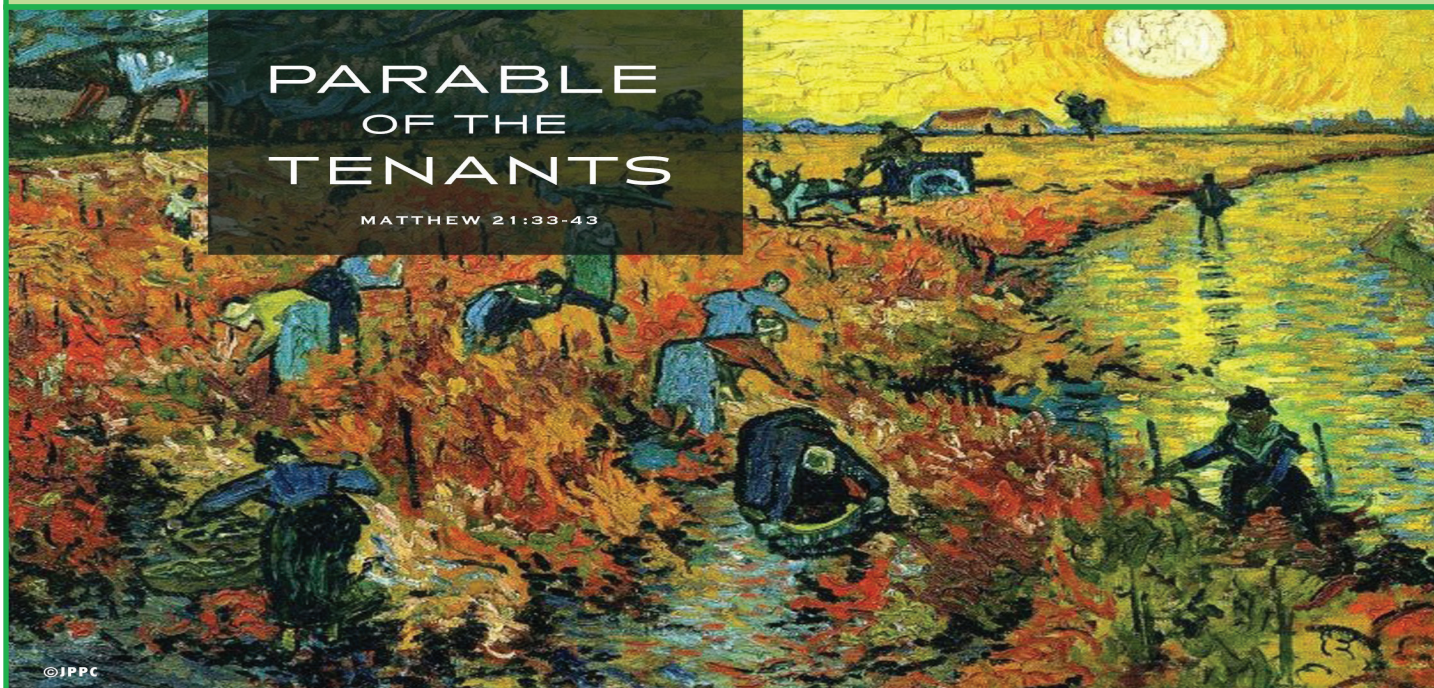


27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

OCTOBER 8, 2023

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109



## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

530PM (*Sunday Vigil Mass*)

### Sunday

8AM, 1030AM & 12:15PM

### Weekday

Monday—Thursday 7AM & 8AM

Friday & Saturday 8AM

Every **4th Sunday** at 5PM

Filipino Mass

## SACRAMENTS

### Confession

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

### Baptism

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

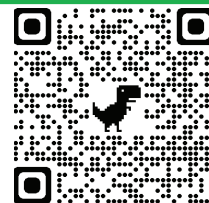
Parents and sponsors must attend a baptismal preparation program held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 130pm in Ferraro Hall. Please arrange for baptism and the preparation program by calling the office as soon as possible.

