

Saint Anthony of Padua Church

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St. Anthony ng Padua Katoliko Iglesia
Iglesia de San Antonio de Padua

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Saturday Mass of Viaticum, this Saturday, September 7 at 10 a.m.

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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 1

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 7:1-8; 14-15, 21-23

In today's Gospel, some Pharisees and scribes observed that several of the disciples were eating meals with unclean or unwashed hands. They questioned Jesus, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders, but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" Jesus replies that the real evils of our lives – such as greed and deceit—come from within us not from outside of us.

*Jesus is calling us to purify our hearts and our thoughts.
What things in our culture make it hard to keep our
hearts and minds pure?*

*What can you do today to help live your life with a
clean heart and mind?*

Today's Scriptures are Deut 4:1-2, 6-8; Psalm 15:2-5;
James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.

September 1 to October 4—Season of Creation
Theme for 2024: Hope and Act with Creation

God loves and cares for all of creation. Matt 6:25-34

Catholic Current: Labor Day & the Dignity of Work .

Anthony Granados, who formally worked for the Oregon Catholic Conference & now works for the USCCB talks about the dignity of Work, <https://www.usccb.org/catholic-current/weeks-catholic-current-labor-day-and-dignity-work>



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sept 3 — Sept 8, 2024

Tues, Sept 3	11:00 am	Sr. Anne Joseph+
Wed, Sept 4	9:00 am	Nancy Stochosky+
Thurs, Sept 5	11:00 am	All Souls
Fri, Sept 6	9:00 am	Hellen Pongracz-Bartha+
Sat, Sept 7	10 am	William Stevenson+
Sat, Sept 7	4:30 pm	Pro Populo
Sun, Sept 8	10:30 am	Eugene P. DiLoreto

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 2 — Sept 8, 2024

Office Open: M-Th 9 am-2pm

September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Sun, Sept 1 — Happy Season of Creation!

Mon, Sept 2 — Happy Labor Day! — Office Closed

Tues, Sept 3 — Mass 11 am

St. Gregory the Great

Wed, Sept 4 — Mass 9 am

Thurs, Sept 5 — Mass 11 am

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Fri, Sept 6 — Mass 9 am

Adoration until 4 pm

Sat, Sept 7 — 1st Saturday Mass of Viaticum 10 am

Confessions 3:45 pm

Mass for Sunday 4:30 pm

Drop off your registration forms in the parish entryway after mass!

Sun, Sept 8 — 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 10:30

Drop off your registration forms in the parish entryway after mass!

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you. Ps 86: 3,5

Weekly Collection Needed: \$3,302.37

Last Week's Collection — Aug 20-Aug 26

	Regular	myEoffering	Total
Collection	\$1,836.45	\$981.33	\$2,817.78
Poor & Needy	\$40.00	\$90.00	\$130.00
Votive Candles	\$26.50		\$26.50
Building Maint.	\$199.00		\$199.00
Total	\$2,101.95	\$1,071.33	\$3,173.28

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 7, 4:30 pm — Paula Lang

Sunday, September 8, 10:30 am — Marnita Sos

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 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time are Is 35: 4-7; Ps 146: 6-10; James 2: 1-5; Mk 7: 31-37

Be Doers of the Word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. James 1:22

Do you think glass coffins will ever catch on?
Remains to be seen.

WorldWide MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

"Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls." Sign up today to bring His word into your marriage on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on September 13-15, 2024 in Beaverton, Oregon. To apply for your WWME Experience or search other dates go to rediscoverthespark.org. For information about WWME call 503-704-0836 or by email at reservations@rediscoverthespark.org

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 Henderson, Roy Henderson, Maria Ishmael, Jeffrey Jennings, Cliff Juntunen, Audrey Larson, Diane Lat-ham, Allen Lee, Mihai Leta, Daniel Mack, Dave Mathie, Anthony McPherson, Barbara Mirasol+, Kelly Morse, Natalie Moser, Comella Nelson, Marie O'Leary, Laura Ramirez, Kelsea Ramirez, Lori Rohlin+, Glenn Rymysza, 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.



