

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

3rd Sunday of the month at 130pm, except Eastertime

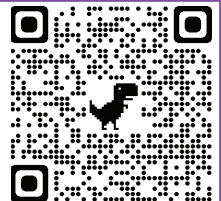
Parents and sponsors must attend a baptismal preparation program held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 130pm in Ferraro Hall. Please arrange for baptism and the preparation program by calling the office as soon as possible.

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

Bingo Hall Telephone
973-759-1417

Website:
www.saintanthonybelleville.org

Weekly Mass Intentions



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SATURDAY, December 2

5:30p Gilda Yacullo *by Helen & Frank Yacullo*

SUNDAY, December 3

8:00a Mario & Giovanna Stoppiello *by Emilia Percio Family*

10:30a People of the Parish

12:15p Happy, Healthy & Blessed 2024

MONDAY, December 4

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

8:00a Frank Yacullo Jr. *by Marie Catenacci Family*

TUESDAY, December 5

7:00a Bennet Sangalang (Healing) *by Tita Chit*

8:00a Manolo Chavez (Birthday) *by Rose Chavez*

WEDNESDAY, December 6

7:00a Nicomedes Chavez *by Noli & Rose Chavez*

8:00a Edeza Llave (Birthday) *by Noli & Rose Chavez*

THURSDAY, December 7

7:00a Patty & Narciso Daus (Thanksgiving)

8:00a Nicolina Marino *by Marino Family*

7:00p Antonio Lacuente (Special Intention)

FRIDAY, December 8

7:00a Olga Gabriel *by Miriam Lima*

8:00a Fermina & Tess Montas *by Jay Montas*

SATURDAY, December 9

8:00a Nicholas Sessa Sr. *by Anna Marie*

5:30p Zavier Adriel Medina *by Kristin & Adriel*

SUNDAY, December 10

8:00a Frances Ingino *by Marino Family*

10:30a Remy Frisina

12:15p Lebro Charles *by Rita Charles*

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

December 3—December 9, 2023

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

Ken & Rocco Constantino

The Altar Candles will be offered for Blessings for

Manolo Chavez

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, Nida Andre, Patricia Chideo, Arlenia Salomon, Carolyn Salvatoriello, Amelia Collina, Nathan Rosa, Jaxson & Jacob Rivera, Feliciano Lima, Elvira Varquez, Jonel Francisco, Theoprolia Parras, Thomas Moore, Matilda Salem, Jackie & Chris Hosford, John Buglione, Jimmy Ragab

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

REPORTS ON PREVIOUS SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING!

"God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)

PARISH STAFF

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REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST



**ANNE MARIE NANCY KELLY
SR. ASSUNTA RINALDI**

WE CELEBRATE THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT!

Today we begin the season of Advent, which marks the start of a new liturgical year for the Church. The readings for Sunday Mass are arranged on a three-year cycle. Each year features a different Gospel—Matthew, Mark, or Luke. Readings from the Gospel of John are interspersed throughout all three years. With this year's first Sunday of Advent, we begin Cycle B of the Lectionary, which focuses our attention on the Gospel of Mark. This week and next week, our readings from Mark's Gospel present two important Advent themes: the Lord's return at the end of time and John the Baptist's preparation for Jesus.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of Mark's Gospel, the chapter that immediately precedes Mark's account of Jesus' Passion. Having been questioned repeatedly by the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus is now questioned by his disciples—Peter, James, John, and Andrew—who want details about his prediction of the destruction of the Temple. Jesus answers with many warnings about the difficulties that the disciples will face.

Today's passage comes at the conclusion of Jesus' warnings to his disciples. Jesus emphasizes the need for watchfulness. The Son of Man will come without warning; only the Father knows the exact hour. The disciples must not be caught unprepared when this time comes.

Scholars believe that Mark's Gospel was written around the time of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70. Mark's audience consisted of Christians who were living in difficult social and political times, times of conflict. They were likely beginning to face persecution as followers of Jesus. In this difficult time, it helped to recall that Jesus had foretold of such difficulties. Early Christian communities took courage from Jesus' warning to remain alert and watchful, and they found in his words a way to persevere through suffering.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Advent is about more than our preparation for the Church's celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas. Advent is also about preparing ourselves for Christ's return in glory at the end of time. Like the disciples and the faithful in Mark's community, we must also stay alert and watchful. Our faithfulness to God, through the good times as well as the difficult times, shows us to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

**CCD ADVENT
RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

6:00pm

Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

**ADORATION, MID-DAY PRAYER
AND BENEDICTION**

8:30am—12nn

Little House



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

**FEAST OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
(Holy Day of Obligation)**

Mass Times

Thursday at 7PM (Vigil)

Friday at 7AM & 8AM

Office Closed

TRAVELING CHALICE

Today the Traveling Chalice will be received by the **MORALES FAMILY** at the 8:00am Mass. They will be praying for vocations this week and present to the LIMCUANDO FAMILY next Sunday at the 10:30am Mass. With these families, let us continue to pray for priestly & religious vocations in our parish!

