

Praise the LORD, my soul;

*I will praise the LORD
all my life,*

*sing praise to my God
while I live.*

Psalm 146:2

Alaba al SEÑOR, alma mía;

*alabaré al SEÑOR
toda mi vida*

*cantaré alabanzas a mi
Dios mientras viva.*

Salmo 146:2

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 32º domingo del tiempo ordinario

St. Anthony of Padua Church

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Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua

The Catholic Christian community of St. Anthony of 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: #1022

Mass Intentions

10 SUNDAY – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m. Intentions of Peter & Tammy Tarver by Jamie Torkelson
9:30 a.m. † Agnes & Armand Bussone by the Perry Family
11:00 a.m. Intentions (B-Day) of Msgr. Rob Wenzinger
by SA Staff
1:00 p.m. † Salvador Hernandez Castellanos por Norma Almaraz
6:00 p.m. † Romulo Abenir by Cynthia Keithly

11 MONDAY
NO MASS

12 TUESDAY
6:45 a.m. Intentions (B-Day) of Tony Diaz by the Diaz Family
8:00 a.m. Intentions of Guadalupe Carranco
by Carranco Martinez Family

13 WEDNESDAY
6:45 a.m. † Dr. Robert Smith by the Perez Family
8:00 a.m. † Mary Nuñez Marquez by the Nuñez Family

14 THURSDAY
6:45 a.m. † Doug Stewart by Brian Cameron
8:00 a.m. † Marlene Christensen by Phil & Dorothy Christensen

15 FRIDAY
6:45 a.m. † Bennie & Lucy Leal by Debbie Fagundes
8:15 a.m. † Elizabeth Scull by Syl & Marge Bryan

16 SATURDAY
4:00 p.m. † Charlotte Girado by Ed Girado & Family
5:30 p.m. † Difuntos de la Familia Arreola

17 SUNDAY – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
9:30 a.m. † Steve Rontell by Linda Mastro
11:00 a.m. † Peter Mendez by Sandra Mendez
1:00 p.m. † Carlos Alberto Gallardo, Jr. por Rosa Gallardo
6:00 p.m. † Michael Campos by Dennis & Chris Monahan

The following couples will marry in the coming weeks:

Alexander Visciglio & Brittany Truax
Antonio Villavazo & Emilia Munoz

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Knights of Columbus 6092
 Parish Appreciation Pancake Breakfast
 \$5.00/person after all morning Masses
 in the Social Hall. A sincere thank-you
 to all parish volunteers.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 &
 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

The Carmelite Sisters (Sister Edith / Sister
 Lupita order) will be selling Religious
 Items in the Pavilion area. Please stop by
 and support the good sisters.



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



**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
 SILVER ANGELS MINISTRY**

**Wednesday, November 13, 11:30 a.m. to
 2:00 p.m. \$17.00/person**

Come join us this Wednesday for fellowship, lunch, and a little fun. Lunch is held at the St. Agnes Social Hall (111 Birch Avenue, Pinedale). Great way to meet other parishioners.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

General Meeting & Dinner
 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall



ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 10:00 A.M. MAIN CHURCH

Please join the family and friends as we remember those who passed in 2023.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16/SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

The Knights of Columbus volunteers will be available before and after Mass to receive your nonperishable donations in the Pavilion. Please do not leave items in the church or Conference Room (aka Donut Room). Thank you.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2024

Catholic Charities Annual Turkey Drive
 Catholic Charities will be accepting Turkeys in the KSEE24 parking lot at 5035 E. McKinley Drive, Fresno from 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2024

Blessing to the Bread Mass – 6:00 p.m. Main Church
 Parishioners are invited to bring items (bread, wine, etc.) you will be serving at Thanksgiving to be blessed. Please put your name on your items as many items look alike. Place items in the baskets along the Communion rail.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2024

Thanksgiving Day Mass – 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Main Church

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



JUEVES – ESTUDIO DE LA BIBLIA

7:00 p.m. en el salón #22

Acompáñenos para reflexionar en las lecturas de la biblia y el Evangelio Dominical. "Tu Palabra es una lampara a mis pies, es una luz en mi sendero." Salmo 119

Grupo de Oración



**JUEVES – GRUPO DE ORACIÓN
 ENCUENTRO CON DIOS.**

Te invitamos al grupo de oración todos los jueves desde las 6:30 p.m. empezando con El Rosario, en la Iglesia de Santa Inés "Ven y llénate del Señor." el salón #23

Year of Mission

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

We invite you to pray the Mission prayer in silence after Mass in your pew.

