



St. Anthony Catholic Parish

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Mar 23, 2025

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8:30 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

If you need to access the Church or Office after 3:30 PM please ensure your meeting is on the calendar by sending the details to 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 2024

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 AM

Sunday Masses:
8:30 AM
10:30 AM



“LITTLE CHURCH” BERTRAM RD

Saturday Vigil Mass:
4:00 PM



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 our website.

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



Dear Parishioners,

In today's second reading, Paul is clear that we should not be overconfident in ourselves. He writes, *whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall*. He cautions against presumptuousness by comparing the Corinthians to the Israelites during the Exodus who, despite their newfound freedom, grumbled against God as soon as things got tough. He wants them to understand that the things that happened to their ancestors await them if they, too, *desire evil things*.

This warning, however, will be counterbalanced in the very next verse by Paul's reassurance of God's character. We didn't hear his words in the reading today, but they are important to note because they are not exclusive to this letter, and in fact are at the heart of the Good News. In summary, Paul says: "*God is faithful* and when we falter, he is there to guide us and give us strength" (10:13). The virtue of hope that is cultivated in response to this is the perfect counter to the presumption against which he is preaching.

We see this pattern of warning and reassurance repeated throughout the New Testament and Gospels. In today's passage Jesus urges the crowd to repent, and not just once but twice. More specifically, he warns against hypocrisy, against seeing oneself as less sinful than anyone else, or another group of people – in this case, the Galileans murdered by Pilate or the eighteen who died under the tower of Siloam. Jesus' words are not ambivalent: *if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!*

Yet this warning is immediately followed by Jesus' parable of the unproductive fig tree. In this story, the gardener lobbies on behalf of the tree, arguing that if he cultivates and fertilizes the ground surrounding the tree, the tree might bear fruit. In short, be patient. So, the Lord is with us, God's beloved creation.

We must always remember that God created us *good!* And no matter how far we may stray from this goodness, the potential for goodness within each of us remains. God, the master gardener, placed it within each of us at the moment of our unique creation. No sin, no amount of bad fruit or barrenness, can render that goodness obsolete. The gardener always lobbies on our behalf.

Amidst barrenness, we need to better cultivate the ground we rest in, so to speak – our culture, our habits, the things that influence us. Pruning our ground of weeds and fertilizing it with nutrients allows the good that is within us to take root and grow.

At the end of the day, our confidence rests not in ourselves but in our God who is faithful. This God has indeed *come down to rescue [us]*, as foretold to Moses through the burning bush. We return to the Eucharistic table each week, perhaps daily, to be reminded of this truth. For on this table God shows up and stands strong, no matter how weak or unstable we ourselves may feel. We cling to Christ, confident in God's faithfulness to his good creation.

Blessings,

Fr. Tad

Mass Intentions

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Sunday, Mar 23	8:30 AM	Joe Martarano †
Sunday, Mar 23	10:30 AM	Carolyn Schulte's Children & Grandchildren SI
Tuesday, Mar 25	8:00 AM	Andrea & Cristina Baretta SI
Wednesday, Mar 26	8:00 AM	Open
Thursday, Mar 27	8:00 AM	Open
Friday, Mar 28	8:00 AM	Open
Saturday, Mar 29	4:00 PM	All Parishioners

Prayer Requests & Special Intentions

Our Community Lifting Each Other in Prayer

Mary McMahon, Mya Janelle Ortiz, Rosemary McLaughlin, Devesh Kumar, Zenaida Corona, Ken Kurre, Jennifer Buntich, Ron Meeker, Ana & Christian, Marilyn Deel, Leilani Molina, Linda Ronsse, Mary Becker, Bronson Phillips, Sal Gaeta, Myrna Samonte, Mary Ann Fox, Ben Keith, Margarita Maria Suarez, Yolanda Lujan, Rose Flowers, Sean Banchemo, Fred Banchemo, Jack Williams, Pat Mayer, Bob Nigh, Michael Haugh, Todd Ericson, Tracy Riffe, Carolyn Hackett, Matt Cesario.

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.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Fr. Tad is available for Confession in the Eucharistic Chapel:

- the first Friday of the month during the first hour of Adoration;
- from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM during Eucharistic Adoration (Wed, Mar 19, and Wed, Apr 16).

You can also make an appointment with Fr. Tad by contacting the parish office.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 <i>Scrutiny:</i> Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Lent
Monday:	
Tuesday:	The Annunciation of the Lord
Wednesday:	
Thursday:	
Friday:	
Saturday:	

What's happening this week

Monday, Mar 24	
Tuesday, Mar 25	9:30-11:00 AM Bible Study Group (Big Church) 4-5 PM Youth Choir Practice 6-7 PM Liturgical Board Meeting 7-8 PM Choir Practice (8:30 & 10:30 Mass)
Wednesday, Mar 26	
Thursday, Mar 27	4:15-5:30 PM Religious Education - Children
Friday, Mar 28	6:30 PM Stations of the Cross
Saturday, Mar 29	10-11 AM Vocational Workshop



Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross	Every Friday of Lent, beginning March 7, at 6:30 PM (McKean Rd Church)
Holy Thursday	Thursday, April 17, at 7 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by the Altar of Repose/Adoration at 9 PM until 12 AM (McKean Rd Church) No Mass in the morning
Good Friday	Friday, April 18, at 6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross, followed by the Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7 PM (McKean Rd Church) No Mass in the morning
Easter Vigil Mass	Saturday, April 19, at 8 PM (McKean Rd Church) No Mass at the Little Church on Bertram Rd
Easter Sunday Mass	Sunday, April 20, at 9:30 AM only (McKean Rd Church)



