

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:30pm *(Sunday Vigil Mass)*

Sunday

8:00, 10:30am & 12:00nn

10:30am—Lower Church

Religious Education Family Mass

Weekday

Monday—Friday 7:00am & 8:00am

Saturday 8:00am

Every **3rd Sunday** at 5:00pm

Filipino Mass

(suspended until further notice)

SACRAMENTS

Confession

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

Baptism

(new schedule)

3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm starting June 2021.

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.



Parish Office (Rectory) Address

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973-481-1991

Fax Number

973-481-1993

Website Address

www.saintanthonybelleville.org

From the desk of the Administrator...

Dear parishioners and friends,

On this Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, we join the joy and excitement of the 13 children who will receive their first Holy Communion (8 this weekend and 5 next Sunday) and the 16 young men and women who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We thank the parents for supporting the programs and we commend the catechists, headed by Ann Marie Kastner and Mari Ippolito, for their dedication and commitment.

The formation of our children to keep their God-given faith which they receive at their baptism, strong and steadfast, is our privilege and task. As elders, it is our privilege to share with our children the very gift we received at our own baptism. Children are God's gifts to us. Hence, it is our moral and spiritual obligation to form them in His image and likeness. It is, undoubtedly, our task to be their first catechists.

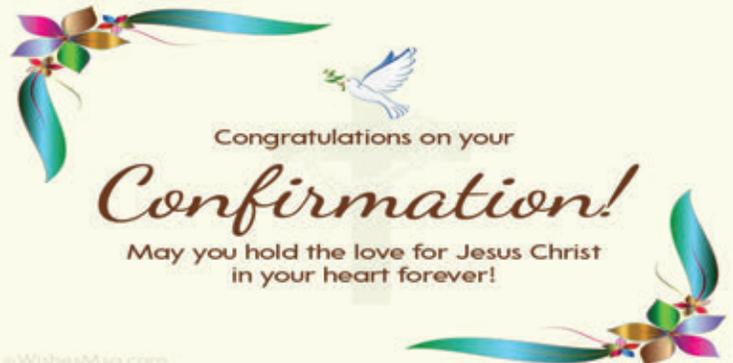
This is what Pope Francis called for as he instituted the formal recognition of *"those lay men and women who feel called by virtue of their baptism to cooperate in the work of catechesis."* He wrote in *"Antiquum Ministerium"* (Ancient Ministry), his document released at the Vatican on May 11, 2021: *"The Spirit is calling men and women to set out and encounter all those who are waiting to discover the beauty, goodness and truth of the Christian faith."* In his document, Pope Francis noted how teachers of the faith were present from the earliest days of the Christian community and were recognized as having a special gift of the Holy Spirit for carrying out their role within the community. He further said that lay *"men and women are called to express their baptismal vocation in the best possible way, not as substitutes for priests or consecrated persons, but as authentic laymen and laywomen who, in the distinctive nature of their ministry, are able to experience the full of extent of their baptismal vocation of witness and effective service in the community and the world."* (CNS)

It is indeed fitting that we express our profound gratitude to our catechists, who, for so many years, have devoted their time to, and shared their talent with, our children without counting the cost. The Directors of Religious Education in our parish have never been compensated; they have been doing this insurmountable task all these years with willingness and joy. On this note, I deem it necessary at the present time to reevaluate this matter and perhaps make some enhancements as a community. While we keep this matter pending upon further discussion with our finance and pastoral councils, let us once again gratefully acknowledge their boundless dedication to their ministry, as we proudly congratulate our children as they receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

May God bless us all!

FrNol

Here's What's Happening!



