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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

PAROCHIAL VICAR:

Rev. Fr. Matthew Hebert

DEACONS:

Deacon Gary Gaudin
Deacon Korey LaVergne

“Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son”
(cf. Acts 16:14b)



St. Anthony of Padua
Women's ACTS Retreat
September 21-24, 2017

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

Women's ACTS RETREAT

We are happy today to welcome the Women's ACTS Retreat [September 21 - 24, 2017] at the 11:00 a.m. return mass. I appreciate all parishioners' concern and prayers for the retreat. I also appreciate those who made the retreat. Let us be one in thanking and praising God for His good work in our lives.

Upcoming Events

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary has a church social following the 9:00 a.m. mass on Sunday, October 1, 2017. This social is a thank-you social for the Bazaar workers and for Deacon Korey Lavergne [who will be returning to school in the middle of October].

St. Anthony of Padua has a Church Family Picnic on Sunday, October 15, 2017 following the 11:00 a.m. mass. Also, at this picnic we will be able to express thanks to Deacon Korey Lavergne [who will be returning to school shortly after October 15, 2016].

The Team giving the next Men's ACTS Retreat commences their formation on October 4, 2017. This begins a 13-week formation in preparation for the retreat scheduled for January 25-28, 2018. At the 11:00 a.m. mass on October 8, 2017 we welcome these men as we commission them for this ministry. Parishioners of both Annunciation and St. Anthony are asked to keep them in prayer as well as the men God sends to the retreat.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION: Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

ANSWER: St. Jerome (345-420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin. Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366-384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in

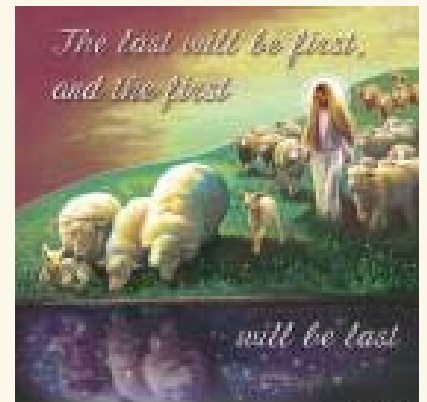
quality.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pope Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

Gospel for the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A – Matthew 20:1-16a

"Are you envious because I am generous?" The landowner in today's Gospel parable surprised everyone. Contrary to standard practice, he paid all of his laborers the same wage, regardless of how many hours they had worked! Of course this was a very pleasant surprise for those who had begun their job late in the day. And, understandably, it was something of a disappointment for those who had toiled since the morning. From their perspective, they should have gotten more than the others. But in fact the landowner was not cheating anyone; he was simply being especially generous with the latecomers.

This story would have had a special meaning for the Jewish audience listening to Jesus. They, the Chosen People, were the laborers who had started at 9:00 am. They belonged to the group with a long history of worshipping the true God. Non-Jewish



Gentiles, on the other hand, had appeared late in the game. Jesus was making the point that just because he would offer the same salvation and mercy to everyone, there should be no reason for the Jews to complain. They had received their promised Messiah; so what if, in God's mercy, he allowed others who had not waited so long to be saved as well? Divine generosity is not meant to be a cause for jealousy.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 24, 2017

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

September 17, 2017

Sunday's Offertory	\$7,570.00
Mailed-In Offertory	1150.00
Online Giving	260.00
Total Offertory for the week	\$8,980.00
Catholic Charities Hurricane relief.....	\$4,728.00
<i>Weekly Average 2017</i>	<i>\$9,649.68</i>
Children's Contribution	\$5.25
* <i>Extra prayers</i>	<i>Matthew</i>
* <i>Praying for Uncle Gary.....</i>	<i>Shawna, Reese, Ariana & MacKenzie</i>
<i>Number Registered Parish Families.....</i>	<i>1494</i>
<i>Number of Envelopes Used.....</i>	<i>138</i>
<i>Number of Children's Envelopes Used.....</i>	<i>2</i>

Thank you for your generosity.

*Please remember St. Anthony Church
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

Now, we may feel removed from the concerns of those Jews. But the basic lesson remains relevant: that we ought to appreciate God's generosity, even when it reaches to those whom we may not expect God to forgive. Those who have long been faithful, for example, might think they deserve more benefits than sinners who repent late in life. But instead, we should all rejoice to see God's mercy extended to everyone, no matter when they joined the fold.