God our Father,

You never cease to seek out Your children – the lonely, the frightened, the hurt, and the lost. We pray for all our parishioners who have been missing from our parish community and Eucharistic celebrations since COVID.

Through the intercession of St. Anthony of Padua, please pave the way for conversations and invitations that welcome them back to the Catholic Church and our St. Anthony of Padua Parish community. We trust in Your love and mercy for every one of Your children. Amen.

Dios, Padre nuestro,

Tú nunca dejas de buscar a tus hijos: los solitarios, los asustados, los heridos y los perdidos. Oramos por todos nuestros feligreses que han estado ausentes de nuestra comunidad parroquial y de las celebraciones eucarísticas desde el COVID.

Por intercesión de San Antonio de Padua, allane el camino para conversaciones e invitaciones que les den la bienvenida a la Iglesia Católica y a nuestra comunidad parroquial de San Antonio de Padua. Confiamos en tu amor y misericordia para cada uno de tus hijos. Amén.



SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

October 20, 2024	\$1,507.40
2024-2025 YTD Total	\$25,740.68

**WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!
GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD**

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!

October 20, 2024	\$22,500.00
Last year’s Plate Income	\$20,660.00
Difference	\$1,840.00

Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha

July 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024	\$293,715.86
July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023	\$285,201.89
Difference	\$8,513.97

WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD



GIVE ONLINE – 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.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SERVED – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH

111 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale, CA 93650
(559) 439-2100

Sunday 9:00 a.m. English – Mass Intention:

Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Español – Misa Intencion:

Pro Populo (Por las intenciones de la comunidad parroquial)

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

Please mail any correspondence, contributions, Mass intentions to:
St. Anthony of Padua – 5770 N. Maroa Avenue, Fresno, CA 93704

Sacraments & Pastoral Support..... Chris Shiveley (559) 439-0124, ext. 103
cshiveley@stanthonyfresno.org

Director of Religious Education..... Phyllis Carmona

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

St. Anthony of Padua Church Annual Summary for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

2023-2024 Church Revenue and Expense Summary

Revenue From:

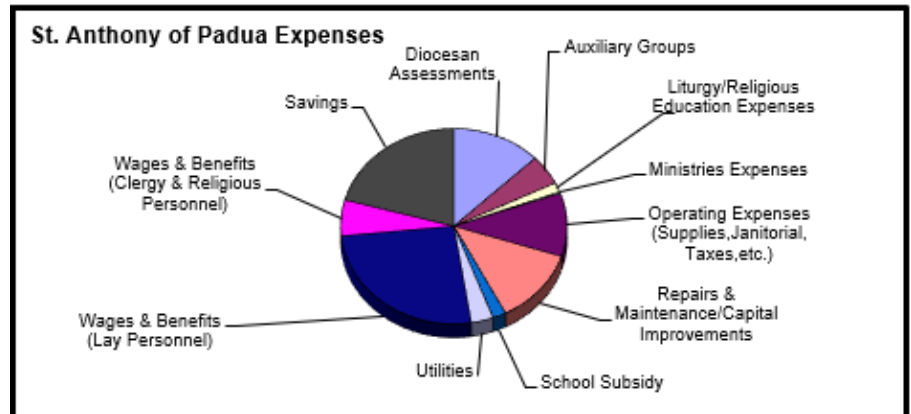
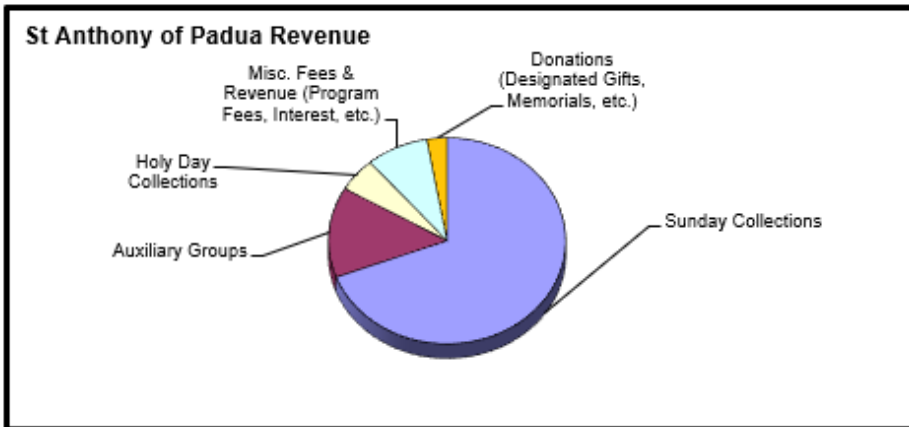
Sunday Collections	\$1,633,225.38	69%
Auxiliary Groups	335,319.69	14%
Holy Day Collections	124,907.51	5%
Misc. Fees & Revenue (Program Fees, Interest, etc.)	200,490.58	8%
Donations (Designated Gifts, Memorials, etc.)	64,884.79	3%

