

# 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)

## PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

## PAROCHIAL VICAR:

Rev. Fr. Travis Abadie

## DEACON:

Deacon Gary Gaudin

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ME, will never die.  
John 11:26*



**St. Anthony of Padua Men's ACTS Retreat  
March 30 - April 2, 2017**

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

### Men's ACTS RETREAT

We are happy today to welcome the Men's ACTS Retreat [March 30 – April 2, 2017] at the 11:00 a.m. return mass. I appreciate all parishioners' concerns 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.

### Confessions before the Easter Triduum

We have a Tri-Parish Lenten Penance Service in Eunice on Monday, April 10, 2017 at St. Anthony Church at 6:00 p.m. We ordinarily have confessions on Saturday at St. Anthony beginning at 3:00 p.m. ending 15 minutes before the 4:00 p.m. mass. Confessions are heard before other masses at both Annunciation and St. Anthony 30 minutes before masses and ending 15 minutes before mass. **The last day for confessions before the Easter Triduum is Wednesday, April 12, 2017.** Confessions resume on Easter Monday, April 17, 2017. Parishioners are encouraged to prepare for the Easter Triduum and Easter by striving to meet Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that is Confession before the Easter Triduum.

### CRS Rice Bowls

Continuing our Lenten Journey, please keep the CRS Rice Bowls in mind. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to view videos of people whose lives are touched by your support of CRS Rice Bowl. You can also find fun activities for your family. As Lent comes to a close, place your Rice Bowl in the container near St. Joseph statue at both Annunciation and St. Anthony. The pick-up date for the Rice Bowls is April 9, 2017.

### WHY DO WE DO THAT?

#### CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

**Question:** Lent always helps me renew my relationship with God. What can I do to achieve that the rest of the year?

**Answer:** The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthful food and get enough vitamins and rest.

Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year-round keeps us in spiritual shape! It is like Lent helps our souls build spiritual muscle. So for the rest of the year outside of Lent, keep the habit.

### Two Wolves

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, the battle is between two wolves inside us all."

"One is Evil – It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego."

"The other is Good – it is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

### Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Cycle A - John 11:1-45

*"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."* As we draw near to the great feast of Easter, the Church gives us here some food for thought regarding the idea of resurrection and eternal life. Today's Gospel shares the story of a dead man who came to life again by the power of Jesus. Lazarus, who had been lying lifeless in a tomb for four days, "came out" of the tomb, burial cloths draped around his body, in a moment that must have been absolutely astonishing! This miracle could not have been explained by anything other than divine power over life and death.

It is important to consider that this story is not so much about Jesus' own resurrection but rather it is about *ours*. Jesus uses the occasion of this restoration of his friend, Lazarus, to teach that we *all* can be raised to new life through the power of the Lord. Jesus tells us that we too can overcome death by believing in him: *"everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."*

Easter, of course, will confirm for us that death has no power over the God of life. But today, during these closing days of Lent, we are reminded that we can share in this source of life by believing in Jesus. So now is a perfect time to double-check our faith in him. Is it authentic? Do we really accept the supernatural reality of who Jesus is? Do we believe that he can conquer even the most frightening moment of human existence: death itself? If we find ourselves falling short of faith in these things, let us

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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 2, 2017

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## STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

March 26, 2017

Sunday's Offertory .....\$8,532.00

Mailed-In Offertory ..... 1,190.00

Total Offertory for the week .....\$9,722.00

Weekly Average 2017 ..... \$9,914.53

Children's Contribution .....\$5.25

\* Donated money ..... Matthew

\* Praying for the sick ..... Shawna, Reese,  
Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1496

Number of Envelopes Used.....180

Number of Children's Envelopes Used ..... 2

**Thank you for your generosity.**

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

## MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

turn to the Lord and ask that he will increase our faith so that, with Martha, we can truly say, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God."

### Questions for the Week

**John 11:1-45** - Jesus shows a range of emotions (from weeping to anger) in the story of the raising of Lazarus. What does this teach us about Jesus' humanity?

**Ezekiel 37:12-14** - Ezekiel was a sixth century BC prophet during Israel's exile in Babylon. How do you imagine the captive Israelites reacted to his vision of the dry bones?

**Romans 8:8-11** - Paul challenged the Christians in Rome to see their faith in the resurrected Christ in new ways. What is Paul's point here in asserting believers are now living "in the spirit"?

*Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero*

## UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE!

St. Anthony Parish will begin Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible on **Mondays, April 3-May 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. -or- 6:00 p.m.** For more information or to sign up, fill out a form found on the tables located in the back of church, then return to rectory - or - contact: Stephanie Guillory at 580-6784; Debbie DeRouen at 288-7402; Joe Feucht at 496-4000.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, April 3

**6:15 a.m.:** Ivette F. Beauchamp (*Liv.*); Ruby Manuel (*Liv.*); Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Tuesday, April 4

**12:00 p.m.:** Stewart Paul Rozas; Kamille Cormier (*Liv. - Birthday*); Jon Aucoin (*Birthday*); Rita Rozas Broussard; Thelma Vige (*3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary*); John 'Nookie' Savoy (*Wedding Anniversary*); Joan McManus (*Liv.*); Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Wednesday, April 5

**6:15 a.m.:** James Dale LeJeune; Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Thursday, April 6

**12:00 p.m.:** Dulva & Marie Miller; M/MEtney 'Kit' Fontenot; Tom Stang; Al Ryan (*Liv.*); Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Friday, April 7

**6:15 a.m.:** Denise L. Hanks; August & Beatrice Leonards; Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Saturday, April 8

**4:00 p.m.:** Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Leonce Thibodeaux; Maria del Pilar Parrie; Leon Stelly; Kirk Stelly; Stewart Paul Rozas; Anna & Thomas Manuel; Lena Manuel family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Mary Lou Boone; Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

### Sunday, April 9

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

**7:00 a.m.:** St. Anthony Parishioners; Carla F. Miller

**9:00 a.m.:** Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Frankie LaFleur; M/M Norris Young; Hilda M. Roche (*Birthday*); J.C. Labbie; Haidee DeRouen; J.D. & Marshall Arabic; M/M Johnny Godeaux; Loreta Godeaux; James & Ruth Marvin; Jeffery Babineaux; M/M Sidney Babineaux; Dean Godeaux family (*Liv.*); Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Julius Bischoff; Sheila DeRouen (*Liv.*)

**11:00 a.m.:** Gracie Zaunbrecher (*Liv.*)

**6:00 p.m.:**

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

### SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017

4:00 p.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Mike Driggs, Angelle Driggs, Dora Johnson, Barry Soileau	Jude Huckaby	Wesley Driggs, William Driggs, Kiley Tausin, Brennon Thompson
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### SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

7:00 a.m.	<b>Fr. Abadie</b>	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, William Parrie, Ken Richard	Craig Soileau	Anna Chapman, Anna Belle Fontenot, Christopher Fuselier, Isaac Russell
9:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Ed Benoit, René Benoit	Jennifer Miller	Hannah Benoit, Rebecca Benoit, Leo Richard, Simon Richard
11:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Jr. Bergeron, Samantha Bertrand, Donnie Darbonne, Glenda Young	Rachel Smith	Juliette & Robert Broussard, Gavin Oliver <b>MC: Needed</b> <b>Thurifer: Jacqué Richard</b>
6:00 p.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Angie Aguillard, Janice Aguillard, Alicia LaFleur	Tony LaFleur	Phillip Fontenot, Samual Hebert, Austin Miller, Jack Miller

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER



**Please pray for:** 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, J.B. LeJeune, Lucas Huckaby (*baby*), Lynette James, Grace Fontenot, Lindsay Henry, Mary Montelaro, Joan Burson, Vivian Vidrine, Sheila DeRouen, Alicia LaFleur, Gail Landreneau, Delores Labbie, Logan Landry, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Mary Lou Guillory, Joan McManus, Agnes ‘Chickie’ McGee, Susan Boone, Darlene Faul, Diane Derouen, Nelwyn Moore, Clyde Fruge, Dana Dubois Guthrie, Rene Duplechain, Alida Berzas, Belinda Francois, Anita Maser, Mark Hunter Vidrine, Ed Dietz, Tony Fuselier, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Mary LeJeune.

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

**For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:**  
[www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Monday, April 3

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
SEH Mass -- 1:20 p.m.  
C.D.A. -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall  
Bible Study -- **10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.** in Parish Hall.

### Tuesday, April 4

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

### Wednesday, April 5

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Parish Hall.

