

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



SEPTEMBER 10, 2023
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Parish Contacts

St. Anthony Preschool

Sister Gisela, M.C., Director (310) 329-8654
<http://www.stanthonypreschoolgardena.org/>

St. Anthony Elementary School

Mrs. Angela Grey, Principal (310) 329-7170
<http://www.stanthonygardena.org/>

Faith Formation/Religious Education

Mrs. Marianne Dyogi (310) 323-0860

High School Confirmation Program

Sister Luz Maria (310) 327-3953

Music Director

Ms. Frances Castaneda

fcastaneda@stanthonygardena.org

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR - Registration for RCIA (Adults) & Religious Education (Elementary & High School) classes in RE office during open office hours in September. First Class on the weekend of October 1.

1st Communion - 2 years begins in 1st grade - Thursday evenings or Saturday mornings.

Confirmation - 2 years begins in 9th grade - Sunday afternoons with 5:30 Mass.

RCIA - 1 year - adults - Sunday morning with 9:00am Spanish Mass or 11:00am English Mass.

COMING UP / PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

September – Registration for RCIA (Adults) & Religious Education (Elementary & High School) classes in RE Office only

Sun., Sept. 10 – Appreciation Dinner for parish ministry leaders

Sun., Sept. 17 – Catechetical Sunday. Commissioning/ Blessing of catechists & teachers.

Sat., Sept. 23 – Feast of St. (Padre) Pio. SCRC-sponsored conference in our church that day.

Sun., Sept. 24 – Ministry Faire after Morning Masses, Afternoon Fiesta Volunteers Appreciation Lunch

Fri., Oct. 29, 8:00am – Michaelmas, Annual Blue Mass for Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters

Wed., Sept. 27, 6:30pm – Annual general meeting for Lectors

Sat., Oct. 21, 2:00pm – 4:00pm – Lourdes: Virtual Pilgrimage Experience

SECOND COLLECTIONS / SEGUNDAS RECAUDACIONES

Sept. 16-17 – Black & Indian Missions

October 21-22 – World Mission Sunday

November 19 – Campaign for Human Dev

December 9-10 – Retirement Fund for Religious

KNIGHTS OF THE ALTAR – This group is for high school boys and college young men. The Knights of the Altar take the leadership roles during our liturgical services and act as Masters of Ceremonies. In addition to this, however, they are also formed in a fraternity which will include social activities as well as spiritual and doctrinal formation. I typically meet with them each month, except in July and August. All our current Altar Boys in high school and above are invited. If you have a son in high school or college, please encourage him to sign up even if he is not currently an altar server. Sign-up forms are available in the rectory office during open office hours.

4 STAGES OF MARRIAGE - The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Most marriages experience the first 3 Stages, and marriages that end in divorce never have a chance to make it to the 4th stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Misery or Disillusionment, don't give up! Contact Retrouvaille (REH-trov-eye). Married couples of any faith are welcome. For questions or to register, make a confidential call to 909-900-5465 or visit HelpOurMarriage.org.

DID YOU KNOW? - Online relationships and abuse - Parents and caregivers need to be aware of the many ways predators can develop online relationships with their victims. Predators often seek out children or teens who share a lot of information about themselves online and use that information to build “friendships” that they can then use to their advantage. They may pretend to share the same interests or insecurities, offer excessive compliments, or claim to have access to desired items, usually drugs or alcohol. To learn more about what to watch out for when your children are online, read the VIRTUS® article “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

Read the VIRTUS® article “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” [here](#).

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PRAYER TO THE INFANT JESUS IN ST. ANTHONY'S ARMS - O Jesus, my Savior, who did miraculously appear to St. Anthony in the form of an infant. I implore You, through the love you did bear to this Saint when he dwelt on earth, and which You now bear to him in heaven, graciously hear my prayer and assist me in my necessities. Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS are posted on some of the church bulletin boards.

EXCELLENT WEBSITES AND CATHOLIC RADIO

Faith, Science & Suffering – <https://www.magiscenter.com/>

Catholic Beliefs - www.catholic.com

Catholic Apologetics - <https://>

auspicemaria.igarabediandesign.com/

Spanish - Guadalupe Radio 87.7 FM.

English - 930AM KHJ - <https://relevantradio.com/>

CALENDARIO DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA -

Inscripción para clases de RICA (Adultos) y Educación Religiosa (Escuela Primaria y Secundaria) es en la oficina de RE durante el horario de oficina. Las clases comienzan el fin de semana del 1 de octubre.

Primera Comuni3n - 2 a3os comienza en 1er grado - Jueves por la tarde o Sábado por la ma3ana.

Confirmaci3n - 2 a3os comienza en 9no grado - Domingos por la tarde con Misa de 5:30.

RICA - 1 a3o - adultos - Domingo por la ma3ana con misa en espa3ol a las 9:00am o misa en ingl3s a las 11:00am.