Total Revenue \$2,358,827.95 100%

Expenses:

	%		
Diocesan Assessments	\$300,639.48	13%	
Auxiliary Groups	117,234.56	5%	
Liturgy/Religious Education Expenses	36,710.28	2%	
Ministries Expenses	5,922.64	0%	
Operating Expenses (Supplies, Janitorial, Taxes, etc.)	247,242.25	10%	
Repairs & Maintenance/Capital Improvements	293,319.97	12%	
School Subsidy	45,000.00	2%	
Utilities	75,403.19	3%	
Wages & Benefits (Lay Personnel)	609,894.76	26%	
Wages & Benefits (Clergy & Religious Personnel)	139,917.00	6%	
Savings	487,543.82	21%	

Total Expenses & Savings \$2,358,827.95 100%



St Agnes Mission Church Annual Summary for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

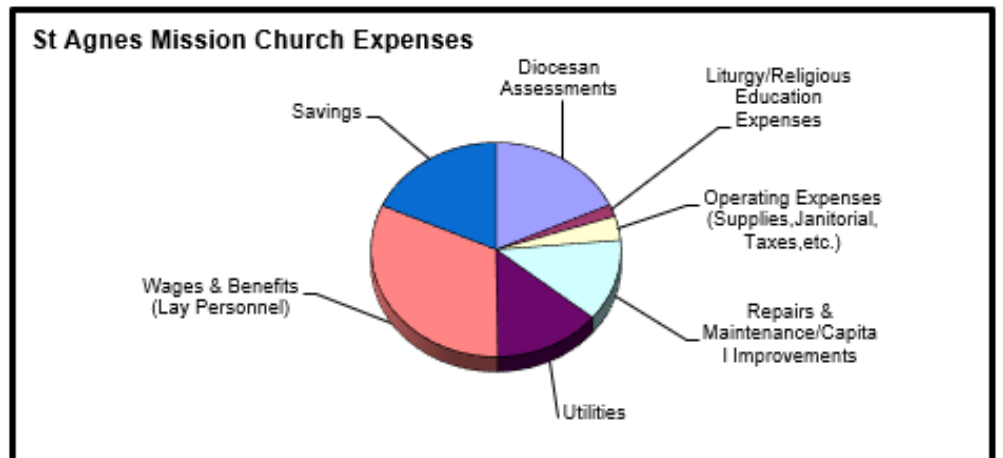
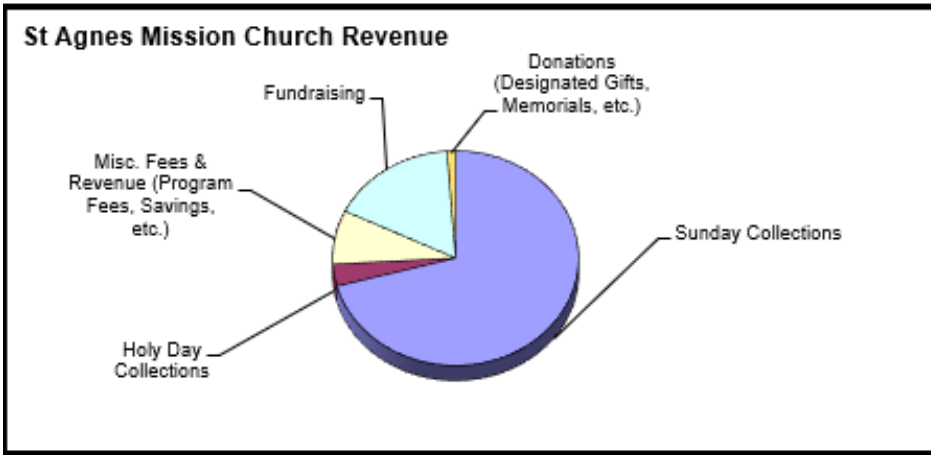
2023-2024 Church Revenue and Expense Summary

