

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

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St. Anthony ng Padua Katoliko Iglesia
Iglesia de San Antonio de Padua
Sunday, September 22, 2024

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Religious Education classes start next week—Be sure to sign up!

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Weekly Schedule

Saturday, Mass 4:30pm

Sunday, Mass 10:30 am

Tuesday & Thursday, Mass 11:00 am

Wednesday & Friday, Mass 9 am

First Saturday Mass of Viaticum, 10 am

Morning Prayer: Wed & Fri, 8:30 am

Confession: 3:45 pm on Saturday
or by appointment

*We are Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church,
a Eucharistic family sharing the love of our Lord Jesus Christ with kindness and compassion.*

For Viaticum, Communion to the Sick, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Baptism, RCIA (process for becoming Catholic) and funeral arrangements, please call the parish office.

September 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 9:30-37

In the Gospel today we see Jesus and his disciples journeying through Galilee. Jesus is again telling of his coming passion and resurrection but the disciples do not understand. The disciples begin arguing about who is greatest among them. Jesus tells them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." This teaching tells us about behavior and attitude. We offer our efforts in the service of others to make life better for them in some way.

Why do you think Jesus had to tell his disciples about service?

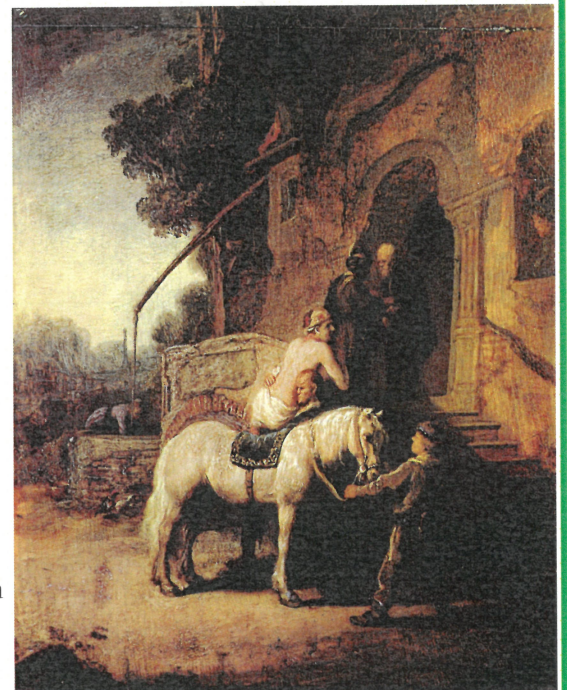
What are some ways we can offer service to others?

Make a plan with your family to participate in some kind of service to others this year.

Today's Scriptures are Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-6, 8; James 3:16—4:3; Mark 9:30-37.

Sept. 1 to Oct. 4—Season of Creation
Theme for 2024: To hope and act with Creation

The annual ministry fair will be held next month. Keep a look out for the dates in next week's bulletin. Check out today's insert for volunteer opportunities. You can drop off your form in the collection or at the office. Call with any questions.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sept 24 — Sept 29, 2024

Tues, Sept 24 11:00 am Peter Linh Nguyen
 Wed, Sept 25 9:00 am Marion Hibbard+
 Thurs, Sept 26 11:00 am All Souls
 Fri, Sept 27 9:00 am Maria
 Sat, Sept 28 4:30 pm Pro Populo
 Sun, Sept 29 10:30 am Katrina Pongracz-Bartha+

If a funeral is scheduled for the same time as your Mass intention, your intention will be moved to the next available date.

This Coming Week – Sept 23 — Sept 29, 2024

Office Open: M-Th 9 am-2pm

September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Mon, Sept 23 — *St. Pius of Pietrelcina*
 Tues, Sept 24 — Mass 11 am
 Wed, Sept 25 — Mass 9 am
 Finance Council 5:30 pm
 Thurs, Sept 26 — *Sts. Cosmas & Damian*
 Mass 11 am
 Fri, Sept 27 — *St. Vincent de Paul*
 Mass 9 am
 Adoration until 4 pm
 Sat, Sept 28 — *St. Wenceslaus*
Sts. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions
 Confessions 3:45 pm
 Mass for Sunday 4:30 pm
 Sun, Sept 29 — 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Mass 10:30
 Religious Education Classes Begin (9:15 & 12 noon — Be sure to sign up this week!

