



# St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE TO WORSHIP GOD IN THE GENIUS OF  
AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY

February 16, 2025

righteousness  
prophets evil poor persecuted  
earth spirit filled Rejoice thirst revile  
**Blessed**  
comforted see great merc  
inherit children reward pure  
persecut

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

309 Gower Street  
Greenville, South Carolina 29611

Parish Office: 864-233-7717  
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Nicky & Lillie Jones.....864-832-4011 or 864-832-4012

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Dana Lacher.....864-354-0049

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# Parish Info

## WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!

### 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: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Or by Appointment

### HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

### PARISH OFFICE

Physical Location: 204 Douthitt St.  
Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM  
Friday 9 AM - 12 PM  
Phone: (864) 233-7717  
Website: [www.stanthonysgvl.org](http://www.stanthonysgvl.org)

### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167  
Website: [www.stanthonyschoolgvl.org](http://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 who serve in the armed forces do so with a sacrificial love for our country and the world. Lifting them up in prayer to our 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 stress they face each day.

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish. Please email Kyle Hall at [kyle.hall@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:kyle.hall@charlestandiocese.org) if you would like to register. Please visit [www.stanthonysgvl.org](http://www.stanthonysgvl.org) for more information.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

#### SATURDAY, 2/15

- 5 pm Mike & Peggy Mulcahy

#### SUNDAY, 2/16

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM Bob & Theresa Pitts †

#### TUESDAY, 2/18

- 11 AM Our SAP Church Family

#### WEDNESDAY 2/19

- 11 AM

#### THURSDAY, 2/20

- 11 AM Our Church Family Community

#### FRIDAY, 2/21

- 11 AM

#### SATURDAY, 2/22

- 5 PM

#### SUNDAY, 2/23

- 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.**

### 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!



# PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTS

## Active Parishoner

- Weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Volunteer on regular basis (**Time**)
- Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
- Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving (**Treasure**)

## Do you have a couple of hours to volunteer?

Our school is looking for volunteers to work in the school library. Virtus training is required. If you are not trained, it is easy to complete. Interested persons should email Sharon Scovel at [scovelsc@aol.com](mailto:scovelsc@aol.com) or Paulette Payne at [Paulettejpayne@charter.com](mailto:Paulettejpayne@charter.com). Thank you for your support.

## BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION

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

Those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony ***must be registered members for at least six months*** 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.

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

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.



# PASTORAL REFLECTION

FROM THE DESK OF OUR ADMINISTRATOR

*Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado*

## **Real Joy: The radical call to unlearn happiness**

What if everything you thought you knew about happiness was wrong? This Sunday, imagine Jesus looking straight into your eyes, gently yet boldly inviting you to reflect on the Beatitudes. These aren't merely comforting words or a set of rules. They are a radical call to discover true joy in our vocation as Christians. Are you ready to have your world turned upside down? Buckle up. Here we go: "Blessed are the poor." "Blessed are those who mourn." Blessed... when life is hard? It's unsettling, isn't it?

In this Sunday's Gospel from Luke, Jesus appears as the new Moses, descending from the mountain. But instead of stone tablets with laws, He offers a revolutionary new way to see and live life—one that challenges everything the world values. The world says: "Chase wealth." Jesus says: "Blessed are the poor." The world says: "Seek comfort." Jesus says: "Blessed are those who mourn." The world says: "Pursue power." Jesus says: "Blessed are the meek." It seems counterintuitive, right? But it's also completely liberating. Why? Because when we let go of what the world tells us we need, we open ourselves to God's transformative love and embrace our calling in Christ.

Now, this doesn't mean Jesus glorifies suffering or asks us to seek out pain. No masochism here, please. Instead, He calls us to live selflessly, love generously, and choose compassion over ambition. Think of saints like St Francis of Assisi and St. Theresa of Calcutta. They discovered perfect joy by serving others, especially the poor, the sick, the marginalized, the immigrant. Why? Because it brought them closer to Jesus - His suffering, His resurrection, and, ultimately, His promise of joy that nothing can shake.

The Beatitudes flip the script. The world says happiness comes from having it all. Jesus says it comes from giving it all away. Kenosis. That's the word. The Greek word for 'blessed,' Makarios, refers to a deep, unshakable joy—one that no hardship can take away. It's not about perfect circumstances but about being grounded in God's love and finding peace and strength, even in life's toughest moments.

So, what are we chasing? Wealth, power, comfort, social media likes? Or Jesus? When was the last time you felt truly fulfilled? Was it in receiving or in giving? Jesus is inviting us to a life of love and service. A life that leads us to a joy the world can't touch. As Pope Benedict XVI put it, the Beatitudes "reveal the character of Christ Himself and call us to embody His way of life—a life rooted in humility, love, and trust in God."

