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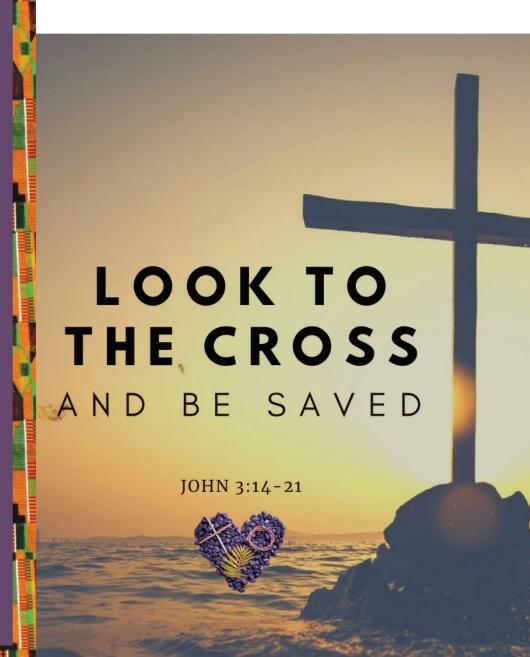
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# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 Gower Street Greenville, South Carolina 29611

Welcoming all people to worship God in the genius of African American Catholic Spirituality

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024



### **PARISH INFO**

### WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish. Please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org if you would like to register. Our new online registration form is now LIVE! Please visit www.stanthonysgvl.org to register.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5 PM Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM (Noon) Sunday Mass is uploaded on YouTube

### **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS**

11 AM & 6 PM

### WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 11 AM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 12 PM (Noon) - 1:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:45 PM Or by Appointment

### HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 9 AM - 4 PM

Phone: (864) 233-7717

Email: stanthonysparish@gmail.com Website: <u>www.stanthonysgvl.org</u>

### ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167

Website: www.stanthonyschoolgvl.org

### CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

Diocesan Office: (843) 261-0430

### DO YOU NEED HELP?

Financial Assistance: (864) 233-7717 ext. 103 Catholic Charities: (864) 242-2233

Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



The men and women that serve in the armed forces do so with a form of sacrificial love for our countryand the world. Lifting them up in prayer to the Lord must be our humble, and yet great support for them.

Lord, may your love encircle our military as they

work across the world to install justice and peace for all. And be their hope through the difficulties and stresses they face each day.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

### SATURDAY, 3/9

• 5 PM Kelli Reilly

### SUNDAY, 3/10

- 8 AM
- 10 AM Robert Dergregio 🚹
- 12 PM

#### TUESDAY, 3/12

• 11 AM Fr. Mark Connell

#### WEDNESDAY, 3/13

11 AM

#### THURSDAY, 3/14

• 11 AM

FRIDAY, 3/15

11 AM

#### SATURDAY, 3/16

• 5 PM John Cullen

#### SUNDAY, 3/17

- 8 AM
- 10 AM Dave Turner 11
- 12 PM

It is a wonderful Catholic tradition to request a Mass Intention for loved ones; living or deceased. In fact, asking for Mass intention for the deceased is not only Catholic tradition, it is biblical (2 Maccabees 12: 38-46).

Mass intention is also a wonderful gift for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc.

Please call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention.

### TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR:

### Individuals

Alec Kubica Gregory Kuhn Alice Rigler Hazel Hill Andrew Shafer Jonathan Turner Ann Fournier Joseph Neito Joyce Croce Ann Moore Ann Nechodom Juliet Roy Annette Martin Julius Pinson Jr. Anthony Davis Laura Drummond Bill Higgins Laurie Rappl Lillie Davis Carl Sunderlin Charlene Palmer Lori Cortese Chester Williams Lori McGinley Clarice Hanly Malik McCauley David Burnett Margaret Morris Dee Dee Dzikowicz Marilyn Daly Donna Neeley Martha Cotel Donna Nickels Dorothy Baker Mary Cormican Drew Butterfield Mary Curran Elaine Greggs Mary Ann Turner Ellaniose Johnson Matthew Bryson Eric Kuhn Maureen Lukovic Erica Hardy Megan Counihan