All of heaven and earth belong to the Lord.
 Deuteronomy 10:14

Weekly Collection Needed: \$3,302.37

Last Week's Collection — Sept 10-16

	Regular	myEoffering	Total
Collection	\$1,333.00	\$518.00	\$1,851.00
Poor & Needy	\$513.75		\$513.75
Votive Candles	\$38.30		\$38.30
Coffee & Donuts	\$43.35		\$43.35
Building Maint.		\$75.00	\$75.00
Total	\$1,928.40	\$593.00	\$2,521.40

Thank you for the continuing support of your parish through the gifts of your time, your talent, and your financial offerings. Please remember St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in your will and in your other contributions. We rely upon your generosity to fund our ministries and pay our expenses.

**So precious is poverty that God's only begotten Son came on earth in search of it.
 —St. Anthony of Padua**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors:

Saturday, September 28, 4:30 pm — Sylvia Reyes

Sunday, September 29, 10:30 am — Jim Newsom

Thank you for your time and talents as ministers. If you become unavailable after you've been scheduled, please try to find a replacement for yourself first, then contact the parish office at 503-771-6039 to advise us of the change.

Ushers: Please let Father know you are available to serve when you come to Mass. Thank you for your time and talent as ministers.

Holy Father's Intentions for September

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Scriptures for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time are Numbers 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jam 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45-48

Blessing of Animals / Pets after the First Saturday

Mass on Saturday, October 5. Mass is at 10 am and the blessing of your pets and other animals will take place at 10:45 am in front of the church—bring your stuffies!

The 71st Annual Portland Greek Festival will be held on October 4-6 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral on NE 32nd and Glisan. This festival is an iconic event, one of the largest festivals of its kind, and has been designated as an Oregon Heritage Tradition. Each year a portion of proceeds from the festival go toward worthy philanthropic endeavors in the greater Portland community.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE: *Lizzie Albert, Prince Bangoy, Glenda & Bob Beagle, Donald Caldwell+, Josh Daniels, Linda Drewieske, Elaine, Dick & Patti Falaschetti, Marie Gallup, Elizabeth Goschinski, Sarah Harrison, Ann & Roy Henderson, Maria Ishmael, Jeffrey Jennings, Cliff Juntunen, Audrey Larson, Diane Latham, Allen Lee, Mihai Leta, Daniel Mack, Dave Mathie, Mario & Maria Marziano+, Anthony McPherson, Barbara Mirasol+, Kelly Morse, Natalie Moser, Comella Nelson, Marie O'Leary, Laura Ramirez, Kelsea Ramirez, Linda Reynolds, Lori Rohlin+, Glenn Rymza, Carolyn Scopacasa, Debbie & Linda Struckmeier, Barbara Stuva, Bernie Tavender, Ann Thomas+, Sherrill & Dale Toman, Mary Lou Vuylsteke. All our deceased parishioners+ Thank you for praying for those in need. Please call Sulie to add or remove people to the list.*



Next Coffee & Donuts will be October 6 after Sunday Mass.

FROM FR. PAT'S PEN

*Our website is remodeled. It contains links for Sunday Mass viewing, myEoffering, the Sunday Bulletin, and a link to our Facebook page.

*Baptism for young children: If you have an infant or young child to be baptized, please contact Fr. Pat to set up a time to meet with him and to schedule the baptism.

*In his Apostolic Exhortation, Laudete Deum, Pope Francis gives an urgent call to tackle the climate crisis recognizing that time is running out. Irreversible damage has already been done. In this letter Pope Francis states that the climate crisis is real and cannot be denied. It is caused by human activity.

*Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church? Father Pat is leading a weekly RCIA/Inquiry class. Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. This is a class for non-Catholics.

*Thank you Harold McNees and David Fletcher for installing the four air conditioner units on the North side of the Church. The Church is a cool place to be.

Autumnal Equinox, Sunday, September 22 at 5:43 am

Prayer for the Care of Creation (Pope Francis 2016)

"O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth,
who are so precious in your eyes...
God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth" (ibid., 246),
God of mercy, may we receive your forgiveness
and convey your mercy throughout our common
home.
Praise be to you!
Amen.

Beginning Experience of Oregon Ministry is offering a Weekend Retreat program designed to help those who are grieving the loss of a spousal relationship due to separation, death, or divorce.

