

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. Matthew Hebert

DEACON:

Deacon Gary Gaudin



FIFTH SUNDAY OF

Easter

APRIL 29, 2018

By this is my Father glorified,
that you bear much fruit
and become my disciples.

John 15:8

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

Activities

St. Anthony Parish Family Picnic is today following the 11:00 a.m. mass. Parishioners are invited to attend.

St. Edmund's Spring Fair is scheduled for May 4-6, 2018. It is a great opportunity for family gathering, reunions, and new friendship developing. Everyone is invited!

Mass Count

Bishop Deshotel, in a letter dated April 12, 2018 has asked that all churches and missions in the Diocese of Lafayette take a mass count of attendances at masses for the weekends of May and October. He says, "... it [mass count] involves long range pastoral planning for the Diocese of Lafayette and data necessary for the new evangelization." He continues, "I have decided to establish a new policy and procedure for tracking Mass attendance in all Parishes and Parish Missions. Every May and October, beginning in 2018, our Jubilee Centennial Year, *I am requiring a mass attendance count for all weekend obligation Masses, Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses in May and October.*" He also tells pastors, "... this will give you useful statistics for understanding trends and keeping/adjusting weekend Mass schedules." So next weekend at both Annunciation and St. Anthony, I ask the ushers to begin the mass count. To ensure we have constant numbers, we will do it during the first reading at mass. As the ushers are moving up and down the aisles of church, I pray we are not too distracted from hearing God's Word proclaimed.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: My best friend is Lutheran and is a good Christian. I would like her to be my child's sponsor, but I'm wondering, does she have to be a practicing Catholic?

Answer: The practice of two godparents for an infant's baptism goes back to the time when church law and civil law were one and the same in Europe. If anything did happen to the parents, the custody and well-being of the child became the responsibility of the godparents.

For Adult baptism, it is required that one have a sponsor from the church who would act as a guide or mentor, in bringing the person to faith.

Today, being a godparent has no legal implications according to civil law. It is a spiritual matter. We need at least one godparent who must be a practicing Catholic. A non-Catholic Christian is not a godparent but can be a Christian witness. This distinction recognizes the difference between faith and religion. A Christian can be a witness because of his or her relationship to God (faith), but the Catholic is a mentor in the practice of the religion.

In any event, it is vital that parents give serious consideration to the people they choose to be a child's godparent. That choice should be based on practice of faith, solid moral character, and ability to give good example. Too often the choice is left to whose turn it is in the family, or to friends that parents wish to honor or acknowledge in some way. The choice of godparents is the first lesson of faith a parent teaches their child. Make it count!

Gospel of Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B – John 15:1-8

Are you ready for a trim? In today's Gospel, we hear the familiar teaching of the vine and the branches. Jesus reminds us that if we remain close to him—living in humility, following God's law, loving our neighbor—we will notice a positive change in our life and the lives of those around us. "*Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.*" The Holy Spirit is life-giving. He is fruitful. The Spirit of God won't refuse grace to a heart that is open.

As we progress through life, learning how to live and love, we grow. Our personalities flower. We discover what it is to be a blessing to others. We also experience lack, loss, and the results of our failures. We know what it is like to "*wither*" at times, particularly the times when we willingly separate ourselves from Jesus. "*Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me.*" For most of us, this experience of being disconnected and off track generates a desire to return to what is right and good, to return to the vine.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 29, 2018

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

April 22, 2018

Sunday's Offertory	\$7,961.00
Mailed-In Offertory	790.00
Online Giving	140.00
Total Offertory for the week	\$8,891.00

Weekly Average 2018	\$9,462.15
Children's Contribution	\$5.25

* Extra prayers Matthew

* Praying for Uncle Ed & Aunt Janet Shawna, Reese,
Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1506

Number of Envelopes Used.....138

Number of Children's Envelopes Used..... 3

Thank you for your generosity.

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

MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

But this Gospel is more than "Are you in or are you out?" Even when we remain in God, when we follow Jesus, we are not exempt from the challenge, the pruning. "Everyone that [bears fruit] he prunes." A prudent trim is necessary in the natural world of trees and vines. Dead wood, broken shoots, and diseased branches need to be cut back in order for the plant to bear fruit. Jesus wants us to be healthy! He says as much himself: "By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." Take a look at your life today. Where are you bearing fruit? Where do you need to be pruned?

Questions of the Week

First Reading – Acts 9:26-31 - Today's reading records the initial reaction of the Disciples to Paul's conversion. What do you think would have been the Disciples' main concern?

Second Reading – 1 John 3:18-24 - John challenges his community to love one another in both word and deed. What obstacles stand in the way of this charge?

