

Praise the LORD, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!
Go out to all the world and tell the

Good News!



ST. ANTHONY
OF PADUA
CATHOLIC
CHURCH

5770 N. Maroa Avenue,
Fresno, CA 93704
559-439-0124

www.stanthonyfresno.org

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
21º domingo del tiempo ordinario

Que alaben al Señor todas las naciones,
que lo aclamen todos los pueblos.

Vayan por todo el mundo y prediquen el

¡Evangelio!

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2022

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Bulletin Editor: bulletin@stanthonyfresno.org
Bulletin inserts are due 4 weeks
prior to publication.

Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua

The Catholic Christian community of St. Anthony Padua welcomes all to our celebrations of God's love. Through prayer, education, sacraments, caring and stewardship, we strive to serve the needs of God's people and to gain a richer understanding of the Gospel message of love. We invite you to become a part of our "Parish Life." Your talents are welcome!

Rev. Msgr. Robert D. Wenzinger, Pastor

Please register at www.stanthonyfresno.org.

Thanks for joining us!

TODAY'S READINGS CAN BE FOUND IN THE GREEN HYMNAL #993

Mass Intentions

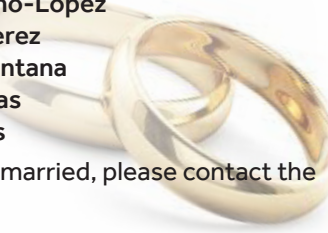
21	SUNDAY – 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	8:00 a.m. † Jack Gambero by Ann Sciaroni
	9:30 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of our parish community)
	11:00 a.m. † Carl Abercrombie by The Fanucchi Family
	1:00 p.m. † Carlos Alberto Gallardo, Jr. por Familia Gallardo
	6:00 p.m. † Vic Roznovsky by Cynthia & Don Wells
22	MONDAY
	NO MASS
23	TUESDAY
	6:45 a.m. † Don Wakida by the Belton Family
	8:00 a.m. † Kathy Busick by Shiveley Family
24	WEDNESDAY
	6:45 a.m. Intentions of James Jordan by MaryBeth Perez
	8:00 a.m. † Angelita C. Sanchez by Libertie Tacata
25	THURSDAY
	6:45 a.m. † Thomas Ferdinandi, Sr. by John & Michelle O'Rourke
	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Ramona Beltran by Bel Nickles
26	FRIDAY
	6:45 a.m. † Carolyn Meyer by the Frye Family
	8:15 a.m. † Tom Facio by Ramona Facio
27	SATURDAY
	4:00 p.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of our parish community)
	5:30 p.m. Intenciones de Diego Guerra & Familia de Martha Guerra por Martha Guerra
28	SUNDAY – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	8:00 a.m. † Christina F. Oliveira by Franciscan Sisters
	9:30 a.m. † Mickey Mello by Mary Cotta
	11:00 a.m. † Anastacia Sibal by Carmela Ramirez
	1:00 p.m. † Uriel Aguirre por Noemi Gomez
	6:00 p.m. † Deceased Members of the Vollert Family by The Goolkasian Family

Marriage Banns

The following couples will marry in the coming weeks:

- Florentino Alvarado & Joanna Moreno-Lopez
- Stephen Witrado & Jennifer Perez
- Erick Gonzalez Trejo & Abigail Santana
- Brandon Sue & Michelle Porras
- Jacob Sue & Angelica Reyes

If you know of any canonical reason for them not to be married, please contact the parish office.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 & SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

REMINDER: The Catholic Charities Truck will be in the church parking lot for your nonperishable donations (nonperishable food, clothing, household goods, etc.)

Knights of Columbus volunteers will be available to accept your donations before and after weekend Masses. The Knights are always looking for helping hands. Talk to Danny Leon if you are able to help with the loading of the truck after Mass. Thank you.

