

# *Saint Anthony of Padua Church*

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 5, 2017**

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## **Pastoral Staff:**

Rev. Oscar Martin Dominguez, Pastor  
Rev. Juan Carlos Zapata, Parochial Vicar

## **Eucharist:**

Daily: Chapel 8:30 am  
Monday, Thursday: 7:00 pm (Spanish)  
Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (Spanish)  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon (Spanish)

## **Next Holy Day of Obligation**

April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday

## **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursday: Holy Hour following 7 pm Mass  
Hora Santa después de la misa 7 pm

## **Office Hours:**

Daily (Diario) 9:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Saturday (Sábado) 10:00 - 12:00 noon

## **Baptism/Bautizos:**

Baptisms in English are the first and third Saturday of each month. Arrangements should be made one month in advance. Parents should be registered parishioners.

Los Bautizos son el 2do y 4to sábado de cada mes. Deben de pasar por la oficina para coordinar la fecha por lo menos con un mes de anticipación. Deben de estar inscritos en la parroquia para solicitar un bautismo.

## **Marriage/Matrimonio:**

Please arrange with the priest at least one year in advance. Por favor de separar fecha con el sacerdote y un año de anticipación.

## **Reconciliation/Reconciliación:**

Every Saturday (Cada Sábado) 4:00 PM—5:00 PM

## **Religious Education/Catecismo:**

English: Sunday at 9:00 am in the Grammar school  
Español: Sábado a las 10:00 am se reúnen en la cafetería de la escuela.

## **Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates**

You must be an **active parishioner** for at least 6 months to receive a Certificate of eligibility to be a sponsor or godparent.

Debe ser un **feligrés activo** durante al menos 6 meses para recibir un certificado de elegibilidad para ser un patrocinador o padrino.

## **Staff:**

Ms. Rose Perone, Trustee & English Rel. Ed.  
Mrs. Mary Wilk, Parish Secretary  
Mrs. Teresa Marin, Spanish Rel. Ed.  
Mr. Will Villanueva, Trustee  
Mr. Michael Faccone, Office



## **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is committed to the Celebration of God's presence among His people through meaningful, well prepared liturgy, prayerful gatherings, evangelization and faith formation. We recognize and welcome the richness of our culturally and ethnically diverse community. We strive to nurture and develop these differences by encouraging all our brothers and sisters to share their gifts so we may strengthen our community and become one.



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2017 TO FEBRUARY 11, 2017**

**SATURDAY (February 4) Weekday, BVM**

8:30 CALOGERA AVENIA/ Enza Mirabile & Family  
 5:00 BRUNO & DOLORES KURDYLA/ Daughters  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (February 5) Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 ROCCO DI PAOLA/ Wife Catherina  
 10:30 GERARDO STANCO/  
 Moglia Pasqualina e Famiglia  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY (February 6) St. Paul Miki & Companions**

8:30 CARMELA CIANFANO/ Mamma Teresa  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY (February 7) Weekday**

8:30 JOHN KOLESAR/ Family

**WEDNESDAY (February 8) Weekday,**

**St. Jerome Emiliaini, St. Josephine Bakhita**

8:30 GIOVANNI & ORAZIA CORALLO/ Sally Vacarro

**THURSDAY (February 9) Weekday**

8:30 JESMY ARVELAEZ LOPEZ/  
 Marlene & Peter Abitante  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**FRIDAY (February 10) St. Scholastica**

8:30 VALERIA MARSHOTT/ Daughter Ursula

**SATURDAY (February 11) Our Lady of Lourdes, BVM**

8:30 GIUSEPPE & GIOVANNA CHILLEMI/  
 Antonia Chillemi  
 5:00 PHYLLIS LO BRACE/ Josie & Bella  
 7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY (February 12) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 DONNA KURDYLA/ Kurdyla Family  
 10:30 GIUSEPPE & VINCENZO SCOZZARO/  
 Mr. & Mrs. Nicolo Arcieri & Family  
 12:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated this week in memory of **Tripodi Family** donated by **Tina Tripodi**. The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** will burn by the tabernacle this week in memory of **Grace & Domenick Tripodi** donated by **Daughter Tina**.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!** We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially: **Minnie Coletti**.



**OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION** is shown below.

We sincerely thank all those parishioners and friends who contributed to the parish.

