

May 12, 2024

Solemnity of the Ascension



# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"Let us ask our Lord, who has clothed himself with the 'coarse sackcloth' of our humanity at his first coming, to wake us up so that we may merit the gift of eternal salvation at his last coming."*

*St. Anthony*

### Welcome to New Parishioners and Visitors!

Be sure to introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. Registration forms are available online and in the vestibule of the church. Please let us know you are here.

### OUR MISSION:

At this parish we celebrate Christ's life and presence through vibrant and meaningful worship and a rich community life based on openness, unity and love. We proclaim the Good News through hospitality, education and evangelization. We respond in service to the poor and reach out in justice to those in our community and beyond in order to reach the final goal of happiness in Eternity with Almighty God.

### St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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Rev. Frederick Close, Pastor

To learn more about our parish community or if you want to register contact us at: [elaine.stanthonycdc@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.stanthonycdc@gmail.com) or 202-526-8822 or register thru the website under the "community" tab and "Welcome New Parishioners" link.

### Mass Schedule:

Monday thru Saturday: Daily Mass—8AM

Mondays: 10AM School Mass || Tuesdays: 7PM Mass & Novena

Saturday: 5:00PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 7AM, 10AM, 12PM and 6:30PM

### Confessions and Adoration:

Monday thru Saturday after 8AM Mass and 6PM

### Office Hours:

Mon - Fri, 9AM—5:30PM; Sat and Sun & Fed Holidays—closed

For information on sacraments and funerals call the Rectory Office or see the website.

### St. Anthony Catholic School

3400 12th St NE Washington, DC 20017

Principal: Mr. Michael Thomasian

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Mr. Michael Thomasian, Principal

if you are interested in enrolling your child or learning more, contact the Principal Mike Thomasian, he looks forward to meeting you and your child!.

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Dear Friends of Saint Anthony,

*"Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death! Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the dead!"*

Although we sing: "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death! Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the dead!" don't we sing it half-heartedly at times, and only in Church, haunted by Dostoyevsky's question: "Can a cultured man, a European of our days, believe, really believe, in the divinity of the Son of God, Jesus Christ?"<sup>1</sup> The Solemnity of the Ascension is the perfect occasion to answer him "Yes!" no matter our race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin, or anything that distracts us from our identity in Christ.

As Pope Francis says, we are not living in an "Era of Change" but a "Change of Era." So, "Abiding the Long Defeat: How to Evangelize Like a Hobbit in a Disenchanted Age"<sup>2</sup>, and becoming Jesus' "Presence in the Modern World"<sup>3</sup> requires of us a passionate rejection of all the rejections of reality that are part and parcel of this moment in salvation history, and a confession of who, and whose we are, come what may. The Ascension provides us with the opportunity to say that by the Easter mystery, Jesus has changed my life, and by his being now both with me and in heaven, I can by grace judge the way forward clearly.

Pentecost, which we celebrate next weekend, is like the Feast of the Ascension activated, for when the Holy Spirit fell with "tongues of fire" on the Apostles it was like they were "already, but not yet" participating in Jesus' Easter victory! "The vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint!"

Happy Ascension, *Father Fred*

1. Cf. F.M. Dostoyevsky, *I demoni; Taccuini per "Idemoni"* ("The Demons, Notebooks for "the Demons"), edited by E. Lo GATTO, Sansoni, Firenze, 1958, p.1011.

2. Conor Sweeney, 2018

3. Jacques Ellul, 1948 (A New Translation by Lisa Richmond 2016)

## PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

### Monday 5/13

4:30pm Miraculous Medal Novena

### Tuesday 5/14

7pm Mass & 13th TUES Novena (Day 8)

### Wednesday 5/15

7pm Alpha

### Saturday 5/18

9am Boy Scouts Troop 98

2pm Life in the Spirit

3pm Faith & Light

3pm Legion of Mary

### Sunday 5/19

8am Garden Club Partnership

1pm Couples For Christ



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK



### May 12—Solemnity of the Ascension

7:00am +Yvette Prepetit  
10:00am James A. Wisler  
Noon +Van Wilson  
6:30pm Parishioners of St. Anthony

### Monday, May 13

Our Lady of Fatima

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

### Tuesday, May 14

St. Matthias

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

7:00pm +Van Wilson 9th TUE in St. Anthony Mass & Novena

### Wednesday, May 15

St. Isidore

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

### Thursday, May 16

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

### Friday, May 17

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

### Saturday, May 18

St. John I

8:00am +Yvette Prepetit

5:00pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

## May 19—Sunday of Pentecost

7:00am +Yvette Prepetit  
10:00am Dale Brown Sasse  
Noon +Van Wilson  
6:30pm Parishioners of St. Anthony

### REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK

John Barbera, Vincent Brook, Joseph R. Butler, Alfred Capobianco, Sarah Cronin, Eulaulia Ellsworth, Rita Goodwin, Eureka Gray, Pauline Gregory, Sr. Barbara Karl, Sabrina Porter, Josephine Reid, George Taylor, George Ramsey

### REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND

Orval Cooke, Harriet Gay, Will Grissett, Carolyn Hamilton, Celia Ross, Amy Smith, Edna Wagner, Dorothy West

### PRAY FOR ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Mark Bowen, Joseph Fisher, Willard Goldsmith, Joann Coules, Jessalyn Charles, Marie Keaqveney, Claudia Nelson, Nancy Logan, Rose Willis, Msgr. Joaquin Bazan, Jessica Thomasian

### ETERNAL REST, GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

Cajetan DeMello, Earle Eldridge, & the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Call our parish office if you would like to add a name for prayers.