Monthly Memorial Mass

This Saturday, August 20, 2022
4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Today, we will remember - Mario De La Torre, RoseMarie Wise, Richard Lowell Beers, Neldon Ellison, Daniel & Gloria Smith, Jeanette Atkinson, Lucas Joel Zamora, Mercedes Bernadette Bruce, Jerry Jesse Magdaleno, Sr., and Marilyn Joyce George during our Monthly Memorial Mass. We will light a candle for each person and we invite the family to take it home at the end of Mass as a Memorial of their loved one.

SILVER ANGELS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
9:30 A.M.-12:00 NOON



The Silver Angels ministry is hosting a morning of fun and fellowship at the St. Agnes Mission Church Social Hall. Cost of \$12.00 includes pizza from the new Blast & Brew for lunch. RSVP forms are in the parish office. Please submit with payment by Wednesday, September 7 by 12:00 noon. Checks payable to St. Anthony of Padua.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6092

Grand Knight: Michael Cantelmi



Whether we are cooking Tri-Tip, or helping a fellow Knight in need, fellowship and laughs are always in the mix.

Tri-Tip Sandwiches next weekend, August 27-28.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

General Council Meeting

Rosary 6:30 p.m. | Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: Campus Care has the Social Hall until 6:30 p.m.



For more information, call the Ministry Office at 439-0124, ext. 106

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH
6:30 P.M. IN THE SOCIAL HALL
(INCLUDES DINNER)



Do you like good Italian Food, conversation, and fellowship? Join us as we continue our event planning to include fundraisers and parish events. For more information, call the Ministry Office at 439-0124, ext. 106.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday (Vigil Mass)

- 4:00 p.m. – English
- 5:30 p.m. – Español

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m.; 9:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. – English
- 1:00 p.m. – Español
- 6:00 p.m. – English

Livestream Mass Schedule

- 9:30 a.m. – English Mass
- 1:00 p.m. – Misa Español

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Thursday (OLG Chapel)

- 6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
- 8:00 a.m. – Chapel open until 11:00 a.m.

Friday (OLG Chapel)

- 6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
- 8:15 a.m. – Followed by Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday

- 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Guadalupe Chapel


RECONCILIATION

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals


Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US		
<i>Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!</i>		
July 31, 2022		\$22,551.00
Last year’s Plate Income		\$17,647.00
Difference		\$ 4,904.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • <i>Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha</i>		
July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022		\$92,788.00
July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021		\$68,135.00
Difference (2019 YTD total \$1,136,040.00)		\$24,653.00
WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD		
 GIVE ONLINE – <i>Easy, Safe, and Convenient: When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. You can also drop your envelope in the mail slot located in the door on the south side of the parish office.</i>		



<p>THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM EXT. 102 Baptisms are celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua. Godparent class and Baptism registration must be completed prior to scheduling your Baptism. Everything you need to know and forms are online at www.stanthonyfresno.org.</p> <p>SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION High School teens – 10th-12th grades Confirmation 1 and 2 registration is online. More information can be found on our website at stanthonyfresno.org.</p>	<p>THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY EXT. 118 Couples should contact our parish marriage coordinator to make an appointment at least six months in advance of your wedding date to begin preparations.</p> <p>THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confessions will be heard at St. Anthony of Padua on: Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals Saturday at 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals</p>
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Sunday 9:00 a.m. English –
Mass Intention: † Mike Amparano

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Español –
Misa de Intención: † Antonio Y Maria De Jesus Pulido

For the following Sacraments, please contact St. Anthony of Padua:
Anointing of the Sick • Baptisms • Confession • Funerals • Weddings

**SHARING THE GIFTS WE
HAVE BEEN GIVEN**

July 31, 2022	\$1,307.00
YTD Total	\$40,143.50

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CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD**

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*“Christ has made my soul beautiful with jewels of grace and virtue.
I belong to Him Whom the Angels serve.” – St. Agnes*

The Story of Saint Anthony Church

PART 6 – MULTI-PART SERIES

Taken from the 1978 book by Custombook, Inc.

