

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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)

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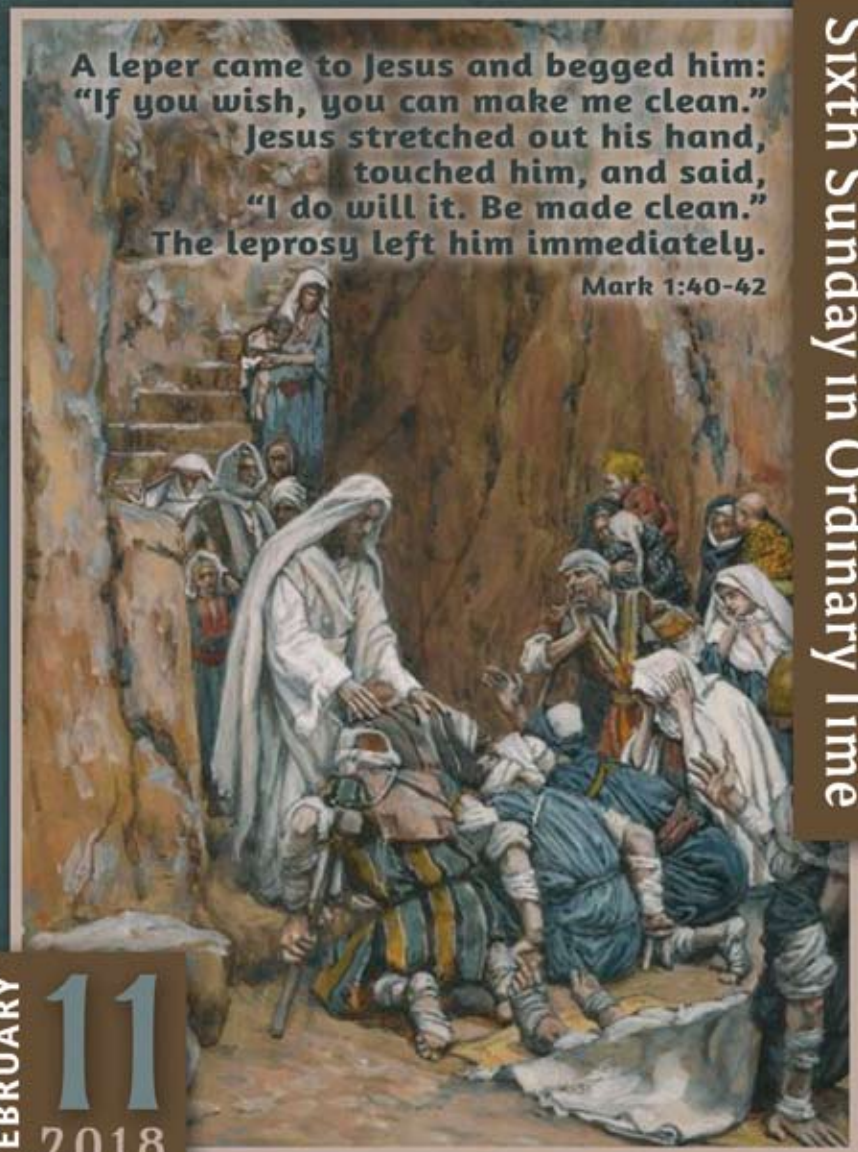
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A leper came to Jesus and begged him:  
"If you wish, you can make me clean."  
Jesus stretched out his hand,  
touched him, and said,  
"I do will it. Be made clean."  
The leprosy left him immediately.

Mark 1:40-42

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

### Bishop's Services Appeal

We continue the Introductions of this year's Bishop's Services Appeal with the **IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKEND** today. We ask parishioners to please commit to the Bishop's Services Appeal. We need all parishioners to join in supporting the works of Christ.

I know that with the great demands on our charity we are stretched thin. Please bring to God the B.S.A. needs and your resources. Ask God to direct you and follow his call. One measure we may consider as we are stretched is to commit a minimum of what we give to the church divided by 10 (as the B.S.A. is a 10 month campaign.) So if we give in the regular church collection \$10 a Sunday that is \$40 a month, then dividing \$40 by 10 months we get \$4 a month to pledge. This is only an example of how we may be able to participate when we find we are stretched thinly. If God calls us to give more, in faith and trust and love of God we try to follow God's call.

