

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 (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.

For Online Giving



DECEMBER 24, 2023 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 (213) 949-6910

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Ms. Frances Castaneda

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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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The most marvelous time of the year is upon us once again. It is during this time when we, with faithful hearts, recapture the greatest of all nativities, the birth of a baby boy, the birth of Jesus, the birth of the Son of God. Rather than being a "season" or a "holiday" of natural happiness, Christmas is a recalling of the Divine Love which we experience through the innocence of a Child. We are truly blessed! On behalf of the priests, Sisters, and our parish staff, I wish you a most joyful and blessed Christmas. You will be remembered in our prayers and Masses on this great feast and throughout the Christmas season. May the Child Jesus bless you!

NATIVITY SCENE - St. Francis of Assisi, the founder of the Catholic Church's Franciscan Order (to which St. Anthony of Padua belonged), began the Christmas tradition of the nativity scenes (also called creches or manger scenes) in the 13th century. He wanted to help people gain a fresh sense of wonder about the miracles that the Bible records from the first Christmas. He wanted to make the extraordinary experiences of the first Christmas more accessible to ordinary people.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2023**4th Sunday of Advent, Sunday, Dec. 24**

[5:30pm]	English Saturday Vigil]
7:30am	English
9:00am	Spanish
11:00am	English
1:00pm	Spanish

Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24

5:30pm	Children's Mass
11:30pm	Christmas Carols in Church
12:00am	Bilingual Midnight Solemn Mass

Christmas Day, Monday, Dec. 25

7:30am	English
9:00am	Spanish
11:00am	English
1:00pm	Spanish

NO 5:30PM MASS**Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, Dec. 31**

[5:30pm]	English Saturday Vigil]
7:30am	English
9:00am	Spanish
11:00am	English
1:00pm	Spanish

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31**

5:30pm	English
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New Year's Day, Monday, Jan. 1

11:00am	English
1:00pm	Spanish

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING DEC. 24 AND 25 -

Christmas and every Sunday are Holydays of Obligation. Catholics are bound under pain of mortal sin to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays of

Obligation. New Year's Day is not a Holyday of Obligation in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. When Christmas falls on a Saturday or Monday it is still a Holyday of Obligation. This means attending Mass twice: Sunday and Christmas Monday OR Saturday evening and Sunday evening OR Sunday morning and Sunday evening. One Mass does not "count for both."

VACATION RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Dec. 25, 26, Jan. 1: office closed and Dec. 24, 31: half day

ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL CLASS OF 1979 REUNION

- If you were a member of the Class of 1979 or would have been if you stayed to the end, please contact Judy Timko at stlthgirl1@att.net or 702-586-7534 voice mail only. Reunion date TBD but sometime in the Fall of 2024 in Buena Park, CA. If you are not interested, please contact Judy anyway so she can indicate that contact was made. Please pass this to anyone who may have had a relative in this class as well. They can help in getting contact info of the classmate.

"MARRIAGE 911": YOU CAN SAVE YOUR**MARRIAGE** - Retrouvaille (REH-trov-eye) is a

worldwide, non-profit, Catholic volunteer-run program that offers tools to restore the love that brought couples together, even couples who are separated or divorced. Weekends are offered throughout the year in Southern California. 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? - What is a trial balloon? - One of

the best ways safe adults can help children who are suffering from abuse is to recognize and listen to their disclosures — even if they are done in stages or in subtle ways. A child may float a "trial balloon" disclosure, meaning he may use a single sentence or phrase to see if a safe adult will respond appropriately. Be on the lookout for sudden disclosures like, "I don't want to go to So-and-so's house anymore," and try responding in a way designed to let the child continue to open up: "Do you want to tell me why?" or "Let's talk about that," for example. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Test Balloons or Trial Balloons" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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.

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,
 La época más maravillosa del año está sobre nosotros una vez más. Es durante este tiempo cuando nosotros, con corazones fieles, recuperamos la más grande de todas las natividades, el nacimiento de un bebé, el nacimiento de Jesús, el nacimiento del Hijo de Dios. En lugar de ser una "temporada" o una "fiesta" de felicidad natural, la Navidad es un recuerdo del Amor Divino que experimentamos a través de la inocencia de un Niño. ¡Estamos verdaderamente bendecidos! En nombre de los sacerdotes, hermanas, y nuestro personal parroquial, les deseo una Navidad muy alegre y bendecida. Serás recordado en nuestras oraciones y misas en esta gran fiesta y durante toda la temporada navideña. ¡Que el Niño Jesús te bendiga!