Societies and Organizations

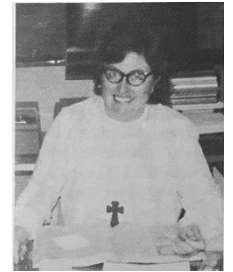
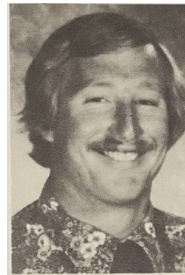
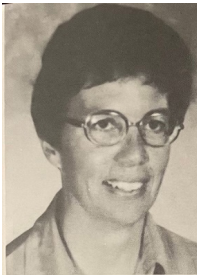
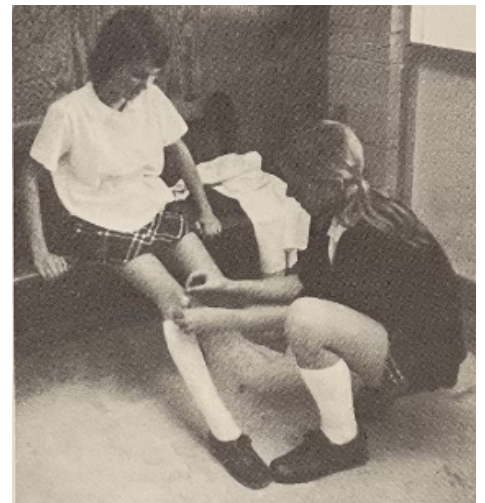
We have told of the history of St. Anthony's from its earliest beginnings. But there is much more to a parish than its actual history. There are its people, the foundation that makes the parish strong. This strength is exhibited in the Societies and Organizations, and we present them here with great pride.

The Parish Council is the cohesive group to which all other parish organizations report. The Council is composed of the heads of these organizations, the pastor, the school principal, the building and grounds director, the social hall director, and six elected members. Two members are elected by the parishioners each spring by way of a printed ballot which is distributed during the Masses on a pre-published Sunday. These elected members serve three years.

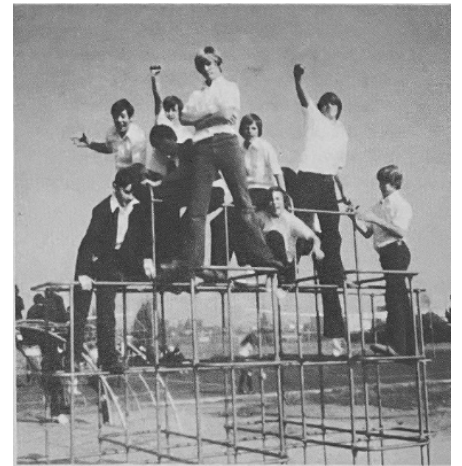
The Parish Council meets in the rectory conference room on the second Monday evening of each month from September through June.

The 1977-1978 officers include: Pastor, Monsignor Flood; President, Pat Gardner; Vice-President, Joe Sotelo; Secretary, Lillian Hess; Building and Grounds Director, Ed Franz, and Social Hall Director, Paul Prody.

The primary purpose of the Parish Council is to counsel the pastor on church problems and to assist the principal on school matters. During the meetings the religious and financial status of the church, school, and parish organizations are discussed and the organizations share their plans, problems and general activities. A church calendar is prepared at the beginning of the year to space activities properly and avoid conflicts. The Council is proud of the general feeling of cooperation and support that exists among its members.



Fun and games are also part of the school day. Children and their teachers take part in a variety of activities. Members of our staff include Sister Michael Mioli, Principal; Mr. Thomas Neumeier, Vice-Principal; and Pat Patthast, school secretary.



The Home and School Association, formed in conjunction with the opening of the school in 1962, was founded by Monsignor Flood, Sister Mary Nicholas, Principal, and interested parents. First officers were: Sally Ferdinandi, President; Klytia Palmo, Vice-President; Helen Smades Klein, Secretary and Treasurer. Present officers of the Home and School Association include: President, Bingo Orme (Dr. Evan); First Vice-President, Mrs. Darlene Coyle; Second Vice-President, Ron O'Rourke; Secretary, Agnes Chielpegan; Treasurer, Mrs. Nancy Thompson; and Past President, Ron Stewart. The board meets in the media center on the second Thursday of each month and plans annual events, fund-raising occasions and discusses everyday school problems.

