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MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

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Rev. Fr. Travis Abadie

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Deacon Gary Gaudin

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Your
light
must
shine

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

before others, that they may
see your good deeds and
glorify your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:16

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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

Women's ACTS RETREAT – St. Anthony of Padua Parish (Eunice) and Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish (Duralde)

The Women's ACTS RETREAT is scheduled for February 9-12, 2017.

Parishioners are encouraged to pray for the success of the retreat. Please offer an hour of prayer for the women on retreat and for those on the retreat team. There still is time to sign up on the poster in church. The return mass for the retreat will be the 11:00 a.m. mass on February 12th. Following mass a small reception is held in Jeanmard Hall. As next Sunday's 11:00 a.m. mass is the return mass, parishioners are invited to attend and welcome all involved in the retreat.

National Marriage Week and World Marriage Day

Archbishop Charles Chaput, Archbishop of Philadelphia and Chairman of the Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops says, "The upcoming observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14, 2017) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017) provide an opportunity to celebrate the gift and blessing of Marriage and to affirm and support engaged and married couples." Please find a bulletin insert with quotes from Pope Francis in this regard.

Also please visit on the Internet at www.usccb.org a **Virtual Marriage Retreat: National Marriage Week 2017**. Go to the search engine on www.usccb.org website and type **Virtual Marriage Retreat**. The search engine will take you to the page where you can select the retreat.

The themes for each day of the retreat are:

- Day 1 – February 7** – Theme for the Day: Marriage Is a Blessing and a Gift
- Day 2 – February 8** – Theme for the Day Marriage Is the Unique Union of a Man and a Woman
- Day 3 – February 9** – Theme for the Day: Marriage Is a Communion of Love and Life
- Day 4 – February 10** – Theme for the Day: Marriage is a Sacrament of Christ's Love
- Day 5 – February 11** – Theme for the Day: Marriage Is the Foundation of the Family and Society
- Day 6 – February 12** – Theme for the Day: Marriage is a Journey of Human and Spiritual Growth
- Day 7 – February 13** – Theme for the Day: Marriage Is a School of Love and Gratitude

Gospel for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A – Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the light of the world." Speaking to his followers, Jesus tells them of the influence they are meant to have. Like the seasoning that gives food its flavor, they are the be *"the salt of the earth"* and like a lamp on a lampstand that *"gives light to all in the house."* Clearly, their influence on the people around them is meant to be positive and substantial. But what is the source of this irreplaceable influence?

Elsewhere in the Gospels, Jesus declares that he is the **"light of the world"** (cf. John 8:12). So when he tells his disciples that **"your light must shine before others,"** Jesus is speaking about the light that comes from following him, from believing in him, from living their lives for him and with him. The light of Christ brightens the world, showing us the truth and meaning of our existence. To the extent that we have that light in our hearts, it naturally spreads out to impact those around us.

So, today we must ask ourselves whether or not we are shining the way we are meant to as Christians. Do we brighten up our families, our workplaces, our neighborhoods, and our church parishes? Are people encouraged, inspired, edified, and supported by our presence? Do we bring the kind of flavor that enriches life with a taste of the authentic truth, beauty, and goodness that comes from God alone? Or have we become a bit bland, like salt that "loss its taste" or light that is hidden "under a bushel basket"? It is important to be on guard against any tendency to let our faith be reduced to a mere routine or ritual. Rather, when we nurture our faith to be a living force that defines us and our actions, it will be a source of joy and renewal not only for us, but for the whole world.

Questions for the Week

Matthew 5:13-16 – In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus offered metaphors of discipleship – "salt of the earth" and "light of the world." How do thee simple metaphors help you understand the challenge of discipleship?



Isaiah 58:7-10 – In today's reading, the prophet Isaiah issued a call to action to the Israelites to clothe, feed, and shelter the hungry and homeless in their midst. According to Isaiah, how will God respond to these acts of compassion?

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 – As Paul reflects on his early encounters with the Christians in Corinth, he recalls his fundamental proclamation of "Jesus Christ, and him crucified." What do you find appealing in Paul's message?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 5, 2017

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

January 29, 2017

Sunday's Offertory\$6,804.00
 Mailed-In Offertory81,340.00
 Total Offertory for the week\$8,144.00
 Church in Latin America\$128.00

Weekly Average 2017 \$10,176.50

Children's Contribution\$5.25

* Helped Grandma..... Matthew

* Praying for the homeless and the sick Shawna, Reese,
 Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1496

Number of Envelopes Used.....165

Number of Children's Envelopes Used 2

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TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
 BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART
*Continuing on Tuesdays at
 St. Anthony Parish Hall @ 5:30 am*

Save the Date!!
St. Anthony Men's ACTS Retreat
March 30 - April 2, 2017

Registration Forms are available at the doors of the Church... and may be turned in at the Rectory office.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 6

6:15 a.m.:

Tuesday, February 7

12:00 p.m.: Dr. Neil Forbes; Penny Schneider (*Birthday*);
 Stewart Paul Rozas; Oliver Fontenot (*Liv.*); Juanita F. Miller

Wednesday, February 8

6:15 a.m.: Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Lois & Jack Miller;
 Maria del Pilar Parrie; M/M Selden Fontenot

Thursday, February 9

12:00 p.m.: Hilda M. Roche; Stewart Paul Rozas; Mary
 Harrington (*Anniversary of Death*); Emery Henry (*Anniversary of Death*)