Gospel Reading - John 15:1-8 - What do you think Jesus means when he says believers are "pruned" by God in order to bear more fruit?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 30

6:15 a.m.: Hilda M. Roche

Tuesday, May 1

12:00 p.m.: Robert E. Brown; Deedy Manuel; Frankie LaFleur; Paul Rozas; James Montelaro (*Liv.*)

Wednesday, May 2

6:15 a.m.:

Thursday, May 3

12:00 p.m.: Donald V. Tanner, Sr.

Friday, May 4

6:15 a.m.: Dutch Spekschate; Rena Manuel; Lillie McGee (*Anniv. of Death*); Denise Hanks

Saturday, May 5

4:00 p.m.: Merita Guillory; Rev. August Baudizzone

(*Pastor*); Joan Schatzle-McManus; Don Hebert; Dr. Sylvan Manuel; Burley Marcantel; Ed Dietz; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Mary Lou & Shelton Boone; Glenn Durbin; Sally Fontenot; Dr. F.J. DeRouen; Arnold Garcia

Sunday, May 6

Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau; Helen Vidrine

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; M/M Norris Young

11:00 a.m.: Hazel Miller;
Emily Gothreaux

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle-McManus



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

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Michael Lombas, Kayla Fontenot, Ken Richard, Barry Soileau, Barbara Thibodeaux	Nikki Sonnier	Peyton LaCombe, Jack Parks, Leo Richard, Simon Richard
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SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

7:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	William Parrie, Denise LeBouef, Stephanie Manuel	Joanne Brinkman	John Patrick Fruge, Brennan Manuel, Koy Trahan, Luke Trahan
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Donnie Darbonne, Doug Marcantel, Michael Ward	Craig Soileau	Juliana Arnaud, Ariana Manuel, MacKenzie Manuel, Victoria Marcantel
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Jr. Bergeron, Lynn Pavich, Todd & Debbie Ortego	Genny Dischler	Jace Miller, Gavin Oliver, Alexander Ortego Thurifer: Austin Poncho MC: Minister Needed
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Brayden Gaspard Jeff & Angel McGee	Randall McElwee	Garet & Lindsay Hebert, Blake & Harry Summerlin III

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Edmund & Alberta Frey, Sheila DeRouen, Royne Fontenot, Leroy Vige, Rachel Granger & family, Bill Miller, Erika Dupont, Amada Sanchez, Ann Duran, Travis LaCour, Craig Durbin, Joan Burson, Mary Babineaux, Pamela LeJeune Deville, Charlene Mitchell, Susie Simien, Lisa Picard Cormier, Joann Sonnier Dupre, Cody Lalonde, Shirley Ortego, Angela Lalonde, Hilliard & Phyllis Ortego, John & Elaine Guillory, Pat Manuel, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Elaine Moosa, Hunter Vidrine, Suzanne DeRouen, Diane DeRouen, Renee Diaville, Robert 'Red' David, Tina Manuel, Pauline Miller, Liz Charlie, Taylor Langley, Tammy Ashford, Elaine McGee, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Helen Tanner, Karen Rougeau, Jeremy Stelly, Roland Andrus, Dirk Ortego, Gail Landreneau.

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 30

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

St. Edmund High School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 1

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Women's ACTS Reunion -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall

Wednesday, May 2

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

St. Edmund Elementary Mass -- 9:00 a.m.

R.C.I.A. Social -- 7:00 p.m. St. Mathilda Parish Hall.

Thursday, May 3

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

National Day of Prayer -- 6:00 p.m. at Liberty Theatre

Friday, May 4

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

St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Baptism Class -- call the Rectory to Register.

Saturday, May 5

First Saturday O.L. Fatima Mass -- 8:00 a.m. St. Mathilda.

St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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

Sunday, May 6

St. Edmund Spring Fair -- 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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

Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.

Save the Date!!
HAPPY DAYS...
June 18-21, 2018

NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for June - July 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 **May 21st** to get your changes into the new schedule.



National Day of Prayer
 in Eunice will be held on
 Thursday, May 3, 2018
 6:00 p.m. at the Liberty Theatre

“Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” Ephesians 4:3

NEEDED: PARISH PHOTOS

On June 12 & 13, our parish will celebrate, as part of the Diocesan Centennial, a “Century of Love.” On **Tuesday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m.** we will have a Holy Hour. Then on **Wednesday, June 13 at 6:00 p.m.** we will have a Mass.

We are in need of photos of our parish activities from the years of 1983 up to today. These will be used for a CD about St. Anthony parish. Please share your photos by labeling on the back with your name and phone number, and bring these to the Rectoray as soon as possible.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Son's safe flight.
- 2) All the healings in our family.

