

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOLS

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Daily Rectory Office Hours:
9:00am—1:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30pm (English)
Sunday Masses: in Church

7:30am (English) 9:00am (Español)
11:00am (English) 1:00pm (Español)
5:30pm (English)

Weekday Masses: in Church

Monday - Friday 6:30am & 8:00am
Saturday Morning 8:00am

First Friday/Primer Viernes:

7:00pm Mass & Adoration until 10:00pm/
Misa Bilingüe y Adoración hasta las 10pm

Confessions: Saturdays, 6:45pm

Drive-in Visits to the Blessed Sacrament on
the NW side of the Church. The parking lot
Berendo gate is open from 6:00am-7:00pm
weekdays and 7:00am-7:00pm weekends.

Daily Rosary: Monday-Friday 6:00am

Monday-Saturday 7:30am

Thursday 8:40am (Espanol)

First Saturday 7:00am; 8:30am (Espanol)

St. Anthony Novena: Tuesdays after 8:00am

Mass in English followed by Espanol

Rosario - Legión de María (Español)

Martes, 9:00am (Salón de Nuestra Señora)

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena: Saturdays
after 8:00am Mass in English. Wednesdays
after 8:00am Mass en Espanol.

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FEBRUARY 19, 2023
7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Parish Contacts

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Baptism/Bautismo

Baptisms: Infant Baptisms in English are held twice a month. Parents and Godparents must visit the Parish Office (Rectory) during office hours to:

- Register for the required Baptism Formation Seminar
- Submit a copy of the child's state-issued birth certificate

Bautismo: Los bautizos en español se llevan a cabo dos veces al mes. Los padres y padrinos deben visitar la oficina parroquial (rectoria) durante el horario de oficina para:

- Registrarse para el clase de formacion de Bautismo requerido
- Envíe una copia del certificado de nacimiento emitido por el estado del niño

Marriage/Arreglos para Boda

Engaged couples are strongly encouraged to contact the parish office for appointments and classes 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. / Parejas que desean casarse necesitan ponerse en contacto con la parroquia para empezar hacer arreglos por los menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

TOGETHER IN MISSION - Last weekend, Archbishop Gomez invited all Catholics to make their annual commitment to Together in Mission Appeal. Our parish Together in Mission goal is \$55,699. If you and your family have not had the opportunity to make your pledge, please complete a remit envelope card found in the pews or by the doors. Your gifts to Together in Mission ensure that every Catholic living in the Archdiocese has a parish to celebrate their faith and access to Catholic school education.

LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK – This Wednesday, February 22, is Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of the holy season of Lent. Below you will find the Ash Wednesday schedule of Masses and Services. Although Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, it is very worthwhile to come to Mass on this day and receive the ashes which are the sacramental reminder of our mortality and need for repentance of sin. Below you will find the regulations of the Church regarding fast and abstinence. Please read them carefully. Also included in this bulletin is a list of suggestions for various Lenten Practices. I urge you to read it carefully and decide now, a few days before Lent begins, how you want to strengthen your spiritual life this year. Lent is truly a privileged time because it forces us to pause and reflect on how we are living our lives and whether we need to make some adjustments especially regarding our spiritual practices. There are three practices that I encourage for everyone in our parish: regular Confession, frequent Mass (perhaps several times during the week) and weekly Stations of the Cross. Our Stations of the Cross each Friday will be at 7:00pm in both English and Spanish. Come and pray this beautiful devotion with your parish family.

ASH WEDNESDAY / MIERCOLES DE CENIZA, FEBRUARY 22 SCHEDULE

English Masses:

6:30am English Mass
8:00am English School Mass
12:00pm English Mass
5:30pm English Mass

Misas y Servicios en Español:

7:00pm Misa
8:30pm Liturgia de la Palabra

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR ANNUAL LENTEN PARISH MISSION/RETREAT WITH DOMINICAN FATHER BRIAN MULLADY, OP - FEBRUARY 26 – MARCH 2, 2023

SCHEDULE

Sat., February 25, 5:30 Vigil Mass Homily or
Sun., February 26, 7:30am, 11:00am, 5:30pm Mass Homily
Monday Through Thursday, February 27 – March 2
8:00am Mass followed by Conference
7:00pm Mass with same Conference for Homily

REGULATIONS FOR LENT

Abstinence and Fasting - Abstinence from eating meat is to be observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays during Lent. This applies to all persons **14 and older**. The law of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday applies to all persons **18 or older and younger than 59**. Fasting means that one full meatless meal per day may be eaten. Two other meatless meals may be taken sufficient to maintain strength, but together they should not equal a full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juice, may be

taken between meals. If health or ability to work is affected, fasting does not oblige. Private, self-imposed observance of fasting on Lenten weekdays is strongly recommended. Parents should ensure that children who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence are taught an authentic sense of penance, conversion and reconciliation.