### 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:

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Newark, NJ 07107

Telephone  
973-481-1991

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973-759-1417

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# Weekly Mass Intentions

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## SATURDAY, October 7

5:30p Caridad Dross by Michelle Santiago

## SUNDAY, October 8

8:00a Remy Frisina

10:30a Romeo & Teresita Montas by Jay Montas

12:15p Living & Deceased Members of the Rosarians

## MONDAY, October 9

8:00a Fermina Montas (Healing) by Jay Montas

## TUESDAY, October 10

7:00a Austria Family (Healing) by Imelda

8:00a Anthony D. Uzzolino by Carmine & Audrey Uzzolino

## WEDNESDAY, October 11

7:00a Angelina Viado by Jum & Tess Galvez

8:00a Frank Yacullo, Jr. by Leonora & Abraham Ragab

## THURSDAY, October 12

7:00a Levio Monziona by Children

8:00a Manuel De Roma by Maria Sabate

## FRIDAY, October 13

8:00a Vee Stanford, Lennie Torres &  
Teresita Masalunga by Toscana Family

## SATURDAY, October 14

8:00a Pat Bilotti by Leonora Ragab

5:30p Charles Family by Rita Charles

## SUNDAY, October 15

8:00a Jay, Thomas & Paulie Iannia by Cousins

10:30a Michelina & Giuseppe Picardi by Rosa & Antonio Feo

12:15p People of the Parish

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

October 1—7, 2023

The Altar Bread & Wine will be offered for the Intention of

**People of the Parish**

The Altar Candles will be offered for the Special 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

Joseph Doria, Lydia Salzano, Lorraine Snowman, Edward McNulty, Abraham Ragab, Empson Venturi, Nida Andre, Patricia Chideo, Arlenia Salomon, Carolyn Salvatoriello, Amelia Collina, Nathan Rosa, Jaxson & Jacob Rivera, Feliciano Lima, Elvira Varquez, Jonel Francisco, John Buglione, Rose Chavez, Thomas Moore, Jacinta Barrete, Matilda Salem, Jackie & Chris Hosford

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

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Regular Collections - \$ 4,058.75  
(October 1, 2023 including online)

Monthly Assessment - \$ 1,104.34

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSTANT  
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

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## *REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST*



**HENDRY VERAS TEJEDA**



## *The Gospel Today*

**Matthew 21:33-46**

In this parable, Christ himself is one of the characters. The servants of the vineyard's owners represent all the prophets and teachers sent by God to the people of Israel before the coming of Christ – from Moses to Micah. They represent the whole history of God's attempt to bring men back into friendship with him through a loving call to repentance. How patient God has been! But even such patience could not transform men's hearts. So God sent his son, Jesus Christ. The parable emphasizes the difference between the servants and the son. If ever Christ's hearers had doubted his claim to be more than just another prophet, more than just another rabbi, more than just another great teacher and philosopher, this parable would surely cure them. Jesus Christ is Lord not just because he is better than any other religious or political leader, but because he is qualitatively different; he is the Son of God.

The Pharisees and chief priests understand the parable. They concede the point; they see and condemn the tenants' diabolical injustice. They also recognize that Jesus is applying the parable to them: he is the Messiah and they have failed to welcome him. But they don't repent. Here St Matthew is preparing us to recognize the true greatness of our Lord. Jesus will continue to explain, argue, exhort, and warn these men who refuse to believe in him. And they will continue to refuse. So then Jesus will put aside words and arguments and miracles. Instead, he will take up his cross. He will make a final assault on their entrenched hearts with the irresistible weapon of total love, total self-giving, total forgiveness. Jesus is the only Lord that conquers by surrender.