And here is the thing, the Beatitudes aren't just about the challenge. They are rooted in hope. Hope born from the resurrection. Without Jesus' triumph over death, these blessings would be empty promises. But because He rose, they remind us of the eternal joy awaiting us, not just here and now, but forever. Alleluia! So, does my faith in the Resurrection give me strength in trying times? What image do I hold onto when I feel like giving up?

The Beatitudes show us that happiness isn't a fleeting feeling. It's a choice. When we hunger for God, when we root ourselves in Him, we step into His blessings. Think of Mary, who sang of how God lifts the lowly and humbles the mighty. The Beatitudes echo her words, reminding us that God's kingdom turns everything upside down from the world's perspective.

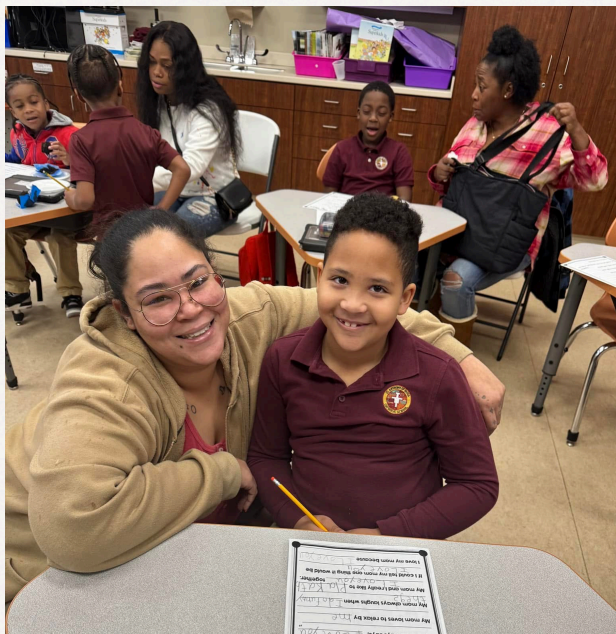
Here is a reality check: If we trust in God, we gain the eternal happiness that only He can give. But if we cling to the world, we get ... well, the world, complete with its expiration date. Entropy. God takes our free will very seriously. Maybe we should, too, and examine our choices more carefully.

So, what is our next move? The Beatitudes are a call to action. In Aramaic, the word for "blessed," Yashar, means being on the right path, turning around when we stray, and moving forward. Today, as Jesus proclaims the Beatitudes, let's choose to live them. Live selflessly. Love boldly. Be faithful to the end. Discover that unshakable joy that leads to eternal life with God. Amen?

This week, let's go out and live a little more like Jesus. Let's see if we can find that real, lasting joy by focusing on others and trusting in God.



# News From Our School



**"Muffins with Moms" was a delightful event where mothers and grandmothers, came together to enjoy muffins and spend quality time with their children at St. Anthony. This gathering also offered families the chance to participate in classroom activities, experiencing morning routines alongside their children. The event concluded with a charming photo opportunity at our beautifully decorated St. Valentine's Day**

We are pleased to invite you to our Open House(s) at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School. This event will be held on two dates to accommodate your schedule: Thursday, March 6, and Thursday, March 11. You may join us during either of the following time slots: 9:00-11:00 a.m. or 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Our Open House offers a wonderful opportunity for you to learn more about the outstanding academic programs, exceptional faculty, and vibrant community at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School. During your visit, you will have the chance to tour our campus, meet with teachers and staff, and discover the various ways we support the growth and development of our students.

We look forward to welcoming you and showing you what makes St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School a special place for learning and growth. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at [mboyd@stanthonygreenvillesc.org](mailto:mboyd@stanthonygreenvillesc.org), or call 864-217-0167.



# Welcome To Our Home





# Spiritual Life

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PRESENTS



## THE HISTORY OF BLACK VAUDEVILLE

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2025  
AT 4pm**

CELEBRATE THE RICH LEGACY OF  
BLACK VAUDEVILLE, WHERE  
PIONEERING PERFORMERS BROKE  
BARRIERS, CAPTIVATED AUDIENCES,  
AND SHAPED AMERICAN CULTURE



A SOUL FOOD DINNER WILL BE SERVED  
FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH  
309 GOWER ST, GREENVILLE, SC 29611

**FEBRUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 23**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

9:00am- Breakfast  
SAP Social Hall

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

7:00pm- OCIA  
SAP Social Hall

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

6:15pm- Unity Choir  
SAP Church

6:30pm-Living Waters  
Bible Study  
Zoom

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

6:00pm- CCD Classes  
SAP Parish and School



# Upcoming Parish Events



The Health Ministry is sponsoring The Walk to Jerusalem. We are making it easier for you this year. You don't even need to sign up. All you need is do is keep track of your steps and put your name and weekly steps on a piece of paper and place them in the box in the lobby each week. The box will say Walk to Jerusalem.

