

**THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 21, 2018**



Christianity is a religion of unity. The years of rivalry, distrust, disrespect - even open hostility and violence - ended, at least in the mainstream of enlightened Christianity, many years ago. The Second Vatican Council was a major influence heightening the cause of "Ecumenism," i.e. the work of Christian Unity. From January 18 through January 25, Christian Unity Week is observed throughout the world. Although we don't hear too much about it, Ecumenism is one of the most important aspects of renewal in the Church. On the night before He died, Jesus prayed earnestly that His followers would be at one with each other. He made it unambiguous that it was through love of one another that His friends would be recognized as His true disciples. The Sacrament of Baptism binds all Christians together as brothers and sisters. The porous water used in the Sacrament of Baptism extends its currents of divine life among and between those who are washed in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All Christians acknowledge and affirm that the first duty of a follower of Christ is the proclamation of the Gospel - the Good News that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior and that those who are saved in Him will live forever. Even though there are doctrinal differences that remain unresolved among Christians - understandings and practices of Eucharist and Holy Orders, the place of Mary in salvation history, concepts of Sainthood, confession of sin, apostolic authority - the primacy of Baptism and Scripture, that we all adhere to, allow us to bring antithetical viewpoints to the common table of dialogue rather than to the point of the sword or a pyre of fire.

As our Ecumenical convictions mature, we witness more and more common efforts among Christians to proclaim the Gospel together in both word and deed. These include a wide spectrum of ministries and worship ventures: common prayer services on national holidays and in times of national and international distress, movements on behalf of social righteousness, relief operations for victims of violence and disaster, joint undertakings to oppose war, support life and alleviate hunger, poverty, human trafficking and the epidemic of drug/alcohol and abuse addictions, and so much more that often goes unnoticed.

We pray then that all people who know us will know that we are Christians and they will know that by the love we share with one another.

Fr. Nick

"To be pleased at correction and reproofs shows that one loves the virtues which are contrary to those faults for which he is corrected and reproofed. And, therefore, it is a great sign of advancement in perfection."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized...

**Piper Emerson Pedicone
Addison Reese Pepper**



In your charity, please pray for
Frank J. Vari
and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Monday,	1/22		
6:45 AM			
8:00 AM	DANIEL PETRUCCI	FRANNIE TURTORO	
Tuesday,	1/23		
6:45 AM			
8:00 AM			
Wednesday,	1/24		
6:45 AM	DOLORES LA PENTA	SISTERS GINNY & JEAN	
8:00 AM	CARMELLA M. PEDICONE	FAMILY	
Thursday,	1/25		
6:45 AM			
8:00 AM			
Friday,	1/26		
6:45 AM			
8:00 AM	ROBERT WILLIAMS	WIFE & FAMILY	
Saturday,	1/27		
6:45 AM			
5:30 PM			
Sunday,	1/28		
7:00 AM	PARISHIONERS		
9:00 AM			
11:00 AM	CHRISTOPHER ANTHONY MODESTO	MOM & DAD	



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel:

Mark 1:21-28

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 01/07/18

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$11,360.16
Budget:	\$11,361.51
Actual vs. Budget This Week:	-\$ 1.35
Percent Difference This Week:	- 0.01%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$ 4,326.17

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 01/14/18

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$ 8,012.25
Budget:	\$11,361.51
Actual vs. Budget This Week:	-\$3,349.26
Percent Difference This Week:	- 29.5%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$7,675.43

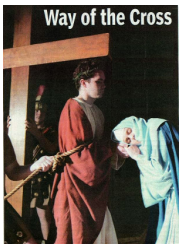
Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Mateo Ahumada	Karen Berman	Marianne Calvarese
Roger Chao	Anita Dauphin	Mary T. DiBiao
Judi DiFrancesco	Thomas DiGuglielmo	Tommy DiVirgilio
Christopher Ganey	James Ganey	Richard Jakotowicz
Bonita Della Rocca Jodz	Mark Johnson	Grace Marie Mataleno
Bill McNabb	William J. Nardo, Jr.	Patricia Ogonowski
Kelly Panella	Charles Rosenberg, Sr.	Nicky Rotundo
Lucretia Serio	Jimmy Silicato	Larry Silvestri
Albert Vietri	Robert Walton	Anmarie White