Join us after Mass today for Coffee & Donuts!

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.

It is time to register for Religious Education & Sacramental Preparation! Pick up a registration form at the display in the church entryway. 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.

Come pray with us at the 18th Annual Rosary Bowl NW – A Marian and Eucharistic Celebration on the Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary: Saturday, October 5th from 9 am—3 pm at the East Salem Community Center. Holy Mass at 10 am w/Auxiliary Bishop Peter Smith. Holy Rosary at 11 am. Confessions available.

The Mt. Angel Oktoberfest, the Largest Folk Festival in the Northwest: September 12-15 in Mt. Angel, Oregon. A celebration of the harvest in German style; a wonderful blend of family fun, music, food, and beer. If you prefer something on the quieter side, you can relax and listen to spiritual and uplifting music in the beautiful St. Mary's Catholic Church. Large and small choral groups, harp and flute and fine organists will be taking turns performing here—this is free for all to enjoy. For more information visit: <https://oktoberfest.org/>

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal Update: Saint Anthony has 47 donors, averaging \$155.04 for a total of \$7,287.00 which is 60.736% of our goal of \$12,000.00. If you have not given yet, please consider doing so. There are envelopes in the entrance of the church for your use. Make sure you indicate that St. Anthony is your Parish. You can also visit JesusChangesEverything.church or call (503) 233-8336.

Dates to Remember:

September 1 — World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Sept 1—Oct 4 — Season of Creation

September 2 — Labor Day

September 15 — Catechetical & Commissioning Sunday

September 29 — Religious Education Classes begin

October 4 — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Join the Church in this day of prayer for the Care of Creation and continue praying and working for the improvement of creation during the Season of Creation, which lasts from September 1 thru October 4 (the Fest of St. Francis of Assisi). This year's theme is "Hope and Act with Creation." You may wish to go online to check out the Laudato Si' Movement or Catholic Climate Covenant.

We show our respect for our Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care of earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.—USCCB

"The environment is God's gift to everyone, and in our use of it we have a responsibility towards the poor, towards future generations and towards humanity as a whole...Our duties towards the environment are linked to our duties towards the human person, considered in himself and in relation to others. It would be wrong to uphold on set of duties while trampling on the other." — Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, nos. 48, 51



Next year is the Jubilee Year 2025. Pope Francis calls the Jubilee an event of "great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The first Holy Year was instituted in 1300 by Boniface VIII. Originally celebrated every 100 years, then every 50 years, it is now celebrated every 25 years. Pope Francis chose the motto *Pilgrims of Hope* for this upcoming Jubilee with the hope that it can "contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire." During 2024 he calls for a great "symphony of prayer...to renew our desire to be in the presence of the Lord, to listen to him, and to adore him...and to thank [Him] for the many gifts of his love for us and to praise his work in creation." To learn more, visit www.iubilaeum2025.va or search for it on the USCCB website.

3720 SE 79th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97206

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

September 1 — Open

September 8 — Gene DiLoreto

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 Rymza 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.

The **St. Vincent de Paul** thrift store is now accepting donations! Please consider donating clothes, books, furniture, jewelry, CD's, electronics, cookware, and other household items at 17108 SE Powell Blvd, 9AM - 4PM daily. Drop off in the back of building, volunteers can help you unload. Thank you!

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

Labor Day Statement 2024

Most Reverend Borys Gudziak
Archbishop of Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia
Chairman of the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development
and
Most Reverend Mark J. Seitz
Bishop of El Paso
Chairman of the Committee on Migration
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
September 2, 2024

Working for a More Just Economy

"You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just." -Matthew 20:4

This Labor Day, let us recommit ourselves to building together a society that honors the human dignity of all who labor. Through the treasure of Catholic social teaching, we have a long history¹ of proclaiming the essential role labor plays in helping people to live out their human dignity.²

