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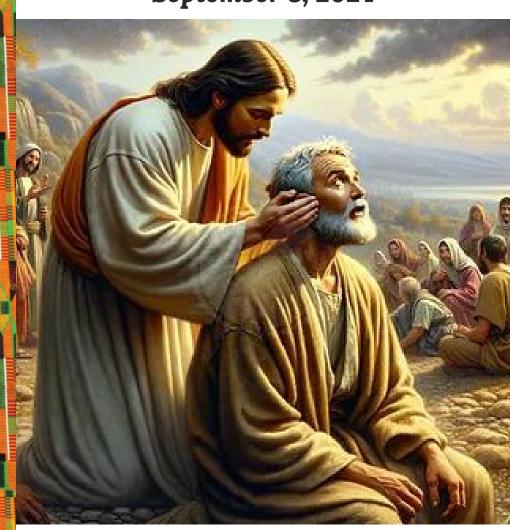
# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 Gower Street Greenville, South Carolina 29611

Parish Office: 864-233-7717

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

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 8, 2024



www.stanthonysgvl.org

## **PARISH INFO**

### **WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!**

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish. Please email Kyle Hall at <a href="mailto:kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org">kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org</a> if you would like to register. Please visit www.stanthonysgvl.org for more information.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM (Noon)

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

11 AM & 6 PM

### **WEEKDAY MASS**

Tuesday - Friday: 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

Physical Location: 204 Douthit St. Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM

Friday 9 AM - 12 PM Phone: (864) 233-7717

Website: www.stanthonysgvl.org

### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA 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) 331-2626

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, 9/7

• 5 PM

SUNDAY, 9/8

- 8 AM
- 10 AM12 PM
- TUESDAY, 9/10

• 11 AM Fr. Mwape

WEDNESDAY 9/11

• 11 AM Kathy Reilly

THURSDAY, 9/12

• 11 AM

FRIDAY, 9/13

• 11 AM

SATURDAY, 9/14

• 5 PM

**SUNDAY, 9/15** 

- 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**

Alice Rigler Ann Fournier Ann Moore Ann Nechodom Annette Martin Anthony Davis Bill Higgins Carl Sunderlin Charlene Palmer Chester Williams Clarice Hanly David Burnett Dee Dee Dzikowicz Donna Neeley Donna Nickels Dorothy Baker Drew Butterfield Elaine Greggs Ellaniose Johnson Eric Kuhn Erica Hardy Billy Mayes

Gregory Kuhn Hazel Hill Jen Duhe Jonathan Turner Joseph Neito Joyce Croce Juliet Roy Julius Pinson Jr. Laura Drummond Laurie Rappl Lillie Davis Lori Cortese Lori McGinley Malik McCauley Margaret Morris Marie Therese Isdiore Marilyn Daly Martha Cotel Mary Cormican Mary Curran Matthew Bryson Maureen Lukovic Megan Counihan

Melvin Armstrong Michael Davis Olivia Brown 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 Troy Koon Tyler Daly Korybski Wilbert Morgan Willie Davis Ruth Henderson

### **Families**

Barb & Vern Prinzing
Dana Lacher
Duhe Family
Catherine & Michael Branca
Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu
Karen Randall & Family

Scott Cely 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 ext 2.

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.



# PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRY DIRECTORY

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Parish Pastoral Council	
Tony Smith, Chairperson	803-727-5072
Mary Lee Tierney, Secretary	864-363-0570
Parish Finance Council	
Sandy Thompson, Chairperson	252-622-1945
Chery O'Malley, Secretary	864-360-4667
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Kyle Herr	864-907-9355
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Marie Paula Jaramillo	864-365-9877
Women's Council	
Kathleen Merritt	864-331-2633
Men's Club	
Ralston Moore	864-386-4852
David Quast	864-906-2632
Food Pantry	
Carol Moeller	864-380-4155
30's & 40's Group	
JJ Reinheart	607-382-9620
Renee Puckett Smith	678-409-0408
Elijah Cup Vocations Ministry	
Mike Cumby	864-417-8973
Gala School Fundraiser	
Jean Hever	864-608-5256
Health Ministry	
Rita O'Rourke	864-979-7544
Hiking Ministry	
Paul Herr	864-907-9356
Homebound Ministers	
Donna Moerke	404-374-4019
Housing Ministry	
Mike Mathers	864-483-5477
Knights of Columbus	
Jim Tetor	540-809-7809
Richard Cortese	864-201-8162
Knights of Peter Claver	
Paul Latimore	864-299-0847
Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary	
Mary Ann Boyd	619-517-2191
Living Waters Bible Study	
Nicky & Lillie Jones864-832-4	4011 or 864-832-4012
Meal Ministry	
Dana Lacher	864-354-0049
Prayer Card Ministry & Prayer Shawl Ministr	
Delores Martinez	
Prison Ministry	
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Gwen Whitner	
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Micah Ministry	5.5
David Quast	864-906-2632
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## SPIRITUAL LIFE

## FROM THE DESK OF OUR ADMINISTRATOR Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

Don't we live in a time of paradoxes, my friends? I mean, with technology, we're more "connected" than ever before, right? Yet many of us feel deeply isolated and alone. We're glued to our screens, endless scrolling, but true and authentic human connection seems to elude us.

But there's good news, my friends! The key to unlocking our loneliness is found in the open and loving arms of Jesus Christ. He is the ultimate master when it comes to forging connections that are deep, meaningful, and healing.

Just think about it: Jesus didn't just talk to lepers from a distance; He reached out and touched them. He broke down barriers of fear and stigma with a simple, compassionate touch. And we cannot forget St. Francis, who took it even further when he kissed a leper - now that's love and acceptance on a whole new level!

Jesus didn't just talk about inclusivity; He lived it. He shared meals with tax collectors, sinners, and the marginalized—those rejected by society. So, I ask you, are we willing to invite someone different to our dinner table?

And what about the Samaritan woman? Jesus chatted with her, a member of a group that Jews typically avoided and despised. He saw beyond the labels and recognized her true worth. How can we, here at St. Anthony's, embrace diversity and unity? Perhaps it starts with sharing more than just a pew.

In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus heals a deaf and mute man with a single and powerful word: "Ephphatha," which means "Be opened." That's an invitation for all of us. When we interact with others, are we truly listening with the intent to understand, or are we just waiting to make our point? Do our words build up our sense of community or do they tear it down like a wrecking ball?

"Ephphatha" invites us to open our hearts and minds, to embrace kindness and encouragement, and to live out the joyful spirit of Afro-American spirituality.

When we open ourselves to Christ's healing touch, we step into a new world of connection—with God, with others, with ourselves, and even with nature. So, here's food for thought, how can we live as "opened" people on a daily basis?

Authentic connection happens when we dare to be vulnerable and transparent. When someone hurts you, remember how much Christ has forgiven you. Extend that same radical grace, and witness how it heals relationships and breathes new life into them. Is there someone you've been meaning to call or reconnect with? Don't wait another second, my friend.

In a world yearning for authentic connection, we can be the change agents, reflecting Christ's loving touch and breaking down walls of isolation and division. We can do this, church!

Let us pray for Jesus to open our hearts, helping us see others through his lens of love, acceptance, and compassion.

In Christ, we are reborn as new creations, designed for connection that reaches into eternity. Let's embrace it with everything we've got! Again, "Ephphatha"!

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

September 8, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is  $35:4-7a/Jas\ 2:1-5/Mk\ 7:31-37$ 

Sept. 9, Memorial of St. Peter Claver, Priest 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11

Sept. 10, Tuesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19

Sept. 11, Wednesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26

Sept. 12, Thursday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38

Sept. 13, Memorial of John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42

Sept. 14, Feast Day of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

September 15, TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is  $50:4c-9a/Jas\ 2:14-18/Mk\ 8:27-35$ 

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



### **BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION**

Anyone parish group/organization wishing to submit items for publishing in the weekly bulletin should send the content to Kyle Hall (<u>kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org</u>) **by end of day Tuesday** for the coming weekend's bulletin. Submissions may have to be edited due to space constraints.

# WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION Collections for August 31-September 1 Masses

Envelopes/Cash \$12,880.00
Online Giving \$11,935.77
Total \$24,815.77

2nd Collection: Catholic \$1,352.00 University

 $\underline{\textbf{Giving Online}} \ \text{makes it easier and more convenient to contribute to St. Anthony's Church. Scan the QR code to the right by opening your camera app to start giving online.}$ 

<u>Stewardship</u> 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."



## **PARISH LIFE**

## St. Anthony Basketball



Registration for the 2024-2025 season is now open Boys & Girls age K4 thru High School Seniors Return completed registration form and entry fee to:
Johnny Payne, Event Mgr. at St. Anthony or email to johnnyayne@charlestondlocese.org
864-616-0923 Cell/text

### Sign up for Basketball at St. Anthony

Contact: Johnny Payne St. Anthony Catholic Church 307 Gower St. Greenville SC 29611

Email: johnnypayne@charlestondiocese.org

text your email address to Johnny Payne @ 864-616-0923 to request Registration Form

#### RCIA Classes - Starting September 9th

Are You Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith?

St. Anthony will soon begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches. These sessions are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those questions you may have about the Church. We will start the journey on Monday, September 9th. Please Contact Deacon Phil Allen if would like further information at 864-706-2999 or email philallen@charlestondiocese.org.

"A Matter of Balance"



Each year 1 in 4 Americans over the age of 60 experiences a fall with various injuries. Health Ministry and Bon Secours St. Frances have partnered to offer St Anthony's a program called "A Matter of Balance" to reduce falls. The program will be held for 8 weeks in the church lobby on Mondays from 1PM until 2:30PM starting September 16th. The program includes exercises to improve flexibility, strength, and balance. Participants also learn about home safety, reducing injury related to falls, recovery after a fall and various topics on fall prevention.

If you have questions about the program, you may call Rita O'Rourke at (864)979-7544. The program is limited to 15 participants.



### St. Anthony



### PARISH PICNIC

Conestee Park
3:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY OCT. 6th

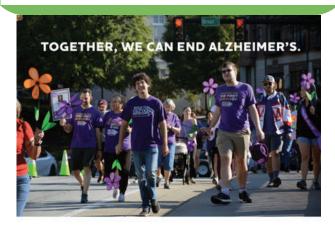
Please signup for Side dishes in Lobby



For more details call/text 864-616-0923



The St. Anthony of Padua Women's Bible Study will resume after summer break on September 12. It will meet weekly on Thursdays from 9:30-11:00 am, in the Social Hall. It is a time of study, prayer and fellowship. All women are invited. The program this fall is entitled, *Mercy Is.* To sign up, call Nancy Quast at (414) 736-6290 or use the sign-up sheets in the lobby of the church.



Walk to End Alzheimer's - Greenville, SC

### **OCTOBER 5, 2024**

Fluor Field at the West End

Gates Open at 8:00 AM Opening Ceremony at 8:45 AM



WALK TEND ALZHEIMER'S

JOIN OUR TEAM! act.alz.org/goto/sap

## **PARISH LIFE**





### Christmas Parade Float Planning

We will have a Float in the Greenville Christmas Parade on December 7. Our Float Theme is "The Wise Ones Still Seek Him". We will have a Float Planning Committee meeting on Monday, September 9 at 7 PM in Classroom A on the Church campus. Come join us in working on this project to celebrate Christ's Birth and our Church and School. Questions or if you cannot attend this meeting but want to participate, please call David Quast, 864-906-2632.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday, September 8