Questions of the Week

Matthew 20:1-16a - How does Jesus' teaching about the kingdom of heaven (as heard in the parable of the workers in the vineyard) invite a new way of thinking about God?



Isaiah 55:6-9 - The prophet Isaiah encourages the Israelites in Babylonian Exile to "seek the LORD ... call him while he is near." When do you find yourself calling upon the Lord?

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a - Early in his letter to the Christians living in Philippi—written while in prison—St. Paul speaks of his dilemma between wanting to be with Jesus, yet also needing to continue in his ministry to the Gentiles. When have you faced a similar spiritual paradox?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 25

6:15 a.m.: Tony Fuselier

Tuesday, September 26

12:00 p.m.: Jeanne & Cindy Miller; Helen (*Liv.*) & Donald V. Tanner Sr. (*Wedding Anniversary*); Raymond 'Poochie' Fontenot; Robert Etney Brown family (*Liv. & Dec.*); George J. "G." Bourgeois; Dorothy Bell

Wednesday, September 27

6:15 a.m.: Louis McGee Sr. (*Anniversary of Death*); Liz Moreau; Carla, Julia, Jayia Watford (*Anniversary of Death*)

Thursday, September 28

12:00 p.m.: Paul Rozas; Fred Olivier

Friday, September 29

6:15 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Dale Sittig (*Liv.*); Stanley (*Birthday*) & Ora Roy family; Wilson Patrick (*Birthday*) & Jeré Roy family (*Liv.*)

Saturday, September 30

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; M/M C.A. Penn; Jeanne & Cindy Miller; M/M Stewart Rozas; Merita Guillory; Jessie Comeaux family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Joan Schatzle-McManus; Robert E. Brown; Ed Dietz

Sunday, October 1

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Carla F. Miller, Dr. F.J. DeRouen; Vernell Soileau; Benny Dupre

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; M/M Norris Young; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Jesse Harrington (*Birthday - Liv.*); Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Dutch Spekschate; Joan Schatzle-McManus; Glen 'Butch' Marcantel; Clifton F. Seale; Gary Henry

11:00 a.m.: Sean Michael Rider (*Liv.*)

6:00 p.m.:

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

4:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Janice Aguillard, Stephanie Manuel Dr. Scott & Deborah Eckholdt	Jennifer Miller	Brennan Manuel, <i>Altar Server Needed</i> Avery & Elizabeth McGee
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Korey LaVergne, William Parrie, Ken Richard	Mark DeRouen	Evan Aucoin, Anna Fruge Christopher Fuselier <i>Altar Server Needed</i>
9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin Mitch Fontenot, <i>Need Minister</i>	Craig Soileau	Alex Fontenot, Gabby Fontenot Jack Miller, Trent Thibodeaux
11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Donnie Darbonne, Lynn Pavich Mike & Angelle Driggs	Charlotte Darbonne	Wesley & William Driggs, Isaac Russell MC: Needed Thurifer: Austin Poncho
6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Rickey Aguillard, Debbie DeRouen, Alicia LaFleur	Tony LaFleur	Dominic Dupre, <i>Altar Server Needed</i> Ariana & MacKenzie Manuel

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Bob & Chris Kukuczka, Diane West, Naomi Swanson, Viv Vidrine, Yola Belleau, Brandon Butler, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Lorita Smith, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro,

Lenard Craig, Craig Durbin, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Jo Ann DeRouen, Mary Brignac, Helen Tanner, Branson Huckaby (baby), John Kirk Feucht, Leroy Vige, Amanda, Caroline & Kentry Prather, Anita Maser, Dana Dubois Guthrie, Gail Landreneau, Dale Cormier, Susie Simien, Patsy Andrus, Mary Montelaro, Joan Burson, Sheila DeRouen, Kakee Feucht, Agnes 'Chickie' McGee, Colleen Landreneau, John Lejeune, Kathy Fruge, Evette Fall Bellow, Shirley Ortego, John Edward Thibodeaux, Pat Manuel, Andrew Aucoin, Hunter Vidrine.

