

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

AUGUST 17, 2025

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109

I HAVE COME TO SET
THE EARTH ON FIRE.

LUKE 12:49



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:30PM (*Sunday Vigil Mass*)

Sunday

8AM, 10:30AM & 12:15PM

Weekday

Monday—Thursday 7AM & 8AM
Friday & Saturday 8AM

Every **Last Sunday** at 5:30PM
Filipino Mass

SACRAMENTS

Confession

Saturday 4:30-5:15pm and by appointment

Baptism

3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm, except Eastertime

Parents and sponsors must attend a baptismal preparation program held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 1:30pm in Ferraro Hall. Please arrange for baptism and the preparation program by calling the office as soon as possible.

Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least one year before the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call 973-481-1991 to receive this sacrament. We will also gladly bring Holy Communion to the homebound upon request.



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973-481-1991

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973-759-1417

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

8:00a Susan Silvestri *by Daughter, Lois*
5:30p Minglanilla Fiesta Organization of NJ

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

8:00a Phyllis Iannia *by Beloved Children*
10:30a People of the Parish
12:15p Minglanilla Fiesta Organization of NJ

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

7:00a David Gates (Birthday) *by Carla*
8:00a Elena Llave *by Edeza Llave*

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

7:00a Alfonso "Dino" DiLauro *by Leonora*
8:00a Fermina Montas (Healing) *by Jay Montas*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

7:00a Florencio F. Valenzuela *by Sonia Valenzuela*
8:00a Eva Anonuevo (Birthday) *by Emma*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

7:00a Romeo & Teresita Montas *by Jay Montas*
8:00a Sadie Nanfria *by Joanne Petrucci*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

8:00a Minglanilla Fiesta Organization of NJ

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

8:00a Sessa/Del Russo Families *by Anna Marie*
5:30p Joseph Teodoro Gioia (Birthday) *by Edna C. Tan*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:00a Minglanilla Fiesta Organization of NJ
10:30a Thanksgiving *by Maria Sabate*
12:15p Richard Shadler *by Peggy McNulty*
5:30p People of the Parish (*Filipino Mass*)

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

August 17 - August 24 2025

The **Altar Bread & Wine** will be offered for the Intentions of the
People of the Parish

The **Altar Candles** will be offered for the Intentions of the
People of the Parish

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be offered for the intentions of
People of the Parish

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Edward McNulty, Feliciano Lima, Zenaida Baltazar, Alfreda Surigao, Rita Charles, John Buglione, Grace Pennella, Amelia Collina, Bobby Collina, Nick Perna, Phil Bruno, Maria Svaglinac, Anna Granja, Samantha Kinsley, Tommy Farese, Marie Jean-Pierre, Jeanne Grieg, Tami Novak, Valentin Colon, Billy Juliano, Nicholas Castellano

Please call the parish office if you need to be kept in next month's bulletin.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Regular Sunday Collections - \$ 2,771.00
(August 9 & 10, 2025 excluding online)

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!**

"One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, only suffers wants." (Proverbs 11:24)

PARISH STAFF

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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 12:49-53

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and mothers against daughters.

The coming judgment forces us to look at the implications of our commitments. As Jesus warned in last Sunday's Gospel, a commitment of faith requires us to change our attitude toward material possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.

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TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

**8TH CALENDAR RAFFLE
DRAW**

1:30pm

Ferraro Hall

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION AND
BENEDICTION**

8:30—12:30pm

Little House

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

BINGO

7:30—10:00pm

SATURDAY

12:30—3:00pm

School Cafeteria

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

ZUMBA CLASS

6:30—9:00pm

Ferraro Hall

NEXT WEEK'S 2nd COLLECTION

The second collection next week, August 23 & 24, will be for Air Conditioning. As we wrap up the summer the temperature still soars. Your help is greatly appreciated in paying this bill. Thank you for your continued generous support of our Parish. Every donation makes a difference. Thank you and God bless!

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE

August 23 & 24 – Air Conditioning

August 30 & 31 – none (catch-up)

September 6 & 7 – Monthly Assessment

September 13 & 14 – Catholic University of America

September 20 & 21 – none (catch-up)

September 27 & 28 – H.E.L.P

October 4 & 5 – Monthly Assessment

October 11 & 12 – All Souls Day

October 18 & 19 – World Mission Sunday

November 1 & 2 – All Saints

November 8 & 9 – Archdiocese for Military

November 15 & 16 – Christmas Flowers

ALTAR SERVERS' SCHEDULE (1030am Mass)

August 17, 2025

Samantha Llaban

Chloe Llaban

Joseph Bunk-Grant

Lucas Tiankee

August 24, 2025

Ethan Venturi

Taina Venturi

Joseph Bunk-Grant

Clarie Anya

**CCD Classes begin
September 21, 2025 at 9:00am.**

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REGISTER NOW!