Lenten Observance - Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass and in the Sacrament of Penance during Lent, and parishes are encouraged to provide regular and frequent opportunities for such participation. Likewise encouraged are devotions such as Stations of the Cross, vigils and prayer services (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, if opportune). Traditional practices - including increased prayer, Scripture and spiritual reading, alms, personal self-denial in food and drink, increased care and service to the sick and needy - are also suggested.

Easter Duty - All initiated Catholics are bound by the obligations of receiving Communion at least once a year and to confess sacramentally all serious sins not previously acknowledged in individual Confession. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter duty season, which is from the First Sunday of Lent until Trinity Sunday.

PRAAYER, PENANCE AND CHARITY PROGRAM is enclosed and is one of the Lenten activities that I used for twelve years as a principal and nine years as a superintendent. This program is a very practical, family-oriented way of encouraging growth in the spiritual life during our Lenten journey toward the great feast of Easter.

LENTE ACTIVITIES – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Weekday Masses – M-F: 6:30am, 8:00am; Saturday: 8:00am;

Friday Stations of the Cross/Viernes Via Crucis -

7:00pm, Bilingual;
(On First Friday, March 3 after the 7:00pm Bilingual Mass)

Sun. – Thurs., Feb. 26 – March 2 – English Parish Mission with Dominican Fr. Brian Mullady

Mon. – Thurs., March 6 – 9, 7pm – Spanish Parish Mission with Fr. Roberto Pirrone

Holy Week/Semana Santa - April 2-9

Easter Sunday/Domingo de Pascua - Sunday, April 9

DID YOU KNOW? - The importance of checking

references - A reference check is a professional investigation that can provide invaluable information to protect your organization. Among the steps to take when hiring an employee, enlisting a volunteer, or retaining an outside vendor or other independent party, the reference check is unique as it allows to defend against a wide range of risks. Through the reference check, the organization can learn about the applicant's strengths, weaknesses, past performance, and other qualitative and subjective characteristics, including any risky, unsafe, or unacceptable behavior. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Reference Checks, Part I: Your Best Defense," on lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

COMING UP / PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22 – Special Mass Schedule. See above.

Fridays of Lent – Bilingual Stations of the Cross

Sun. – Thurs., Feb. 26 – March 2 – English Parish Mission

with Dominican Fr. Brian Mullady

Sun., March 5 – Called to Renew Homily at all Masses

Mon. – Thurs., March 6 – 9, 7pm – Spanish Parish Mission with Fr. Roberto Pirrone

Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, April 2 – 9 – Holy Week

Mon., April 3 - Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in downtown Los Angeles with Archbishop Gomez

Sat., April 22 – School First Communion Mass

Fri., April 28, 6:30-9:30 - Praise & Worship event in parish hall

Fri. – Sun., May 19-21 – Parish Fiesta

Fri., May 26, 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Pentecost Vigil Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship music

Sat., May 27 – RE First Communion Masses

Sun., June 4, 5:30pm – Confirmation Mass, Fr. James Anguiano, Vicar for Clergy presiding

Fri., June 9 – School Graduation Mass and Ceremony

Tues., June 13 – Feast of St. Anthony of Padua & Blessings of the Bread

UNIDOS EN LA MISIÓN - El fin de semana pasado, el arzobispo Gómez invitó a todos los católicos a hacer su compromiso anual con la Campaña Unidos en Misión. La meta de Unidos en Misión de nuestra parroquia es \$55,699. Si usted y su familia no han tenido la oportunidad de hacer su compromiso, les pido que completen una tarjeta de sobre de envío que se encuentra en las bancas o cerca de las puertas. Sus donaciones a Unidos en Misión aseguran que cada católico que vive en la Arquidiócesis tenga una parroquia para celebrar su fe y acceso a la educación escolar católica.