Be assured that the Lord will never be outdone in rewarding those who give even a glass of water in His Name.

**Weekly Offering**

<b>5:00 PM</b>	335
<b>7:00 PM</b>	955
<b>8:00 AM</b>	537
<b>10:30 AM</b>	649
<b>12:00 Noon</b>	2344
<b>Mail</b>	203
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,023</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH,** especially:

Carmen Alava	James D. Milazzo
Louise Barile	Carmen Mistichelli
Oran Bryant	Carlos Moran
Karen Bulloch	Declan Rocco O'Connor
Caterina Campbell	Robergeau Paul
Isaac Castañeda	Maria Perdomo
Orlando Chavez	Laura Philipone
Wayne Cook	Peter Philipone
Mary Cusmano	Frank Pierre
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia	Anne Piga
Marianna Dubell	Raul Atilio Portillo
Maria Espinoza	Carmen Fojo Prieto
Mario Fronzoni	Edith Quijada
Louis E. Gonzalez	Endy Quijada
Denise Griest	Oscar Eduardo Ramirez
Ann Harris	Sergio Ricciardi
Jared Leonardo Henao	Angel Rivera
Jacob Hinman	Isadora Rodriguez
Joshua Hinman	Magdalena Rodriguez
Joseph B. Jean-Mary	John Ruela
Michelle Johnson	Maria Saavedra
Lindsay LaMarre	Salvatore Saluccio
John Lapolla	Hugo Santa Maria
Theresa Lattanzio	Frank Tinnirella
Rosa Leon	Rosalie Tinnirella
Barbara McMurray	Angela Verlengeri
Elvin Martinez	John Veltre
Angelo Meo	Joseph Weseloski
Leonarda Merlo	

**WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL****Fifth Sunday OT/Quinto Domingo TO, Ciclo/Cycle A**

Christ says: “You are the Salt of the earth... You are the Light of the world ...” With these two examples, so important to Christians, Christ is showing all of us here present to what type of mission he is calling us to, and also those who are not here, because this mission is for all the baptized. Every time Christ speaks, though it be in parables, he tends to give examples that can be easily understood, examples of things that are not extraordinary in order that we don't become discouraged and say before even hearing what he has to say to us “I can't do that” or “that's too difficult”. Therefore, let us listen a little to what Christ comes to tell us today. You are the salt of the earth. What purpose or task does salt have? They vary, one is to cure. Salt in antiquity was used to preserve food, fish and meats, since there were no refrigerators. Another property salt has is that of giving flavor, for example, food without salt, like hospital food, we dislike, it doesn't have flavor, we don't want to eat it, but with a bit of salt, everything changes, everything acquires its own flavor. Another function salt has is that of maligning or cursing, in antiquity, so that a plot of land would never give fruit, one would plant (to scatter) a lot of salt so that the earth would not yield fruit. Therefore, with this word, the Lord is calling us to a very important mission for the world, that of giving flavor to the world. The world in which we live, although we apparently enjoy many things, lacks flavor, nothing satisfies us and if something fills us a little, in a short while we need more. This is the reason why the Christian's mission is to give flavor. How is this accomplished? In the same manner as salt flavors food, by dissolving itself, disappearing. What would happen if you find a lump of salt in your food? You would spit it out, it doesn't taste good, but if the food is well seasoned, all the ingredients receive their flavor. That's why, the Christian is called to perform this service to the world and disappear, not expecting any recompense, to be unperceived, like salt. Christ also says: “You are the light of the world...” It's another call to service, as the light of a lamp, these light bulbs provide a service to us; and when they burn out what do we do? Do we take them to a museum to be exhibited? No right? Instead, we throw them into the trash or recycling bin and replace them with new light bulbs. It's the same with the Christian. Because we are not called to be the most important people, only to bring those who do not know God to know Him, and those who have separated themselves from Him to return to Him. But for that to happen, they have to see this light, like the city that is at the top of a hill, or the lamp that on the lamp stand. Or like the salt, providing a service, to illuminate, to give flavor, so that they may know or come close to God. May God bless you always.