Please let us know if there is any change.



We offer electronic tithing through  
**Faith Direct**

1. Scan the QR code below and follow instructions.
2. Or, go online to [faith.direct/DC463](https://faith.direct/DC463)



# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

## PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Has St. Anthony interceded for you and you'd like to donate online to his Church in Thanksgiving?

Thank you St. Anthony! Pray for us!

**PayPal:**

[paypal.me/StAnthonyofPaduaDC](https://paypal.me/StAnthonyofPaduaDC)

**Venmo:**

[@stanthonyofpaduaDC](https://venmo.com/stanthonyofpaduaDC)

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers! Allow Jesus to be Lord of your marriage relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Oct 11-13, 2024 in COLLEGE PARK, MD and Sep 27-29, 2024 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://moments4marriage.org> or contact us at [applications@moments4marriage.org](mailto:applications@moments4marriage.org) or call: 301-500-0871.



### The CIC's DC Eucharistic Procession May 18th

Please join the Catholic Information Center (CIC) for their Eucharistic Procession on Saturday, May 18, 2024. The day begins with Mass at 9:30 a.m. at the CIC, located at 1501 K St NW, DC 20005. The procession will then bring Christ's Real Presence to the streets of downtown DC at 10:15 a.m., and will conclude at 12 noon at CIC.

For more information and to RSVP, please visit: [www.cicdc.org/Procession](http://www.cicdc.org/Procession)

As the Archdiocese of Washington prepares for an event of profound faith and community, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will journey through the archdiocese from June 7 - 9, with a highlight on Saturday, 6/8 — a Mass at the Basilica of the Nat'l Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, followed by a Eucharistic Procession through the surrounding Brookland neighborhood, concluding with Benediction and catechesis at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

To join us for the Mass and Procession, please complete the registration information at: <https://bit.ly/nep-reg>

## FOR OUR YOUTH

### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Sunday School Catechism is available for Pre-K through 12th grade. Classes are held on Sundays from 11:15 am - 12:15 pm from September to May, Accepting students year round! All children of the parish who are not in Catholic school should be enrolled in a religious education class. Please fill out the Registration Form on the website or for more information, please contact **Arthur Linder** at 202-529-7558.

\*All children receiving any sacraments must bring a copy of their baptismal certificate.



### To Request A Donation Form for Your Taxes

Please email Sister Pauline for your taxable donations to the IRS:

[stanthonydc.finance@gmail.com](mailto:stanthonydc.finance@gmail.com)

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### You Will Receive Power

*You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. St Paul speaks about the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe. And in the Gospel, Jesus issues the Great Commission – Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. We can't know how much confidence that Jesus had in his tiny church to accomplish this audacious mission. But we know he had great confidence in the Holy Spirit to provide all the power the Church would ever need for the assigned mission. Come Holy Spirit!*



### Stay Connected



- Visit our parish website [stanthonyofpaduadc.org](http://stanthonyofpaduadc.org) for news.
- **Subscribe to Flocknote** to receive emails with updates from the parish such as bulletins, and homily notes. It's **FREE** and easy by emailing [mzakdc@hotmail.com](mailto:mzakdc@hotmail.com) or visit: <https://stanthonyofpaduadc.org/flock-note>
- Follow us on **Instagram** : [stanthonyofpaduadc](https://www.instagram.com/stanthonyofpaduadc) or **Facebook** : [StAnthonyofPaduainLittleRome](https://www.facebook.com/StAnthonyofPaduainLittleRome)



**MAY 12, 2024**

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For more information on devotions and ministries  
please see our parish website :  
<https://stanthonypadua.org>

*The Holy Mass in which we participate is the highest form of Catholic worship because here Christ feeds us with His Body and Blood. For Catholics, preparing to receive Holy Communion includes first receiving sacramental confession - if one is conscious of grave sin. Catholics who are not properly disposed to receive the Holy Eucharist, as well as any non-Catholic visitors who have joined us for worship, are respectfully asked to remain in the pew during the Communion procession and express in prayer their love for the Lord, who is truly present in this Most Holy Sacrament.*

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**The LAST Friday Fish Fry is**

**June 7th from Noon—6pm**

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic  
School 3400 12th St. NE DC

**Life in the Spirit Seminars**

Deepen your personal relationship with Jesus  
and yield to the action of the Holy Spirit.

St Anthony is hosting a Life in The Spirit Seminar  
that runs to May 25th. It's held on Saturdays  
from 3 pm-5 pm. Attendance is Free. Please join  
us in the Ministries Room.

[bit.ly/LISSAPR2024](http://bit.ly/LISSAPR2024)

**Congratulations to our  
First Communion Recipients**

**May 5, 2024**

**Parish School of Religion:**

Nicholas Anamelechi, Austin Blalock, Nina Gabrielle Canlas

Lucy Clausen, Arianna Ndifor, Bryce Shoemaker,

Tyler Small-Deleon, Elsie Wolfson, Gelilah Zecarias,

Vivienne Lyew

**St. Anthony Catholic School:**

Serena Uchechukwu Anamelechi, Noah Rimer Brewster,

Christopher Kuhn-Green, Charles Ong Manabat,

John Tanoe, David Tanoe, Lila Cullinane, Grant Burrell

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**School Hours:** 8:00AM—3:15PM  
**School Mass:** 10:00AM on Fridays