CUARESMA COMIENZA ESTA SEMANA - Este miércoles, 22 de febrero, es el Miércoles de Ceniza que marca el comienzo de la temporada santa de la Cuaresma. Arriba encontrará el horario de Misas y Servicios del Miércoles de Ceniza. Aunque el Miércoles de Ceniza no es un Día Santo de Obligación, vale la pena venir a Misa en este día y recibir las cenizas que son el recordatorio sacramental de nuestra mortalidad y la necesidad de arrepentirnos del pecado. A continuación encontrará las regulaciones de la Iglesia con respecto a el ayuno y la abstinencia. Por favor, léalos atentamente. También se incluye en este boletín una lista de sugerencias para varias prácticas de Cuaresma. Le insto a que lo lea detenidamente y decida ahora, unos días antes de que comience la Cuaresma, cómo desea fortalecer su vida espiritual este año. La Cuaresma es realmente un tiempo privilegiado porque nos obliga a hacer una pausa y reflexionar sobre cómo estamos viviendo nuestras vidas y si necesitamos hacer algunos ajustes, especialmente con respecto a nuestras prácticas espirituales. Hay tres prácticas que animo a todos en nuestra parroquia: la Confesión regular, la Misa frecuente (quizás varias veces durante la semana) y la Via Crucis semanales. Nuestras Via Crucis cada viernes serán a las 7:00 pm tanto en inglés como en español. Ven y reza esta hermosa devoción con tu familia parroquial.

REGLAMENTO PARA CUARESMA

Abstinencia y ayuno - la abstinencia de comer carne se debe observar el Miércoles de Ceniza, el Viernes Santo y todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma. Esto se aplica a

todas las personas **mayores de 14 años**. La ley de ayuno el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo se aplica a todas las personas **mayores de 18 años y menores de 59 años**. El ayuno significa que se puede comer una comida completa sin carne por día. Se pueden tomar otras dos comidas sin carne suficientes para mantener la fuerza, pero juntas no deberían equivaler a una comida completa. Se pueden tomar líquidos, incluyendo leche y jugo de frutas, entre comidas. Si la salud o la capacidad de trabajar se ven afectadas, el ayuno no es obligatorio. Se recomienda encarecidamente la observancia privada e impuesta del ayuno los días de semana de Cuaresma. Los padres deben asegurarse de que a los niños que no están sujetos a las leyes del ayuno y la abstinencia se les enseñe un auténtico sentido de penitencia, conversión y reconciliación.

Observancia de Cuaresma - Se alienta a los católicos a participar en la Santa Misa y en el Sacramento de la Penitencia durante la Cuaresma, y se alienta a las parroquias a brindar oportunidades regulares y frecuentes para dicha participación. Del mismo modo, se fomentan devociones como Via Crucis, vigilias y servicios de oración (con la Bendición del Santísimo Sacramento, si es oportuno). También se sugieren prácticas tradicionales, que incluyen una mayor oración, lectura de las Escrituras y espirituales, limosnas, abnegación personal de alimentos y bebidas, mayor atención y servicio a los enfermos y necesitados.

Deber de Pascua - todos los católicos iniciados están obligados a recibir la Comunión al menos una vez al año y a confesar sacramentalmente todos los pecados graves no reconocidos previamente en la Confesión individual. Este precepto debe cumplirse durante la temporada de Deber de Pascua, que es desde el primer domingo de Cuaresma hasta el domingo de Trinidad.

EL PROGRAMA DE ORACIÓN, PENITENCIA Y CARIDAD está incluido y es una de las actividades de Cuaresma que utilicé durante doce años como director y nueve años como superintendente. Este programa es una forma muy práctica y orientada a la familia de fomentar el crecimiento en la vida espiritual durante nuestro viaje de Cuaresma hacia la gran fiesta de Pascua.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 18 8:00AM Intentions Bernadette Banks (Birthday) **5:30PM** + Alejandro Alfonso Bautista **Sunday February 19 7:30AM** Priest Intentions **9:00AM** For The People of Saint Anthony **11:00AM** + Salome Cazar Tongson, + Maria Alvarez **1:00PM** + Lidia Velazquez, + Tomasa Moreno, + Fidel Velazquez, + Guadalupe Hordaz (Castillo Death Anniversary), + Teresa Velazquez, + Gabriela Velazquez, + Gabina Arellano, + Evaristo Tapia, + Gloria Gonzalez, + Iris Lemus **5:30PM** Priest Intentions **Monday February 20 6:30AM** Intentions Sister Ann Mai Phan (Birthday) **8:00AM** Intentions Juanito Mara (Birthday) **Tuesday February 21 6:30AM** Priest Intentions **8:00AM** + Angel Lopez **Wednesday February 22** Priest Intentions **Thursday February 23 6:30AM** + Anita Amomoy **8:00AM** + Gregory Ayala **Friday February 24 6:30AM** + Magdalene Lacang (Death Anniversary) **8:00AM** Intentions Cecilia Andrade (Birthday) **Saturday February 25 8:00AM** + Father James Hansen **5:30PM** Intentions Sister Phuong – Thao Dao (Birthday)



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