The annual events are: The School Carnival, Back to School Night, The Christmas Program, The Italian Dinner, The Family Mass, Open House, and A Wine Tasting party.

The 1978-1979 St. Anthony's School Faculty includes: Monsignor Flood, Pastor; Sister Michael Mioli, Mr. Thomas Neumeier and Sister Marie Therese Matta, Associate Principals; Miss Sharon Nelson, Media Center: Librarians, Shirley Hacnik and Mrs. Robert Anderson; Secretary, Pat Potthast; Plant Supervisor, Paul Prody.

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St. Anthony's Church and School before construction of the present church.

La historia de

Iglesia de San Antonio

PARTE 6 - SERIE DE VARIAS PARTES

Tomado del libro de 1978 de Custombook, Inc.

Sociedades y Organizaciones

Hemos contado la historia de San Antonio desde sus inicios más remotos. Pero hay mucho más en una parroquia que su historia real. Está su gente, el cimiento que hace fuerte a la parroquia. Esta fortaleza se exhibe en las Sociedades y Organizaciones, y las presentamos aquí con mucho orgullo.

El Consejo Parroquial es el grupo cohesionado al que informan todas las demás organizaciones parroquiales. El Consejo está compuesto por los jefes de estas organizaciones, el párroco, el director de la escuela, el director del edificio y terrenos, el director del salón social y seis miembros electos. Los feligreses eligen dos miembros cada primavera mediante una boleta impresa que se distribuye durante las Misas en un domingo prepublicado. Estos miembros electos sirven tres años.

El Consejo Parroquial se reúne en la sala de conferencias de la rectoría el segundo lunes por la noche de cada mes desde septiembre hasta junio.

Los oficiales de 1977-1978 incluyen: Pastor, Monseñor Flood; Presidente, Pat Gardner; Vicepresidente, Joe Sotelo; Secretaria, Lillian Hess; el director de edificios y terrenos, Ed Franz, y el director del salón social, Paul Prody.

El propósito principal del Consejo Parroquial es aconsejar al párroco sobre los problemas de la iglesia y ayudar al director en los asuntos escolares. Durante las reuniones se discute el estado religioso y financiero de la iglesia, la escuela y las organizaciones parroquiales y las organizaciones comparten sus planes, problemas y actividades generales. Se prepara un calendario de la iglesia a principios de año para espaciar adecuadamente las actividades y evitar conflictos. El Consejo se enorgullece del sentimiento general de cooperación y apoyo que existe entre sus miembros.

La Asociación de Hogar y Escuela, formada junto con la apertura de la escuela en 1962, fue fundada por Monseñor Flood, la hermana Mary Nicholas, directora, y padres interesados. Los primeros oficiales fueron: Sally Ferdinandi, Presidenta; Klytia Palmo, Vicepresidenta; Helen Smades Klein, secretaria y tesorera. Los funcionarios actuales de la Asociación de Hogar y Escuela incluyen: Presidente, Bingo Orme (Dr. Evan); Primer Vicepresidente,

Sra. Darlene Coyle; Segundo Vicepresidente, Ron O'Rourke; Secretaria, Agnes Chielpeglan; Tesorera, Sra. Nancy Thompson; y el ex presidente, Ron Stewart. La junta se reúne en el centro de medios el segundo jueves de cada mes y planifica eventos anuales, ocasiones para recaudar fondos y discute los problemas escolares cotidianos.

Los eventos anuales son: el Carnaval Escolar, la Noche de Regreso a la Escuela, el Programa de Navidad, la Cena Italiana, la Misa Familiar, la Casa Abierta y una Fiesta de Degustación de Vinos.