Monday—Saturday at 8:00am
Sunday at 12:00nn

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, May 15th

5:30p Indalicia Docabo (Birthday) by Fr. Nol

SUNDAY, May 16th

8:00a Antonio Feo & Filomena Risoli by Antonio Feo
 10:30a Porferia del Mar & Vivian Manulat by Emmie
 12:00n Margarita, Davide & Maria Morsella by Guido

MONDAY, May 17th

7:00a Hidolfo Bernardo by Maria Laqui
 8:00a Teresita Lagrimas (THX) by Linda Legaspi

TUESDAY, May 18th

7:00a Zenaida Ramos by Nellie Alberto
 8:00a Joseph Gioia by Edna Tan

WEDNESDAY, May 19th

7:00a Angelo Luise by Mayra Luise
 8:00a Parents of Clermont Family

THURSDAY, May 20th

7:00a Victoria Alao by Anonymous
 8:00a Gina Marquez by Anonymous

FRIDAY, May 21st

7:00a Joseph & Francesca Cofone by Joseph Ferraro
 8:00a William & Evita Varquez by Fr. Nol

SATURDAY, May 22nd

8:00a Angela Del Guercio by Family

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

May 16- May 22, 2021

The Altar Bread & Wine will be offered Int Honor of
St. Rita

The Altar Candles will be offered for the Intention of
People of the Parish

The Sanctuary Lamp will be offered for the Intention of
People of the Parish

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ann Ferrentino, Adriano Suarez, Kevin Hogarth, Cesar de Jesus, Richard Abrigo, Veron Patulot, Lydia Salzano, Angela Zarro, Patricia Mignon, Joseph Doria, Edward McNulty, Jeanette O'Mara, Avril Robson-Freda, Ronald Del Vecchio, Maria Eloisa Manahan, Mariel Moran, Alvin Almario, Vera Castellano

Note: This list is updated monthly. Please call the parish office if you need the name/s to be kept in the bulletin.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Regular Collection	- \$ 3,284.00
(May 9, 2021)	
Mother's Day Gifts	- \$ 1,393.00
(May 9, 2021)	
Assessment Collection	- \$ 85.00
(additional)	

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSTANT SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH. YOUR FINANCIAL HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Ranulfo D. Docabo, SSL
Administrator

Rev. Wilson A. Paculan
Parochial Vicar

Ann Marie Kastner
Co-Director of Religious Education

Mari Ippolito, B.A.
Co-Director of Religious Education & Youth Director

Prof. Guido Morsella
Director of Music Ministries

Anthony Zimmermann
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Cristian Esguerra
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Office Receptionist

Fidel Legaspi
Maintenance

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Board of Trustees

Angela Cuozzo Zarro
Financial Council Chair

ANNUAL APPEAL 2021 UPDATE

(as of May 9, 2021)

Our parish goal this year is \$19,146.

Total Pledged = \$20,999

% of Goal Reached (in Pledges) = 110%

Amount Received = \$17,489

Number of Contributors = 46 pax/family

THANK YOU SO MUCH to all who made their pledges and especially those who have already given their share!

We now expect a 100% rebate of every dollar collected above the goal. This is, of course, based the amount received by the Archdiocese. Whatever you give now will all return to our parish. If you have not given your pledge, yet, please do so. Thank you again for your generosity. God bless!

BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS THE SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE CONFIRMATION

The prophets of the Old Testament foretold that God's Spirit would rest upon the Messiah to sustain his mission. Their prophecy was fulfilled when Jesus the Messiah was conceived by the Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus on the occasion of his baptism by John. Jesus' entire mission occurred in communion with the Spirit. Before he died, Jesus promised that the Spirit would be given to the Apostles and to the entire Church. After his death, he was raised by the Father in the power of the Spirit.

Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. . . . We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up the community in loving service. (USCCB)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life."¹³⁶ "The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch."¹³⁷

"The Eucharist is the efficacious sign and sublime cause of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being. It is the culmination both of God's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship men offer to Christ and through him to the Father in the Holy Spirit."¹³⁸

Finally, by the Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all.¹³⁹

In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking."¹⁴⁰ (CCC 1324-1327)

BAPTISM NEXT SUNDAY

MAY 23, 2021 @ 12:00 NN MASS

FIRST COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY

MAY 23, 2021 @ 12:00 NN MASS

MAY CROWNING

Due to the schedule of the First Communions, the annual May Crowning of Mother Mary will be held on **May 30, Sunday, before the 12nn Mass**. All our first communicants, with their parents, are highly encouraged to attend to this event. May our devotion to Mary, the Mother of God, remain strong and be preserved through the meaningful participations of the children and their families. Holy Mary, pray for us!

FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

**Novena Prayers starts on June 4, 2021 (Friday)
within the 8am Mass**

(in all weekday & weekend Masses)

3-Night Festivities from June 11-13

(Friday to Sunday)

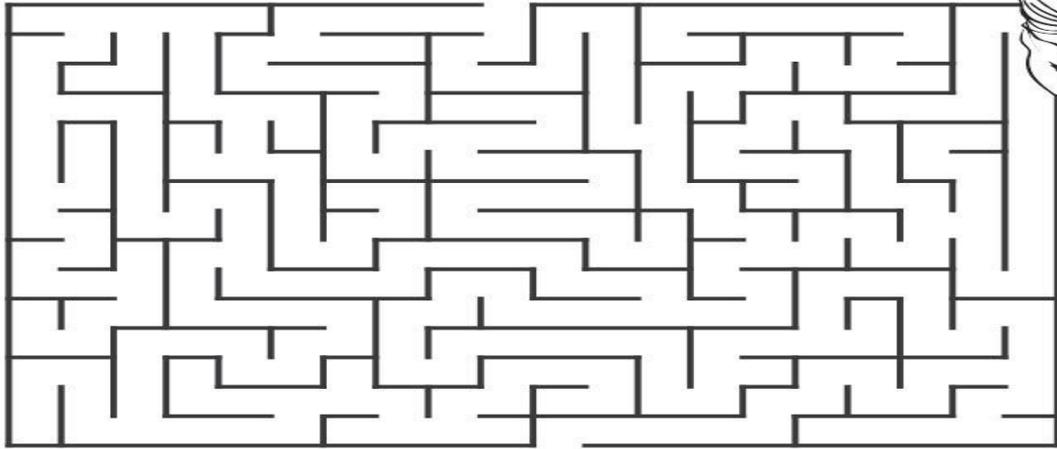
SHARE YOUR TALENTS

*We are gradually creating new ministries and committees under the pastoral and finance councils. We ask you to share your talents to our parish. We need: **legal** (like lawyers) and **financial** (like accountants) personnel to create the Property Committee; **builders** (like engineers, architects, contractors, plumbers, electricians, etc.) to create the Construction/Building Committee; **medical** and **health** personnel (like doctors, nurses, therapists, dietitians, psychologists, etc.) to form the Wellness Ministry and Bereavement Ministry; **education** personnel (like teachers) to form the Baptism Ministry. All other talents (professions) can certainly help the different ministries and committees of our parish which we plan to form or reestablish. Please present yourselves to Father Nol or Father Wilson. Thanks and God bless!*

THE ASCENSION AND PENTECOST

Guide the disciples to watch Jesus ascend to Heaven.

END



START



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MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS

In last week's Mother's Day celebration, we distributed flowers to all mothers, grandmothers and godmothers. Those flowers were donated by JULIE PALMA in memory of her daughter, JAYME. May her soul rest in the peace of Christ. We thank Julie for her generosity and for making our Mother's Day celebration a special one. God bless her!

RIDE ON LAWN MOWER NEEDED

We continue to appeal for a *ride on lawn mower*. As of the moment, there are some parishioners who gave donations to buy one. We sincerely thank them for their contributions, though they are not enough yet to purchase one. We are still hoping that a generous individual or family in our parish and beyond will give us this machine. Let's continue praying for this intention.

OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, JESUS APPEARED TO HIS DISCIPLES AND MANY OTHER WITNESSES. THEN HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN.

Where??
Where??
I can't see him!!

ASCENSION DEFICIT DISORDER

So if we follow **JESUS** we may be persecuted, or even **KILLED**?
Is there a **PLAMB** for guys like us?

JESUS WORDS IN MT 24:9 INSPIRED BOBEMEUS, ROGER, AND TIM TO ENTER A WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM.

I called you to win Souls not to win Arguments; Come On!!!

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