CABALLEROS DEL ALTAR – Este grupo es para chicos de secundaria y j3venes universitarios. Los Caballeros del Altar asumen los roles de liderazgo durante nuestros servicios lit3rgicos y actúan como Maestros de Ceremonias. Adem3s de esto, sin

embargo, también se forman en una fraternidad que incluye actividades sociales así como formación espiritual y doctrinal. Normalmente me reúno con ellos todos los meses, excepto en julio y agosto. Todos nuestros monaguillos actuales en la escuela secundaria y superiores están invitados. Si tiene un hijo en la escuela secundaria o la universidad, anímelo a inscribirse incluso si actualmente no es monaguillo. Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles en la oficina de la rectoría durante el horario de atención.

¿ESTÁ EN CRISIS SU MATRIMONIO? - ¡Hay esperanza! ¡No todo está perdido! Pensemos en nuestros hijos. En el “Fin de semana” de Retrouvaille pueden encontrar las herramientas que les ayudarán a salvar su relación. **Septiembre 29, 30 y octubre 1 de 2023.** Para registrarse y obtener más información: Adolfo y Dora Rubio (818) 367-4198 Salvador y María Acosta (626) 934-7452

¿SABÍA QUE? - Relaciones en línea y abuso - Los padres de familia y cuidadores deben ser conscientes de las muchas formas en que los depredadores pueden desarrollar relaciones en línea con sus víctimas. Los depredadores a menudo buscan niños o adolescentes que comparten mucha información sobre sí mismos en línea y usan esa información para hacer “amistades” que luego pueden usar para su propio beneficio. Pueden pretender compartir los mismos intereses o inseguridades, dar cumplidos excesivos o afirmar tener acceso a artículos deseados, generalmente drogas o alcohol. Para obtener más información sobre lo que debe tener en cuenta cuando sus hijos están en línea, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” (Explotación sexual infantil en línea) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” (Explotación sexual infantil en línea) aquí.

HA RECORDADO BENEFICIAR a su parroquia, escuela o su ministerio preferido en su testamento o fideicomiso. Nuestro título legal es The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, a Corporation Sole, for the benefit of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Gardena. Para mayor información contacte a Eugenia Martínez al 1-213-637-7762.

ORACIÓN AL NIÑO JESÚS EN LOS BRAZOS DE SAN ANTONIO - Oh Jesús, mi Salvador, quien milagrosamente se le apareció a San Antonio en la forma de un infante. Te imploro, a través del amor que le tenías a este Santo cuando moraba en la tierra, y que ahora le llevas a él en el cielo, escucha mis oraciones y ayúdame con mis necesidades. Quien vive y reina mundo sin fin. Amén.

LAS INTENCIONES PARA LA MISA DIARIA se publican en algunos de los tableros de anuncios de la iglesia.

ABOUT THE ST. MICHAEL PRAYER by Father George Rutler, Nov. 3, 2018

Nostalgia is a selective editing of the past. For instance, there are those who wish we had today some of the architects of thirteenth-century cathedrals, but who avoid mentioning thirteenth-century dentists. In recent times, the general conceit has been the opposite of nostalgia. The philosopher Owen Barfield spoke of “chronological snobbery,” defined as the belief that “intellectually, humanity languished for countless generations in the most childish errors on all sorts of crucial subjects, until it was redeemed by some scientific dictum of the last century.”

That snobbery had its heyday in the past generation, which defined itself as mankind finally “come of age.” Were that true, we should now be in the stage of incipient senility. Catholics are suffering from that period’s destructive arrogance. Just look at the circular churches and ugly music that replaced venerable shrines and chants. Characteristic of that polyester period was the underestimation of evil, which Pope Benedict XVI noticed even in some assertions of the Second Vatican Council. Without explanation, the Prayer to Saint Michael was dropped from the liturgical books in 1964. But “Satan and all the evil spirits” have not politely gone away.

That prayer was promulgated by Pope Leo XIII in 1884. Accounts variously claim that he was inspired by a vision of horrors to come in the twentieth century. Its use remained a private option after recitation of the prayer was dropped from the end of Mass, but in 1994 Pope Saint John Paul II, from his experience of travails in his native Poland, was not inclined to underestimate the power of the wickedness and snares of the devil: “I invite everyone not to forget it, but to recite it to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness and against the spirit of this world.”

Far from having “come of age,” chronological snobs have learned the hard way that theirs has been a prolonged adolescence. In our present cultural chaos, faced with moral decadence all around, the pope and bishops have asked that the Prayer to Saint Michael be restored at the conclusion of each Mass. In our parish we have not had to reinstate it because we never ceased to offer that prayer after Mass, sometimes to the consternation of a few who thought it retrograde. When the Barque of Peter is tossed by storms, it is time to bring the life jackets out of the storage where some liturgists hid them.

Our church is providentially dedicated to Saint Michael, and a month ago the Catholic News Service published a photograph of our own statue of him, based on the famous painting by Guido Reni. Generations ago, the people of “Hell’s Kitchen” knew that Michael and his sword would be a better defense in battle than liturgical dancers and the balloons of chronological snobs. They also knew, as Baudelaire said, that “The devil’s greatest trick is to persuade us that he does not exist.”

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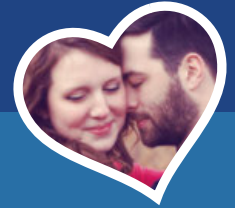
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