

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

First Fridays after the 7:00pm Bilingual
Mass

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 (Español)

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

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.

For Online Giving



APRIL 30, 2023 - 4TH SUN. OF EASTER / GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Parish Contacts

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High School Confirmation Program

Sister Luz Maria (310) 327-3953

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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.

GOOD SHEPHERD VOCATION SUNDAY– The Fourth Sunday of Easter is called Good Shepherd Sunday and also World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

- Fr. Michael Perucho, a former parishioner of St. Anthony's Parish, is the Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He will be the homilist at all the Sunday Masses.
- A choir of seminarians will sing at the 11:00am Mass.
- All are welcome to meet representatives of religious communities in the east patio area. They will be present after every Sunday Mass promoting their communities and speaking about their vocation.
- A panel of priests and sisters will speak to our Confirmation students in the afternoon before the 5:30 Mass.
- Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from among the young people in our parish.

DOCUMENTARY ON ST. JOSEPH AT THEATERS ON MAY 1 & 2 – Fathom Events will be screening the film, *A Father's Heart*, on St. Joseph at theaters around the country including Cinemark in Carson and AMC at South Bay Galleria and Del Amo. The film is in Spanish with English subtitles on May 1 and on May 2 in Spanish without subtitles. Both days at 7:00pm. The link to the trailer can be found at: <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/A-Father's-Heart>

STRAWBERRY PARK DAYS FIESTA – MAY 19, 20, 21 – is just around the corner. Please mark these dates on your calendar and invite family, friends, and neighbors to this beautiful weekend of fellowship, community, entertainment, food, rides, and friends. Many parishioners work hard for months to make this 84-year Gardena tradition a wonderful community event. Please do not miss this weekend. Your attendance is vital to the fiesta's success for our parish!

- **Sunday Mass parking** will be nearby in the two Lighthouse Mortuary parking lots on 164th Street.
- **Raffle tickets are in the mail.** Please start buying and/or selling them when they arrive.
- We will have **ride and raffle tickets on sale after all Masses starting Saturday and Sunday April 29-30.**
- Our **next general meeting** for all Fiesta Booth Chairs and Co-chairs will be **Friday May 5th at 7pm** in the parish hall. Please make sure to attend as we will provide important information!
- **Eggroll or lumpia wrapping** - The Filipino Booth volunteers would like to invite everyone to join and to help every Saturday preparing "[Eggroll or Lumpia Wrapping](#)" on the following dates: May 6, and May 13 beginning 9:30am thru 4:00pm at the Parish Hall Kitchen.

MONTH OF MAY - The month of May is traditionally dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary. During the month we will have the traditional "Crowning of Mary" by our School and Religious Education children. This is a good time to remind ourselves to always participate in Marian

devotions such as praying the Rosary daily, wearing the Scapular and Miraculous Medal and having frequent recourse to Our Lady in our prayers.

FIRST FRIDAY MASSES THIS WEEK –First Friday Mass is very closely tied to Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. On the First Friday of each month we have the usual weekday 6:30am and 8:00am Masses in English in the morning and we add a bilingual Mass at 7:00pm. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar after the evening Mass until 10:00pm. The time after Mass will be silent until Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament takes place about 9:50pm. Prayerbooks in English and Spanish will be available for your use during this quiet time with our Eucharistic Lord. **All parishioners are encouraged to make the First Friday of each month not just an hour but an evening with our Lord.**

THE FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION is a request by Our Lord and Our Lady to make reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our Lady promised salvation if we fulfill the five consecutive First Saturdays. However, we should continue to fulfill them every month to console the Hearts of Jesus and Mary and make reparation for the sins of others. The continued practice of the First Saturdays will help bring about a period of peace and the salvation of many souls as Our Lady promised (Fatima, July 13, 1917). The four practices on the First Saturday, each with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as Our Lady asked in 1925, are the following:

- Confession (within a few days)
- Receive Holy Communion in Reparation for Sin
- Pray the Rosary
- Keep her company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary

CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNICANTS – Last Saturday, the children from the second grade of our Parish School received their First Holy Communion. Congratulations and may God bless all of them! On May 27, the children from the Religious Education Program will receive their First Holy Communion. Please keep all of them in your prayers.

DID YOU KNOW? - Understanding the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children program - As a way to commemorate April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month, please take time to learn about, update or sign up for the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Program. VIRTUS® teaches that through early identification, awareness, and education, adults can be "proactive" in protecting minors and vulnerable adults from sexual abuse. Since the program began nearly 20 years ago, more than 405,000 adults have been trained in abuse prevention. Additionally, more than 165,000 Catholic school and religious education students are trained annually with an age-appropriate curriculum on boundary awareness and how to communicate if violations of those safe boundaries occur. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/education-and-training/>.

MASS INTENTIONS – Until further notice, daily Mass intentions will be posted on some of the church bulletin boards.

COMING UP / PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

Wednesdays, March 29 – May 17 – Alpha, parish hall.

