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Holy Spirit,
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Espíritu Santo,
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PENTECOST
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Domingo de
PENTECOSTÉS



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: #920/#921

Mass Intentions

24	SUNDAY	PENTECOST SUNDAY
	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
	9:30 a.m.	† Orlando Rodriguez by Garcia Family
	11:00 a.m.	† Peter L. Mendez by Sandra S. Mendez
	1:00 p.m.	† Elivier Vasquez por Familia Vasquez
	6:00 p.m.	† Celia Flores by Gabriela Martinez
25	MONDAY	
	6:45 a.m.	† Deceased Members of Sta. Ana Family by Coco Marcelino
	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Hilda B. Maroney by Ron & M.J. McClain
26	TUESDAY	
	6:45 a.m.	† Maria Isabel Arruda by Sam & Dina Shwiyhat
	8:00 a.m.	† Tom Facio by Ramona Facio
27	WEDNESDAY	
	6:45 a.m.	† Marge Bryan by Rob & Catherine Christensen
	8:00 a.m.	† Rose Silva by her family
28	THURSDAY	
	6:45 a.m.	Intentions of Thanksgiving by Hermenegilda Santos
	8:00 a.m.	† Ric & Loraine Forestiere by their children
29	FRIDAY	
	6:45 a.m.	Intentions of Paul Saldate by Michael & Margret Gaeta
	8:15 a.m.	† Braden McKeighan by Cindy Ferdinandi
30	SATURDAY	
	4:00 p.m.	Intentions of Robin Palmer by Kristin Fitzgerald
	5:30 p.m.	Luis Ruiz Diaz por Maria Ruiz
31	SUNDAY	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
	9:30 a.m.	† Francisco Hernandez by Hernandez Family
	11:00 a.m.	† Steven Anaya by Esther Beltran
	1:00 p.m.	† Panfilo Gomez por Familia Gomez
	6:00 p.m.	† Angelina Cortez by Rizza Pedrigal



SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MAY 23 & 24

Catholic Charities Truck

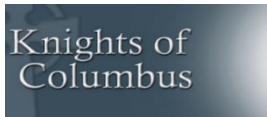
Members of the Knights of Columbus will be in the Pavilion to accept your nonperishable donations before and after Mass. Thank you for your generosity.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

Women's Bible Study

9:00 a.m



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

General Meeting 7:00 pm; Rosary 6:15 p.m.

St. Agnes Social Hall
111 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale

The Knights of Columbus are not part of and not acting on behalf of the St. Anthony of Padua parish or the Diocese of Fresno.



SATURDAY, JUNE 6

First Saturday

8:15 a.m. Mass

Followed by the Rosary and meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary honoring Our Lady of Fatima's Request.

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, June 10

from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – \$20.00/person

The Silver Angels Ministry provides an opportunity for St. Anthony and St. Agnes parishioners (50+)

to come together for lunch and a little fun. Your registration form and payment should be placed in an envelope marked Silver Angels, before dropping it off at the Parish Office or in the offertory.

Grupo de Oración



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

Te invitamos al grupo de oración todos los miercoles desde las 6:30 p.m. empezando con El Rosario, en el salon #23 de nuestra parroquia.
"Ven y llénate del Señor."



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

General Meeting & Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

St. Anthony of Padua Social

The Italian Catholic Federation are not part of and not acting on behalf of the St. Anthony of Padua parish or the Diocese of Fresno.



NO CONFESSIONS

Saturday, June 20

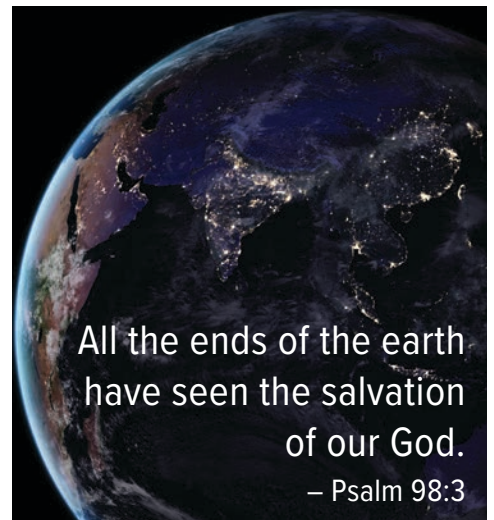


The following couples will marry in the coming weeks:

ADAM BARAJAS & JAIDYN HARPER

JUAN RODRIGUEZ & ADRIANA MEZA

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



All the ends of the earth
have seen the salvation
of our God.

