

Many Catholic cultures preserve the ancient tradition of giving gifts on the Epiphany, not on Christmas itself. This tradition separates the birth of Christ from gift giving. When these two things—the birth of Christ and the giving of gifts—are collapsed into the same day, it causes some confusion of priorities, and the birth of Christ never wins. Waiting to exchange gifts until January sixth lets the Child God have the stage to Himself for a day. It makes people, especially children, wait, a modern day rarity in the Western world. Gift giving postponed until January third makes for a long, leisurely Christmas season and has the benefit of tradition and good theology as well.



Fourth Friday, January 29, 2021
St. Anthony Parish Hall, 9 a.m.

OFFERTORY



We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us. In gratitude, we have returned to Him:

Collections December 26th & 27th

ST. ANTHONY ST. PIUS X

1st Collection: \$1,367.00 \$351.30

2nd Collection: \$485.00 \$57.25

Holy family and Christmas - \$3,015.58

This weeks Online Giving - \$337.00

Total Weekly Offerings - \$5,557.55

ST. ANTHONY

ST. PIUS X

Electric Bill (Dec.)

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\$1,873.51

\$402.74

MASS ATTENDANCE

ST. ANTHONY

ST. PIUS X

95

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*Poinsettia's
 Placed on Altar in
 Memory of*

Zoe' Boudreaux Barrios, Errol Perrin, Geraldine Favaloro, Robert & Denie Victoriano, Homer & Katie Campbell, Ed Cain, Rogers & Molinaro Family, Della Mae Parks Roussel, Joesph Pierre Roussel, Ronald & Penny Rojas & Family, Theresa Perrin, Regina & Melvin Williams, Celie & Charles Robin, Jr., LeeAnna & Alfred Melancon, Al & Joan Clement, Zigmund & Erena Powajbo, Daniel Boutte, Sr., Ernest Mamolo III, Gloria & George Boudreaux, Mr. & Mrs. Gus Carmadell, Sr., Gus Carmadell, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Perrin, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew F. Pizani, Kerry Rojas, Catherine & Ernest McEvers, Joseph Arabie, Jr., Robert & Denie Victoriano & Family & Steven Paul, Joe, Gwen, & Lance Boudlauch, Lene & Taft Belsome, Charles & Paul Matherne, Skiro & Gertie Perez, Renella Ledet, Jerry J Casso, Narris & Trudy Cheramie, Harvey & Emma Cheramie, Eugene & Thersea Agoff, Andrew, Cecile & Curtis Silver, Louis & Myritilla Perrin, Oscar & Yvonne Creppel, Steven Hymel, Jarett Polkey & Willie Boudreaux, Carrie Thomassie, Kerry Rojas, Leah Chandler Bailly, Mitchal & Alma Parria, Dudley Mayfield, The Kuhn Family, The Wildey Family, Maria Elena, Jerry, Josephine, Geraldine, Cynthia Moll and Rose Mary Moll Cheris, Walter Anthony Sigur, Joesph Rutley, Rutley and Pizani family, Brenda Parria, Michelle Parria, Kip Parria, Bruno & Evelyn Touchard, Bruno & Shirley Touchard, Eugene Touchard, Dolores Dufrene, Morgan Perrin, Sr., Micheal Dominge

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**St. Anthony Catholic Church
 St. Pius X Catholic Church Mission**



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Office Staff: Dani Bean, Vera Denet, LeAnn Lightell & Ellie Melancon

Rectory Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*As a Catholic Church Family,
 we respond to Christ's call,
 evangelize, and welcome all
 generations to the Holy
 Eucharist.*

PARISH MOTTO

*St. Pius X adopted the motto
 of St. Paul for his work as
 Pope, "to restore all things in
 Christ, so that Christ may be
 all in all."*

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. ANTHONY:

Tuesday: Mass 7:00 a.m.
 Mass & Novena 4:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Rosary:

Monday: 7:00 p.m.

ST. PIUS X:

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

St Anthony Tuesdays
 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

RCIA:

St Anthony Rectory Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Before weekend Mass or by appointment.

Baptism:

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

Marriage:

Please contact Fr. Luke six months prior to desired ceremony date.

Funeral:

Please contact Fr. Luke before final arrangements of funeral.

Anointing of the Sick:

Available upon request.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 11th Virtual Class @ 10:00 - 10:40 a.m;
 11:00 Mass following class

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive communion, please call the rectory.

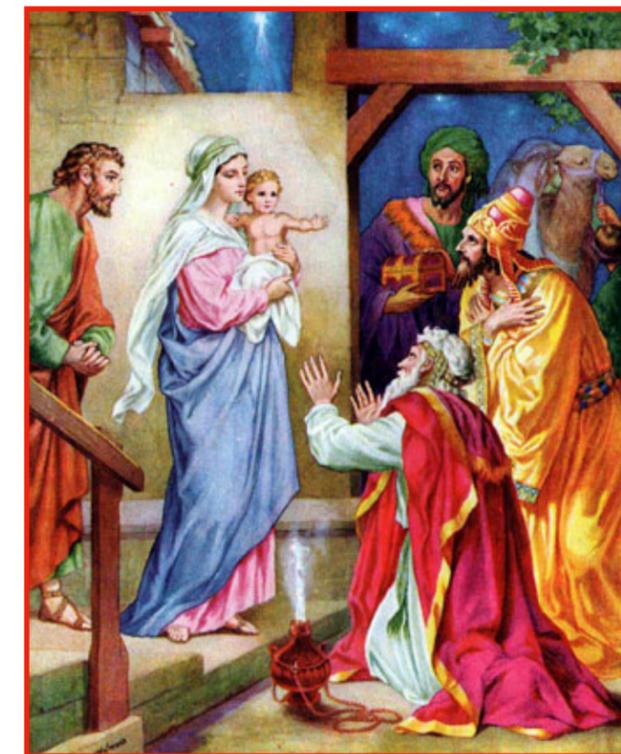
Scripture Outline & Reflection

Today's Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

All nation are invited to sing the Lord's praises (1, Ps) for they have been called to hear the good news (2) and worship the long awaited Messiah and King (3) with the gifts of their lives.



