

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 14, 2018



The weather outside has been frightful – to say the least. Even with this past week’s warming trend, it is likely that more severe winter temperatures and snow-episodes will fall upon us as the season progresses through its natural cycle. The obligation to attend Mass on weekends is a serious one that binds us in response for God’s presence, favors, and providence in our lives. However, the obligation is not inflexible due to circumstances beyond our control and conditions that can cause us harm and danger. Please be advised of the following prescriptions of Canon Law #1247: “...on Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are obliged to participate in Mass. However, the law does not expect the impossible nor can the fulfillment of the obligation according to the norm of the law be burdensome or dangerous. There is no obligation to attend Mass if weather and/or road conditions are unsafe to or if the faithful cannot get out of driveways or parked spaces. Those persons who are unable to attend Mass under such conditions may view the celebration of Mass on television (or on other electronic media) depending on local available schedules. [On such days] some time should be given to private prayer in order to sanctify the Lord’s Day. Prayers should always be offered for those affected by the storm.”

In the event that the above exception is chosen in a conscientious manner, no sin is incurred and the absence from Mass need not be considered a matter for the Sacrament of Penance.

Fr. Nick

“A servant of God signifies one who has a great charity towards his neighbor and an inviolable resolution to follow in everything the Divine Will; who bears with his own deficiencies, and patiently supports the imperfections of others.”

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized...

Bianca Elizabeth Tassone



In your charity, please pray for

Barbara Delle Donne

Giovanina E. “Joanne” Dreibelbis

Jean M. Roop

and all the deceased of St. Anthony’s.

MLK, Jr. Day

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Rectory and Grade School will be closed Monday, January 15th. The only Mass of the day will be held at 8:00 AM.

Monday, 8:00 AM	1/15		
Tuesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	1/16	ROSE KIRLIN ANGELO & PALMINA COFRANCESCO	MICHAEL FAMILY
Wednesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	1/17	DOMINIC BOVE	PATSY MCNEAL
Thursday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	1/18		
Friday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	1/19	NICK SILVESTRI	WIFE & FAMILY
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:30 PM	1/20		
Sunday, 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	1/21	PARISHIONERS GIUSEPPE D'ERAMO MARGHERITA & VINCENZO RIZZI	BROELMANN FAMILY CARRIERI-RUSSO FAMILY



Next Sunday’s Readings

1st Reading:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel:

Mark 1:14-20

Offertory Report

Due to a delay in our offertory processing schedule, the figures for last weekend will be presented in next week’s bulletin.



Your Prayers and Support Requested

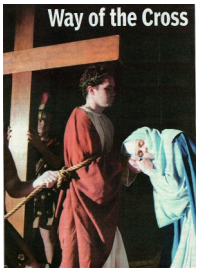
Mateo Ahumada
Roger Chao
Judi DiFrancesco
Christopher Ganey
Bonita Della Rocca Jodz
Bill McNabb
Kelly Panella
Lucretia Serio
Albert Vietri

Karen Berman
Anita Dauphin
Thomas DiGuglielmo
James Ganey
Mark Johnson
William J. Nardo, Jr.
Charles Rosenberg, Sr.
Jimmy Silicato
Robert Walton

Marianne Calvarese
Mary T. DiBiao
Tommy DiVirgilio
Richard Jakotowicz
Grace Marie Mataleno
Patricia Ogonowski
Nicky Rotundo
Larry Silvestri
Annmarie White

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

Via Crucis Sign-Up



To be a part of the 2018 presentation of the Via Crucis, come to the sign-up in the Church at 1:30 PM on January 7th, 2018. Join students from over 30 schools in the cast and choir. Bring your friends, all are welcome. There will also be a short rehearsal from 2:00 PM to 3:00PM. REMEMBER ALL ARE WELCOME ESPECIALLY SINGERS FOR THE CHOIR.

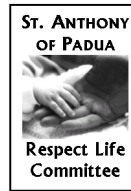
Grade School Open House

St. Anthony of Padua Grade School's Open House will be on January 21, 2018, from noon to 3:00 p.m. Please stop by to take a tour and meet our teachers from preschool through 8th grade who will be on hand to answer questions about our academic and extracurricular programs. We especially invite you to talk with us about our Special Education Program! Get an advanced look at the progress on our new 21st Century Learning Space! Please feel free to inquire about our family-friendly single-rate tuition program. Enrollment for the 2017-2018 school will begin at the Open House! For additional information please contact our office at 302-421-3743, or visit our website: sapgs.org.