Dice Cristo: “Vosotros sois la Sal de la tierra... Vosotros sois la Luz del mundo...” Con estos dos ejemplos tan importantes para los cristianos, Cristo nos esta indicando a que clase de misión nos esta llamando a cada uno de nosotros aquí presente, y también a los que no lo están, por que esto es para todos los bautizados. Cristo siempre que habla, aunque sea en parábolas, suele poner ejemplos que se puedan entender fácilmente, ejemplos de cosas que no son extraordinarias para que así no nos desanimemos y digamos antes de escuchar lo que nos tiene que decir que yo no puedo hacer eso, o que es muy difícil. Así que escuchemos un poquito lo que Cristo nos viene a decir hoy. Vosotros sois la sal de la tierra. ¿Cuál es el trabajo que hace la sal? Hay diferentes, uno es de curación, la sal en la antigüedad, se usaba para conservar los alimentos, pescado y carnes, ya que no había refrigeradores. Otro es el de dar sabor, por ejemplo, una comida sin sal, como la de los hospitales, no nos gusta, no tiene sabor, no queremos comerla, pero con un poquito de sal, todo cambia, todo recibe su sabor. Otro es de maldición, en la antigüedad, para que un terreno nunca diera fruto, se plantaba (se esparcía) mucha sal, así que la tierra no podía dar frutos. Entonces, con esta palabra, el Señor nos esta llamando a una misión muy importante para el mundo, la de dar sabor al mundo. El mundo en que vivimos, aunque aparentemente disfrutamos de muchas cosas, le falta sabor, nada nos satisface y si algo nos llena un poco, al ratito necesitamos más. Por esta razón, la misión del cristiano es la de dar sabor. ¿Cómo se hace esto? De la misma manera como lo hace la sal en la comida, disolviéndose, desapareciendo. ¿Que ocurre si te encuentras una piedrita de sal en la comida? Que la escupes, no sabe bien, pero si la comida esta bien sazonada, todos los ingredientes reciben su sabor. Por esto, el cristiano esta llamado a hacer este servicio al mundo y desaparecer, no esperar ninguna recompensa, pasar desapercibido, como la sal. También Cristo dice: “Vosotros sois la luz del mundo...” Es otra llamada al servicio, como la luz de una lámpara, estos focos, nos hacen un servicio, y cuando se queman ¿Qué hacemos? ¿Los llevamos a un museo para que los pongan en exposición? No ¿verdad? Más bien los tiramos a la basura, o al reciclaje, y ponemos otros nuevos. Lo mismo con el cristiano. Por que nosotros no estamos llamados a ser los más importantes, sino a llevar a aquellos que no conocen a Dios a que lo conozcan, y los que se han separado de El, a que se acerquen de nuevo. Pero para eso, tienen que ver esta luz, como la ciudad que esta en la cima de un monte, o la lámpara que esta sobre el candelero. O como la sal, prestando un servicio, de iluminar, o de dar sabor, para que así puedan conocer o acercarse a Dios. Que Dios los bendiga siempre.

**St. Anthony's Food Pantry**

St. Anthony's runs a Food Pantry once a month. The next day for the Food Pantry **will be Wednesday, February 22 from 12:30-1:30 PM.** Enter through the 3rd Avenue Basement. Please bring some form of identification.

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

Our Food Pantry is in need of food. Please drop off your food to help feed those in need of our parish in the baskets at the back of the church or at the rectory.

**Lectors for the Weekend of February 11-12, 2017**Saturday, February 11

5:00 PM Mary Ann Costanza  
7:00 PM Senon Herrera y Maria Duran  
(C: Raul Alvarez)

Sunday, February 12

8:00 AM Anna Ruppert  
10:30 AM Mark Moron  
12:00 Noon Rafaela Avelar y Jose Moris  
(C: Teresa Marin)

**EMHC for the Weekend of February 11-12, 2017  
(Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)**Saturday, February 11

5:00 PM Frank Mazza  
7:00 PM Reina Yanes y Salomon Yanes

Sunday, February 12

8:00 AM Mary Wilk  
10:30 AM Cristian Moron, Maria Agliata and  
Gino Merendino  
12:00 Noon Miguel Hernandez, Ana Marte,  
Melida Canela, y Myrna Gonzalez

**Ministry to the Sick and Homebound**

The parish family of St. Anthony's seeks to reach out and include the sick, the elderly, and the homebound in the life and prayers of our parish.