The Epiphany of the Lord

“As we begin the New Year, may we discover anew that faith demands worship. If we can fall on our knees before Jesus, we will overcome the temptation to set off on our own path.”

Pope Francis

On this Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, we remember that God came to earth for everyone, every nation, every people.

HALL RENTAL

The St. Anthony and Joseph Halls (St. Pius X) are available to rent for special occasions. For information please contact the Rectory **689-4101**.

STAY CONNECTED

BULLETIN

For announcements please contact the Rectory **689-4101**.

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ONLINE GIVING

Online giving now available. Visit our parish website to sign up.

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection during mass will be collected following the first collection. This will allow time for reflection after communion.

ALTAR FLOWERS, SANCTUARY LAMPS, SPECIAL MASS INTENSIONS

To place flowers on the altar, have the Sanctuary Lamps burn or have Special Mass Intentions held in honor of a loved one please notify the rectory **two weeks prior to date**, envelopes for this purpose can be found at the entrance of the church.

ST. PIUS X

The Church will be locked at all times except during Masses. We have installed a punch button lock box. For access code, please call the rectory.

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK

FOURTH Friday of each month @ St. Anthony Parish Hall.



What do you believe about your past that is keeping you from your future?

“Every Saint has a past and every sinner has a future.” This was Oscar Wilde’s observation. Wherever you are in your journey, wherever you have been and whatever you have done, the lives of the saints such as Augustine remind us that God never gives up on us - even if at times we give up on ourselves or give up on Him.

Augustine had given himself over to just about every pleasure and ambition that this world has to offer, but they all left him dissatisfied. His own words sum up his journey and his destination in a single line: “Our hearts are restless Lord, until they rest in you.”

We all have restless hearts. How often have we fallen into the trap of thinking the things of this world are more important than they are? How often have we mistakenly believed that certain things, pleasures, or experiences would make us happy for longer than they did? We have all made these mistakes, and yet God waits for us, like a patient father.

Augustine and so many of the saints are great beacons of hope for ordinary people like you and me. I look at Augustine and draw hope and strength from his story. I think to myself, “If he can turn it all around, surely God will work with me to turn my life around.”

Today is a new day, and every moment is a chance to turn it all around. Imagine the moment when Augustine finally surrendered. Weary of the world’s broken promises, empty in his heart and in his soul, he finally turned to God. In that moment Augustine turned his whole life around. He probably didn’t recognize how significant it was and he couldn’t have done it without God’s help, but that was an amazing moment

We all have moments like that in our lives - perhaps not as dramatic as Augustine’s, but we all have turning points. Do you need one now? This might be the beginning of a new season of grace in your life. I hope it is. I pray it is. And somehow, somewhere, Augustine is hoping and praying for you too. He has experienced the discouragement and emptiness of the world and he has experienced God’s incredible love, and he longs for you to experience it too, now more than ever before.

[Excerpts from *Rediscover the Saints* by Matthew Kelly]

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. ANTHONY

Jan. 2nd	5:00 p.m.	All Souls
Jan. 3rd	8:00 a.m.	Jules & Louelle Nunez Lloyd & Leola Bourgeois
	11:00 a.m.	Merlyn Olano
Jan. 4th	7:00 a.m.	All Souls
Jan. 5th	7:00 a.m.	All Souls
Jan. 6th	7:00 a.m.	All Souls
Jan. 7th	9:00 a.m.	All Souls
Jan. 8th	7:00 a.m.	All Souls

ST. PIUS X

Jan. 2nd	9:30 a.m.	All Health Care Workers
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CCD REGISTRATION

EVERY SUNDAY 9:30 - 10:00 AM

AT ST. ANTHONY PARISH HALL

St. Anthony Altar Flowers



Are in Thanksgiving

St. Pius X Altar Flowers



Are in Thanksgiving

St. Anthony Sanctuary Lamps



Jarret Jude Polkey

George & Elsie Belsome

St. Pius X Sanctuary Lamps

*Will burn in Memory of
Emery Catherine Bordelon*

and that

*Shawn Chauppette Bordelon
feels the Healing Power of*



Special Mass Intentions

***For Healing of
Fr. John Ryan***

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Parishioners and Daniel J. Boutte, Lawrence Michel, Jr., Ruth Marie Whipple, Celie Robin, Stanley Forse, Maude Hymel, Vivian Fisher, David Perrin, Esther Mayfield, Geraldine Favaloro, Lynn Sawyer, Ricky Matherne, Joseph Smith, Reed Prestenbach, Sr., Ronald J. Perrin, Paul Eschete, Gertie Rosalie Danos, Brent Olano, Elvira Kuhn, Jules Caulfield, Malvin Pizani, Patsy Creppel, Adia Harvey, Errol Perrin, Ida Mayfield Alexie, Joseph Bourgeois, Allen E. Prestenbach, Maude Hymel, Dave Perrin, Vivian Fisher, Stanley Folsie, Dale DeHart, Nancy Lee, Ester Belsome, Jerry Casso, Laurie Lobue, Myron Berthelot, Shelia Ann Neveaux, James A. LaCross, Sr., Mable Perrin, Vera Adams, Patricia Daigle Wildey, Abel Autin, Willie Elliott, Rodney Rojas, Robert H. Dufrene, Marilyn Rome, Donald Cooper, Sr., and Merlyn Olano

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