In these few sentences, Jesus sums up the history of salvation, past, present, and future. The vineyard is the world, given to men by God for them to "cultivate and care for" (Genesis 2:15). The tenants are the leaders of God's Chosen People. The owner is God himself. The servants and the son are the prophets and Christ himself. Sin is the tenants' "wretchedness," by which they rebel against the owner out of utter selfishness and greed. Could Jesus have given a clearer warning to these men? Could he have given a simpler explanation of his own identity and mission, a more understandable presentation to the Pharisees of the reality and consequences of their desires to kill him?

The parable applies just as easily to every man and woman. We are each given a vineyard: our own life. We are each given all the means necessary (the hedge, the tower, the wine press) to live that life in accordance with God's plan for us. We are each given many, many chances to put our lives right with God, honoring him and loving him by living as he designed us to live. And each of us, in some way, has been introduced to the owner's son, Jesus Christ. It seems from the Gospel texts that few chief priests and elders actually repented and accepted Christ's message. It's easy for us to deplore such hardheartedness, but before doing so, we should see what kind of fruit our own vineyards are producing, and how much our lives are giving glory to God instead of trying to steal glory for ourselves.

The owner of the vineyard would have had every right to punish the tenants after they had done away with the first batch of servants. But he didn't. He sent more, and more, and finally he sent his son. Only when we have made a definitive decision against him and held fast to that decision in the face of abundant gestures of his love will he let us have what we have wrongly chosen. Christ, the true friend, does not condemn those who refuse his friendship; they condemn themselves.

*from "The Better Part" by Fr. John Bartunek, LC*



**TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

**Installation of New Members and  
Placing of the Beads**

**10:30 am**

*Church*

**TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**PARISH VOLUNTEERS'**

**GATHERING**

**3:00 pm**

*Ferraro Hall*

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**

**COLUMBUS DAY**

*Office Closed*

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**ARCHDIOCESAN  
ROSARY CONGRESS**

**8:30 am—7:30 pm**

*During Adoration*

*Church*



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14**

**FATIMA ROSARY RALLY**

**12 NOON**

*School Grotto*

## NEXT SUNDAY'S 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION

Next weekend, **October 14 & 15** the ushers will come around for the second collection. This collection will be for **Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children**. If you do not have your envelopes, kindly put in your allotted contribution for this purpose.

Thank you for your continued sacrificial support as we struggle to keep our Parish alive and thriving financially.

## NEXT WEEK, OCTOBER 14 & 15

Your chance to  
**BE AN ANGEL**

sponsor a Student by donating to  
***The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children***  
An ANGEL helps provide a value-based education to students attending a private or parochial school in the Archdiocese of Newark.

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

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

October 8, 2023

*Sydney Anya*

*Claire Anya*

*Joseph Bunk-Grant*

*Lucas Tiankee*

October 15, 2023

*Samantha Llaban*

*Chloe Llaban*

*Ethan Venturi*

*Taina Venturi*

## 2024 Calendar Raffle!

Our NEW 2024 Calendar Raffle will be available very soon. Each month in 2024, we will draw a winner who will receive \$1,000. The price of the ticket will be \$100 (less than the cost of two \$5 monthly 50-50 raffle tickets but with a better prize).

Only 300 tickets will be sold. And you can win more than once! We will need your help to tell friends and family, but don't forget to get yours first.

## TRAVELING CHALICE

Today the Traveling Chalice will be received by **JUAN & SHARON SUAREZ** at the 8:00am Mass. They will be praying for vocations this week and present to Glenn & Rose Tubelli next Sunday at the 8:00 AM Mass. With these families, let us continue to pray for priestly & religious vocations in our parish!

