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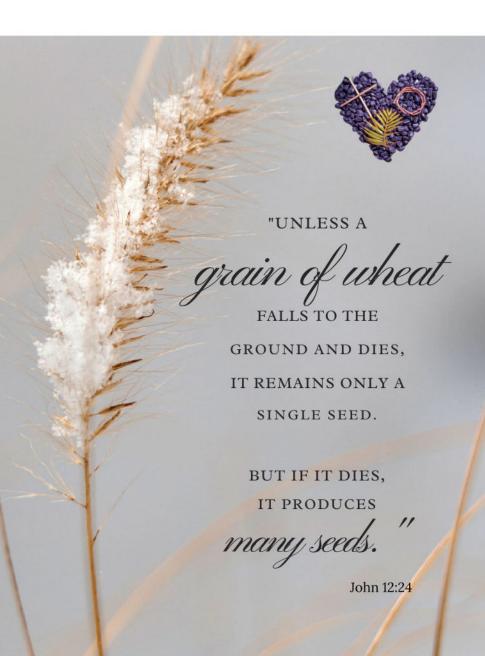
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ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 Gower Street Greenville, South Carolina 29611

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 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. 0 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, 3/16

• 5 PM John Cullen

SUNDAY, 3/17

- 8 AM Walter O. Tilert
- 10 AM Dave Turner
- 12 PM

TUESDAY, 3/19

11 AM

WEDNESDAY, 3/20

• 11 AM

THURSDAY, 3/21

11 AM Sharon Mclaughlin

FRIDAY, 3/22

11 AM

SATURDAY, 3/23

• 5 PM Adam Ewoldsen

SUNDAY, 3/24

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 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 Marie Therese Isdiore 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 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
Women's Council	
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 DESK OF THE PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

As we continue our journey through Lent, we approach the central message of the Gospel: Jesus must endure suffering and death for new life to happen. This Sunday, we prepare for the intense period of Jesus' Passion. Intriguingly, some Greeks seek out Jesus during the Passover. This event, as foretold in Is 11:10, signifies that Gentiles are in search of the Messiah. For Jesus, this event is an indication that his Passion is drawing near: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified."

Jesus employs the metaphor of a grain of wheat falling to the ground to illustrate the fruitfulness of the cross. This signifies that we can't create life without sacrificing our own. We can't instill life in others if we're unwilling to let go of ourselves. Life springs from love and our capacity to give. It's crucial for us to consider how our sacrifices and minor losses bear fruit, and to acknowledge the sacrifices made by others, particularly those made on our behalf.

This presents a profound paradox: The moment of Jesus' death is actually his moment of glory. Confronting death compels us to face the most profound truths of our existence: what we have lived for and how we perceive its meaning.

As Believers we come to comprehend the true nature of Jesus and the depth of God's love through suffering. Our reactions to life's events, both within and beyond our control, shape our character. Some of us find strength and grace in the face of tragedy, illness, injury, or disability, to the extent that we wouldn't opt to evade these challenges. As the Roman philosopher Lucretius noticed, "Observe a man in his moment of adversity and uncertainty, and his response will reveal his true nature."

In this context, John depicts Jesus as someone who faces death with freedom and trust in his Father. When John asserts that the way in which Jesus was "lifted up" symbolized the kind of death He would suffer, he is referring to more than just the cross. He implies that Jesus' death would be a glorification that would draw the entire world into his sphere of freedom and love. Furthermore, Jesus' death would unveil the New Covenant and God's unending love for us as is prophesied in Jeremiah chapter 31. Keep in mind that every time the Eucharist is "elevated" at Mass, we truly behold Jesus. We truly receive him in his Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Having died with him in baptism, we hope to rise with Him at our "hour", through God's grace.

The famous Swiss theologian, Hans Küng, proposes in his spiritual manifesto, Why I Am Still a Christian, that the church should imitate the "Spirit of the One crucified" by participating in the ongoing struggles that afflict humanity. He outlines the church's role in Jesus' hour and its path to glory as a commitment to ensuring respect for human dignity, freedom, justice, and peace, even to the point of infinite reconciliation.

In essence, every death brings about life, a new beginning. The end of relationships, health, and all that we value often serve as a signal or a wake-up call to a deeper existence. When we love deeply and live fully, we cannot stay away from other people suffering. Love, therefore, demands vulnerability, suffering, compassion, and shared pain. As K. Simonow articulated, "No form of suffering should be foreign to us."

