

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – C

MARCH 2, 2025

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109

# Out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks

Luke 6:45

**ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE  
OF MASSES & SERVICE**

8:00 AM—MASS

12:00 NN—MASS

4:00 PM—SERVICE

7:00 PM—MASS

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

530PM (*Sunday Vigil Mass*)

### Sunday

8AM, 1030AM & 1215PM

### Weekday

Monday—Thursday 7AM & 8AM

Friday & Saturday 8AM

Every **4th Sunday** at 530PM  
Filipino Mass

## SACRAMENTS

### Confession

Saturday 430-515pm and by appointment.

### Baptism

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 130pm, except Eastertime**

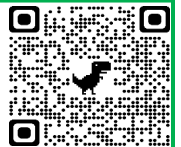
Parents and sponsors must attend a baptismal preparation program held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 130pm in Ferraro Hall. Please arrange for baptism and the preparation program by calling the office as soon as possible.

### 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.



All mails addressed to:

**St. Anthony Parish Office**  
750 N. 7th Street  
Newark, NJ 07107

**Telephone**  
973-481-1991

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973-759-1417

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[www.saintanthonybelleville.org](http://www.saintanthonybelleville.org)

# Weekly Mass Intentions

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## SATURDAY, March 1

8:00a Deceased Members of Rue, Villorente & Aguila Families

5:30p Teodoro A. Cadavez by *Edna Tan*

## SUNDAY, March 2

8:00a Deceased Family Members & Friends by *Donna Marie Iannia*

10:30a People of the Parish

12:15p Joan Whelpley by *Leonora & Abraham*

## MONDAY, March 3

7:00a Deceased Members Ferraro & Fusaro Families

8:00a Alfonso "Dino" DiLauro by *Leonora*

## TUESDAY, March 4

7:00a Souls in Purgatory by *Miriam Lima*

8:00a Vicky Alao by *Anonymous*

## WEDNESDAY, March 5 *Ash Wednesday*

8:00a Joan Whelpley by *Leonora & Abraham*

12:00n Margaret Easton by *Leonora & Abraham*

4:00p Prayer Service

7:00p Karen Sibilila by *Leonora & Abraham*

## THURSDAY, March 6

7:00a Remy Frisina by *Family*

8:00a Gilda Raimondi by *Family*

## FRIDAY, March 7

8:00a Jeuz & Joed Torrocha by *Wilma*

7:00p *Stations of the Cross*

## SATURDAY, March 8

8:00a Charlie Cacchioli by *Marino Family*

5:30p Beverly Riderstoff by *Gary Politano*

## SUNDAY, March 9

8:00a People of the Parish

10:30a Romana & Roman Patrick Bogacon by *Alma*

12:15p Living & Deceased Members of Rosary Society

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

March 2 - March 9, 2025

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

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

The Sanctuary Lamp will be offered for the intentions of  
**Alfonso "Dino" DiLauro**

## LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Edward McNulty, Grace Constantino, Carlos Zapanta, Jonel Francisco, Nicholas Castellano, Feliciano Lima, Frank Papaiani, Bobby Collina, Amelia Collina, Zenaida Baltazar, Carolyn Salvatoriello, Judy Batson, Elisa Ortiz, Remedios Uy, Alfreda Surigao, Rita Charles, James De Fago III, Patrick Sitton, Gustavo Caceres, Billy Juliano, Nita Andre, John Buglione, Michael Presenno*

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

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**Regular Sunday Collections - \$ 3,030.12**

*(February 22 & 23, 2025, including online)*

**Special Collections - \$ 1,561.00**

*(Snow Removal & Winter-related Expenses)*

**Filipino Mass Collections - \$ 1,180.00**

*(February 23, 2025)*

***THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH!***

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

## PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Ranulfo D. Docabo, SSL**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Jose Adrian Surigao, MA**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Ann Marie Kastner**  
*Co-Director of Religious Education*

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

**Maria Granda**  
*Bookkeeper*

**Leonora DiLauro-Ragab**  
*Parish Secretary*

**Emiliano "Bambi" Cabanig**  
*Maintenance*

**Karen Notare**  
*Music Director*

**Michael Bruzzio & Rosario Chavez**  
*Board of Trustees*

**Joseph Zarra**  
*Finance Council Chair*

**Angela Cuzzo-Zarro**  
*Pastoral Council Chair*

## A SIMPLE LENTEN PRAYER

Almighty and ever living God, you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent. May this time be one of outward focus; seeking you in those we often ignore. Amen.

# *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Luke 6:39-45*

The third and final section of Luke's Sermon on the Plain begins: And he told them a parable. There are actually four parables, three of which we read today. They are all about how to be a good disciple.

The blind cannot lead the blind. And a disciple cannot be a good disciple unless he or she has learned from the teacher.

Everyone who is fully trained is like the teacher who knows how to cure the blind. Before you can be a good disciple and teach others you must take care of yourself. Do not try to take a speck out of your brother's eye until you have taken the board out of your own.

Finally, only when you have purified yourself can you produce the good works that the teacher requires. Discipleship asks us to produce good deeds. But to produce them requires the integrity and purity of heart found in the teacher. When people see your good deeds they will know that this is because you have a good heart.

The final parable, which we do not read today, is about building on the solid foundation of rock and not on sand. This is the only way to face the difficulties a disciple will encounter and survive.