Our Catholic faith calls us to pray, work, and advocate for protections that allow all laborers to thrive—both those newly arrived in our country and those whose families have been here for generations. We believe in the dignity of work precisely because each of our brothers and sisters is a beloved child of God, made in his own image and likeness, and imbued with inherent dignity. Throughout Scripture, we see time and again how God shows us we must care for those who are vulnerable and honor the sacredness of everyone—no matter his or her circumstances in life. In Matthew's Gospel,³ we read the parable of the workers in the vineyard as an example of the Father's overflowing love for each of his children. In that parable, the master pays all the workers a "just" wage despite working for differing lengths of time. Their remuneration is given simply because he desires that we all have the resources to thrive.⁴ Dignified work reflects that our humanity gives us an active role to play in cultivating the world around us. Through work, we exercise dominion over how we provide the material needs for ourselves and our families.⁵ God desires for us to do more than simply survive but to thrive.

Yet, in today's economy, too many people and families are living in poverty due to jobs with low pay that often provide little or no benefits, erratic work schedules, and offer insufficient protections. At the same time, union representation has diminished, especially in the private

¹ United States Catholic Conference (now United States Conference of Catholic Bishops), *Reflections of the U.S. Catholic Bishops The Summary Report of the Task Force on Catholic Social Teaching and Catholic Education*, June 19, 1998.

² Pope St. John Paul II, *Laborem Exercens*, no. 9.

³ Matthew 20: 1-16.

⁴ Pope Leo XIII, *Rerum Novarum*, nos.44-45.

⁵ Pope St. John Paul II, *Laborem Exercens*, no. 25.

sector, leaving workers with less protection and a weakened bargaining position. We know it does not have to be this way.

Many communities and sectors of the economy are grappling with labor shortages due to changing demographics and other factors, with some looking to immigrants to fill the gaps. Pope Benedict XVI pointed out,⁶ following his predecessors and consistently confirmed by research, that immigrants boost innovation and overall economic output. In the U.S., immigrants' contributions have a net positive impact on the federal deficit.⁷ Despite these economic benefits, the progress we have made as a society toward safer, more just working conditions, and the Church's essential and consistent teaching, we often see immigrant laborers mistreated at a higher rate than their native-born counterparts, including through the evil of human trafficking. Additionally, immigrants face outright hostility and discrimination due in part to misconceptions and harmful political rhetoric dismissive of the human person.

The Church supports both workers and immigrants around the country, especially those who often work in agricultural and other industries without protections because of their immigration status. These workers contribute to the local economy, pay taxes, and own homes. Yet, they are often the victims of wage theft and legitimately fear reprisal if they speak up about missing wages or unjust practices. The Church plays an important role working for change in the face of this injustice. For example, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development supports organizations like Escucha Mi Voz (Spanish for "Hear My Voice") which empowers immigrant and refugee communities in Iowa, including helping 25 workers recover their stolen wages in the first part of 2024 alone. This work is powered, in part, by Iowa Catholics working together towards an economy that better supports vulnerable workers.

For decades, the Church has advocated for changes to the immigration system, recognizing that it does not adequately address the needs of American families, employers, communities, or immigrants. These shortcomings, when coupled with the issue of labor shortages, have increased opportunities for the exploitation of immigrants and led some to resort to using children as a supplemental source of labor. We have witnessed concerning affronts to the dignity of children, native-born and immigrant alike, whose innocence has been traded for cheap—and often dangerous – labor.

With the number of child labor law violations having risen dramatically in recent years, several states have also taken steps to further weaken child labor standards, exposing young people to hazardous working conditions and long working hours. The children of families living in poverty stand to suffer the most harm, but the innocence and dignity of all youth must be protected. As we bishops have taught, "Improved child labor law enforcement must be combined with adequate family economic support, so families do not depend on exploitation of children for economic survival."⁸

⁶ Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no. 62

⁷ Congressional Budget Office, "Effects of the Immigration Surge on the Federal Budget and the Economy," July 23, 2024.

⁸ United States Catholic Conference, *Putting Children and Families First*, 1991.

Legal reforms and investments in infrastructure are essential for creating a just immigration system and a thriving economy that together promote the common good. It is possible and necessary to create an immigration system that respects the inviolable dignity of all newcomers..⁹ In the absence of a comprehensive reform, however, incremental improvements are still a sign of progress. Only with a commitment to such efforts will our country be able to address its evolving labor needs, while benefiting in a moral and sustainable way from the contributions of immigrant workers.