The Diocesan Goal for this year's B.S.A. is \$2,644,882. Each parish has a goal so that the Diocesan Goal can be reached. The Goal for Annunciation is \$5,033. The Goal for St. Anthony is \$35,669. If the Diocesan Goal and the Parish Goal is reached, the parish receives a rebate for any overage. For example, if Annunciation gives \$6,000, then Annunciation receives a rebate of half of the overage. In this example it would be half of \$967 which is \$483.50. Or if St. Anthony gave \$40,000, then the overage is \$4,331. In this example it would be half of \$4,331 which is \$2,165.50. I pray each parishioner can participate in the Appeal. Let us all together support the works of Christ.

### World Day of Marriage

As today is the second Sunday of February, World Day of Marriage is observed. It is a good time to look at the importance of the Sacrament of Marriage in the life of the church. Those who are members of Christ through Baptism look upon marriage as a sacrament, an outward sign of God's grace. *The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church* in answer to question 341 says: "Christ not only restored the original order of matrimony but raised it to the dignity of a sacrament, giving spouses a special grace to live out their marriage as a symbol of Christ's love for his bride the Church: 'Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the Church.' (Ephesians 5:25)." Please find in this bulletin those who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at Annunciation and St. Anthony in 2017. Also within the list of couples are the words for the Prefaces for Holy Matrimony, giving us an exposition of the grace lived in this sacrament. Let us pray that these couples and all marriage couples may bless us with this lived grace.

### Mardi Gras and Lent

We begin our annual Lenten Time this Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018. Lent is a time we prepare to celebrate the Lord's dying and rising at the Easter Triduum. We intensify our growth in Jesus by putting away sin and living in the freedom of God's family, as God's sons and daughters. So let us remember to keep Jesus in Mardi Gras. Use Mardi Gras as a means of merriment (not sin) before beginning the time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving of Lent.

Please find **Operation Rice Bowls** and the *Lent 2018 The Word Among Us* at the Church doors as means to assist us on our Lenten journey. The **Stations of the Cross** are celebrated at St. Anthony on Fridays of Lent at 12:00 p.m. and at Annunciation on Fridays of Lent at 5:30 p.m. These Stations of the Cross will not be celebrated on Good Friday.

### Lenten Missions

- At Annunciation of the BVM, we have a Lenten Mission Scheduled for 6:00 p.m. each night of February 19, 20, 21, 2018. Father Chris Cambre is the Mission Director. The theme is "Why the Cross".
- At St. Anthony of Padua, we have a Lenten Mission Scheduled for 6:00 p.m. each night of March 19, 20, 21, 2018. Msgr. John Grisback is the Mission Director. The theme is "Intentional Discipleship".

### WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** Carnivale and Mardi Gras celebrations are linked to Ash Wednesday, Lent, fast and abstinence. Can you tell us more about the connections between these events?

**Answer:** Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the forty days known as Lent. Every year, Christians highlight this penitential season as a time of self-examination, reformation of one's life, and continued development of a deeper spiritual life. The recommended practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become the focus of Lenten activity and ritual. Each of these spiritual practices is aimed at personal discipline as well as continued concern for the other, especially the poor or alienated.

Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God's mission. Relying on God's providence and care, no matter how difficult life becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially stricter, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish, or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning "goodbye to meat," or Mardi Gras, literally meaning "Fat Tuesday." The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday. Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern for the poor. What are you doing for the poor this Lent?

### Gospel for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – Mk 1:40-45

We may not like it, but generosity and risk often go hand-in-hand. At least, that's what Jesus shows us in today's Gospel as a leper approaches him for healing. Until the nineteenth century, lepers were shunned to the margins of society for fear of spreading the disease. To touch a leper was to risk becoming unclean yourself. In today's Gospel, Jesus defies convention. "*Moved with pity, he reached out his hand, [and] touched him.*" The leper is healed! But this is not the only risk Jesus takes.



# SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 11, 2018

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## STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

February 4, 2018

Sunday's Offertory .....	\$8,087.00
Mailed-In Offertory .....	85.00
Online Giving .....	230.00
Total Offertory for the week .....	\$8,402.00
Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund.....	\$1,545.00
Weekly Average 2018 .....	\$8,957.30
Children's Contribution .....	\$5.00

\* Extra prayers ..... Matthew

\* Praying for Uncle Gary in heaven ..... Shawna, Reese,  
Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1504

Number of Envelopes Used.....123

Number of Children's Envelopes Used..... 1

### Thank you for your generosity.

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

## MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

Before Jesus heals the man, he knows full well the desperate nature of his situation. Jesus knows that this man will be overjoyed upon being healed and that he just might tell everyone he knows. For a Messiah looking to temporarily fly under the radar, healing this particular leper might not be the best idea. Jesus heals anyway.

It can be easy to become calculated in our giving. If I go out of my way to help this person, how will it affect my reputation? How will this charitable donation affect my budget? How could I possibly make time to volunteer regularly? In today's Gospel, Jesus casts these concerns aside. He touches the untouchable. He reaches the unreachable. For his efforts, he receives a betrayal of his request for silence. "The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter." Before long "it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly." Jesus is forced to remain "outside in the deserted places." It would appear, perhaps, that he is unable to accomplish his mission.

When we take a risk to be generous, things might not follow the prescribed path. We might be disappointed. We also might be surprised! Our witness to radical generosity is attractive to a world in desperate need. Indeed, when Jesus took risks for love, "People kept coming to him from everywhere."

### Questions of the Week

**First Reading** – Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 - Ancient Israelites quarantined those suffering from leprosy out of fear the disease would spread to others. In what ways does our society make rules out of fear of the other?

**Second Reading** – 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 - Paul places a high premium on being Christ-like to others, inviting the Corinthian Christians to imitate him in this regard. What in Paul's life do you think post-modern believers should imitate?

**Gospel Reading** – Mark 1:40-45 - What was the unintended consequence experienced by Jesus as a result of healing the leper? Did this surprise you?

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, February 12

6:15 a.m.: L.J. Vidrine; Cynthia Fuselier; Delvyn & Bertha Morine; Curtis, Marie & Claud Craig

### Tuesday, February 13 - Mardi Gras

8:00 a.m.: Zula Thibodeaux Arabie; Paul Rozas; Beatrice Leonards (*Anniv. of Death*); Souls in Purgatory; Manuel family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Julius Bischoff

### Wednesday, February 14

#### Ash Wednesday

6:00 a.m.: Anthony 'Tony' Andrepont; Norma Jean Miller; Frankie LaFleur

12:00 p.m.: Tony Fuselier; Ross Andrus; Jack & Lois Miller; Blake Feucht; Kevin & Stephanie Ricks (*Liv.*); Thomas & Edna Bolfa; Lillie Young; Glenn Durbin

6:00 p.m.: Ed Dietz family

### Thursday, February 15

12:00 p.m.: Leona Berken; Rev. Alfred Bacciochi (*Pastor*)

### Friday, February 16

6:15 a.m.: Donald 'Butch' Ashford; Liz Moreau

### Saturday, February 17

4:00 p.m.: Merita Guillory; Glenn Durbin; Joan Schatzle-McManus; Norris Young; Louis & Amelia Fontenot family; Ed Dietz; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Mary Lou & Shelton Boone; Jeanne Miller; Cindy Miller; Tara Aguiard

### Sunday, February 18

#### First Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Bill (*Liv.*) & Pilar Parrie; Dr. F. J. DeRouen; Vernell Soilau

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Elton Thibodeaux

11:00 a.m.: Joan Schatzle-McManus

6:00 p.m.:

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

### ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018

6:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Den. Gary Gaudin, Charles Feucht, Todd & Debbie Ortego	Jude Huckaby	<i>Altar Servers Needed</i>
12:00 p.m.	<b>Fr. Hebert</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Angie Aguiard, Vergie Ardoin, Lynn Pavich, Candy Atteberry	Tara LeBlanc	<i>Altar Servers Needed</i>
6:00 p.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Kim Miller, Barry Soileau Michael Ward, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Jennifer Miller	Juliana Arnaud, Bailey Conde <i>Altar Servers Needed</i>

