

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4, 2021

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

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Happy
Easter
Everyone!



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From the desk of the Administrator...

Dear parishioners and friends,

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Having partaken of the pain and horror of Good Friday, we now attain the victory and glory of Easter Sunday. Ours is the triumph and grandeur because we share it from the Risen Lord. Indeed, the resurrection of Jesus is the cornerstone of our Christian faith and the abundant hope of our future. That is why we joyfully commemorate and celebrate it every Sunday throughout the year.

This year, most of us, if not all, have a very good and particular reason for celebration. Having endured the inconvenience of the lockdown, the sufferings of the sick and even the loss of thousands of lives due to covid-19, we are now seeing a light at the end of the tunnel. Although we cannot definitively say that we have triumphed over this pandemic yet, we have hope because of vaccines and the enduring collaboration of our people. More importantly, the victory of the Risen Lord should give us abundant hope for the future.

With these in our midst, the season of Easter should be celebrated with more meaning and participation of our parish community. Fittingly, the sacraments of initiation will be celebrated during this season of hope. There are 19 candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 16; there are 13 children who will receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on May 15, 16 and 23; and tentatively there are 5 babies who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism in April and May. All of these sacraments will be celebrated within the Mass. In recent years, baptisms were solemnized outside of Mass, but during the Easter Season they will be celebrated within the Mass. (Please refer to page 5 for a further explanation.)

Aside from these sacraments to be celebrated during this time, our parish will also start preparing for the feast of our patron saint, St. Anthony of Padua, on June 13. We will have the nine days of prayer within the Mass (novena prayers) and three nights of festivities as practiced in the past. We hope and pray that the slow yet constant progress towards the 'new normal' will make all these activities push through. Needless to say, our committees have alternate plans for the feast in case of any obstruction. We are likewise in the planning stage in preparation for the 120th Anniversary of St. Anthony's Foundation as a parish community. Your help and assistance in these endeavors will be highly appreciated.

Part of these preparations is the 'spring-cleaning' of our properties. We have begun with the rectory; the garage, the church and the school will follow. Again, we will need everyone's help, including sorting and discarding of many items. Your suggestions and recommendations are also most welcome.

As you can see, there is still lots to be done! It is very comforting to me that there are parishioners who are willing and enthusiastic to get involved, but we still need more volunteers. This, I believe, is what the Risen Christ wishes for us – to be in communion with one another as a community – for the sake of His Church.

A BLESSED AND JOYOUS EASTER TO EVERYONE!

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Here's What's Happening!



CATHOLIC BIBLE CONFERENCE
A VIRTUAL EVENT

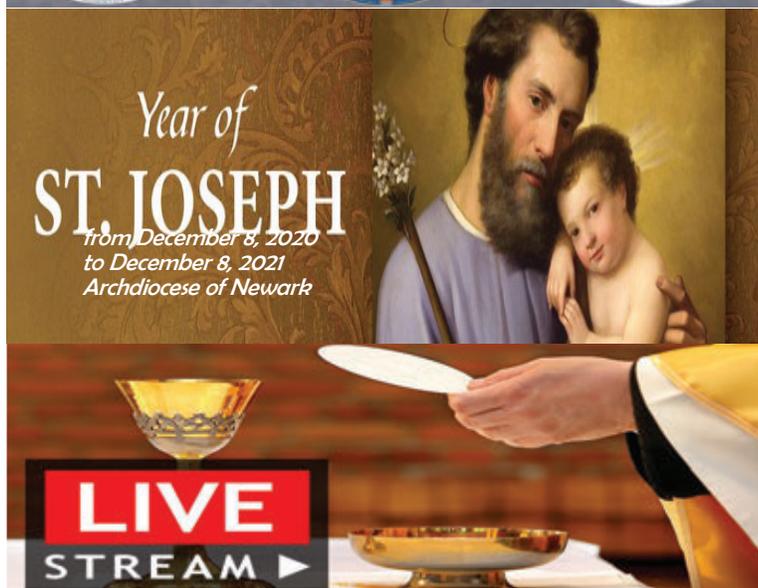
God's Word Today: Alive and Active!
Biblical Wisdom for Family Life

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021
9AM - 12:30PM
FREE ONLINE EVENT VIA ZOOM

REGISTER HERE!

PRESENTER: Mark Hart

Mark Hart, affectionately known as the Bible Geek, is a best-selling author, Catholic radio personality and highly sought after speaker. He proudly serves as the Chief Information Officer and Executive Vice President of Life Team International. Mark and his wife, Patricia, have four children and live in Phoenix, Arizona.



Year of
ST. JOSEPH
from December 8, 2020
to December 8, 2021
Archdiocese of Newark

LIVE STREAM

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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, April 3, 2021
8:00p Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, April 4, 2021
8:00a Conrado Avetria by Medy Avetria
10:30a People of the Parish
12:00n Lebro Charles by Rita Charles

MONDAY, April 5th
8:00a Jose De La Rama, Jr. by Family

TUESDAY, April 6th
7:00a Quintos Family Thanksgiving
by Edith Taghap
8:00a Vesia Valdonado & Imelda Sanders
by Family

WEDNESDAY, April 7th
7:00a Suzy Elston by Miriam Lima
8:00a Angela Carla Gates (Special Intention)
by David Gates

THURSDAY, April 8th
7:00a Rachel Domingo (Birthday) by Elsa Barredo
8:00a LaLaine Corro (Birthday) by Elsa Barredo

FRIDAY, April 9th
7:00a Connie Kratt by Miriam Lima
8:00a Antonio, Teresa, Gaetano, Nicola &
Aniello Violante by Violante Family

SATURDAY, April 10th
8:00a Gloria Fernandez by Elsa Barredo

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

April 4—11, 2021

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

The **Altar Candles** will be offered for the Intention of
Carselda Family

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be offered for the Intention of
Carselda Family

REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST



ALBERTA DANIELI
ROMEO SABAS GRATIL

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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ann Ferrentino, Adriano Suarez, Kevin Hogarth, Cesar de Jesus, Richard Abrigo, Veron Patulot, Fernando Lopez, Lydia Salzano, Angela Zarro, Patricia Mignon, Edward McNulty, Jeanette O'Mara, Avril Robson-Freda, Rodante Nalupta, Ronald DelGuercio

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

PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY FOR HEALING

Dear St. Anthony, you loved God so much when you lived upon the earth.