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

Via Crucis Sign-Up



Missed sign-ups? It's NEVER too late!! Hope to see you TODAY in Church at 1:45 PM. Don't forget to bring a friend, either for the cast or the choir. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Grade School Open House This Sunday!



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.

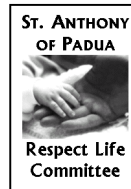
Catholic Charities honors the Buccini Family at Annual Tribute Dinner

The Buccini Family - D. Robert, Bernadette, Rob, and Chris - will receive the Msgr. Thomas J. Reese Award at Catholic Charities Annual Tribute Dinner on Wednesday, April 11, 2018. The Most Reverend W. Francis Malooly, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington, will present the awards at the dinner to be held at the Chase Center on the Riverfront. To learn more about the Annual Tribute Dinner and our honorees, or to support the Tribute Dinner through sponsorships or ticket purchases, visit the Catholic Charities website at www.cdown.org/charities. You may also call Catholic Charities at 302-655-9624.

Sodality

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

Respect Life: Fact of Life



"What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God."

Hans Urs von Balthasar

Second Collection

For the weekend of January 27th and 28th, there is no scheduled second collection.

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. Next Sunday, January 28th, Ms. Jennifer Briemann from the Maryland Catholic Conference, and Fr. Leonard Klein, Director of Pro Life Activities for the Diocese of Wilmington, will discuss physician assisted suicide. 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.

February is Stock the Pantry Month for Catholic Charities

Participate in Catholic Charities semi-annual "Stock the Pantry" project throughout the month of February! One in five families often must choose between making a rent or utility payment and buying food. In a single month, Catholic Charities distributes approximately 15,000 pounds of food throughout the Diocese! You can support our most vulnerable neighbors by making a donation of non-perishable food items. Drop off items like canned meats, soups, fruits, and vegetables; boxes of pasta, cereal, baking mixes; jars of peanut butter and jelly; coffee, tea, and powdered milk at any Catholic Charities location. Catholic Charities will also accept gift cards to local grocery stores or cash donations. You can find the nearest Catholic Charities service center at www.cdown.org/charities, or call 302-655-9624. Those in need of food assistance should call the nearest Catholic Charities location.

Parish Monthly Social

Our next parish social will be held on Sunday, 2/4/2018, in the Ballad Room of the Grade School, following the 9AM & 11AM Masses. Stop by for food, fun, and socializing with fellow parishioners and friends. The social, as always, will feature a variety of great treats from Serpe's Bakery, delicious breakfast pizzas from Degnars Greenhill Deli, and a variety of foods.

Parish Calendar

Tuesday

7:00 PM, Parish Council (RMR)

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Sunday

2:00 PM, Via Crucis Rehearsal

Monday, Jan. 22

through

Sunday, Jan. 28

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

Grade School Calendar

Friday

8:00 AM, School Mass

Sunday

11:00 AM, Catholic Schools

Week Mass

Vocations

Jonah did not answer God's call quickly; he wasn't interested in the mission God had for him. Sometimes the attraction of various career opportunities keeps us from being interested in hearing and responding to God's call. Is the Lord calling you to priesthood or to religious life? What could be more satisfying or fulfilling than taking on a mission from God? 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.

Much Appreciated!

During the calendar year of 2017, the St. Anthony of Padua Parish Community donated and the Knights of Columbus St. Pius X Council members delivered a total of 2,797 pounds of non-perishable food items to the St. Patrick's Center Food Bank. Thank you so much! Your generosity is awesome!

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