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

4:00 p.m.	<b>Fr. Hebert</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Dr. Scott & Deborah Eckholdt, Michael Lombas, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Mark DeRouen	Emma Clause, Anna Fruge, Brennon Thompson, Kaden Thompson
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### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

7:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Ken Richard, Norma Diaville, William Parrie	Jacque Pucheu	Juliette & Robert Broussard, Anna Chapman, Aidan Thibodeaux
9:00 a.m.	<b>Fr. Hebert</b>	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Shelia Aucoin, Denise LeBouef	Karl Aucoin	Peyton LaCombe, MacKenzie Manuel, Ariana Manuel, Kennadi Thibodeaux
11:00 a.m.	<b>Fr. Hebert</b>	Donnie Darbonne, Glenn Brown, Barbara Thibodeaux, Kayla Fontenot, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Randall McElwee	Hunter & Seth Aucoin, Austin Miller <b>MC: Needed</b> <b>Thurifer: Jack Miller</b>
6:00 p.m.	<b>Fr. Hebert</b>	Hayden Gaspard, Jeff & Angel McGee	Life Teen Member	Jillian DeVillier, Dominic Dupre, Harry Summerlin III, Blake Summerlin

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER



**Please pray for:** Gracie Zaunbrecher, Hubert J. Blanchard, Rose Comeaux, Cynthia Price, Carl Comeaux, Marcus Venable, Helen Tanner, Edmund & Alberta Frey, Erika Dupont, Sheila DeRouen, Leroy Vige, Patricia Sittig, Sally Fontenot, Royne Fontenot, Susan Semien, Ann Duran, Evette Fall Bellow, John Landreneau, Gail Landreneau, Joan Burson, Pamela Lejeune Deville, Doug Bergeron, Pauline Miller, Randy Courville, Cathy Bergeron, Colleen Landreneau, Pat Manuel, Loretta West, Roger 'Yogi' Hollier, Lisa Miller, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Lenard Craig, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Elaine Moosa.

*Pray for our troops & peace in the world!*

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Monday, February 12

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

### Tuesday, February 13 - Mardi Gras

**Rectory Office is Closed**

**\*\*Daily Mass -- 8:00 a.m. -- NO noon Mass.**

### Ash Wednesday, February 14

Mass Schedule -- 6:00 a.m., 12:00 noon & 6:00 p.m.  
St. Edmund All School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.

### Thursday, February 15

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Women's ACTS Mission Retreat (February 15-18)

Men's ACTS Retreat Reunion -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall  
Knights of Columbus -- 7:00 p.m. at KC Hall

### Friday, February 16

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

### Saturday, February 17

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

### Sunday, February 18

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m. / Life Night -- 7:00 p.m.

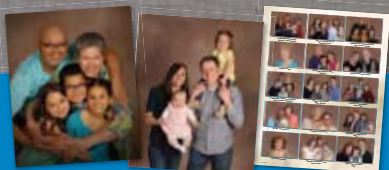
Confirmation Session # 4 -- 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall



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## St. Anthony of Padua Parish Directory

**Dates:** Feb. 20-24 & March 6-10

**Times:** Tuesdays (12-5 p.m.)

Wednesdays - Saturdays (2-8:40 p.m.)

*Call the Rectory to put your name on a list to be contacted and set your appointment.*

Register online at:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y87pgvc6/>

**Save the Date!!**

**HAPPY DAYS...**

**June 18-21, 2018**



## ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Lent begins **Ash Wednesday**, Feb. 14, 2018. The Mass schedule for Wednesday is 6:00 a.m., 12 noon and 6:00 p.m. Ashes will be distributed following the homily.