Date: Oct 18-20 (Fri evening through Sun afternoon)
Rooms (per person): \$190 double occupancy / \$210 single
Deposit (per person): \$75

Registration Deadline: Fri, October 11
Location: Griffin Center, Milwaukie, OR

For additional information or to register for the weekend retreat, please visit www.beeforegon.org or for questions, please call Karen at 279-243-1752

Dates to Remember:

September 29 — Religious Education Classes begin

October 4 — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

October 5 — Blessing of the Animals / Pets after 10 am Mass

November 2-3 — Altar Society Bazaar, Bake Sale & Raffle

Religious Education & Sacramental Preparation classes begin on September 29! Pick up a registration form at the display in the church entryway. Our diocese has a policy that children are expected to have one year of Religious Education before preparing for First Reconciliation & First Communion. If you have a child in the 1st grade or another grade & you wish your child to receive First Reconciliation & First Communion next year, your child should be attending Religious Education this year. Be sure to sign up! The forms can be left in the box in the church entry or dropped at the Parish Office or in the office mailbox. Contact Fr. Pat with any questions.

Pray, Act, Reflect during Care for Creation Month

Engage your local ecology through this Earth Examen: An examen is a way of beholding an object or being in prayerful wonder. Pick a natural or agricultural place to contemplate. A forest. A river. A city street with a natural area. An urban park. A farmer's field. A hilltop. Find a comfortable place to rest in or near this place. Enter into prayer in whatever way is natural to you. Invite Holy Wisdom to open the eyes of your heart. When you are ready, reflect on the following questions:

1. **Become aware of God's presence in a natural or agricultural place that you are contemplating.** How is God present in this place? How does all the life you see exist in God's spirit? How do you feel knowing that the Holy Spirit has filled this place for geological ages, with every plant, animal, organism and mineral that has called this place home in the deep past, makes its home here with you now, and will live here with creatures in this place in the future?
2. **Reflect on the ecological cycles of this place with gratitude for all that it provides.** What nutrient cycles are supported by this place? Is this a watershed that filters water? Is this a rainforest (tropical or deciduous) that fixes nutrients? Is this a meadow or field that fixes nitrogen? Is this a green space that absorbs CO2 and cleans the air? What plants, animals, microbes and minerals are sheltered here? How do they serve the whole earth in their being?
3. **Choose one feature of the site and pray for it, its rest and its renewal.** When you consider the ways that this place is under stress, what does it need for rest, restoration and renewal? What needs to be conserved for this site to heal itself? What features need to be reclaimed? What parts of creation need to be restored to their rightful home here? Pray for this site, and the wisdom to care for it.
4. **Look toward your response. What can you do to ease demands or promote the rest of this ecological site?** Based on your examination, how do you identify with this place? What have you discerned is required to care for this place? What will be your act of compassion to promote rest for this common home?

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS

September 22 — Open

September 29 — Open

Please support "Memorial Flowers" by purchasing (\$50) a weekend for flowers

Finance Council

Mark Whitman

RCIA/Liturgy/Music

Fr. Pat Donoghue

Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Fr. Pat Donoghue (503.771.6039)

Religious Ed/Youth Ministry

Fr. Pat D (503.771.6039)

Prayer Tree

Sharon Stevenson (503.774.8738)

Pastoral Council

Ryan Dehart

Altar Society

Rosemary Childress

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Ryan Dehart

Maintenance

Colleen Dehart (503.771.6039)

MEMORIAL FLOWERS — Your purchase of Memorial Flowers is a way to honor someone and to support the church. Check the binder in the entrance of the church for available dates. You may consider partnering with someone to share the \$50.00 cost. (Questions? Please call parish office at 503.771.6039.)

MASS INTENTIONS—Suggested donation is **\$10.00** for each intention. *Note: If a funeral is scheduled for the same time as your Mass intention, your intention will be moved to the next available date.*

VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE CHURCH—Glenn Rymsza created a tour of the church for our parish website: <http://stanthonypdx.com/tour-of-the-church>. You will learn the stories & symbolism built into our lovely church.

St. VINCENT de PAUL needs your help. The SVDP pantry at St. Anthony's brings food to the hungry. We are seeking volunteers to assist with packing and delivering food boxes. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office or one of the members of St. Vincent de Paul. Join us in this rewarding effort to support our community.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH:

If you are not Catholic and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, or if you know someone who is not Catholic who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Pat. This is a great opportunity for those who are not Catholic and wish to ask their questions about the Catholic Church. In the months ahead, this could become an opportunity to join the Catholic Church.

INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

Infant Baptisms (up to age 7): If you have a child in need of baptism, contact Fr. Pat at the parish office so we can complete the necessary paperwork and the preparation class. The Church recommends baptizing your child within a few months of birth and when the health of the child and mother permit.

A Warm Welcome To All!

Name _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

New Parishioner

New Phone Number

New Address

Moving (Please remove from parish list)

Please have Fr. Pat Donoghue call me

St. Anthony Ministries

How do your gifts intersect with the needs of the parish?

“ You are the eyes and hands of Christ, living the challenge as bearers of light.”



Our need for volunteers is great and we welcome anyone who is willing to help. You need not commit for large projects or long-term projects as we have many one-time events or short-term projects. We

appreciate any time and talent that you can share. Please indicate by checking the boxes on the back of this page those areas where you would be willing to serve. We will contact you and answer any questions you have.

Your help is welcome - -
your help is needed.

Come, see what our Parish has to offer you, your family, and your neighbor.

And.....

if the “Spirit” moves you

sign up to volunteer in an area of interest to you.

St. Anthony Volunteer / Ministry Opportunities 2024-2025

Serve on: Pastoral Council _____ Finance Council _____ Evangelization Committee _____

Do you have any talents, like writing grant proposals, legal expertise, financial expertise, doctor, nursing, etc.?
What are your special talents, gifts, abilities? _____

Liturgical Ministry

- Lector Altar Server Sacristan Adoration Prayer Ministry (pray for the Parish, etc)
 Music (Instrument, Voice) Cup Minister Usher/Greeter Flower Arranging
 Children's Liturgy Bread Minister Environment (Seasonal Display/ Décor)

Parish Social Activities

- Coffee and Donuts (1st & 3rd Sundays) Ice Cream or Watermelon Social (Summer)
 International Food Festival (Pentecost weekend) Pancake Breakfasts or Suppers
 Provide food for Funeral Receptions St. Joseph Feast Day (March 19) Easter Vigil Reception
 Epiphany/Christmas Party St. Anthony Feast Day (June 13)

Altar Society: sponsors many parish social activities. Meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at 12:00 noon

- Rummage Sale Spring & Fall Luncheon Funeral Receptions Altar Linens
 Attend meetings Pancake Breakfasts Fall Bazaar/Bake Sale Spaghetti Dinner

St. Vincent De Paul

- Deliver food baskets Shop for food Pick up food Attend meetings

Adult & Youth Ed (RCIA, Bible Studies, Advent/ Lenten Prayer Groups, etc.)

- Adult Education: Catechist Assistant RCIA Sponsor
Youth Education: Catechist Assistant Vacation Bible School
Children's Education: Catechist Assistant Children's liturgy

Building / Grounds Maintenance

- Painting Carpentry Electrical Plumbing Gardening Landscaping Cleaning Other
 Snow Shoveling Pick up litter Wash Windows Change Light bulbs Change filters

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

- Bring Communion to sick/homebound Visit the sick/homebound Drive folks to church

Administrative Help

- Fold/Stuff Bulletins Money Counters Stuff Envelopes Shred Paper Other

NAME: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

2024

A message from Glenn Rymsza, September 21, 2024

Announcement of Resignation for Bulletin

Dear Staff and Parishioners at St. Anthony,

I'm writing to let you know that after more than 12 years serving as Director of Religious Education, I've decided it's time to step down. It's not an easy decision because my time here has been truly meaningful, filled with great memories and experiences.

I have enjoyed working with Fr. Pat and the rest of the staff here. It has also been a blessing getting to know all of you. I found joy in teaching the bible classes and bible studies, drawing many of us together to serve the kids through Vacation Bible School, preparing our kids for the sacraments, learning and growing in faith together and more.

I'm grateful for the support I've received and the friendships I've built over the years. I've grown a lot personally and spiritually, and this parish will always hold a special place in my heart.

I hope to come to Masses on a particular weekend to see everyone in the near future and after that to stay in touch.

God Bless,
Glenn Rymsza

Regarding his health, Glenn says he is in remission but is taking a maintenance pill.

And he says he will be living in Chicago at least until the end of December.

That is all he knows for now.