Melvin Armstrong Michael Davis Olivia Brown Phyllis Oliver Rhonda Brown Richard Cortese Richard Palmer Sabrina Walker Sammy Huguet Sandra McNaughton Sharon Bryant Sharon Patton Sherri Hoffman Stephan Pleasant Marie Therese Isdiore Steve Miller Stuart MacNaughton Tara Cleary Thelma Williams Tom James Trov Koon Tyler Daly Korybski Wilbert Morgan Willie Davis

### **Families**

Barb & Vern Prinzing Dana Lacher Catherine & Michael Branca Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu Karen Randall & Family Michael & Ruth Walters Tessa & George Skoniecki Deacon Richard Murtaugh Deacon Steve & Susan Olson Deacon Winston Wright

### Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair Nicole Campbell Little

### HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

If you are sick at home or in the hospital, have a member of your family notify the parish if you are not able to notify us yourself. We care about you and want to help you when you need help from your church family.

If there is someone you would like to be added on the prayer list OR removed, please contact the Parish Office: 864-233-7717.

Thank you!

### **SACRAMENTS & MINISTRY INFO**

### **ACTIVE PARISHIONER**

The criteria for an Active Parishioner are:

-Weekly participation in worship through attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.

-Volunteer at St. Anthony's on regular basis (**Time**)
-Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
-Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving
(**Treasure**)

### PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTS

Those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony **must be registered members** for <u>at least six months</u> prior to reception of these Sacraments. You must be a registered member of the parish to ask for Godparent or Sponsor's form of eligibility.

### **Infant Baptism Class for Parents**

Parents must be registered and active member of St. Anthony's. Class is offered on the third Thursday of every month. Pre-registration is required. Please call the office to pre-register. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

### **First Holy Communion**

Preparation begins in the first grade and continues into second grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week in August.

#### Confirmation

Preparation begins in the eighth grade and continues into ninth grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week of August. Adults who have not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament are asked to contact the parish office.

### Marriage

You must be registered and active member at least six months prior to preparation of the Sacrament. Couples should call the parish office and speak to the priest/ Deacon for pre-nuptial inquiries. Then the couple will begin formal marriage preparations at least six months prior to the wedding date.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is a process through which non-baptized adults known as catechumens or baptized adults who wish to convert from other faith traditions enter in communion with the Catholic Church. Classes begins in September. If you wish to become a Catholic, please call the parish office.



# ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

On Fridays from 9:45 AM to 10:45 AM & 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Please consider taking time with Jesus this week.

# PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Davish Dastanal Caumail	
Parish Pastoral Council Tony Smith, Chairperson	803-727-5072
Mary Lee Tierney, Secretary	
Parish Finance Council	
Sandy Thompson, Chairperson	252-622-1945
Chery O'Malley, Secretary	
Eucharistic Ministers/Scripture Reac	
Paul Herr	
Kyle Herr	
Altar Servers	
Lawrence Moerke	404-824-0765
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Kathleen Merritt	864-331-2633
Men's Club	
Ralston Moore	864-386-4852
David Quast	
Food Pantry	
Carol Moeller	864-380-4155
30's & 40's Group	
Becky Tutiven	864-918-7779
Renee Puckett Smith	
Elijah Cup Vocations Ministry	
Mike Cumby	864-417-8973
Gala School Fundraiser	
Jean Hever	864-608-5256
Handicap Transportation Ministry	
Chuck Milteer	864-350-9684
Health Ministry	
Rita O'Rourke	864-979-7544
Hiking Ministry	
Paul Herr	864-907-9356
Homebound Ministers	
Donna Moerke	404-374-4019
	404-374-4013
Housing Ministry Mike Mathers	864-483-5477
	004-463-3477
Knights of Columbus Jim Tetor	E40, 200, 7200
Richard Cortese	004-201-6102
Knights of Peter Claver Paul Latimore	964-200-0947
Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxilia Mary Ann Boyd	
	019-317-2191
Living Waters Bible Study	22_4011 on 964_922_401
Nicky & Lillie Jones864-83	2-4011 01 004-032-401
Meal Ministry	964 354 0040
Dana Lacher	
Prayer Card Ministry & Prayer Shawl	
Delores Martinez	864-201-2204
Prison Ministry	004 000 4000
Richard Krainas	
Gwen Whitner	864-297-0123
Young Families	
Vacant	

### SPIRITUAL LIFE

#### FROM THE OFFICE DESK OF PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Dear friends, as we journey deeper into the season of Lent, we find ourselves on the fourth Sunday. A powerful message greets us: "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life" (Jn 3:16). This isn't just a reminder, it's a testament to Jesus' mission to heal and save. It sets the stage for this joyful Sunday, known as Laetare Sunday, and prompts us to ponder: what truly brings joy in our lives?