Revenue From:

		%
Sunday Collections	\$81,059.39	71%
Holy Day Collections	3,785.53	3%
Misc. Fees & Revenue (Program Fees, Savings, etc.)	9,284.39	8%
Fundraising	19,092.41	17%
Donations (Designated Gifts, Memorials, etc.)	1,289.69	1%
Total Revenue	\$114,511.41	100%

Expenses:

		%
Diocesan Assessments	\$20,760.96	18%
Liturgy/Religious Education Expenses	2,094.16	2%
Operating Expenses (Supplies, Janitorial, Taxes, etc.)	4,176.29	4%
Repairs & Maintenance/Capital Improvements	14,142.87	12%
Utilities	15,829.19	14%
Wages & Benefits (Lay Personnel)	36,590.97	32%
Savings	20,916.97	18%
Total Expenses	\$114,511.41	100%



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

Are you a Eucharistic Minister who is being called to serve the members of our parish who are unable to come to Mass on Sunday due to illness or other limitation? We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers who are willing to take Holy Communion after Mass to the members of the parish who are Homebound. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Ministry at 439-0124, ext. 106.



MINISTERIO DE LOS CONFINADOS EN CASA

¿Es usted un Ministro Eucarístico que está siendo llamado a servir a los miembros de nuestra parroquia que no pueden asistir a Misa el domingo debido a una enfermedad u otra limitación? Estamos buscando un Ministro Eucarístico que esté dispuesto a llevar la Sagrada Comunión después de la Misa a los miembros de la parroquia que están en sus hogares. Si está interesado, comuníquese con la Oficina del Ministerio al 439-0124, ext. 106.

We Need You...

Accepting Registrations for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – GIFT “Growing In Faith Together”



Faith Formation & Sacrament Preparation for Children in Kindergarten-6th Grade

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION & SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Classes are held on Sundays at 3:00-4:15 p.m.

Additionally, Second Year students and parent(s) attend one Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m.

Registrations available on our website: stanthonyfresno.org

For more information or to volunteer in children's ministry and continue to have this program, contact Mary Briseno at 559-439-0124, ext. 113 or by email mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.

EDGE

2024-2025 Registration for Grades 6th through 8th is open (only available online).

Tuesday Evenings in Room 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. began October 1st.

Youth can prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion while attending EDGE.

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

Catholic Youth Ministry Sessions are Tuesday Evenings in Room 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Register at www.stanthonyfresno.org. Click on Faith Formation tab and scroll down to click one of the EDGE options.

EDGE is a Catholic youth group that is designed to meet the educational, spiritual, emotional, and social needs of young adolescents. As young adolescents, they are trying to figure out who they are and what they believe. Youth can prepare for Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion while attending Edge.



LIFETEEN High School Youth Ministry

2024-2025 for Grades 9 through 12

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

LifeTeen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church. LifeTeen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. We create a dynamic space where the youth can develop friendships with their peers, learn more about their faith, and encounter Jesus in the Sacraments.



Confirmation 1 and 2 – High School Teens

2024-2025 Registration is open (only available online)

Confirmation is a two-year program for students who are Freshmen or older. Candidates for Confirmation must be at least 16 years of age to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation candidates meet Sunday evenings with our Life Teen Youth Group. Confirmation meetings consist of attending: The Life Teen 6:00 p.m. Mass, and the Life Teen Youth Group which begins immediately after Mass until 8:30 p.m.

1st year, sessions began Sunday, September 8th.