– Psalm 98:3

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

**DIOCESE OF FRESNO
OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

WRITTEN BY MONSIGNOR PATRICK MCCORMICK

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, in Baptism, You call Your people by name and make us one family in Your Church. We praise Your goodness. We thank You for Your gifts.

Father, bless our Church with Your love. Raise up in the Diocese of Fresno good and holy families: loving husbands and wives, devoted parents, and children. Raise up from our families dedicated and generous men and women who will serve Your people.

Send Your Holy Spirit to call, guide, and strengthen our future priests, deacons, nuns, sisters, and brothers in religious vocations, so that they may serve Your people by following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we offer our prayer.

Amen.

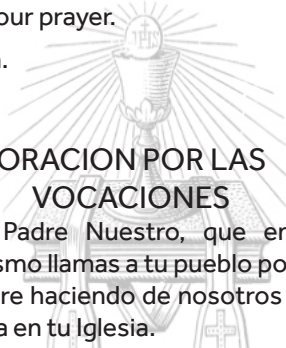
**ORACION POR LAS
VOCACIONES**

Dios Padre Nuestro, que en el bautismo llamas a tu pueblo por su nombre haciendo de nosotros una familia en tu Iglesia.

Alabamos tu bondad y agradecemos tus dones. Bendice a nuestra Iglesia con tu amor, suscitando en la Diócesis de Fresno buenas y santas familias: matrimonios amorosos, padres e hijos con gran devoción. Que de nuestros hogares nazcan personas dedicadas y generosas que sirva a tu pueblo.

Envia tu Espíritu Santo para guiar, dirigir y fortalecer a nuestros futuros sacerdotes, diáconos, monjas y personas consagradas a la vida religiosa. Que ellos puedan servir a tu pueblo siguiendo el ejemplo de tu Hijo Jesucristo, en cuyo nombre ofrecemos nuestra oración.

Amen.



STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!

May 3, 2026	\$ 28,364.00
Last year’s plate income:	\$ 25,676.00
Difference:	+\$ 2,688.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha	
July 1, 2025 – August 30, 2025	\$ 745,760.54
July 1, 2024 – August 30, 2024	\$ 718,110.39
Difference:	\$ 27,650.15

**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.

ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH

111 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale, CA 93650

(559) 439-2100

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – English

Sunday 10:30 a.m. – Español

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



**SHARING THE GIFTS
WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN**

Plate Collection: May 3, 2026	\$1,635.37
Total YTD Plate Collection	\$69,696.45

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YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP
GOD'S WORD | FELLOWSHIP | ADORATION
 JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT GROUP MEETING
 MAY 7 & 21 | JUNE 4 & 18 | RM#21 | 7PM
ADORATION
 MAY 1, JUNE 5 & JULY 3 | 6:30PM | MAIN CHURCH

- POLISH DOG -
FUNDRAISER
 FOR OUR **SAYA** YOUNG ADULT GROUP PILGRIMAGE
 TO **SEOUL KOREA** FOR
WORLDYOUTH DAY 2027



\$10

Includes Polish Dog and Bag of Chips
 HELP SUPPORT OUR SAYA GROUP

MAY 31 | JUNE 7 | JULY 5
 AFTER ALL MORNING MASSES

Thanks For Your Support!
 Proceeds Will Go Towards the SAYA
 Pilgrimage to WYD Seoul, Korea 2027