You were known, even then, as a great Wonder-worker, so great did His power live in you.

Now that you are in heaven, you share in God's glory and in His power in a more perfect way.

Look on me with kindness as I come to you in my need. I pray for healing for myself and for those whom I love. Amen.

Baptism Within Mass at Eastertime

During the Season of Easter, the Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated within Mass, either at 1030am or 12nn. Here at St. Anthony's, we usually celebrate this sacrament outside the Mass, although in the past it has been done within the Mass. Actually, the Church encourages baptisms to be celebrated within the Mass. However, for pastoral reasons, some priests opt to do it outside the Mass. As an attempt to strike a balance on the theological and pastoral reasons, it is fitting that during Easter Season we will celebrate baptisms within Mass here at St. Anthony's. The following are two important reasons of celebrating it within Mass. *(This is an excerpt from Kristopher Seaman's article. He is the associate director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Gary.)*

Celebrating Baptism during Sunday eucharistic liturgies heightens the rich theology of the Rite of Baptism. The baby is being incorporated (from the Latin corpus, meaning "body") into the body of Christ — the Church that is in communion/ union/relationship with the God of Jesus Christ. Sunday Eucharist is the primary event that the Church community gathers to hear God's Word and to give praise and thanksgiving over Christ who becomes tangible in the very gifts of his Body and Blood. Sunday Eucharist is the repeatable sacrament of initiation. It is in this sacramental event that the community renews its membership — its identity — in Word and Eucharist. In Baptism one is given a new identity or status of Christian, and this status or identity is renewed in Sunday Eucharist. Therefore, celebrating Baptisms of babies during Sunday Eucharist signifies that baptism is incorporating the baby into both the Church and the life of Christ. The celebration is not minimal, but an event of the local Church community surrounding, praying over, and welcoming the baby into the Church and into the life of the God of Jesus Christ.

Another reason for celebrating Baptisms of infants during Sunday Eucharist is based in the ritual text itself. Not just the parents and godparents have responsibility for the new member of the Church, the infant, all the members of the Church have "an important part to play in the baptism of the child" (Rite of Baptism of Children, 4). The "faith in which the children are baptized is not the private possession of the individual family, but the common treasure of the whole Church of Christ" (#4). The community is present to help, support, pray, and nurture the faith of the child as he or she grows in communion with Jesus Christ and the Church itself.

May the above explanation shed some light to everyone! God bless!

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH FAMILY WILL CELEBRATE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WITH OUR CCD STUDENTS IN MAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR YOUNG MEMBERS AS THEY PREPARE TO
RECEIVE OUR LORD FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME

SATURDAY—MAY 15, 2021 5:30 PM

SUNDAY—MAY 16, 2021 10:30 AM SUNDAY—MAY 23, 2021 12 NOON



Parish Stat

Did you know that our Saint Anthony of Padua Parish

Was originally founded as a mission of Sacred Heart Parish in Bloomfield in 1899?

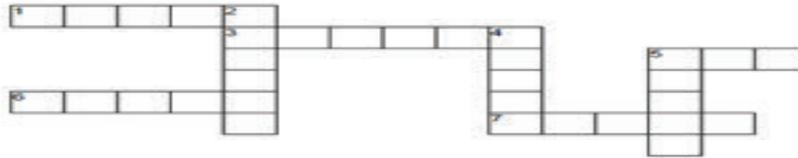
The first parishioners of St. Anthony's actually attended mass in private homes?

The first pastor of St. Anthony's was Father Sanzone who led the parishioners to build their first church?

I've Just Seen Jesus

Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). John 20:16 (NIV)

Complete the activity below. The words in the puzzle are found in John 20:1-18.



ACROSS

1. The color of snow; the opposite of black
3. Messengers from heaven
5. To produce tears; to weep
6. Not dead
7. To have nothing inside

DOWN

2. The day we celebrate Jesus' resurrection
4. What was used to cover the entrance to Jesus' tomb
5. A piece of fabric made by weaving cotton, wool, or other fibers

EASTER	CLOTH	CRY	EMPTY
ALIVE	WHITE	STONE	ANGELS



THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER

To you, O blessed Joseph

(Ad te, beate Ioseph)

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

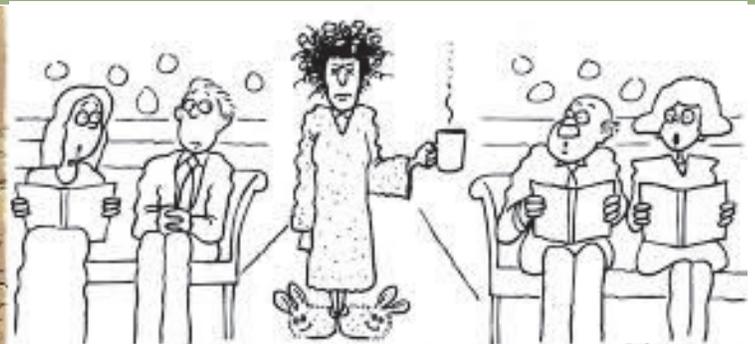
Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.



"HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN..."



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

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