El cuerpo docente de la Escuela St. Anthony de 1978-1979 incluye: Monseñor Flood, pastor; Hermana Michael Mioli, Sr. Thomas Neumeier y Hermana Marie Therese Matta, Directores Asociados; Srta. Sharon Nelson, Centro de Medios: Bibliotecarios, Shirley Hacnik y Sra. Robert Anderson; Secretario, Pat Potthast; Supervisor de Planta, Paul Prody.

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Parish Ministry Guide –

Christ said, "I have come to serve, not to be served."

The prayers during the Mass invite us to offer our prayers and gifts to the Lord. Liturgical Ministry calls the faithful to be part of the Mass. We all feel unworthy to serve, just as Christ's disciples, who were fishermen before Christ called them.

Is Christ calling you?

ALTAR SERVER

We invite parents of youth (4th grade and up, who have received their First Holy Communion) to prayerfully consider the unique opportunity for your child to grow closer to Our Lord and His Church as an Altar Server.



You can register online at stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, then click on Altar Servers or call the parish office at 439-0124 for more details.

SERVIDOR DE ALTAR

Invitamos a los padres de los jóvenes (de 4º grado en adelante, que hayan recibido su Primera Comunión) a considerar en oración la oportunidad única de que su hijo crezca más cerca de Nuestro Señor y de Su Iglesia como Monaguillo. Usted puede registrarse en línea en stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, luego haga clic en Altar Servers o llame a la oficina de la parroquia en 439-0124 para más detalles.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Considered the unique honor to offer the "Body of Christ" to the faith community. Ministers are commissioned by our pastor to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Candidates should be 18 years of age and be in full communion with the church (all sacraments).



MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTÍA

Se considera el honor único de ofrecer el "Cuerpo de Cristo" a la comunidad de fe. Los ministros son comisionados por nuestro párroco para asistir en la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión en la Misa. Los candidatos deben tener 18 años de edad y estar en plena comunión con la iglesia (todos los sacramentos).

LECTORS

Do you remember the joy of reading to your children before bed? If so, chances are you're a Lector candidate. Persons, 5th grade and older, who have made their First Holy Communion with good reading skills can serve as a Lector at Mass.



LECTORES

¿Recuerda la alegría de leer a sus hijos antes de dormir? Si es así, lo más probable es que usted sea un candidato a Lector. Las personas, de 5º grado en adelante, que han hecho su Primera Comunión con buenas habilidades de lectura pueden servir como Lector en la Misa.

Interested Lector and Eucharistic Minister candidates should contact Martha in the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 114 or by email. *Los candidatos Ministerio Eucarístico y lectores interesados deben contactar a Martha en la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 114 o por correo electrónico.*

USHER & GREETER MINISTRY

Are you the type to get to church early? Why not join the Usher Ministry and greet your fellow parishioners as they enter the church? Ushers assist with the collection and act as Eucharistic Guards during Communion.



Join the team and serve when you can. Call the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 106 for more details or complete the Volunteer Registration at www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/.

MINISTERIO DE UJIERES Y SALUDADORES

¿Eres de los que llegan temprano a la iglesia? ¿Por qué no te unes al Ministerio de Ujieres y saludas a tus feligreses cuando entran en la iglesia? Los ujieres ayudan con la colecta y actúan como guardias eucarísticos durante la comunión. Únase al equipo y sirva cuando pueda. Llame a la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 106 para obtener más detalles o complete el registro de voluntarios en www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Homebound Ministers are commissioned by the Pastor to take Holy Communion immediately after a weekend or weekday Mass to those in our parish unable to come to Mass on Sundays due to extended illness or confinement at home. Homebound is a Ministry of the Pastor. HB Ministers can only take Communion to those assigned by the Pastor. If you are interested in becoming a Homebound Minister, please call the Office of Ministry at 439-0124, ext. 106. All Volunteers must complete the new Diocese of Fresno Homebound training and Safe Environment requirements.



Los ministros de HB sólo pueden llevar la comunión a los asignados por el párroco. Si usted está interesado en convertirse en un Ministro de Homebound, por favor llame a la Oficina de Ministerio en 439-0124, ext. 106. Todos los voluntarios deben completar el nuevo entrenamiento de la Diócesis de Fresno para los confinados en casa y los requisitos de un ambiente seguro.