Please contact the parish office if someone wants to receive Communion or needs to see the priest for the sacraments of Confession and Anointing of the Sick.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed for Josephine's Place in Elizabeth:

English Conversation	1 or 1 1/2 hours per week	English Grammar	1 1/2 hours per week
Computer Basics	1 1/2 hours per week	Social Media	
Clerical Work			

Contact: Carmen Nunez 908-436-0099

**Welcome/ Bienvenidos**

Welcome New Parishioners! We are happy to have you with us. We would like to invite you to register at the parish office during the week. Registration is essential for sponsor/witness letters. **If you move or change your address, please call the rectory.**

¡Bienvenidos a los nuevos feligreses! Nos da mucho gusto de que estén con nosotros. Los invitamos a inscribirse en nuestra oficina entre semana. Tienen que estar inscritos para recibir cartas verificando su participación en la Iglesia.



**\*TUESDAY:** Novena to St. Anthony  
(After 8:30 AM Mass — Chapel)

**\*THURSDAY:** Holy Hour after 7:00 PM Mass

**\*FRIDAY:** 7:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** -- If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

**Psalm** -- The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (Psalm 112).

**Second Reading** -- My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

**Gospel** -- You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).

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**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** -- Cuando compartas tu pan con el hambriento, y sacies la necesidad del humillado, entonces brillará tu luz en las tinieblas (Isaías 58:7-10).

**Salmo** -- El justo brilla como luz en las tinieblas (Salmo 112 [111]).

**Segunda lectura** -- He anunciado a ustedes el misterio de Cristo crucificado, a fin de que la fe de ustedes dependa del poder de Dios y no de la sabiduría de los hombres (1 Corintios 2:1-5).

**Evangelio** -- Que su luz brille ante los hombres, para que viendo sus buenas obras, den gloria a su Padre, que está en los Cielos (Mateo 5:13-16).

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**CARRYING OF THE GIFTS**

CCD Children will carry the gifts at the 10:30 Mass.

**RCIA**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process the Catholic Community provides to welcome adults who wish to become Catholic and to prepare adult Catholics to receive Confirmation (and when needed, First Eucharist.) Please contact the Parish for more information.



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c;  
Mk 6:53-56  
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 -- 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13  
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17;  
Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23  
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10  
Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;  
1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

### CCD WEATHER EMERGENCIES

For bad weather situations, CCD Closings will be announced on the News 12 New Jersey Website.

### ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES

Are you celebrating 5, 25 or 50 years of Christian Marriage in 2017? If so, the Archdiocese of Newark will be having anniversary liturgies celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

¿Esta celebrando 5, 25 y 50 años de matrimonio Cristiano en 2017? Estas liturgias de Aniversario serán celebradas por el Cardenal Joseph Tobin en la Catedral Basílica del Sagrado Corazón en Newark en las siguientes fechas:

April 30, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., 5 years and 25 years (registrations due by April 19), and  
May 7, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., 50 years (registrations due by April 26).

### THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song This Little Light of Mine. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

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### MI PEQUEÑA LUZ

Quando éramos niños cantábamos efusivamente la canción Mi pequeña luz (This Little Light of Mine). La letra de la canción, desde luego, está basada en el Evangelio de hoy, en este estamos llamados como discípulos a ser la sal y la luz del mundo. Los niños no tienen dificultad para compartir su fe; solo es cuando crecemos que preferimos esconder nuestra luz bajo un tazón porque nuestra cultura tiende a no enfatizar el discipulado. El mensaje en las lecturas de esta semana es claro: para poder dar gloria a Dios por medio del discipulado, debemos mostrar la luz de Cristo en nuestras palabras y obras. No es algo fácil para adultos inhibidos. A menudo podemos pensar en la sal y la luz en términos de lo que hacemos por los demás, pero puede ser tan importante como el no hacer nada, ya sea como enojarse con un desconocido en la carretera o decir una broma ofensiva.

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### BRIDGE Act

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has come out and supported the BRIDGE (Bar Removal of Individuals who Dream and Grow our Environment) Act which is being proposed in both Houses of Congress. This is a bipartisan effort to sustain temporary relief from deportation and employment eligibility offered to youth through the Department of Homeland Security's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. For information on how to petition your representative, see: <http://justiceformigrants.org/category/actionalerts/>.