First Friday
Eucharistic Adoration
 Primer Viernes de
 Adoración Eucarística

Adoration, Worship, and
 Communion
 Adoración, Alabanza y Comunión

Friday, June 5th
 Viernes, Junio 5
 St. Anthony
 @ 6:00 pm

**COME SPEND AN
 HOUR WITH ME!**
 ¡Ven a pasar una hora
 con mígo!

**Catholic Night
 at the Park**



June 4, 2026
 6:50 PM
 Chukchansi Park,
 Fresno



**Baseball.
 Fellowship.
 Family Fun.**



Get tickets!
dioceseoffresno.org/catholic-night



**FEAST OF
 ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA**

Friday: June 12, 2026
 Mass: 6:00 p.m.
 Procession to Event Center
 Reception: 7:00 p.m.

The faithful are invited to bring homemade
 or store-bought cookies or brownies.
 Se invita a los fieles a traer galletas o
 brownies hechos en casa o comprados.



**SAVE THE DATE:
 SONSHINE SUMMER
 BIBLE CAMP 2026**

June 22-26
 Grades K-6



ST. ANTHONY'S SILVER ANGELS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, June 10 • 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Held at St. Agnes Church Social Hall, 111 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Amount: \$ _____ Cash Check

\$20.00 per person – Checks payable to St. Anthony of Padua

Includes: _____

Store bought or homemade desserts and "White Elephant" prizes are welcome. Registrations are due by Tuesday, June 2. Registration forms and payment should be placed in an envelope marked Silver Angels and put in the offertory, Parish Office or mail slot, or return by U.S. Mail.

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 (3rd 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.



SERVIDOR DE ALTAR

Invitamos a los padres de los jóvenes (de 3º 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.

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.

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.



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.

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.



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.

To sign up to help with parish ministries, go to www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, or call the Parish Office at 439-0124 for more details.

Para inscribirse para ayudar con los ministerios parroquiales, visite www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/ o llame a la Oficina Parroquial al 439-0124 para obtener más detalles.

GIFT— RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | CATECISMO-EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Faith Formation & Sacrament Preparation for Children in Kindergarten-6th Grades
 FIRST RECONCILIATION,
 FIRST COMMUNION &
 SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Classes are held on Sundays from 3pm-4:15pm
 Additionally, Second Year students and parent(s)
 attend one Thursday per month at 6:30pm

Registrations are in July



Formación de Fe y Preparación Sacramental para niños del Kinder - 8vo grados
 PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN,
 PRIMERA COMUNIÓN, Y
 SACRAMENTOS DE INICIACIÓN

Clases son los domingos a 3pm-4:15pm
 Adicional, en el Segundo Año escolar los
 estudiantes y sus padres asisten a un jueves por
 mes a las 6:30pm **Inscripciones son en julio**

For more information or to volunteer in this children's ministry contact | Para más información o para ser voluntario en el ministerio de niños, comuníquese con Mary Briseño (559)439-0124 / mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

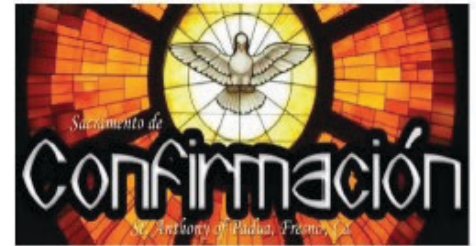
EDGE

2025-2026 Registration for **Grades 6th through 8th** is open (available online only) through September 24th 2025. Register at www.stanthonyfresno.org. Click the Faith Formation tab, in the drop-down menu select Edge Youth Ministry.

Tuesday Evenings in the Social Hall at St. Anthony's School, 6:30-8:00 p.m., beginning September 30th.

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 will prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion while attending EDGE.**

Director, Jaime Torkelson, ext. 117, jtorkelson@stanthonyfresno.org.



PARA JÓVENES BILINGÜES

CURSO DE FORMACIÓN PARA EL SACRAMENTO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

CLASES YA COMENZARON
 PRÓXIMAS INSCRIPCIONES EN EL

Para mas información comuníquese al
 (559) 439-0154 con el
 Diacono Edgar #111 o
 Hna. Lupita #107



LIFETEEN

Confirmation 1 and 2 – High School Teens

2025-2026 Registration for **Grades 9 through 12** is now open (available online only) through September 24th 2025. Register at www.stanthonyfresno.org. Click the Faith Formation tab, in the drop-down menu select Confirmation/LifeTeen.