MINISTERIO DE LOS CONFINADOS EN CASA

Los ministros que se quedan en casa son comisionados por el Párroco para llevar la Sagrada Comunión inmediatamente después de una Misa de fin de semana o entre semana a aquellos en nuestra parroquia que no pueden venir a Misa los domingos debido a una enfermedad prolongada o confinamiento en casa. Los confinados en casa son un ministerio del párroco. Los ministros de HB sólo pueden llevar la comunión a los asignados por el párroco. Si usted está interesado en convertirse en un Ministro de Homebound, por favor llame a la Oficina de Ministerio en 439-0124, ext. 106. Todos los voluntarios deben completar el nuevo entrenamiento de la Diócesis de Fresno para los confinados en casa y los requisitos de un ambiente seguro.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
(GRADES K-6)**

Director, Mary Briseno, ext. 113
mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

The GIFT Religious Education & First Communion program for grades K-6th is preparing to return to IN-PERSON classes which will be held on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. (plus one Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m. for second year students and parent(s)). Please visit our website for more information and to register online. Space is limited, so please register soon!

If you like working with children and want to share your faith in this ministry, please contact Mary Briseno.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY
(GRADES 6 TO 8)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
schristison@stanthonyfresno.org

EDGE, Middle School Ministry provides a safe place for youth (Grades 6-8) to explore their faith in a fun, faith building program as well as sacrament preparation for youth exploring Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. We just concluded JUNE JAM NIGHTS. We look forward to seeing everyone back in the Fall. Watch the bulletin for online registration dates.



**HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY
(HIGH SCHOOL TEENS)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
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1st year sessions begin September 18th.
 2nd year sessions begin September 25th.

It was a time of darkness for the Church – an age embroiled in suffering, fear, and isolation. And, then, God poured out His Spirit upon a small group of Jesus’ closest followers. The Spirit came in boldness and power, unleashing a new fire within the hearts of the disciples and the budding Church. Confirmation 1 & 2: Open to teens entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year of High School. Registration will be online starting mid-August. What do teens think? Topic: Jesus, He knows us and sees us. Jesus invites us to a life of holiness through discipleship. Teen Boy Response: When we become authentic disciples, our lives won’t make sense to the world, and we will be persecuted.

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

In-person, St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room)



Director, Martha Danks-Ferguson
 439-0124, ext. 114
mdanksferg@stanthonyfresno.org

See our website to register:
www.stanthonyfresno.org

Click on *Faith Formation* or scroll down to the RCIA icon.

We welcome adults seeking any of the Sacraments of Initiation: **Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist**

*New folks are welcome to join us any time during the year.
 If you have any questions, please contact Martha by phone or email.*

LECTIONARY STUDY – Lectionary Study is on summer break. We look forward to seeing you in the Fall. Watch the bulletin for details.



Educación Religiosa (Catecismo)

El programa de Educación Religiosa y Primera Comunión de GIFT para los grados K-6 se está preparando para regresar a las clases EN PERSONA que se llevarán a cabo los domingos a las 3:30 p.m. (más un jueves por mes a las 6:30 p.m. para estudiantes de segundo año y padres). Visite nuestro sitio web para obtener más información y registrarse en línea. ¡El espacio es limitado, así que por favor regístrese pronto!

Si le gusta trabajar con niños y quiere compartir su fe en este ministerio, comuníquese con Mary Briseno.



CONFIRMACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL

Para Jóvenes Bilingües en High School

¡INSCRIPCIONES!

Las inscripciones para la confirmación en español ya están abiertas. Visite nuestra pagina de web a stanthonyfresno.org o escanee el QR Code al lado para registrarse.



LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EN EL MES DE AGOSTO, 2022.

Para más información comuníquese con el Diacono Edgar al 439-0124, ext. 111 o ebriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.



SACRAMENTOS PARA ADULTOS

Adultos mayores de 18 años interesados en los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión, Confirmación o Bautismo hablar con Hermana Manuela, ext. 122 o sistermanuela@stanthonyfresno.org.