2nd year, sessions began Sunday, September 15th.

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m. 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.

Aceptando Inscripciones para EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA – GIFT “Creciendo Juntos En Nuestra Fe” Formación de Fe y Preparación Sacramental para niños del Kinder – 6to grados

PRIMERA RECONCILIACION, PRIMERA COMUNION, Y SACRAMENTOS DE INICIACION

Las Clases son los domingos a 3:00-4:15 p.m.

Adicional, en el Segundo Año escolar los estudiantes y sus padres asisten a un jueves por mes a las 6:30 p.m.

Inscripciones disponibles en nuestro sitio web: stanthonyfresno.org

Para más información o para ser voluntario en el ministerio de niños y poder continuar con este programa, comuníquese con Mary Briseño al 559-439-0124, ext. 113 o por email: mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.



Para Jóvenes Bilingües

LAS CLASES YA COMENZARON

SI AUN NO SE HAN REGISTRADO

Visite nuestra pagina **WEB** o **ESCANEE** el **CÓDIGO QR** abajo para registrarse.



Para mas información comuníquese con el Diacono Edgar al 439-0124, ext. 111



SACRAMENTOS PARA ADULTOS

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

COMMANDMENT

Reflection on Mark 12:38-44

In every system, community or organization where there are rules, guidelines, teachings, commandments, etc., not every regulation or teaching will carry the same weight or importance. For example, where the Catholic Church is concerned, a statement made by the Holy Father to a group of reporters on an airplane will not have the same importance as a numbered teaching in the Catechism. Or in the Ohio Revised Code, an infraction of the law labeled as a misdemeanor will not be treated as harshly as will a felony.

This is why it is imperative that we hear and take to heart Jesus' words from this Gospel: "There is no other commandment greater than these." The command to love God and love our neighbor takes absolute precedence over every other command, law, or teaching. In another context, Jesus says that all of the law and the prophets are based on love of God and neighbor.

No one can be commanded to feel warmly toward another person. The love that Jesus commands must be enacted in words and deeds that place the good of the other within our desires and actions.

– Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, November 10, 2024

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 17:10-16
Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10
Heb 9:24-28
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Monday, November 11, 2024

Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
Ti 1:1-9
Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14
Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29
Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Ti 3:1-7
Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6
Lk 17:11-19

Thursday, November 14, 2024

Weekday
Phmn 7-20
Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10
Lk 17:20-25

Friday, November 15, 2024

Weekday
2 Jn 4-9
Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18
Lk 17:26-37

Saturday, November 16, 2024

Weekday
3 Jn 5-8
Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Lk 18:1-8

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

Saint of the Day: November 11

Patron Saint of: Horses, Soldiers, and South Africa

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary, and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. Martin became a Christian catechumen and was baptized when he was 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. After great difficulties, he was discharged and went to be a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers.

He was ordained an exorcist and worked with great zeal against the Arians. Martin became a monk, living first at Milan and later on a small island. When Hilary was restored to his see following his exile, Martin returned to France and established what may have been the first French monastery near Poitiers. He lived there for 10 years, forming his disciples and preaching throughout the countryside.

The people of Tours demanded that he become their bishop. Martin was drawn to that city by a ruse – the need of a sick person – and was brought to the church, where he reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated bishop. Some of the consecrating bishops thought his rumpled appearance and unkempt hair indicated that he was not dignified enough for the office.

Along with Saint Ambrose, Martin rejected Bishop Ithacius's principle of putting heretics to death – as well as the intrusion of the emperor into such matters. He prevailed upon the emperor to spare the life of the heretic Priscillian. For his efforts, Martin was accused of the same heresy, and Priscillian was executed after all. Martin then pleaded for a cessation of the persecution of Priscillian's followers in Spain. He still felt he could cooperate with Ithacius in other areas, but afterwards his conscience troubled him about this decision.

As death approached, Martin's followers begged him not to leave them. He prayed, "Lord, if your people still need me, I do not refuse the work. Your will be done."

Read the full article: "Saint Martin of Tours" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-martin-of-tours/ (Accessed October 29, 2024).