Sundays in the Social Hall at St. Anthony's School directly after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, 12:00-1:30 p.m., beginning October 5th.

LifeTeen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. We created a dynamic space where teens can develop friendships with their peers, learn more about their faith, and encounter Jesus in the Sacraments!

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 Sundays with our LifeTeen Youth Group which begins after the 11:00 a.m. Mass until 1:30 p.m.

1st Year session will begin Sunday, October 5th

2nd Year session will begin Sunday, October 19th

Director, Jaime Torkelson, ext. 117, jtorkelson@stanthonyfresno.org



EDGE/LIFETEEN Volunteers Needed

We're looking for volunteers interested in helping with Edge (6th - 8th grade youth group) and/or LifeTeen (9th-12th grade teens). If you feel called to help our youth connect with Christ and His Church, please contact the Parish Office. You are more than needed, you are wanted!

OCIA: ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room)



SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

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

St. Anthony of Padua Conference Room (aka Donut Room)

To register go to www.stanthonyfresno.org

Click on Faith Formation and scroll to Sacraments of Initiation for Adults.

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

New folks are welcome to join us at any time during the year.

If you have questions, please contact Martha by phone or email.



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.

PENTECOST

Reflection on John 20:19-23

One of the most intriguing parts of the Pentecost story is when we find this large crowd of people “from every nation under heaven” able to hear the apostles speaking in their own languages. This is the reversal of the Tower of Babel story, in which we find the Babylonians attempting to construct a tower that would reach the heavens. Their project is thwarted by God, who makes the folks unable to communicate with each other, creating a diversity of languages. The work of pride divides; the works of the Spirit unites.

This puts me in mind of the Flannery O'Connor story, “All That Rises Must Converge.” While we each pray and speak to God in our own style and language, these individual and communal prayers that “rise like incense” are a sweet fragrance that converge upon the heavens, reaching the ear of God as praise, thanksgiving, supplication, the groaning of the human heart. The language that God speaks to us, to the whole of the human race, through the power of the Holy Spirit, is the language of Love, and no translation is needed.

– Father Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-11
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23

Monday, May 25, 2026

*Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church*
Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14
Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7
John 19:25-34

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Saint Philip Neri, Priest
1 Peter 1:10-16
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

Weekday
1 Peter 1:18-25
Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 28, 2026

Weekday
1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12
Psalm 100:2, 3, 4, 5
Mark 10:46-52

Friday, May 29, 2026

Weekday
1 Peter 4:7-13
Psalm 96:10, 11-12, 13
Mark 11:11-26

Saturday, May 30, 2026

Weekday
Jude 17, 20b-25
Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6
Mark 11:27-33

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

SAINT PHILIP NERI

Saint of the Day: May 26

Patron Saint of Joy, Humor, Laughter, and Cheerfulness

At an early age, Philip Neri abandoned the chance to become a businessman and devoted his life and individuality to God. After three years of studies, he gave up any thought of ordination. The next 13 years were spent in a vocation unusual at the time – that of a layperson actively engaged in prayer and the apostolate.

As the Council of Trent (1545-63) was reforming the Church on a doctrinal level, Philip Neri's appealing personality was winning him friends from all levels of society, from beggars to cardinals.

At the urging of his confessor, Philip Neri was ordained a priest and soon became an outstanding confessor himself, gifted with the knack of piercing the pretenses and illusions of others, though always in a charitable manner and often with a joke. He arranged talks, discussions, and prayers for his penitents in a room above the church.

Some of Philip's followers became priests and lived together in community. This was the beginning of the Oratory, the religious institute he founded. A feature of their life was a daily afternoon service of four informal talks, with vernacular hymns and prayers.