9:00am- Men's Club Breakfast Social Hall

### Monday, September 9

7:00pm- Christmas Float Planning Classroom A

> 7:00pm- RCIA Class Social Hall

### Tuesday, September 10

**6:00pm- Prison Ministry** Classroom A

6:15 PM- Unity Choir Practice

6:30 PM: Living Waters Bible Study ZOOM

### **SEPTEMBER 8- SEPTEMBER 15**

Wednesday, September 11

**6:00pm- Religious Education** Assigned Classroom

**6:00pm- Men's Club Meeting** Gallivan Center

## **PARISH LIFE**



IT'S ITALIAN NIGHT is beginning again! Please plan to come for great food and fellowship after 5:00 Mass on Saturday, September 14 in the Social Hall. We can't wait to see you!

Religious Education registration (CCD) is now available on the parish website. Please click on Religious Education sign-up under Parish Life or scan the QR Code Below.



## MINISTRIES IN ACTION

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF: September 14-15, 2024

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SATURDAY, 9/14: 5PM	SUNDAY, 9/15: 8AM	SUNDAY, 9/15: 10AM	SUNDAY, 9/15: 12 PM
ALTAR SERVERS Mary Grace Gilchrist	ALTAR SERVERS Jacob Power	ALTAR SERVERS Olivia Avery	ALTAR SERVERS David Mitchell-Dela Cruz
Maria Paula Jaramillo	Chris Power	Patrick Doyle Rita Galley	Madison St. Pierre Nick St. Pierre
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF THE EUCHARIST	OF THE EUCHARIST	THE EUCHARIST	OF THE EUCHARIST
Erena Allen (Host)	Bonnie Carfolite (Host)	Mary Morris Wiliams (Host)	Jessie Bowens (Host)
Renee Puckett Smith (Cup 1)	Mark O'Rouke (Cup 1)	Camilla Hertwig (Cup 1)	Carol Moeller (Cup 1)
Tony Smith (Cup 2)	Michael Hemmert (Cup 2)	Mary Ann Turner (Cup 2)	Emir Ramirez (Cup 2)
Emilie Cantrell (Cup 3)	Dianne Hemmert (Cup 3)	Ronnie Hudson (Cup 3)	Dawn Davis (Cup 3)
SCRIPTURE READERS	SCRIPTURE READERS	SCRIPTURE READERS	SCRIPTURE READERS
Ingrid Smith (Lector 1)	David Carolite (Lector 1)	Deidre Cooper (Lector 1)	Leanna Ramirez (Lector 1)
Rick Floyd (Lector 2)	Kimberly Clarke (Lector 2)	Sandy Thompson (Lector 2)	John Grgory (Lector 2)
USHERS	USHERS	USHERS	USHERS
Ken O'Malley Mark Combs	Mike Ayers Lynn Sholl	Bob Dastou Mike Connor	Tom Moeller Mariel Hunkeler
Beth Holcombe Bill Kirkpatrick	Robert McDowell Lillie Jones	Dan Krick Jim Stavakas	Bryant Boyd Charity Meacham
Kathy Peot	Nicky Jones Jeff Sholl	Armando Krick	Ray Lecuyer Cynthia Riley

### **SEPTEMBER 8- SEPTEMBER 15**

9:00am- Men's Club Breakfast	
Social Hall	
1:30pm- Women's Council Meeting Social Hall	
	Social Hall  1:30pm- Women's Council Meeting

## **NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL**



News! The Annual School Gala will be on Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7: in the school gym

We know that this switch-up may come as a surprise, but it will help us lower the cost substantially and direct more funds to the school to support our kids.

Just because we changed the venue doesn't mean that we have skimped on the fun!

The Country Western Gala promises to be a fun-filled night, with live and silent auctions, catered foods a DJ and more.

If you bought a ticket, you can use it on October 5th

If you need a refund or unable to attend the event but want to donate your ticket amount to the school just mail your tickets, name and address, with your intent by

September 30th to:

Emilie Cantrell, 103 Meilland Drive, Greer, SC 29650

Tickets, at\$100. each will be sold at the door.

So Saddle Up! See you October 5th!