### Thursday, April 6

Ladies Altar Society -- 9:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.  
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.  
Holy Week Choir Practice -- 6:00 p.m. in Church.  
The Choice Wine -- 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

### Friday, April 7

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Mass -- 9:30 a.m.  
Way of the Cross -- 12:00 p.m. in Church.  
Baptism Class -- call the Rectory to register.

### Saturday, April 8

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

### Sunday, April 9

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.





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## ST. ANTHONY CHURCH HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Tri-Parish Lenten Penance Service

Monday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m.  
at St. Anthony Church

### Confessions...

Confessions will **NOT** be scheduled after  
Wednesday (April 12)

Confession schedule resumes Monday (April 17)

### Holy Week Mass Schedule

Monday & Wednesday -- Mass @ 6:15 a.m.

Tuesday -- Mass @ 12:00 p.m.

### Holy Thursday -- April 13

Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 6:30 p.m.

(Adoration is suspended for the Easter Triduum --  
Chapel will close at 6:00 p.m. on Holy Thursday and will  
reopen at 7:00 a.m. on Easter Monday.)

### Good Friday -- April 14

Service @ 3:00 p.m.

(Day of Fast & Abstinence)

### Holy Saturday -- April 15

Easter Vigil Mass @ 8:00 p.m.

(No 4:00 p.m. Mass & No Confessions)

### Easter Sunday -- April 16

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

\*\* No 6:00 p.m. Life Teen Mass \*\*

Pastoral Council nominations are being accepted at  
St. Anthony of Padua Church.  
Two (2) positions are opened.

Nomination Form for St. Anthony Pastoral Council  
NOMINATIONS CLOSE APRIL 28, 2017 @ noon

Msgr. Romero, I nominate for the  
St. Anthony of Padua Pastoral Council:

[Print]

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person nominating [Print]:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone of person nominating: \_\_\_\_\_

*Deliver this Nomination to the church office or  
place in the collection basket.*

## EASTER DECORATIONS

You may wish to make a donation towards paying for Altar flowers and decorations for the church. Your donation (*in a separate envelope*) can be put into any collection basket or dropped off at the Rectory. If you would like to make the donation in memory of a loved one (*living or deceased*), please write their names on the envelope.



## RETURNING RICE BOWLS

The Rice Bowls are due on Sunday, April 9, 2017. Please return your Rice Bowl donation / box to the container in front of St. Joseph's Altar.



# St. Anthony of Padua Men's A.C.T.S. Retreat March 30 - April 2, 2017

## Retreatants:

Caleb Aguillard	David Gaspard	David Reed
Drake Aguillard	Keith James	Jed Reviere
André Aucoin	Dustin Jenkins	Kent Rozas
Anthony 'Kip' Bertrand	Scott Klein	Donald Thibodeaux
David Bollich	Cody LaCombe	Joe Veillon
Kirk Bollich	Lynn Landreneau	Gary Vidrine
Kelly Boone, Jr.	Brent Langley	James Wallace
Kelly Boone, Sr.	Bernard LeBouef	Charles 'Carlos' Wolverton
John Cormier	Larry 'Poncho' O'Quain	John R. Young
Malcom Darbonne	William 'Bill' Pickett	Hans Zaunbrecher
Tracy Fruge	Aaron Rainville	

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*John 11:26*

## Team:

Fr. Travis Abadie	Mike George	Brooks Moreau
James 'Jr.' Bergeron	Dr. Edward 'Ed' Graul	Scott Nelson
Glenn Brown	Michael Guillory	Ken Richard
Ed Caswell	Dr. Robert 'Bob' Guillory	Kevin Richard
Daniel Conde	Keefen Lacombe	Tad Richard
Chris Cormier	Ryan Mayeaux	Sean Rider
Donnie Darbonne	Clark LaFleur	Aaron Roy
Darren D'Aubin	Tony LaFleur	George Schneider
Kyle Deshotel	Glynn Michaud	Ben Sittig
Eric Duplechain	Matt Miller	Ben Smith
James Duplechain	Peter Miller	James Walleth
Richie Gaspard	Joel Mire	Randy Young

Tony LaFleur  
Director

Tad Richard  
Co-Director

Daniel Conde  
Co-Director

Fr. Travis Abadie  
Spiritual Director