As we delve further into our Gospel passage from John 3:14-21, we encounter the phrase "Son of Man being lifted up". This is a direct reference to Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, a symbol of God's boundless love for us. This act of love leads us to a moment of resurrection. The son of man lifted up from the tomb by the Father, by the power of the Spirit. The cross, in essence, is our guide towards resurrection, a love stronger than death, assuring us that love will always triumph and sustain us. Furthermore, the cross unveiled God's loving solidarity with all who suffer and revealed that suffering and evil will never have the last word.

Let's consider the phrase "only Son". It adds a layer of emotion, reminding us of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac. As the story unfolds, it reveals that faith in Jesus not only guarantees eternal life but also signifies a spiritual rebirth and transformation. The reference to the snake, an animal known for shedding its skin, serves as a symbol for transformation and eternal life, thereby amplifying these themes even more.

Although Jesus didn't come to condemn, the world, according to John's theology, is still susceptible to judgement. Thus, salvation becomes a gift for those who accept God's offering of the cross. Turning our focus to the concept of eternal life, we understand it's granted to us through Jesus' Word: "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life" (Jn 5:24). From our human perspective, our faith in Jesus is not just a belief, it's a bridge to eternal life and communion with God.

As we wrap up, this Sunday we are reminded how much we are loved. Let's reflect. Where is the darkness in my life? Where is the light? How can I move from darkness towards light? These critical questions could guide our transformation in God's cruciform love

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION Collections for March 2-3 Masses

Envelopes/Cash \$8,757.38 Online Giving \$13,941.46

Total \$22,698.84

<u>Giving Online</u> makes it easier and more convenient to contribute to St. Anthony's Church. Scan the QR code to the right by opening your camera app to start giving online.

**Stewardship** is not only about the needs of the Church, rather it is about our desire to give back to God in thanksgiving, by sharing with others the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us.

The true spirit of Stewardship is "Equal Sacrifice and not Equal Giving."



### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**March 10, 4th Sunday of Lent** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

March 11, Monday of the 4th Week of Lent Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

March 12, Tuesday of the 4th Week of Lent Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

March 13, Wednesday of the 4th Week of Lent Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

March 14, Thursday of the 4th Week of Lent Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

March 15, Friday of the 4th Week of Lent Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

March 16, Saturday of the 4th Week of Lent Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

**March 17, 5th Sunday in Lent** Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Scripture online at https://bible.usccb.org/



### THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS/ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

As the Season of Lent approaches there will be some changes to some liturgical activities at our beloved parish. There will be a change of time to Fridays' Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as we will begin the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross will continue through Friday, March 29, 2024, and the time for the Stations of the Cross will be held at 6:00 PM.

Therefore, from **Friday**, **February 16**, **2024**, through **Friday**, **March 22**, **2024**, the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will be held at **9:45 AM** – **10:45 AM**, and from **12:00 Noon** – **5:00 PM**. There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Good Friday, March 29, 2024.



### PARISH LIFE

#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We are serving 120 people daily from our community and still growing. We are in need of Vienna Sausages, canned meat with pop tabs, Ramen noodles, peanut butter crackers, instant grits, instant oatmeal and protein bars. Please help in supporting our pantry. We greatly appreciate it.

### SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL SHARE YOUR TIME AND TALENT

The St. Anthony of Padua School Advisory Council is an advisory group that supports the principal and pastor in the operation of the educational process. The Council consists of three officers, seven committee chairmen and members at large, who work together to promote the mission of the school.

We need your help. Three of our committees need to add new members. The details and contact information are listed below.

If you have experience/skills in any of these areas, we encourage you to think and pray about sharing your time and talent.