March for Life

St. Thomas the Apostle Knights of Columbus has chartered a bus for people of all ages, weather permitting, for the **March for Life** held on Friday, January 19th. There will be a stop at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for those unable to make the March. Seats will be available on a first come basis. The only cost to the individual passenger is a tip for the bus driver. Please contact Theresa Collurafici at 12374Columbiettes@gmail.com or 302-322-2929 to sign up.

Respect Life: Fact of Life



"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish."

Blessed Mother Teresa

Second Collection

For the weekend of January 20th and 21st, the scheduled second collection is for Catholic University/Catholic Communications.

Souper Bowl Food Collection Drive

The Knights of Columbus will conduct their annual food drive at the beginning of the new year up through Super Bowl Sunday on February 4th, 2018. Any non-perishable food items are acceptable and all donations will be delivered to the St. Patrick's Center Food Bank. May God bless our parishioners for their continued generosity.

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

The Addams Family

Come and enjoy an evening of entertainment and spaghetti while raising money for a great cause! It is Padua Academy's annual musical fundraiser featuring singing waitstaff! The date is Friday, January 19th. Cost is \$10 adult/\$8 senior citizens/\$5 kids under 12. Price includes spaghetti, salad, bread, beverage and dessert. Time is 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Please use the 10th and Broom Street doors. For additional information please contact: lkowalski@paduaacademy.org

Sodality

The next Sodality Mass will be 9:00 AM, Sunday, January 21st. Following the Mass, Sodality will meet in the Ballad Room.

Parish Calendar

Monday, MLK, Jr. Day

Parish Office Closed

8:00 AM, Mass (only Mass of the day)

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Sunday

9:00 AM, Sodality Mass (meeting to follow in the Ballad Room)

2:00 PM, Via Crucis Rehearsal

Monday, Jan. 15

through

Sunday, Jan. 21

(All events listed in the Parish Calendar are in church unless otherwise noted.)

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

6:00 PM, YAC Mtg.
(Ballad Room)

Friday

7:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Blood Drive (Gym)

Noon Dismissal

Sunday

12:00 – 3:00 PM, Open House

Vocations

The Prophet Samuel did not recognize the Lord's voice immediately; it took very careful listening on his part. Could God be calling *you* to serve as a priest, deacon, religious sister or religious brother? If you'd like to discuss the possibility, please speak with your pastor or call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

Rectory Part-time Receptionist

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is seeking an individual for the position of part-time receptionist at the rectory. The required work days and hours are Monday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This position covers various administrative tasks, & the receptionist serves as a welcoming presence for visitors to the rectory, as well as a liaison between visitors and members of the parish staff. Anyone interested in applying for this position is asked to contact Bob Shields, Parish Business Manager, at 302-421-3771, or via email: bshields@stanthonynet.org.

Marriage Encounter

MARRIED COUPLES LOOKING FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION? Why not make a commitment to do something to improve your marriage – like making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? Don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be March 2-4, 2018 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information, visit our website at www.wmme-delmar.org, or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

S.A.C.R.E.D.

Sat., February 24th, 8 AM until 3 PM

Celebrate our Catholic Faith with a day of spiritual renewal. The price includes coffee, light breakfast items, a hot lunch and all day beverages with over 15 courses in adult religious education. Reconciliation is offered at 8 AM, Noon and 3 PM; Sunday Mass at 4 PM.

Cost: \$45. Only \$40 if paid by Tuesday, January 31st online at <http://sacred.salesianum.org>. Don't miss out on a fun-filled and informative way to celebrate our Catholic Faith and to enter the season of Lent as Salesianum offers SACRED for the 18th time. This popular day of spiritual renewal through the lens of Salesian Spirituality includes coffee, tea, a light breakfast of yogurt, fruit and pastries plus a hot catered lunch with bread, salad, dessert, lemonade, iced tea, and all day coffee, water and tea. We expect over 200 people to attend this year, so don't miss out. Our snow make up day will be Saturday, March 3rd. Elementary catechists will receive two contact hours for attending the morning session and three additional hours for attending the afternoon session. There will be no paper requirement for these hours. The parish with the most attendees receives the New Evangelization Award.

Our schedule is as follows:

- Sign in located in Lobby / Breakfast and coffee in the Dining Center (Reconciliation Option #1): 8:00 AM - 8:55 AM
- AM Prayer and Welcome: 9:00 AM - 9:35 AM
- Session One: 9:45 AM - 11:45 AM
- Hot Lunch: 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM (Reconciliation Option #2)
- Session Two: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- Reconciliation Option #3: 3:15 PM - 3:55 PM
- Sunday Liturgy: 4:00 PM