*...from loyolapress.com*



**TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 2**

**FIRST PENANCE**

**Second Grade Kids**

**9:00am**

*Church*

**TUESDAY, MARCH 4**

**MAKING OF ASHES**

**6:00pm**

*Church Parking Lot*

**MARDI GRAS  
CELEBRATION**

**6:30pm**

*Ferraro Hall*

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Mass: 8:00am, 12:00nn, 7:00pm**

**Service: 4:00pm**

*Church*

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7**

**HOLY HOUR**

**8:30-9:30am**

*Church*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**7:00pm**

*Church*

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8**

**EL SHADDAI PRAYER**

**1:30pm**

*Ferraro Hall*

## **ALTAR SERVERS' SCHEDULE** (1030am Mass)

**March 2, 2025**

**Ethan Venturi  
Taina Venturi  
Lucas Tiankee  
Reagan Ocampo**

**March 9, 2025**

**Samantha Llaban  
Chloe Llaban  
Joseph Bunk-Grant  
Clarie Anya**

## **TODAY'S 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION**

The Second Collection this Weekend, March 1 & 2, is for snow removal and other winter-related expenses. We hope for your understanding and generous support. Thank You Very Much!

## **TRAVELING CHALICE**

Sunday, March 2, The Traveling Chalice will be received by **TOMLIN & FELICIA ANYA & FAMILY** at the 10:30am Mass. They will be praying for vocations this week and present to **DARLENE & JERRY LLABAN & FAMILY** next Sunday at the 10:30 am Mass. Let us continue to pray for priestly & religious vocations in our parish!

## **ROSARIANS' MEETING—SUNDAY**

**March 9, 2025**

St. Anthony's Rosarians' first meeting of the year next Sunday, March 9, after the 12:15 pm Mass, which will be offered for All Living and Deceased Members of the Society. All are welcome to attend the meeting and enjoy the fellowship of those devoted to Mary, the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We invite you to share coffee and a light breakfast following the Mass. If you are not yet a member, consider signing up and joining the Army of Our Lady. Mary continues to encourage us to pray, and together, through prayer, we can accomplish so much.

## **WHY SING IN THE SHOWER WHEN YOU CAN SING IN CHURCH??**

Where everyone can get a chance to hear your beautiful voice. Karen Notare, our Music Minister, continues to hold tryouts for the NEW St. Anthony's Choir! Easter will be here before you know it; you can make a difference. Why not use the gift God gave you to give Him praise and glorify Him. Everyone will be encouraged to sing along worshipping Our Lord joyfully and reverently under Karen's professional direction. Join TODAY!

Contact Karen at 908.745.1344 or email her at [karennotare@aol.com](mailto:karennotare@aol.com)

## **FORMATION OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

The Worship Ministry of the Archdiocese of Newark invites all current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to a renewal session on **Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM** at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, located at 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark, NJ.

This session is also open to those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. We encourage anyone who feels called to serve in this ministry, which is open to individuals 18 years of age and older, to attend this formation. We are in great need of more volunteers for this important ministry. If you are looking for a meaningful way to serve, please consider attending. Please contact the parish office for more information.

## **LOOKING FOR**

### **Part Time Bookkeeper**

Our parish is seeking another part-time bookkeeper to join our staff in the office to assist our pastor and to work together with our accountant and current bookkeeper.

The following specific responsibilities are representative of duties required in this position. They may be unilaterally but reasonably changed based on the working environment and departmental needs:

*Issue checks; pay bills and credit card; make monthly reports for Bingo games and for raffles and submit to State; gather employees' timesheets and process biweekly payroll; record deposits and disbursements in QuickBooks; monitor petty cash transactions and replenish balance when necessary; monitor parish online giving system; prepare monthly financial reports; prepare deposits for bank; and, other duties as assigned.*

The following skills are needed to qualify: computer knowledge & proficiency (QuickBooks, Microsoft Office, etc.) and have experience with bookkeeping and accounting preferably with the Archdiocese of Newark.

The physical demands are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Please send application to Rev. Ranulfo Docabo, Pastor, via [fr\\_nol@yahoo.com](mailto:fr_nol@yahoo.com).

## **ANNUAL APPEAL 2025 UPDATE**

(as of February 26, 2025)

**Base Goal—\$21,446.80**

**Stretch Goal—\$25,736.16**

**Total Pledged = \$10,925.00**

**% of Goal Reached (in Pledges) = 50.94%**

**Amount Received = \$8,818.00**

**Number of Contributors = 12 pax/family**

*For those who have already made and paid their pledges, thank you so much!!!  
Otherwise, kindly make your pledges and pay them to the archdiocese or to our parish office **before June 30, 2025**.*

## MAKING OF THE ASHES ON CARNIVAL or SHROVE TUESDAY

In preparation for Ash Wednesday, we invite everyone to come and take part in this brief and poignant service of reflection and preparation for Lent as we burn last year's Palm Sunday fronds to be used for this year's Ash Wednesday ashes.

If you still have the palms you received last year, bring them in! We'll gather in the parking lot (*near the side doors of the Church & Ferraro Hall*) this **Tuesday, March 4 at 6pm**, before the start of Mardi Gras.

## Ash Wednesday

A day that begins the Lenten Season. This year why not make a commitment to observe Lent in a special way like never before and start by coming to Church this Wednesday.

### Archdiocese of Newark

### 2025 Lenten Regulations

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.
2. On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.
3. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.
4. On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence. (*Hence, even if you're 60 and older, you're obliged to abstain!*)
5. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
6. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
7. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, March 9 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 15, 2025.

*\*Canon 920, §1, All the faithful, after they have been initiate into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

## Lenten Prayer for Sundays

(Take some time to pray this each Sunday of Lent either on your own or as a family. Use it as a way to recommit to having your best Lent ever through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.)

Heavenly Father, as I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and peace as I strive to become the-best-version-of-myself, honestly admitting my shortcomings and sins. As I renew my resolve each day to become a better person, let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in you. Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment. Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom, or guidance, I can always turn to you. Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come closer to you through prayer this Lent. In your name I pray. Amen.