This shared suffering, my dear friends, holds the potential to lead us to salvation and liberation. As we see in the Crucified, standing with those who suffer and sharing their pain brings salvation. May the loving faithfulness of God, demonstrated in Jesus' Cross, bring us peace and hope in our lives. Amen.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION Collections for March 9-10 Masses

Envelopes/Cash \$11,959.50 Online Giving \$14,338.42

Total \$26,297.92

2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services

Total \$1,486.61

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

March 18, Monday of the 5th Week of Lent Dn 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11

March 19, Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of Virgin
Marv

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21

March 20, Wednesday of the 5th Week of Lent Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; JN 8:31-42

March 21 Thursday of the 5th Week of Lent Gn 17: 3-9; Jn 8:51-59

March 22, Friday of the 5th Week of Lent Jer 20: 10-13; Jn 10: 31-42

March 23, Saturday of the 5th Week of Lent Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11: 45-56

March 24, Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Mk 11: 1-10; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2: 6-11; Mk 14: 1-15: 47



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 140 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, pop-tarts and protein bars. Please help in supporting our pantry. We greatly appreciate it.

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



Welcome to Green Space - the informative Bulletin Box devoted to the Environment!

Brought to you by the Spirituality Commission of the St. Anthony of Padua Women's Council, members Christine Kielkucki, Paula de Almeida Silva and Mary Morris Williams

ONE STEP: In the bulletin, we will be posting ways to improve the Environment.

Look for our posts and take ONE STEP!

More about us...our group is studying papal writings, especially Pope Francis's encyclical, Laudato Si', to learn about the Social Teachings of the Catholic Church. We welcome your comments, ideas and suggestions as we move forward in dialogue and create change. Email us at:mmwilliams3@comcast.net or phone 904-662-5782



Holy Week Mass Times:

Holy Thursday: 3/28 @8:30pm

Good Friday: 3/29 @1:45pm, Passion@3PM

Easter Vigil @6:30pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MARH 17TH- MARCH 24TH, 2024

Sunday, March 17th

9:00 AM - Breakfast Social Hall Monday, March 18th

7:00 PM - RCIA Social Hall <u>Tuesday, March 19th</u>

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study
Zoom

Wednesday, March 20th

PARISH LIFE



GET CONNECTED!

Have you been receiving emails from the St. Anthony of Padua Flocknote system?

If not, there are two ways to register.

- 1. Text **SAPGVL** to 84576
- 2. Visit https://anthonypaduasc.flocknote.com/

If you've registered to use FN, would you take a moment to login and make sure your information is up-to-date? This will ensure everyone gets those reminders and last minute messages.

DAILY MASS UPDATE

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 23 & 24, 2024

SATURDAY, 3/23: 5 PM	SUNDAY, 3/24: 8 AM	SUNDAY, 3/24: 10AM	SUNDAY, 3/24: 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 Cindy Caudill (Host) Tony Smith (Cup 1) Mary Corner(Cup 2) Michael Hemmert (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST Maggie Kleger (Host) Kyle Herr (Cup 1) Donna Moerke (Cup 2) Emilie Cantrell (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST Jacki Files (Host) Delores Martinez (Cup 1) Frank Palombo (Cup 2) Barabara Prinzing (Cup 3)	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST Jessie Bowens (Host) Suzzanne Richmond (Cup 1) Jane Kirkpatrick (Cup 2) Carol Moeller (Cup 3)
SCRIPTURE READERS Bobbie Cancelliere (Lector 1) Rick Floyd (Lector 2) Ingrid Smith- Narrator	SCRIPTURE READERS Pual Herr (Lector 1) Kimberly Clarke (Lector 2) Paulette Payne- Narrator	SCRIPTURE READERS Christen Palombo (Lector 1) Marry Ann Tuner(Lector 2) Diana Ryan- Narrator	SCRIPTURE READERS John Gregory(Lector 1) Yvonne Reynolds(Lector 2) Gwen Whitner- Narrator
USHERS Rick Floyd Beth Holcombe Kathy Peot Bill Kirkpatrick Ed Frey 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 21th</u>	<u>Friday, March 22nd</u>	<u>Saturday, March 23rd</u>	<u>Sunday, March 24th</u>
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study Social Hall	9:45-10:45 AM, 12-5 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		9:00 AM - Breakfast 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 www.harristeeter.com.

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





ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY ST. ANTHONY MEN'S CLUB

Feb 16th 23rd March 1st 8th 15th and 22nd 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