Ministry Profile – RCIA

Meet Bill Bruce, baptized in 1932; Confirmed in 2021. It was destiny that brought my wife and I together in San Francisco in the late 1950s. Mercedes, a devout Catholic born of Polish immigrants living in Pennsylvania, and me, a transplant from a small farming town in Iowa. (It was also destiny that I became a Catholic even this late in life).

Married in 1961, our marriage was blessed by the Church, and our two children were baptized in the Catholic faith as infants. We moved to Fresno in 1966. Our parish initially was St. John's.

We moved into the parish of St. Anthony's in 1976, and I continued to attend Mass with my wife, not as regular as she would have appreciated. As we grew older, I began attending more regularly, and that's when I discovered I could participate in Communion by crossing my arms and asking for a blessing. Over the years, I knew when to kneel, when to stand, and become more acquainted with the readings, the responses, and the meaning of why I was attending Church.

Sadly, my dear wife passed away almost two years ago. I continued attending Mass. The Church gave me strength and I felt more drawn to the faith than ever before. Many parishioners had become friends, and some offered to be my sponsor. Through conversations with Monsignor Rob, and working within the RCIA program and my sponsor, I came to Confession, Confirmation, and became a Catholic in December of 2021. Destiny fulfilled.

I continue my studies which provide not only an education, but inspiration. I was asked to be a sponsor, and participating in the last Easter Vigil was one of the most moving events of my Christian life.

As I attend Mass, and walk down the aisle to take Communion, I am not standing with my arms crossed, but with my hand out to receive the Host. I am sure my Mercedes is looking down saying, "It is about time" with a big smile on her face.

Want to know more about becoming Catholic? Contact Martha, our RCIA coordinator, at 439-0124, ext. 114.

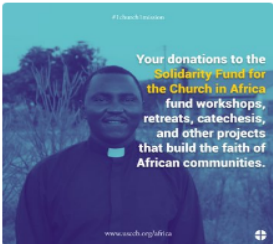


Bill Bruce & Will Sharp, his catechumen

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To give hope to others, sometimes it is simply enough to be kind, to put aside your own worries and priorities in order to show interest, give the gift of a smile, speak an encouraging word, create a space for listening amid so much indifference.

Pope Francis @Pontifex

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, cares for us because he truly loves us. We, the Church's pastors, are asked to show that same generosity in tending the flock, so as to manifest Jesus' concern for everyone and his compassion for each person's wounds. #CureOfArs


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I hope that #Lebanon, with the help of the international community, may continue on the path of rebirth, remaining faithful to its vocation to be a land of peace and pluralism, where communities of different religions can live in fraternity.

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Chiara Cardoletti with UNHCR speaks on the plight of refugees in Sudan's Um Rakuba and Tunaybah fields camps, and invites the international community to work toward peace to reduce the refugee crisis in the horn of Africa. at.Refugeesow.ly/xQ6q50KcUz



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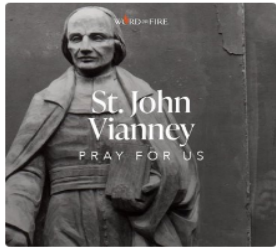
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Pope Francis meets with Metropolitan Antonij of Volokolamsk, head of the Department for External Relations of the Patriarchate of Moscow, for the first time since his appointment in June. #PopeFrancis #Russia ow.ly/sTVZ50KcZLC

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Friends, it was such a great blessing to be surrounded by family, friends, and the people of southern Minnesota at my installation—and quite humbling too. Thank you for the warm welcome, and please continue to pray for me as I begin my ministry in Winona-Rochester.



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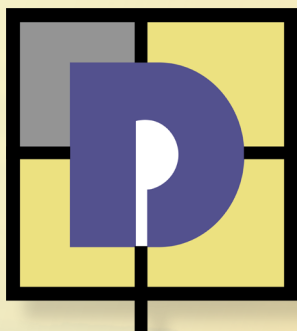
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