put in another way, we can imitate Christ by offering ourselves, soul and body, to God the Father as living sacrifices as St. Paul says. This is what participation in the Mass really means. In the prayer: Let us pray: the priest acknowledges this participation of the faithful when he prays, "*Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.*"

There are four ends or purposes of the Holy Mass:

**1) ADORATION:** The Holy Mass is first and foremost an act of loving adoration. It is worship of God Our Father. Why? Because He deserves it! Almighty God is the most perfect of all Beings, the self-existing One and all that exists owes its existence to Him. He is the Supreme Good, the Good from which all other goods received their meaning. He is the Supreme Beauty, the sole standard by which we can recognize and understand that which is beautiful. And He is Love itself, giving of Himself from all eternity. He alone is worthy of our awe-struck adoration.

*“Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you did create all things, and, by your will, they existed and were created.”* - the Saints and Angels cry in the Book of Revelation, and the Mass is participation in this heavenly worship.

**2) THANKSGIVING:** All that we are and have, comes from God’s generous hand. Every good and every blessing finds its source in God alone. Our very existence is dependent on His will. In response to God’s endless generosity, which we often don’t even notice, thanksgiving is the only acceptable response. *“I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought, and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder.”* G.K. Chesterton

**3) ATONEMENT:** We are all sinners and, while we do our best to rationalize and minimize it, all sin is a grave offense against God. But we are not without hope. On the Cross, Jesus Christ atoned for our sins, totally and completely, and we have the assurance that, if we turn to Him in repentance and faith, we can find forgiveness and healing.

The Sacrifice of Christ on the Cross is our certain hope, and the Holy Mass is the representation of this Sacrifice. Therefore, the third end of the Mass is atonement for our sins. The Book of Revelation describes Christ appearing as *“Lamb as if it had been slain.”* In heaven, Jesus stands before God’s throne, offering God the Father his once for all sacrifice in continual atonement for our sins and the sins of the whole world. This reality is made present at every Mass.

**4) PETITION:** The Mass is a powerful form of prayer: *“Without doubt, the Lord grants all the favors which are asked of Him in the Mass, provided they be fitting for us.”* Many of the saints tell us that bringing our requests before Our Lord after the Consecration is one of the most effective ways to obtain all that we need spiritually and physically.

In summary, in every Mass, Jesus Christ descends upon the Altar in the fullness of His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. He is truly present, giving himself to us completely in the Holy Eucharist. It is truly the Sacrifice of Calvary made present once again. What a beautiful and profound reality! As Saint Padre Pio once said, *“If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass.”* In light of these words let us find the time and go to Mass.

## **St. Joseph’s Christmas Food Drive - Feed a Family**



Many in our community are experiencing extreme food insecurity. St. Joseph’s in Gilroy is currently providing food items to over 1800 people each week, and their needs are great. Instead of gift cards or Christmas gift donations, St. Joseph’s has requested that this year we donate money to a food drive. We are asking St Anthony parishioners to make cash or check donations and **“Feed a Family” this Christmas.**

We are suggesting a donation of \$25, but any amount will greatly help.

**Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Outreach, and write St. Joseph’s on the memo line at the bottom of the check.** A member of Outreach will be available to take your cash or checks after each mass on **Saturday and Sunday, December 2-3, and December 9-10.** You may also drop off cash or checks in the parish office no later December 11.

May the Lord bless each of you and your families for your continued generosity, and may you have a blessed Christmas season!

**SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEK:**  
**11/12/2023**

**Giving Method**

**Cash \$ 310**

**Check \$ 3,770**

**Online \$ 1,065**

**Collection Total \$ 5,145**

**Weekly Budgeted Collection \$ 7,692**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**  
**This week's collection is under by \$ 2,547**

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**Thank you for your continued support!!**

**The Youth Choir Needs You!**

Girls and boys who love to sing are invited to join the Youth Choir.

The ability to read music is not required, but patience and persistence are assets!

With the holidays approaching, **we will be singing at the 10:30 Mass on Dec. 3 (The First Sunday of Advent), Dec. 24 at 4 p.m. (Christmas Vigil Mass), and Jan. 7 (Feast of the Epiphany).** Even if you can't attend all these Masses or all rehearsals, please come as often as you can. What better way to praise God and advance His Kingdom than to lead the congregation in these services?

Join us Tuesdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m.



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if you have questions.

**Sharing the Gift of Life**



GIVE  
BLOOD.  
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LIFE.

The Pastoral Care Ministry of St. Anthony Parish will be hosting their **annual Advent blood drive on Saturday, December 9, 2023. The Stanford Blood Center will be taking donations in the Big Church parking lot from 8:30am until 12:15pm.** Whether you are a first time donor or a seasoned giver, please consider rolling up your sleeve this Advent Season. Did you know, the Stanford Blood Center is the primary source of blood here in the Bay Area? A single donation can provide life saving blood products to as many as three individuals in need. In **person sign-ups will be held after each mass on the weekend of November 25-26th.**

Don't want to wait, contact Corinne Jarrett ([grammycmj@gmail.com](mailto:grammycmj@gmail.com) or 408-892-3152) today to get on the schedule. You can also sign up on-line by visiting the Stanford Blood Center website. Thank you all for your continued support of such a worthy cause.



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: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact:

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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