ALTAR SERVERS' SCHEDULE (1030am Mass)

December 3, 2023

Joseph Bunk-Grant

Ryan Paurom

Ethan Venturi

Taina Venturi

December 10, 2023

Samantha Llaban

Chloe Llaban

Lucas Tiankee

Reagan Ocampo



ST. ANTHONY GIVING TREE

Our 2023 Giving Tree is up and decorated with tags. Gifts will be given to those in need throughout Belleville, Bloomfield, Clara Maass Pediatrics, Sisters at Villa Walsh, Sisters of Charity, and the Franciscan Friars.

Please pick a tag to donate a gift. Your monetary donations will be used to purchase gifts if you cannot shop yourself. All gifts should be under the tree by **December 14** to be ready for distribution before Christmas.

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

Next weekend, *December 9 & 10*, the second collection will be for The Religious Retirement Fund. As always, thank you for your support for our parish needs. May the God of Providence bless you and your family!

Christmas Season is already here!

We Need Just A Few More Members!!

Don't be shy! "He who sings, prays twice" as St. Augustine said. Join our new choir under the direction of our Music Minister, Karen Notare. Let's bring back the resounding hymns of the Christmas Season as we lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving for all God has done. Call Karen at 908-745-1344.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING! What Does It Mean To You?

What is the "true" meaning of Christmas? Sometimes we can get so caught up in the hustle and bustle that the world has created that we may forget what Christmas is really all about. Let's make an effort this year to keep our focus on what the meaning of Christmas should be for us as Catholics. "I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord". LK 2:10-11

SIMBANG GABI SCHEDULE 2023 ESSEX COUNTY

December 15 (Friday) 7:00pm

St. Thomas the Apostle Church
60 Byrd Ave, Bloomfield

December 16 (Saturday) 7:00pm

St. Catherine of Sienna Church
339 Pompton Ave, Cedar Grove

December 16 (Saturday) 5:00pm

St. Philomena Church
388 S. Livingston Ave, Livingston

December 17 (Sunday) 7:00pm

St. Valentine's Church
125 N. Spring Street, Bloomfield

December 18 (Monday) 5:00pm

Sacred Heart Church
76 Broad St, Bloomfield

December 19 (Tuesday) 5:00am

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
120 Prospect Street, Nutley

December 20 (Wednesday) 7:00pm

St. Raphael Church
346 E. Mt. Pleasant Ave, Livingston

December 21 (Thursday) 7:00pm

St. Anthony of Padua Church
63 Franklin Street, Belleville

December 22 (Friday) 6:00pm

Holy Name of Jesus Church
200 Midland Ave, East Orange

December 23 (Saturday) 7:30pm

St. Peter's Church
155 William St, Belleville

MEMO FROM THE OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL

Dear Parish Community:

The Archdiocese of Newark has been notified that an individual named (Horacio) Daniel Medina has been falsely presenting himself as a Catholic priest in the northern New Jersey area where he is celebrating Mass in people's homes and then ministering confessions and blessing homes and religious articles.

Mr. Medina was permanently removed from the clerical state by the Holy Father in 2013. As a result of the laicization, he is forbidden from wearing clerical dress and from functioning in any capacity as a priest. He is not authorized to celebrate the sacraments, including the Eucharist, or engage in any priestly ministry.

Prior to his laicization, Mr. Medina was arrested and charged with child abuse. His name appears on the Archdiocese of Newark's list of credibly accused priests.

We urge both clergy and the faithful to refrain from participating in any further attempt by Mr. Medina to offer the Mass or administer other sacraments. We strongly encourage that any such activity be reported immediately to the Archdiocese of Newark at 973-497-4254.

We ask that all the faithful join in prayer that Christ may bring healing and hope to anyone who has been abused by a priest or by anyone in the Catholic Church.

Any person who wishes to report an incident of abuse or misconduct committed by a member of the Archdiocese of Newark is urged to immediately inform their County Prosecutor or other law enforcement office as well as the Archdiocese's Department for the Protection of the Faithful. For more information, visit online at www.rcan.org

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WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2024
SESSION 5: WHO JOINS US IN PRAYER
Schools of Spirituality

No Session in March

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024
SESSION 6: TRADITIONS OF PRAYER,
PIETY AND DEVOTION
Popular piety and devotions of peoples

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024
SESSION 7: PRAYER CHANGES US
Personal Transformation and making
our homes into schools of Prayer

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School of Prayer



"Everything is possible to one who has faith."

Mark 9:23

September 2023 - May 2024
Seven Selected Wednesdays
Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center
499 Belgrove Drive
Kearny, New Jersey
6:30 Refreshments/Fellowship
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Cost per Session: \$10
Walk-ins Welcome

Full Course Discount: \$50
online registration only

Materials & Refreshments provided
Space is limited - advance registration
recommended (no refunds)

"For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." -St. Therese of Lisieux (CCC 2558)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL US AT 973-497-4137 OR EMAIL EVANGELIZATION@RCAN.ORG

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