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, September 25

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund High School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study -- 10:00 a.m. Parish Hall.
Elementary Faith Formation (C.C.D.) classes -- 4:00 p.m.
Jr. High Faith Formation (C.C.D.) classes -- 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study -- 6:00 p.m. St. Edmund High School

Tuesday, September 26

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund Elementary School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
Men's ACTS Mission Formation -- 6:00 p.m. KC Hall
Altar Server Training -- 6:00 p.m. in Church.
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Hall.

Thursday, September 28

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Women's ACTS Mission Retreat (*Sept. 28 - Oct. 1*) -- A.B.C.

Friday, September 29

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.
SEH Football vs. South Cameron -- 7:00 p.m. (Away)
EHS Football vs. Church Point -- 7:00 p.m. (Away)

Saturday, September 30

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Sunday Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 1

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Knights of Columbus BBQ - pick up at KC Hall.
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.
Life Night (students & parents) -- 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.



This WEEKEND...

The St. Thomas More Fall Festival 2017 will be **Friday, Sept. 22 @ 6-10 p.m.**; **Saturday, Sept. 23 @ 10-10 p.m.** and **Sunday, Sept. 24 @ 10-5 p.m.**

Friday night opens with fair rides & Bingo. Gumbo is served Saturday and Sunday beginning at noon. There will be a 5-K run and 1-mile Fun Run on Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m. at LSU-E. For more information call the St. Thomas More Parish Office at 337-457-8107.

Ride Armbands: \$20 for a 4 hour period & \$40 weekend armband. 4 Hour Ride Times: Friday 6-10 p.m.; Saturday 12-4 p.m. or 6-10 p.m.; Sunday 12-4 p.m.

You are invited...



St. Anthony Parish Family Picnic

October 15, 2017

11:00 a.m. Mass in Church

Followed by Picnic on Church grounds

Bring your snacks and lawn chairs.

Parish will provide drinks, chips, hamburgers and hot dogs.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Wednesday, September 27th at 6:00 p.m.

Any child 5th grade or older and a parishioner of St. Anthony Church -- interested in becoming an Altar Server, contact Rodney Sonnier at 457-5285.

ALL new servers **MUST** attend this training before being scheduled for weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation.



NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for October - November will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **September 25th** to get your changes into the new schedule.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



Patronize our Advertisers. They make our bulletins possible.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Conversion and healing.
- 2) New part time job.

Adorers needed for the following hours starting at: Wed 8 am, 12 noon, 5 pm, Sat. 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm, 12 midnight

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

To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.



St. Anthony of Padua Women's A.C.T.S. Retreat September 21-24, 2017

Retreatants:

Sue Andrepont
Krystal Arnaud
Mona Bertrand
Carylon Bordelon
Joanne Brinkman
Alana Daigle
Mamie David
Michelle DeRouen
Michelle Deville
Hope Dupuis
Angela Fontenot

Cindy Fontenot
Margaret Frey
Richlynn Fruge
Bridgette Hebert
Monica Hebert
Genny Kirkpatrick
Caroline Langley
Angie Leger
Eva Leger
Christina Lejeune
Gail LeJeune

Colleen Leonards
Angela Matt
Kathy Moore
Debbie Ortego
Deanna Prather
Jennifer Reed
Debbie Seilhan
Janet Southall
Susan Vigeé
Lauren West

“Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son”

Cf. Acts 16:14b

Team:

Angie Aguiard
Rachel Andrus
Candy Atteberry
Megan Aymond
Katie Beaugh
Skye Bergeron
Holly Bertrand
Tricia Bertrand
Martina Courville
Charlotte Darbonne
Meghan Darbonne
Jennifer David

Julie Fontenot
Kayla Fontenot
Michelle George
Leola Granger
Jackie Griffin
Emily LaCombe
Dayna LaFleur
Sheila Lane
Gidget LeJeune
Laura Lombas
Stephanie Manuel
Candase Martel

Cathy Miller
Lydia Moreau
Haley Ortego
Gisele Rasmussen
Joan Richard
Msgr. Robert Romero
Rachel Smith
McKenzie Thibeaux
Stephanie Trahan
Jan Ward
Suzanne Wimerley
Rachel Young

Jennifer David
Director

Jackie Griffin
Co-Director

Suzanne Wimerley
Co-Director

Stephanie Manuel
Spiritual Companion

Msgr. Robert Romero
Spiritual Director