Friday, February 10

6:15 a.m.:

Saturday, February 11

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Leonce
 Thibodeaux; Shirley Janot; Luke Everette Fontenot; Melanie
 Arnaud (*Anniversary of Death*); Kirk Stelly; Leon Stelly

Sunday, February 12

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau;
 Hilda Roche-Diaz; Carla F. Miller; James Merlin
 Fruge (*Birthday*)

9:00 a.m.: Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Wilda
 Hollier; Ross Michael Andrus; M/M C.A. Penn; Frankie
 LaFleur; Chassity Sittig; J.D. & Marshall Arabie;
 Stewart Paul Rozas; M/M Johnny Godeaux; Loreta
 Godeaux; James & Ruth Marvin; Jeffery Babineaux;
 M/M Sidney Babineaux; Dean Godeaux family (*Liv.*)

11:00 a.m.: Jeanne Fontenot; Michelle Brown

6:00 p.m.:

PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2017

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Abadie	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Janice Aguillard, Vergie Ardoin, Mitch Fontenot, Dora Johnson	Randall McElwee	Alex Fontenot, Samuel Hebert, Ariana Manuel, MacKenzie Manuel
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Barry Soileau, Barbara Thibodeaux, Glenda Young	Lisa Miller	Madison Comeau, Anna Belle Fontenot, Christopher Fuselier, Aiden Veillon
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Ed Benoit, René Benoit	John Debarge	Aelie Beaugh, Anna Chapman, Hannayh Benoit, Rebecca Benoit
11:00 a.m. ACTS Return Mass	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, ACTS Members	ACTS Member	John-Michael Fruge, Gavin Oliver, Vincent Thibodeaux MC: Needed Thurifer: Jacque Richard
6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Rickey Aguillard, Debbie DeRouen, Brayden Baspard	Life Teen Member	Dominic Dupre, Phillip Fontenot, Camille Leger, Abby Miller

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Lillie Mae Aucoin, Gail Landreneau, David Frey, Mary Valerie LeJeune, Anita Masar, Darlene Faul, Emmitt Manuel, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Mary Lou Guillory, Russell Courville, Suzanne

DeRouen, Elaine C. Guillory, Maril Fontenot, Diana Bertrand, Craig Durbin, David Stearns, Michael Folse, C.J. Godeaux, Karen LeJeune, Betty Durham, Suzanne Derouen, Rene Duplechain, Haley Dupre Touts, Dr. F.J. DeRouen, Linda Gaudin, Lenard Craig, Adam 'Brother' Johnson, Rena Mae Manuel, Dornetta Duplechain, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Judge Frank & Elaine McGee, Christine Duplechin, Amanda Prather, Leroy Vige, Charles & Judy Francois, Roger Gillard, Cynthia & Roger Trahan, Ethel Meche, Mabel Courville, Calvin Lavergne, Johnny Hall, Belinda Francois, J.B. LeJeune, Lucas Huckaby (*baby*), Lynette James, Grace Fontenot, Lindsay Henry, Mary Montelaro, Joan Burson, Vivian Vidrine, Kevin McGee.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:
www.parishesonline.com

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, February 6

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund High School Mass -- 1:20 p.m.
Faith Formation (C.C.D.) Elem. classes -- 3:30 p.m.
Faith Formation (C.C.D.) Jr. High classes -- 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 7

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Men's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.

Wednesday, February 8

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / SEE Mass -- 8:00 a.m.
Men's ACTS Mission Formation -- 6:00 p.m. at K.C. Hall in Ville Platte.
S.G.S. -- 6:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Parish Hall.

Thursday, February 9

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Women's A.C.T.S. Retreat (Feb. 9-12) at A.B.C.

Friday, February 10

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Mass -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, February 11

C.D.A. Bake Sale this weekend
Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 12

Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.
A.C.T.S. Return Mass & Reception -- 11:00 a.m.
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.
Confirmation Classes -- 7:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.

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- † Pilgrimage chaplain with daily Mass
- † Breakfast daily

For more information, contact: Kelly Pitre at klpitre@gmail.com or (337) 305-0466.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Brother being able to eat again.
- 2) Son's medical help.

Adorers needed for the following hours starting at: Sat. 12 am, 4 pm, 12 pm

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am; Wed 8 am; Thurs 11 am, 4 pm; Fri 7 am; Sat 3 pm, 4 pm

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National Marriage Week:

Every February 7-14, it is an opportunity to promote, celebrate and strengthen marriage

***Amoris Laetitia*:**

Pope Francis's exhortation "*The Joy of Love*," (April 2016) about marriage and family life

- "The word of God tells us that the family is entrusted to a man, a woman and their children, so that they may become a communion of persons in the image of the union of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit" (no. 29).
- "Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth" (no. 30).
- "No one can think that the weakening of the family as that natural society founded on marriage will prove beneficial to society as a whole" (no. 52).
- "The sacrament [of marriage] is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses" (no. 72).
- "The Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches" (no. 87).
- "In our families, we must learn to imitate Jesus' own gentleness in our way of speaking to one another" (no. 100).
- "Love opens our eyes and enables us to see, beyond all else, the great worth of a human being" (no. 128).

For more resources on *Amoris Laetitia*, visit www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/amoris-laetitia.cfm

For resources to prepare for marriage or strengthen your marriage and family, visit www.foryourmarriage.org



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