The Church offers a vision for the future that does not require our society to choose between a thriving economy, economic justice, dignified conditions for all workers, and safeguarding the most vulnerable among us. Catholics have consistently implored civil leaders to recognize and protect the sacredness of the human person. We must reject an economy of exclusion..¹⁰ We can work together with community groups like *Escucha Mi Voz* to organize and seek change. We can advocate for policy improvements, such as the Farm Workforce Modernization Act, and for policies that promote, preserve, and expand protections for all children..¹¹

This Labor Day, may we recognize all the laborers in the Lord's vineyard and embrace them for who they truly are—our brothers and sisters: “So you too should love the resident alien, for that is what you were in the land of Egypt.”¹² Let us strive without ceasing to protect the sacredness of human life and together build a society that respects and uplifts each person's human dignity.

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⁹ Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville, chairman of the USCCB Committee on Migration at the time of writing, “Migration and the Judgement of Nations.”

¹⁰ Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 53.

¹¹ See Bishop Mark J. Sietz, chairman USCCB Committee on Migration, “Letter to Congress on Safeguarding Unaccompanied Children,” November 9, 2023; USCCB chairmen, “Letter to Congress Regarding Policies to Support Women and Families,” October 26, 2022.

¹² Deuteronomy 10:19.

Reflections on Catholic Teaching on Work

- Catholic teaching tells us that not only are workers due a “just wage” with which they can provide for their families’ needs; they also deserve opportunities for rest and dignity-affirming benefits such as quality health care and paid time off. In addition, work should be something that enhances one’s human dignity (see Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, nos. 284, 287, 301, 302).
- The experience of many workers in low-wage jobs tells us that we must give serious consideration to how we can address areas of inequality in our economic systems. We are called to prioritize the well-being of the human person over the capital they produce (see St. John Paul II in *Laborem Exercens*, no. 12, on “The Priority of Labor”). In our country today, corporate consolidation of wealth and power in monopoly organizations has led to lower wages for workers. Lower wages mean many workers cannot sufficiently provide for their families or fully participate in the economy and society (see St. John Paul II in *Centessimus Annus*, no. 48).
- How can we empower workers whose dignity and rights are not fully recognized? One way to do this is by supporting those organizations and businesses that promote employee ownership. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development funds several cooperatives and other employee-owned projects that help low-wage workers to achieve fair wages, stable employment, job training opportunities, and better benefits.
- Catholic teaching holds that central to promoting the dignity of work and rights of workers is building solidarity with and among workers. The Church has long looked towards the important role played by labor unions in the effort to protect the needs and rights of workers in situations of inequality and injustice (see Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, no. 305). As we seek to build greater solidarity with those workers in our community fighting for their rights, how can you show greater support of and involvement with the work of these labor unions?
- Where in your local community or around the world do you see the dignity of work or the rights of workers eroded? [Note to homilist: If possible, try to offer at least one recent example of what you have seen in the news or in your own community. Possible examples might include sub-family wages for low-skill work; failure to provide maternity or family leave or other benefits; the wage gap that especially affects minorities and women; bad work conditions or withholding of wages from migrant workers; irresponsible corporate practices leading to environmental contamination, etc.]

How Can Catholics Respond?

- In the workplace, if we are business owners, managers, or supervisors, we can help ensure that our businesses and organizations are offering family wages and the dignity-affirming benefits that our long Catholic tradition affirms should be available for all workers and their families.
- As we listen to the needs of those in our community, we are challenged to support those organizations that are empowering their employees to be owners and decision-makers. Find a local CCHD funded group that supports employee ownership in your community and get involved in creating a more just economic system.
- We can also join local efforts to support a just wage/family wage, which is a wage at which workers and their families can have access to what they need to fulfill basic needs and thrive.
- We can use our purchasing power to help protect human dignity. We can be educated consumers, support local businesses and ethically-produced products, and let companies know when we are unhappy with their labor practices.
- Learn about efforts in your parish or local community to assist workers and their families, or to support their needs through advocacy or other efforts and get involved.

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