### **Facilities and Maintenance Committee**

Helps to ensure that the school's facilities and equipment are adequately maintained, develops a schedule to upgrade/replace equipment and supports ongoing funding. Chairman: Gene Kolodziej, 231-250-9494

### Strategic Planning Committee

Manages the strategic planning process to develop, implement and monitor a 3-5-year plan that guides the continuing development and enhancement of the school.

Chairman: Bill Kirkpatrick, 864-270-6013

### **Technology Committee**

Helps develop and implement a long-range technology plan that provides the resources, training and education to help students acquire the technology skills necessary for learning, communication and educational advancement.

Chairman: Rick Floyd, 864-630-1467

### THE CHOSEN IS RETURNING FOR THE 4TH SEASON

The Chosen series has been an exciting and rewarding program for many. With the return of the 4th season small groups are forming for review and discussion of the new episodes. There are currently two groups that are forming. One will meet on Sunday evenings and the other on Thursday evenings via video conferencing. The small groups expect to start meeting the week of March 3, 2024 and will continue through the week of April 21, 2024. If you are interested, please reach out to Leanne Koffskey at <a href="mailto:leannekoffskey@gmail.com">leannekoffskey@gmail.com</a> to sign up.

#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men, did you know there is an ongoing Men's Bible Study each week? Please join with other men in the parish as they explore scripture and fellowship together. This is a time wonderful time of faith enrichment and growing in community. The meetings are via Zoom video conferencing except as noted. Meeting times are as follows:

Wednesdays at 7PM (except 2nd Wednesday of month, in person at 6:00PM in the Gallivan Center)

Via Zoom option:

Meeting ID: 839 7198 1448

Passcode: 601732

If you have any questions, please reach out to David Quast at (864) 906-2632.

We're looking forward to you being there.

We are in the process of adding panels and plaques to our memorial wall. The plaques are \$150.00. A clear photograph should be emailed to Gwen Whitner and the funds remitted at that time. Checks are to be made payable to St. Anthony Catholic Church and designated for memorial wall plaque in the memo section.

Gwen Whitner 864-567-1482 gwhitner@charter.net

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, March 10th Monday, Ma

9:00 AM - Breakfast Social Hall

2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services <u>Monday, March 11th</u>

7:00 PM - RCIA Social Hall Tuesday, March 12th

6:00 PM- Prison Ministry Classroom A

6:00 PM- Penance Service SAP Church

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study Zoom

### MARH 10TH- MARCH 17TH, 2024

Wednesday, March 13th

**6:00 PM - Religious Education** Assigned Classrooms

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### PARISH LIFE



### 2024 CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT Planning Committee

In the past, St. Anthony Parish and School has had a float in the Greenville Christmas Parade. We would like to resume this practice for the 2024 Christmas Parade to celebrate our faith-filled community. Are you willing to be part of a committee that will organize and plan for this event? We need people with ideas, enthusiasm and a willingness to pitch in. Please contact David Quast at (864) 906-2632 to be a part of our Christmas Parade Float efforts.

### DAILY MASS UPDATE

Starting Monday, March 4, 2024, there will be no Daily Mass on Monday's due to Fr. Emersons' change in schedule.

We will now have daily Mass taking place on Tuesday's at 11:00. If you have/had a mass intention set for a Monday, please contact Kyle Hall (kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org) to get a new mass date.

# LET'S BE TOGETHER.

### 2024 Catholic Appeal Begins

The Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (CASC) is a primary source of funding to help sustain and expand the ministries of the 95 parishes, 21 missions, 32 Catholic schools and multiple agencies of the Diocese of Charleston across the state. As stewards of God's gifts, we are invited to support the needs of our diocese through prayers and sacrificial gifts.