**Reminder:** Tuesday (Feb. 13) is Mardi Gras -- **NO noon Mass** -- Mass @ 8:00 a.m.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRIED FISH DINNER

St. Anthony's Knights of Columbus Council 1745 is sponsoring a Fish Fry on **Friday, February 16, 2018**. The price for each dinner is \$8.00 and comes with fried fish, chips, coleslaw and a drink. You can pick up your Fried Fish Dinner on Friday from **4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Eunice. You may purchase a ticket this weekend after all masses this weekend or contact any Knight.



**K of C Council 1745**

## FRIED FISH DINNER

catfish, chips, coleslaw & drink

Friday, February 16, 2018 pick up: 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
@ KC Hall • 300 South 2nd St. • Eunice, LA

**Donation.....\$8.00**

# World Day of Marriage

*“Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the Church”* (Ephesians 5:25)

## WEDDINGS 2017

### Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Duralde, LA

Rowdy Fontenot &  
Joan Leonards – April 29

John Jesse Fontenot &  
Sydney Kate McGehee – July 14

Michael Scott Fontenot &  
Britany Nicole Guidry – September 22

Samuel Casey Ortego &  
Lanie Denise Lejeune – October 14

John Mark Ortego &  
Bethany Sanders – November 12

### *From Ritual Masses For the Celebration of Marriage* *Preface: The dignity of the marriage covenant.*

... For you have forged the covenant of marriage as a sweet yoke of harmony and an unbreakable bond of peace, so that the chaste and fruitful love of holy Matrimony may serve to increase the children you adopt as your own.

By your providence and grace, O Lord, you accomplish the wonder of this twofold design: that, while the birth of children brings beauty to the world, their rebirth in Baptism gives increase to the Church, through Christ our Lord. ...

### St. Anthony of Padua - Eunice, LA

Michael Paul Fruge &  
Christiana Lane Guillory – February 24

Robert Gale Quirk, III &  
Elena Simone Guillory – April 21

Mason Trent Ortego &  
Caroline Elizabeth Aguillard – April 28

Robert Alexander Morris &  
Haley Elizabeth Vidrine – May 12

Justin Rhett Manuel &  
Kaitlin Ann Thibodeaux – June 9

Justin Todd Daigle &  
Alanna Angelle Jacobs – June 16

Grant Joseph Manuel &  
Heather Marie Bieber – July 28

Jerome Kirk Perron &  
Heather Renee Lafleur – August 3

### *From Ritual Masses For the Celebration of Marriage* *Preface: The great Sacrament of Matrimony.*

... For in him you have made a new covenant with your people, so that, as you have redeemed man and woman by the mystery of Christ's Death and Resurrection, so in Christ you might make them partakers of divine nature and joint heirs with him of heavenly glory.

In the union of husband and wife you give a sign of Christ's loving gift of peace, so that the Sacrament we celebrate might draw us back more deeply into the wondrous design of your love...

Alex James Haller &  
Chelsey Paige Sanders – September 1

Logan Blake Cormier &  
Morgan Rae Dubroc – October 13

Derrick Rocky Gautreaux &  
Leslie Katherine Feucht – October 27

Ray Allen Rougeau &  
Feloman Lee Castille – November 20

Randall Joseph Reed &  
Carla Denise King – November 30

Nicholas Jay Daigle &  
Emily Jo Ratcliff – December 1

Kalob Patrick Zaunbrecher &  
Richlyn Claire Ortego – December 15

Buck John Langlinais, Jr. &  
Nikke Andre Sonnier – December 16

Brock Dale Boudreaux &  
Nicole Lee Thibodeaux – December 29

### *From Ritual Masses For the Celebration of Marriage* *Preface: Matrimony as a sign of divine love.*

... For you willed that the human race, created by the gift of your goodness, should be raised to such high dignity that in the union of husband and wife you might bestow a true image of your love.

For those you created out of charity you call to the law of charity without ceasing And grant them a share in your eternal charity.

And so, the Sacrament of holy Matrimony, as the abiding sign of your own love, consecrates the love of man and woman, through Christ our Lord.

### RESOURCES ON THE INTERNET:

[marriageuniqueforareason.org](http://marriageuniqueforareason.org)  
[foryourmarriage.org](http://foryourmarriage.org)      [portumatrimonio.org](http://portumatrimonio.org)