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS PROJECT

Just a reminder that we will continue with our Stained Glass Window Project in the Fall. If you are interested in helping with the research for this endeavor, we would like to hear from you.

It is so important that we keep historical records of our Parish so that we don't forget who came before us and helped make St. Anthony's what it is. So many devoted parishioners have put their heart and soul into our Parish because they love the Lord and their families.

The Historical Committee seeks to pay tribute to all those who contributed, living and deceased, as we approach our 125th Anniversary. Your help will get this project done in record time. Our Anniversary celebration is over a year away but as you probably know TIME FLIES! Please call Leonora at 973.289.6013 or call the Parish Office for more information and an update on our next meeting. Thank you and God bless you.



ST. ANTHONY'S FOOD PANTRY

Yes — you heard right! If you or someone you know is in need—please call the Parish Office. We have been receiving donations of food which we distribute to needy Parish families.

Please remember the Lord has instructed us to FEED THE HUNGRY! Be aware of those in need around you.

First on the list of the Corporal Acts of Mercy is FEED THE HUNGRY! It is our duty to help those in need.

Remember to call the Parish Office to check if our Pantry is full.

Tree of Life Leaf Memorials

Have you ever noticed our *Tree of Life Memorial* at the church entrance by the sacristy?



This special memorial tree was created for us by Sanford Werfel Studios and first introduced for our 100th Anniversary. Since then we have had a good amount sold. But, there are still some available leaves.

Based on the original price and procedure, each leaf would cost \$1,200 (*which could be paid over a period of 12 months*). Once payment is completed, we will send the leaf to the original artist to engrave it with your personal inscription.

Purchasing one of these memorial leaves would give your loved one or family a permanent remembrance at our church and, of course, help our parish in this time of need. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

COMING SOON!! **Our Annual CCD Tricky Tray**

Sunday, October 19, 2025

In order to make this event a huge success, we are counting on our parishioners to help in any way possible.

The best way will be to donate any baskets and/or prizes that can be offered, such as, gifts or gift cards.

This fundraiser is going to be one of our, if not THE, best fundraisers we will offer this year. So, please remember to participate in any way you are able.

If you cannot attend, please offer your help by donating a themed basket or even an empty basket. Let's make this one better than ever!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

August & September 2025

August 17 (Sunday) 1:30pm (Ferraro Hall)
8th Calendar Raffle Draw

August 22 (Friday) at 6:30-9pm (Ferraro Hall)
Zumba

August 28 (Thursday) at 7pm (Ferraro Hall)
Society of St. Anthony Meeting

August 31 (Sunday) 5:30pm (Church & Ferraro Hall)
Filipino Mass & Fellowship

September 11 (Thursday) 7-8pm (Little House)
Theology Class

September 12 (Friday) at 6:30-9pm (Ferraro Hall)
Zumba

September 13 (Saturday) at 1pm (Ferraro Hall)
El Shaddai Belleville Outreach

September 14 (Sunday) after 1030am Mass
(Ferraro Hall)
Rosary Altar Society Meeting

September 16 (Tuesday) at 7pm (Ferraro Hall)
Pastoral Council Meeting

September 19 (Friday) after 8:00am Mass
Start of the Novena for the Feast of Saints
Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila & Pedro Calungsod

September 21 (Sunday) at 9am (School)
CCD Classes Begin

September 21 (Sunday) 1:30pm (Ferraro Hall)
9th Draw of the Calendar Raffle 2025

September 25 (Thursday) at 7pm (Ferraro Hall)
Finance Council Meeting

September 26 (Friday) at 6:30-9pm (Ferraro Hall)
Zumba

September 28 (Sunday) 5:30pm (Church & Ferraro Hall)
Filipino Mass & Fellowship
Celebration of the Feasts of Saints Lorenzo
Ruiz de Manila and Pedro Calungsod

October 11 (Saturday) at 1:30pm (Ferraro Hall)
El Shaddai Belleville Outreach