### MINISTRIES IN ACTION

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF: March 16 & 17, 2024

SATURDAY, 3/16: 5 PM	SUNDAY, 3/17: 8 AM	SUNDAY, 3/17: 10AM	SUNDAY, 3/17: 12 PM
ALTAR SERVERS Mackenzie Grove Maria Jaramillo	ALTAR SERVERS J'Carey H. Cade Tom Tilert	ALTAR SERVERS Patrick Doyle James Filchak Tatum Terracino	ALTAR SERVERS Jordan Perry Julian Perry David Mitchell- Dela Cruz
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  OF THE EUCHARIST  Renne Puckett Smith (Host)  Tony Smith (Cup 1)  Laura Combs (Cup 2)  Jane Kirkpatrick (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  OF THE EUCHARIST  Anna Byrd (Host)  Bonnie Carolite (Cup 1)  Maggie Kleger (Cup 2)  Stephanie Rosso (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  OF THE EUCHARIST  Ronnie Hudson (Host)  Erena Allen Allen (Cup 1)  Mary Morris Williams (Cup 2)  Barbara Prinzing (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  OF THE EUCHARIST  Jessie Bowens (Host)  Not FILLED (Cup 1)  NOT FILLED (Cup 2)  NOT FILLED (Cup 3)
SCRIPTURE READERS Ingrid Smith (Lector 1) Rick Floyd (Lector 2)	SCRIPTURE READERS David Carolite (Lector 1) Suzanne Newton (Lector 2)	SCRIPTURE READERS Sonia Cordero (Lector 1) Diana Ryan (Lector 2)	SCRIPTURE READERS John Gregory(Lector 1) Leanna Ramirez (Lector 2)
USHERS Rick Floyd Beth Holcombe Kathy Peot Bill Kirkpatrick Ken O'Malley Mark Combs	USHERS Mike Ayers Lillie Jones Nicky Jones Robert McDowell Jeff Sholl Lynn Sholl	USHERS Bob Dastou Jay Korybski Mike Connor Tom Creagen Dan Krick Armando Krick	USHERS Tom Moeller Cynthia Riley Bryant Boyd Mariel Hunkeler Charity Meacham Ray Lecuyer

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

<u>Thursday, March 14th</u>	<u>Friday, March 15th</u>	<u>Saturday, March 16th</u>	<u>Sunday, March 17th</u>
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study Social Hall	9:45-10:45 AM, 12-5 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		<b>9:00 AM - Breakfast</b> Social Hall
	5:00 PM- 7:00 PM - Fish Fry Friday Social Hall		
	6:00 PM - Stations of the Cross		

## **NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL**

### WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Register your Publix, Harris Teeter, and Ingles Rewards programs so the school earns money every time you shop for groceries!

### **Publix Rewards**

Login to your Publix account (or create one) at www.publix.com

Once logged in, open your profile and select My Publix
Partner. Type the school's zip code...29611
Select St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School and click Save.
Any time you make a purchase and use your Publix rewards card, St. Anthony will receive credit towards a quarterly donation of up to \$250.

### **Harris Teeter**

Login to your Harris Teeter account (or create one) at <a href="https://www.harristeeter.com">www.harristeeter.com</a>.

Click PROFILE, and enter our TIE Account Number 6774. Your rewards card will be tied to our school rewards account.

### **Ingles Markets**

Go to <u>ingles-markets.com</u> and scroll to the bottom of the page. Click Tools for Schools. Select *Link Your Card* on the right and Search for St. Anthony of Padua.

### PRINCIPAL'S PURVIEW

I'm happy to report that we have received our first quarterly statement from this fiscal year (July 1, 23-June 30, 24) and our finances look great! As I mentioned during my State of the School Report in November, the diocese has been switching accounting software and because we using a less than compatible program, it has taken over a year to get all of our historical data transferred over so it is available in the new system.

Our first full week of March has come and gone and we are counting down these last days before our Spring Break begins on Monday, March 18!

When we return from Spring Break, Holy Week will be upon us. Our 3rd-5th grade students will be participating in a retreat on Monday, March 25 dealing with the Spring Cleaning of our lives. This experience is being coordinated with our great friends at St. Joseph Catholic School and led by members of their Theology department, along with upperclassmen. We are grateful for this partnership and the mentor students that visit our campus each week from SJCS.

Finally, our registration process is going well. We've had nearly 35 new students tour for the coming school year and we've begun accepting those students who have applied!

Blessings on your week. ~Chris

# The Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF) will cover 83% of your St. Anthony Tuition! Apply TODAY if you seek a Catholic Education for your child!





# ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY ST. ANTHONY MEN'S CLUB

Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 307 Gower Street, Greenville SC 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**WHITINGS** – FRIED or BAKED

FISH PLATE with SIDES:
BAKED BEANS / COLE SLAW / FRENCH FRIES







### FISH SANDWICH or FISH & GRITS