Sat., Sun., May 6-7 – Called to Renew Commitment Weekend at all Masses

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

Sat., Sun., May 20-21 – Commitment Weekend Follow-up at all Masses

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. Joel Henson, Associate Vicar for Clergy presiding

Fri., June 9 – School Graduation Mass & Ceremony

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

DOMINGO DEL BUEN PASTOR – El Cuarto Domingo de Pascua se llama Domingo del Buen Pastor y también Día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones.

- Padre Michael Perucho, exfeligres de la Parroquia de San Antonio, es el Director de Vocaciones de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. Será el homilista de todas las Misas dominicales. (Él no puede estar aquí para la misa del sábado por la noche).
- Un coro de seminaristas cantará en la Misa de las 11:00am.
- Todos están invitados a conocer a los representantes de las comunidades religiosas en el área del patio este. Estarán presentes después de cada misa dominical promoviendo sus comunidades y hablando de su vocación.
- Un panel de sacerdotes y hermanas les hablará a nuestros estudiantes de Confirmación en la tarde antes de la Misa de las 5:30.
- Por favor oren por las vocaciones al sacerdocio ya la vida consagrada entre los jóvenes de nuestra parroquia.

DOCUMENTAL SOBRE SAN JOSE EN LOS

TEATROS EL 1 y 2 DE MAYO- Fathom Events proyectará la película, *El corazón de un padre*, en San Jose en los cines de todo el país, incluidos Cinemark en Carson y AMC en South Bay Galleria y Del Amo. La película es en español con subtítulos en inglés el 1 de mayo y el 2 de mayo en español sin subtítulos. Ambos días a las 7:00pm. El enlace al avance se puede encontrar en: <https://www.fathomevents.com/events/A-Father's-Heart>

STRAWBERRY PARK DAYS FIESTA – 19, 20, 21 DE MAYO – Marque estas fechas en su calendario e invite a familiares, amigos y vecinos a este hermoso fin de semana de compañerismo, comunidad, entretenimiento, comida, paseos y amigos. Muchos feligreses trabajan arduamente durante meses para hacer de esta tradición de Gardena de 84 años un maravilloso evento comunitario. Por favor, no te pierdas este fin de semana. ¡Su asistencia es vital para el éxito de la fiesta en nuestra parroquia!

- **El estacionamiento de la misa dominical** estará cerca en los dos estacionamientos de Lighthouse Mortuary en calle 164.
- **Los boletos de la rifa están en el correo.** Comience a comprarlos y/o venderlos cuando lleguen.
- **Tendremos los boletos de los juegos mecánicos y de la rifa a la venta después de todas las misas a partir del sábado y el domingo 29 y 30 de abril.**
- **Nuestra siguiente Junta General** para todos los encargados de los puestos será el **viernes 5 de mayo a las 7 pm** en el Salón Parroquial. ¡Por favor de asistir ya que tendremos información muy importante!

MES DE MAYO - El mes de mayo está tradicionalmente dedicado a nuestra Santísima Madre María. Durante el mes tendremos la tradicional “Coronación de María” por parte de nuestros niños de Educación Escolar y RE. Este es un buen momento para recordarnos a nosotros mismos que siempre debemos participar en las devociones marianas, como rezar el Rosario todos los días, usar la Escapulario y la Medalla Milagrosa y recurrir frecuentemente a Nuestra Señora en nuestras oraciones.

MISA DEL PRIMER VIERNES ESTA SEMANA - La Misa del primer viernes está muy ligada a la devoción al Sacratísimo Corazón de Jesús. El primer viernes de cada mes tenemos misas habituales de lunes a viernes de 6:30am y 8:00am en inglés por la mañana y agregamos una misa bilingüe a las 7:00pm. El Santísimo Sacramento se expone en el altar después de la Misa vespertina hasta las 10:00pm. El tiempo después de la Misa será en silencio hasta que se lleve a cabo la Bendición del Santísimo Sacramento alrededor de las 9:50pm. Los libros de oración en inglés y español estarán disponibles para su uso durante este tiempo de silencio con nuestro Señor Eucarístico. **Animo a todos los feligreses a que el primer viernes de cada mes no sea solo una hora, sino una noche con nuestro Señor.**

LA DEVOCIÓN DE LOS CINCO PRIMEROS SÁBADOS

es un pedido de Nuestro Señor y Nuestra Señora para reparar los pecados contra el Inmaculado Corazón de María. Nuestra Señora prometió la salvación si cumplimos los cinco Primeros Sábados consecutivos. Sin embargo, debemos seguir cumpliéndolas cada mes para consolar los Corazones de Jesús y María y reparar los pecados de los demás. La práctica continuada de los Primeros Sábados ayudará a traer un período de paz y la salvación de muchas almas como lo prometió Nuestra Señora (Fátima, 13 de julio de 1917). Las cuatro prácticas del Primer Sábado, cada una con la intención de reparar el Inmaculado Corazón de María, como lo pidió Nuestra Señora en 1925, son las siguientes:

- Confesión (dentro de unos días)
- Recibir la Sagrada Comunión en Reparación por el pecado
- Rezar el Rosario
- Hazle compañía durante 15 minutos mientras meditas los misterios del Rosario

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