March 23, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 | 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 | Lk 13:1-9

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

Meaningful human relationships rarely last if only one party makes an effort to maintain a connection. The same is true in our relationship with God. In the scene recorded in today's first reading – arguably one of human history's "Top Ten" most important events – God takes the initiative, but the encounter is two-sided. God causes the bush to burn and Moses approaches; God calls Moses and he responds, "Here I am!"; finally, Moses asks God his name and God reveals himself as "I am who am." Moses' cooperation with God throughout is essential for them to arrive at this monumental revelation which would allow Moses (and, by extension, all of the Israelites) to call upon God by name. Despite our many technological achievements, a free, generous, loving response to God's initiative is still the only "fruit" we can bear for him that he cannot procure himself. This is the fruit which the fig tree in Jesus' Gospel parable is meant to produce. If we truly desire and seek this relationship, God will reveal himself to us so that, no matter our stage or state of life, we can bear this fruit *even now*.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In his encounter with God, Moses exhibits an exemplary combination of boldness and humility which teaches us how we should approach our relationship with God. This is our "roadmap" which will help us fertilize the "ground" of our hearts. Consider Moses' bold, inquisitive spirit: "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight," and his prompt response to God's call: "Here I am!" Consider the audacity Moses must have had to ask God for his name. At the same time, however, consider his humility in removing the sandals from his feet and hiding his face before the majesty of God. The God who revealed himself to Moses is the same God who invites us into relationship with him. We can and should have Moses' boldness to ask God to teach us about himself. But we should also approach God with a spirit of reverence and awe. Our humility will be the fertile soil that God can use to make us his intimate friends and his representatives before others.

LISTEN

Sometimes we have habits or attitudes that prevent us from hearing God's voice. Like Moses removing his sandals, choose something you can forgo this week (for example, social media or music in the car) so that you can hear and respond to the Lord. Make sure you dedicate your extra quiet time to talking to God.



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

April 4, 2025

"The Church and the world have a great need of eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease."
-St. Pope John Paul II

Come and join us for Mass and Eucharistic Adoration on **April 4 after 6:30 PM Stations of the Cross**. This is your opportunity to spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will go throughout the night and **it will end at 7 AM the following morning with Benediction**. All are invited to the delicious breakfast that will be offered afterwards.

THIRD WEEK OF LENT NUTRITIOUS MEAL HELP



CHILDREN GROW HEALTHY IN GUATEMALA

In Santa María Chiquimula, Guatemala, over half the community is affected by malnutrition. Amid rising food prices and job loss, Ana Belén and her husband were struggling to provide for their growing family. But they saw a ray of hope through their participation in a Catholic



Relief Services' program that helps them ensure their children are healthy and have the nutrition they need to thrive and play. Visit crs-ricebowl.org/week-3 to read this week's Story of Hope.

DIAPER DRIVE THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous participation in the Diaper Drive. **\$1,418 was collected, along with many packages of products**. Everything donated has now been delivered to Santa Maria Urban Ministry and to the young families staying in Ochoa Migrant Center's housing. Santa Maria's program manager and his helper expressed their delight in receiving exactly the diaper sizes they most needed.

You have truly answered the call to help your neighbors in need. Outreach thanks you for making this Diaper Drive a success.



Women's & Men's Upcoming Cursillo weekend: SIGN UP!



The Diocese of San Jose has two upcoming Cursillo retreats that will be held at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Cursillo is a Catholic based short course in Christianity. **The Women's weekend is March 20-23 and the Men's weekend is April 3-6, 2025**. Enjoy beautiful scenery, music, daily Mass, reflections, prayers, and speakers discussing how Christianity reflects in your everyday life. For more information and online application, please visit sanjosecursillo.org/cursillo-weekend/make-my-weekend for more information.



From March 5th through April 13th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1691 The Alameda, San Jose 95126, and help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Dzung at (510) 938 – 2503 or 40dflsanjose@gmail.com.

Vigil Hours at Planned Parenthood:

- M – Sun: 7am to 7pm
- Please sign up for vigil hours either online, local office, or Parish Contact
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose>

Download the 40 Days app at 40daysforlife.com/app/ Digital calendar, devotional prayers, newsfeed and FAQ's!

**SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEK:
3/16/2025**

Giving Method

Cash \$ 437

Check \$ 8,175

Online \$ 1,192

Collection Total \$ 9,804

Weekly Budgeted Collection \$ 7,692

Easter Environment \$ 406

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

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ST. ANTHONY PARISH**

Online Giving 



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Thank you for your continued support!!

**2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal
Supporting Our Mission Together**

Our Parish Goal: \$ 93,279

Week 5: \$ 86,447.60 pledged by 113 Families

THANK YOU!!

Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal. To date we have raised \$ 86,447.60 toward our goal through the support of 113 households.

There is still plenty of time to respond with a gift to this year's Appeal. Gifts can be made through our parish office or online at www.dsj.org/ADA.

*"We brought nothing into the world, nor have we the power to take anything out...those who want to be rich are falling into temptation and a trap...the love of money is the root of all evil." -
1 Timothy 6:7-9*



***Ways to Support
THE CHURCH'S MISSION:***

1. Securely Online

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DSJ.org/ADA

2. Bring to Church



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Call 408-983-0293
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5. Double the impact of your gift to the ADA with a matching gift from your employer. Contact your company's HR department for more information to see if your company offers a matching gift program.



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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