



St. Anthony Catholic Parish

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Mar 30, 2025

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'"

- Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
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



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 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,

We live in an unforgiving world. Miss a key field goal in a football game? Get booed in the stadium and have hate mail sent to you. Trip over a chair and fall into a fountain because you were looking at your cell phone? Live forever with the embarrassing internet memes that arise from it. Hit reply all instead of reply only to sender? Never live down that you ruined the birthday surprise party for your coworker.

We get criticized, immortalized, and cancelled for being in unfortunate circumstances; it can be much worse when it involves something of great importance, or a celebrity, or money.

Imagine today's Gospel parable played out in today's world. The younger son says to his father (who is still alive, clearly), *Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me*. First, that's rude and demanding. "Dismissed!" Second, in asking his father to give him his share before the father passes away he is usurping Mosaic Law and his father's authority. "Blocked!" Finally, in taking what he receives and spending it all on a *life of dissipation* is a rejection of his upbringing. Even more egregious is that he does it in a *distant country*, meaning he left his family to spend his fortune on himself only and not for the benefit of the family. "You're dead to me!"

That's not what happens, though, partly because this is perhaps the most benevolent father in Scripture, and partly because this parable is not just about our human failings, but God's divine justice and mercy. Every day we do things that a great novelist would use to build our character arc and eventually deliver our comeuppance, but God our Father simply rejoices when we recognize the error of our ways and return to him.

Or maybe we're the older brother, angry and grumbling about how selfish and thoughtless our [in our case, metaphorical] worthless younger brother has been to leave the way he did, squandering our good name along with our family fortune. We're angry, too, at God, for not doing what *we* want, and not meting out *our* standard of justice.

Can we just say a "thanks be to God" and an "amen" for that last sentence? *Thank God* he doesn't do what we want according to our vision of justice and mercy. *Thank God*, that he imparts upon us not what we deserve but what he desires to give. Instead of erasing us, he restores us. This is good to know, because we will miss that field goal, we will get distracted and fall into the pool of trouble, and we will fail to communicate properly and carefully.

And should any of those happen because of sin, we can ask for the grace to come to our senses as the younger son did, and with contrition and repentance approach our Father with these words: *I have sinned against heaven and against you*. We are assured he will welcome us with joy and thanksgiving.

In these remaining weeks of Lent, let us resolve to be like the younger son, when we need to be, in his repentant return; and like the father in how we forgive one another. We ask for the grace to do so and give thanks that we are recipients of the Father's divine, loving mercy and justice.

Blessings,

Fr. Tad

Mass Intentions

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Sunday, Mar 30	8:30 AM	Mary Sheehan †
Sunday, Mar 30	10:30 AM	Amy Georgiou †
Tuesday, Apr 1	8:00 AM	Open
Wednesday, Apr 2	8:00 AM	Open
Thursday, Apr 3	8:00 AM	Rosario Gormise †
Friday, Apr 4	8:00 AM	Open
Saturday, Apr 5	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, Apr 16).

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 <i>Scrutiny:</i> 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday:	Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	4 th Sunday of Lent
Monday:	
Tuesday:	April Fools' Day
Wednesday:	St. Francis of Paola, Hermit
Thursday:	
Friday:	St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

What's happening this week

Monday, Mar 31	
Tuesday, Apr 1	9:30-11:00 AM Bible Study Group (Big Church) 4-5 PM Youth Choir Practice 7-8 PM Choir Practice (8:30 Mass)
Wednesday, Apr 2	
Thursday, Apr 3	4:15-5:30 PM Religious Education - Children 7-8 PM Choir Practice (10:30 Mass)
Friday, Apr 4	6:30 PM Stations of the Cross 7:30 PM-7 AM Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, Apr 5	7 AM Benediction + Breakfast



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 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 | 2 Cor 5:17-21 | Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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

We await with anticipation holidays and holiday parties – but do we look forward to the day after? To the cleanup, the back-to-the-grind, the business-as-usual? Jesus' parable in today's Gospel recounts the lavish celebration of the father who rejoices at the homecoming of his wayward son. We rightly recognize in the father's mercy the abundant forgiveness of our heavenly Father. But have we ever considered what happened the next day? The son, accustomed to his independence and dissolute life, is once again in his father's house. He must live according to his father's rules and demonstrate the sincerity of his repentance by faithfully carrying out his duties. There is work to be done – crops to be harvested, perhaps. As the weeks and months pass without another fatted calf for feasting, the son might ask if his father's love has waned. And although we may sympathize with his unease, the certainty of his father's goodness must be, for the prodigal son and for us, the guarantee of his steadfast love.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In our relationship with God, we will likely experience moments when our Father's love is keenly felt. Perhaps we will be overwhelmed with peace when we return to him in the sacrament of confession. Perhaps we will be struck by a verse of Scripture during a moment of prayer. But most of our days will look more like the prodigal son's "day after" than the festivities which marked his return. We know, however, that if the weeks that followed were comparatively boring, his father's love had lost none of its warmth or vitality. Similarly, in the days when God seems quiet, when our prayers seem to drift into space or our hearts are distracted with the concerns of everyday life, we must not despair of the Father's love. Nor can we suppose that our happiness can be found outside of his fold. We abide under the care of our Father who lovingly calls us to himself with every circumstance he places before us. To believe this, even when the festivities are over, is to live by faith.

PRAY

With so many opportunities for gratification at our fingertips, it is easy to become restless and to seek happiness in distractions. This week, find an image of Jesus or a Scripture verse about God's love and keep it with you as you work, study, or carry out monotonous tasks. When you're tempted to leave your duties aside out of boredom, take a moment instead to praise and thank God for his love.



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.



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!

Outreach Easter Box Assembly



Each year the Outreach Committee assembles approximately **436 Easter Boxes for the St. Joseph Family Center in Gilroy**.

The boxes are handed out to children whose families are receiving nutritional donations from the family center.

Outreach will be assembling the boxes on **Sunday April 6th after the 10:30 mass**. Everyone is welcome to help with the project.

Hop, hop, hopping to see you there!

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT PROTECTING CROPS FROM NATURAL DISASTERS IN BANGLADESH



Shahadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding that often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program that enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read this week's Story of Hope.



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.



**SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEK:
3/23/2025**

Giving Method

Cash \$ 655

Check \$ 6,515

Online \$ 3,582

Collection Total \$ 10,752

Weekly Budgeted Collection \$ 7,692

Outreach \$ 1,162

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

Our Parish Goal: \$ 93,279

Week 5: \$ 92,097.60 pledged by 118 Families

THANK YOU!!

Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal. To date we have raised \$ 92,097.60 toward our goal through the support of 118 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:***

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DSJ.org/ADA

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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: _____

Address: _____

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