BELEN - San Francisco de Asís, el fundador de la Orden Franciscana de la Iglesia Católica (a la que pertenecía San Antonio de Padua), inició la tradición navideña de los belenes (también llamados pesebres) en el siglo XIII. Quería ayudar a las personas a obtener un nuevo sentido de asombro acerca de los milagros que la Biblia registra desde la primera Navidad. Quería hacer que las experiencias extraordinarias de la primera Navidad fueran más accesibles a la gente común.

NOTA IMPORTANTE SOBRE DIC. 24 Y 25 - Navidad y todos los domingos son Días de Precepto. Los católicos están obligados, bajo pena de pecado mortal, a asistir a misa los domingos y días festivos de precepto. El día de Año Nuevo no es un día festivo de precepto en la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. Cuando la Navidad cae en sábado o lunes, sigue siendo un día festivo de precepto. Esto significa asistir a Misa dos veces: el domingo y el lunes de Navidad O el sábado por la noche y el domingo por la noche O el domingo por la mañana y el domingo por la noche. Una Misa no "cuenta para ambas".

"MATRIMONIO 911": PUEDE SALVAR SU MATRIMONIO - Retrouvaille (REH-trov-eye) es un programa mundial, sin fines de lucro, dirigido por voluntarios católicos que ofrece herramientas para restaurar el amor que unió a las parejas, incluso a las parejas separadas o divorciado. Los fines de semana se ofrecen durante todo el año en el sur de California. Las parejas casadas de cualquier fe son bienvenidas. Para preguntas o para registrarse, haga una llamada confidencial a Martín y Rosa Baeza al 818 996-0821, Juan y Fabiola Castillo al 323-537-4283, O visite HelpOurMarriage.com. Nuestro email:retrolaspanish@gmail.com

¿SABÍA QUE? - ¿Qué es un globo de prueba?

Una de las mejores maneras en que los adultos confiables pueden ayudar a los niños que sufren abuso es reconocer y escuchar sus revelaciones, incluso si se hacen en partes o de manera sutil. Un niño puede revelar un "globo de prueba", lo que significa que puede usar una sola oración o frase para ver si un adulto confiable responde apropiadamente. Esté atento a revelaciones repentina como: "Ya no quiero ir a la casa de Fulano de tal" e intente responder de una manera diseñada para permitir que el niño continúe abriendose: "¿Quieres decirme por qué?" o "Hablemos de eso", por ejemplo. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Test Balloons or Trial Balloons"(Globos de prueba) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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.

EXCELLENT WEBSITES AND CATHOLIC RADIO / EXCELENTE SITIOS WEB Y RADIO CATÓLICA

- Faith, Science & Suffering – <https://www.magiscenter.com/>
- Catholic Beliefs - www.catholic.com
- English - 930AM KHJ - <https://relevantradio.com/>

En Espanol (Spanish)

- Guadalupe Radio 87.7 FM.
- La Sacristía de la Vendee, Tertulia sacerdotal contrarrevolucionaria: <https://www.youtube.com/@LaSacristiadeLaVendee>
- Conservando La Fe, Padre Juan Razo García. <https://www.youtube.com/@ConservandolaFe>
- Que No Te La Cuenten: defiende la Fe desde la Apologética Histórica y Contra Revolución
- Cultural, Padre Javier Olivera Ravasi. <https://www.youtube.com/@QNTLC>

The next two are not Catholic oriented sites but both are Catholic men.

- Pablo Muñoz Iturrieta (doctor en Filosofía Política y Legal y máster en Psicología Filosófica). He speaks on many current topics on the cultural battles of our time such as gender ideology. <https://www.youtube.com/@PabloMuñozIturrieta>
- Agustín Laje, a political philosopher also battling the cultural battles of our time. <https://www.youtube.com/@AgustinLajeOk>

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