

MARY, THE MOST PERFECT CREATURE

"She who is full of grace, the object of God's pleasure, exalted above all the angels and the saints, lived an ordinary life.

Mary is as much a creature as we are, with a heart like ours, made for joy and mirth as well as suffering and tears. Before Gabriel communicates to her God's plan, our Lady does not know that she has been chosen from all eternity to be the mother of the Messiah. She sees herself as a lowly creature. That is why she can acknowledge, with full humility, that "he who is mighty has done great things for her.

Let us offer to our Mother many glances of affection and many words of love, when we see her image or picture in our home, in the church or anywhere."



[Excerpts from Catholic New Agency Website, Month of Mary - May Devotions]

**St. Anthony Catholic Church
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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:

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

ST. PIUS X:

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays in St. Anthony Church Chapel following the rosary @ 9:00 a.m.

RCIA: Parish Hall - Wednesdays @ 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:

Call the rectory in case of emergency.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 9th Monday at 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. at Parish Hall. Grades 10th & 11th Sunday at 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at Parish Hall.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

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

**Scripture Outline & Reflection
READINGS**

Acts 1:1-11;
Psalms 47:2-3; 6-7; 8-9;
Ephesians 1:17-23;
Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name, reminding them that he is always present through his Spirit (3). Having ascended to his Father amid cries of gladness (Ps), we are to be his witnesses (1) for we have been gifted with his Spirit of wisdom and revelation (2). Let us, therefore, live in a manner worthy of the call we have received. (2).



"...And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Matthew 28:20

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that we may be
made worthy of
the promises of
Christ.'**



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Collections May 13th and 14th

	<u>ST. ANTHONY</u>	<u>ST. PIUS X</u>
1st Collection:	\$1,441.00	\$858.25
2nd Collection:	\$. 615.79	\$168.10

Children's Collection \$162.00

This weeks Online Giving \$187.00

Total Weekly Offering \$ 3,432.14

MASS ATTENDANCE

St Anthony	St. Pius X
140	78

ST. ANTHONY ST. PIUS X

Electric Bill (April)	Electric Bill (April)
\$2,064.75	\$181.37



Friday, May 26th
St. Anthony Parish Hall
9:00 a.m.

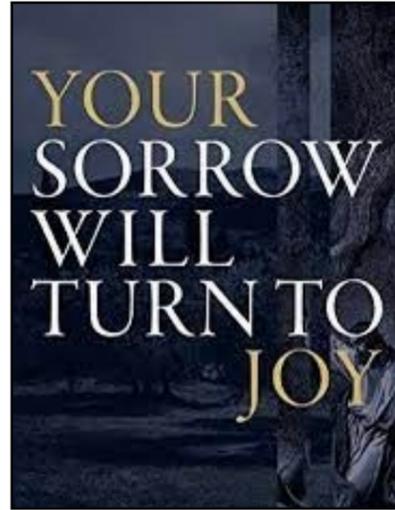
Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven; let our hearts ascend with Him."

- St. Augustine



"Christ is our way in example, truth in promise, life in reward; a way that is straight, a truth that does not deceive, a life that never ends."

St. Anthony



Reflect, today, upon the abiding and intimate presence of our Lord in your life. Know that Jesus invites you to share in His mission. From His glorious throne He wants us to "preach everywhere." He wants to invite each one of us to do our part. The part of the Father's plan entrusted to each one of us is not entrusted to another. We all have a share in that plan. What is your part? How does Jesus direct His mission through you? Ponder this question today and know that He accompanies you as you say "Yes" to your part in the glorious unfolding of His perfect plan.

Lord, I do find that my life is filled with many ups, downs, twists and turns. There are joys and sorrows, moments of confusion and clarity. In all things, help me to continually say "Yes" to Your plan. Jesus, I trust in You.

<https://catholic-daily-reflections.com/sorrow-to-joy/#ascension>

"Be assured of God's love for you. Seek by his grace to heal the damage of sin. Seek communion with him and with those who make up his Church and those who are not yet within. His love for all of us is unconditional. His joy is infinite. His mercy overflows."

Deacon Michael Bickerstaff

<https://integratedcatholiclife.org/2023/04/deacon-bickerstaff-joy-and-sorrow-2/>

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. ANTHONY

May 20th 4:00 p.m. William "Gene" Adam
 John Heurtin, Jr.
 Caleb Favaloro

May 21st 9:00 a.m. All Parishioners

ST. PIUS X

May 21st 10:30 a.m. Daniel Berthelot

Parish Event

May 26th, (Friday)
Second Harvest Food Bank
 St. Anthony Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.

July 10th-14th, (Monday - Friday)
Vacation Bible Camp
 St. Anthony Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.



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"... we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us."

Romans 5:3-5