Adorers needed for the following hours starting at: Sun. 9 am, Wed 8 am, 5 pm, Thurs. 3 am, 1 pm; Fri. 11 pm; Sat. 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm, midnight

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am; Wed 8 am; Thurs 4 pm, Fri 5 am, 7 am;

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



Friday May 4th	Saturday May 5th	Sunday May 6th
6:00pm - 9:00pm	10:00am - 9:00pm	10:00am - 6:00pm

Food, Rides, Games, Music, Fun



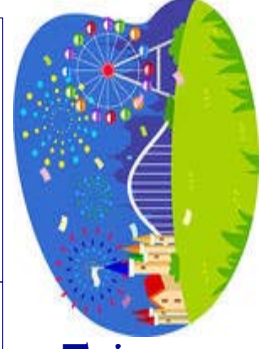
St. Anthony of Padua Church

May 2018

ROSARY PRAYED

During the month of May, the Rosary will be prayed every evening at 5:30 p.m. in front of the Blessed Mother statue.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>6 Sixth Sunday of Easter Pray for Fr. Matthew Hebert 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass</p> <p>St. Edmund Spring Fair</p>	<p>7 Pray for Deacon Gary Gaudin 6:00 PM ACTS Core Team 6:00 PM C.D.A.</p>	<p>1 Pray for Pope Francis 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Reunion</p>	<p>2 Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI 9:00 AM St. Ed Elem. Mass 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. Social Mtg. @ St. Mathilda</p>	<p>3 Pray for Bishop Douglas Deshotel 6:00 PM National Day of Prayer @ Liberty Theatre</p>	<p>4 Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane 7:00 PM Baptism Class</p> <p>St. Edmund Spring Fair</p>	<p>5 Pray for Msgr. Romero <i>Second Collection: Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund</i> 8:00 AM First Saturday Mass @ St. Mathilda</p>
<p>13 Ascension of the Lord <i>Mother's Day</i> Pray for Fr. Clinton Sensat & Den. David Guillory Life Teen's Bake Sale weekend 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass</p>	<p>14 Pray for Fr. Austin Leger & Fr. Henry Broussard 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation 7:00 PM SEH Sports Banquet</p>	<p>15 Pray for Deacon T.J. Richard</p>	<p>9 Pray for Deacon Corey Lavergne 9:00 AM St. Edmund End of Year Mass (All School) 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation & Commissioning Mass @ St. Edmund</p>	<p>10 Pray for Fr. Dustin Dought & Fr. Travis Abadie</p>	<p>11 Pray for Fr. Darren Eldridge & Den. Chuck Ortega 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane 11:00 AM Ladies Altar Society Luncheon @ Ruby's</p>	<p>12 Pray for Fr. John Brown SJ & Fr. Matthew Barzare Life Teen's Bake Sale weekend</p>
<p>20 Pentecost Sunday Pray for Fr. Kendal Faulk & Fr. Jerry Mesley Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign 11:00 AM Men's ACTS Commissioning Mass 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass</p>	<p>21 Pray for Fr. William Massie 2:00 PM SEH Ring Ceremony 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation</p>	<p>22 Pray for Fr. Gil Dutel & Fr. Tom Voorhies 6:15 AM Mass (No noon Mass)</p>	<p>23 Pray for Fr. William Schambough 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation</p>	<p>17 Pray for Fr. Nathan Comeaux 6:00 PM SEH Class Night Awards 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus</p>	<p>18 Pray for Fr. Stephen Ugwu & Fr. Alphonse Thainese 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane 7:00 PM SEH Graduation Mass</p>	<p>19 Pray for Fr. Chris Cambre <i>Second Collection: Bishops Services Appeal</i> Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign</p>
<p>27 The Most Holy Trinity Pray for Sr. Agnes Thevis & Sr. Nell Murray 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass</p>	<p>28 Memorial Day Pray for Fr. Jim Brady & Fr. Jonathan Janise</p> <p>Rectory Office Closed</p>	<p>29 Pray for Fr. Joseph Sai Tran & Fr. David Hebert</p>	<p>30 Pray for Fr. Paul Lafleur & Fr. Keenan Brown 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation</p>	<p>31 Pray for Sr. Joel Miller & Sr. Stephanie Brignac</p>	<p>25 Pray for Fr. Sonny Brown & Fr. Tommy Montelaro St. Edmund last day of school 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane</p>	<p>26 Pray for Fr. Blaine Clement 4:00 PM Bake Sale for Faith Camp</p>



St. Edmund Spring Fair
May 4-6