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## Parish Trips & Pilgrimages

Sight & Sound Millenium Theatre  
Lancaster PA

**"Daniel" — April 4, 2024**

Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France  
**May 28—June 7, 2024**

Pilgrimage to Scotland and Ireland  
**September 9-19, 2024**

**PICK UP YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AT CHURCH or  
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFO**

## DESPERATELY SEEKING CATALDO ALESSI?



The Historical Society of St. Anthony's is launching an investigation into our beautiful stained glass windows. These windows were donated by generous and devoted parishioners when our church was built in 1939. The Society is working on a project to compile a book about the windows, the donors and their memorials. Each week we will publish the names on a window. If you know anything about the family name or perhaps even the donor please reach out to the Parish

Office with any information you may have. This week we are highlighting

***Cataldo Alessi In Memory of Antonino & Virginia Alessi***

**2023 EUCHARISTIC  
ROSARY CONGRESS  
TO JESUS  
THROUGH MARY**

The Rosary Congress will take place in various churches throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. Join others in prayer throughout the week for reparation, life, peace, healing, renewal, families, our country and our Church.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND  
HOURLY RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH  
63 FRANKLIN STREET  
BELLEVILLE, NJ 07109



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10—8:30 AM—7:30 PM**

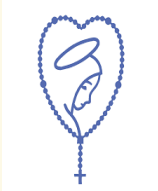
**ARCHDIOCESAN ROSARY CONGRESS**

*Praying for reparation, life, peace, healing, renewal, families, our country and our church.*

Sign up today for our Rosary Congress here at St. Anthony of Padua. We are blessed to participate in this very special event and join our brothers and sisters from parishes all over the Archdiocese of Newark as we pray the Rosary hourly all day on OCTOBER 10 from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm. As faithful Catholics, we will be able to take part in this most important event. Call the Parish Office today at 973.481.1991 or stop by before Mass in the vestibule to sign up.

**OCTOBER—THE MONTH OF MARY AND THE ROSARY**

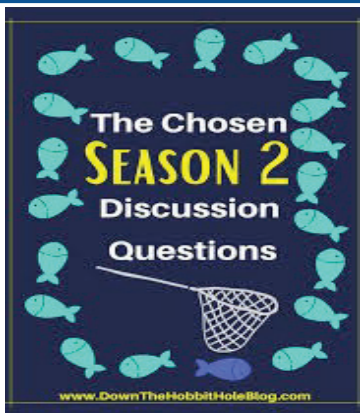
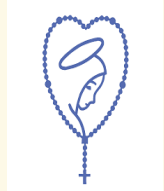
Once again, St. Anthony's will participate in the Annual America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally. Join your fellow parishioners as we lift up our hearts and pray with faithful Catholics all around the United States. Our country needs prayer and what better way than the Rosary as Our Lady of Fatima taught us through the three little children.



SO JOIN US AS WE PRAY TO JESUS THROUGH MARY AT THE

**SCHOOL GROTTTO**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 @ 12:00 NOON**



**THE CHOSEN SERIES CONTINUES**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 @ 7:00 PM**

*Ferraro Hall*

*Join your fellow parishioners and Fr. Nol and take part in this very special bible study as we watch Episode 4 of Season 2 and dive deep into what Jesus is saying to us & how it relates to our lives.*

**SO YOU THINK YOU ARE TONE-DEAF!! LET'S ALL MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD! SIGN UP FOR OUR NEW CHOIR NOW & FIND OUT YOU CAN SING!!**



St. Anthony's Choir is forming and making a comeback! Under Karen Notare's professional direction the choir will have excellent training and our church will once again be praising and glorifying the Lord together with beautiful songs and music.

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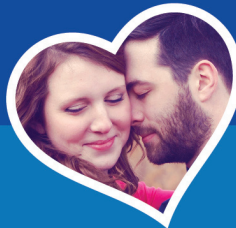
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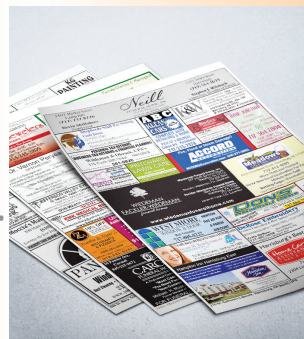
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