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Domingo, 10 de noviembre de 2024

32º domingo del tiempo ordinario

1 Re 17:10-16

Sal 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

Heb 9:24-28

Mc 12:38-44 ó 12:41-44

Lunes, 11 de noviembre de 2024

San Martín de Tours, obispo

Ti 1:1-9

Sal 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

Lc 17:1-6

Martes, 12 de noviembre de 2024

Santos: Josafat, obispo y mártir

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14

Sal 37:3-4, 18 y 23, 27, 29

Lc 17:7-10

Miércoles, 13 de noviembre de 2024

Santa Francisca Javier Cabrini, Virgen

Ti 3:1-7

Sal 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6

Lc 17:11-19

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Día de la semana

Fel 7-20

Sal 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10

Lc 17:20-25

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Día de la semana

2 Jn 4-9

Sal 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18

Lc 17:26-37

Sábado, 16 noviembre 2024

Día de la semana

3 Jn 5-8

Sal 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Lc 18:1-8

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SAN MARTÍN DE TOURS

Santo del día: 11 de noviembre

Patrón de: Los caballos, los soldados y Sudáfrica

Nacido de padres paganos en la actual Hungría y criado en Italia, este hijo de veterano fue obligado a los 15 años a servir en el ejército. Martín se hizo catecúmeno cristiano y fue bautizado a los 18 años. Se decía que vivía más como un monje que como un soldado. Tras grandes dificultades, fue licenciado y pasó a ser discípulo de Hilario de Poitiers.

Fue ordenado exorcista y trabajó con gran celo contra los arrianos. Martín se hizo monje, viviendo primero en Milán y más tarde en una pequeña isla. Cuando Hilario fue restituido a su sede tras el exilio, Martín regresó a Francia y fundó cerca de Poitiers el que pudo ser el primer monasterio francés. Allí vivió diez años, formando a sus discípulos y predicando por toda la campiña.

Los habitantes de Tours le pidieron que se convirtiera en su obispo. Martín fue atraído a esa ciudad mediante un ardid -la necesidad de un enfermo- y fue llevado a la iglesia, donde se dejó consagrar obispo a regañadientes. Algunos de los obispos consagrantes pensaron que su aspecto desaliñado y su pelo descuidado indicaban que no era lo bastante digno para el cargo.

Junto con san Ambrosio, Martín rechazó el principio del obispo Itacio de condenar a muerte a los herejes, así como la intronización del emperador en tales asuntos. Convenció al emperador para que perdonara la vida al hereje Prisciliano. Por sus esfuerzos, Martín fue acusado de la misma herejía, y Prisciliano fue ejecutado después de todo. Martín abogó entonces por el cese de la persecución de los seguidores de Prisciliano en España. Seguía pensando que podía cooperar con Itacio en otros ámbitos, pero después su conciencia le remordía por esta decisión.

Al acercarse la muerte, los seguidores de Martín le rogaron que no les abandonara. Él rezó: "Señor, si tu pueblo todavía me necesita, no rechazo el trabajo. Hágase tu voluntad."

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Saint Martin of Tours" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-martin-of-tours/ (Consultado el 29 de octubre de 2024).

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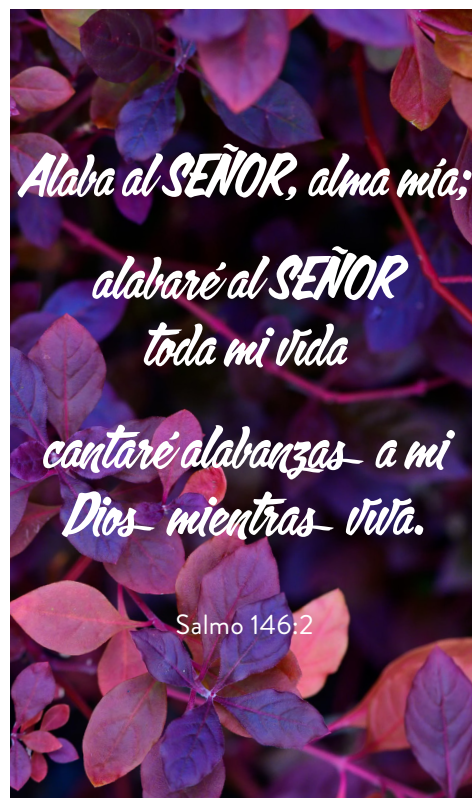
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