Also, we are making it easier to get involved with the Walk. Each Sunday after 8, 10, and 12pm masses the gym will be open for you. There will be a health ministry member to record your steps. We will let you how many steps it takes to do a lap.

Let's get walking friends!

Any questions call Mary McNicholas. 864-630-1081

## FEBRUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 23

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:30am Women's Bible Study  
SAP Social Hall

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

10:00am- Pickle Ball  
SAP Gym

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00am- Breakfast  
SAP Social Hall  
4:00pm- Black History Program  
SAP Church



# Together We Pray For

## Individuals

Alice Rigler  
Ann Fournier  
Ann Moore  
Ann Nechodom  
Annette Martin  
Anthony Davis  
Bill Higgins  
Clarice Hanly  
Charlene Palmer  
Chester Williams

David Burnett  
Dee Dee  
Dzikowicz  
Donna Neeley  
Donna Nickels  
Dorothy Baker  
Drew Butterfield  
Elaine Greggs  
Ellaniose Johnson  
Eric Kuhn

Erica Hardy  
Billy Mayes  
Ronnie Glenn  
Gregory Kuhn  
Hazel Hill  
Jen Duhe  
Jonathan Turner  
Joseph Neito  
Joyce Croce

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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  
Mary Ann Turner  
Melvin Armstrong  
Michael Davis  
Olivia Brown

Rhonda Brown  
Richard Cortese  
Ruth Henderson  
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 Korybski  
Wilbert Morgan  
Willie Davis

## 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  
Juan & Christina Francisco

## Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair  
Nicole Campbell Little

# February 22-23, 2025 MINISTRY LIST

### SATURDAY, 2/15: 5PM

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Mackenzie Grove  
Maria Paula Jaramillo

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Suzanne Richmond (Host)  
Laura Combs (Cup 1)  
Jim Tetor (Cup 2)  
Frank Palombo (Cup 3)

#### SCRIPTURE READERS

Christen Palombo (Lector 1)  
Rose Martinez-Brandon  
(Lector 2)

#### USHERS

Ken O'Malley  
Jim Tetor  
Ed Frey  
Mark COMbs

### SUNDAY, 2/16: 8AM

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Kai Armstrong  
Rita Galley

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

David Carfolite (Host)  
Bonnie Carfolite (Cup 1)  
Mary Ann Boyd (Cup 2)  
Sr. Gertrude Bassey (Cup 3)

#### SCRIPTURE READERS

Mamie Boyd (Lector 1)  
Ronald Retterath (Lector 2)

#### USHERS

Mike Ayers  
Robert McDowell  
Ann Moore  
Lynn Sholl  
Lillie Jones  
Nicky Jones

### SUNDAY, 2/16: 10AM

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Olivia Avery  
Patrick Doyle  
Tatum Terracino

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Ronnie Hudson (Host)  
Camilla Hertwig (Cup 1)  
Kathy Rogozenski (Cup 2)  
Delores Martinez (Cup 3)

#### SCRIPTURE READERS

Nadra Taylor (Lector 1)  
Mary Ann Turner (Lector 2)

#### USHERS

Bob Dastou  
Pam Chivers  
Mike Connor  
Jay Korybski  
Dan Krick  
Armando Krick

### SUNDAY, 2/16: 12PM

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Julian Perry  
Jaxon Perry  
Jordan Perry

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Carol Moeller (Host)  
Joseph Green (Cup 1)  
Nico Green (Cup 2)  
Carole Conlon (Cup 3)

#### SCRIPTURE READERS

John Gregory (Lector 1)  
Jessie Bowens (Lector 2)

#### USHERS

Tom Moeller  
Bryant Boyd  
Mariel Hunkeler  
Ray Lecuyer  
Ronnie Dreenon



# STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is not only about the needs of church, rather it is about our desires to give back to God in thanksgiving; by sharing with others the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us. If you would be interested in joining our Stewardship Committee, **please contact Jay Pitts at 864-233-7717 ext. 4.**



## WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION

*Collections for February 8-9 Masses*

Envelopes/Cash	\$11,126.75
Online Giving	\$15,086.00
Total	<b>\$26,212.75</b>

Giving Online 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.

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

Get ready for  
**Youth Ministry!**  
At St. Anthony of Padua!



Teens, 9th thru 12th grade  
**Welcome!**

Ministry Kick-off March 2, 2025  
(mark your calendars!)

## Hospitality Ministry

Our Hospitality Ministry is recruiting volunteers to become greeters and ushers at all Masses, welcome visitors who attend our church and assist in a welcome dinner to all our newest parishioners twice a year.

The mission of the Hospitality Ministry is to create opportunities for our newest parishioners to grow in a way that inspires them to engage in our church activities and to become active members within our Parish by praying, adoring, connecting and serving.





Visit us at [www.stanthonysgvl.org](http://www.stanthonysgvl.org) for more information.