Philip's advice was sought by many of the prominent figures of his day. He is one of the influential figures of the Counter-Reformation, mainly for converting to personal holiness many of the influential people within the Church itself. His characteristic virtues were humility and gaiety.

After spending a day hearing confessions and receiving visitors, Philip Neri suffered a hemorrhage and died on the feast of Corpus Christi in 1595. He was beatified in 1615 and canonized in 1622.

Read the full article: "Saint Philip Neri" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-philip-neri/> (Accessed April 28, 2026).

PENTECOSTÉS

Reflexión sobre Juan 20:19-23

Una de las partes más intrigantes de la historia de Pentecostés es cuando vemos a esa gran multitud de personas "de todas las naciones bajo el cielo" capaces de oír a los apóstoles hablar en sus propias lenguas. Se trata de una inversión de la historia de la Torre de Babel, en la que vemos a los babilonios intentando construir una torre que llegara hasta los cielos. Su proyecto es frustrado por Dios, quien hace que las personas no puedan comunicarse entre sí, creando una diversidad de lenguas. La obra del orgullo divide; las obras del Espíritu unen.

Esto me recuerda el cuento de Flannery O'Connor, "Todo lo que se eleva debe converger." Aunque cada uno de nosotros ora y habla con Dios a su manera y en su propio idioma, estas oraciones individuales y comunitarias que "se elevan como incienso" son una fragancia dulce que converge en los cielos, llegando al oído de Dios como alabanza, acción de gracias, súplica y gemido del corazón humano. El idioma en el que Dios nos habla, a toda la raza humana, a través del poder del Espíritu Santo, es el idioma del Amor, y no se necesita traducción.

– Padre Jay



ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo, 24 de mayo de 2026

Domingo de Pentecostés

Hechos 2:1-11

Salmo 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13

Juan 20:19-23

Lunes, 25 de mayo de 2026

Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia

Génesis 3:9-15, 20 o

Hechos 1:12-14

Salmo 87:1-2, 3 y 5, 6-7

Juan 19:25-34

Martes, 26 de mayo de 2026

San Felipe Neri, sacerdote

1 Pedro 1:10-16

Salmo 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

Marcos 10:28-31

Miércoles, 27 de mayo de 2026

Día de la semana

1 Pedro 1:18-25

Salmo 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20

Marcos 10:32-45

Jueves, 28 de mayo de 2026

Día de la semana

1 Pedro 2:2-5, 9-12

Salmo 100:2, 3, 4, 5

Marcos 10:46-52

Viernes, 29 de mayo de 2026

Día de la semana

1 Pedro 4:7-13

Salmo 96:10, 11-12, 13

Marcos 11:11-26

Sábado, 30 de mayo de 2026

Día de la semana

Judas 17, 20b-25

Salmo 63:2, 3-4, 5-6

Marcos 11:27-33

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SAN FELIPE NERI

Santo del día: 26 de mayo

Patrón de la alegría, el humor, la risa y la alegría

Desde muy joven, Felipe Neri renunció a la posibilidad de convertirse en hombre de negocios y dedicó su vida y su persona a Dios. Tras tres años de estudios, abandonó cualquier idea de ordenarse sacerdote. Los siguientes 13 años los dedicó a una vocación poco común en aquella época: la de un laico comprometido activamente con la oración y el apostolado.

Mientras el Concilio de Trento (1545-63) reformaba la Iglesia a nivel doctrinal, la atractiva personalidad de Felipe Neri le ganaba amigos de todos los niveles de la sociedad, desde mendigos hasta cardenales.

A instancias de su confesor, Felipe Neri fue ordenado sacerdote y pronto se convirtió él mismo en un confesor destacado, dotado de la habilidad de calar las pretensiones e ilusiones de los demás, aunque siempre de manera caritativa y a menudo con una broma. Organizaba charlas, debates y oraciones para sus penitentes en una sala situada encima de la iglesia.

Algunos de los seguidores de Felipe se hicieron sacerdotes y vivieron juntos en comunidad. Este fue el inicio del Oratorio, el instituto religioso que él fundó. Una característica de su vida era una celebración diaria por la tarde que consistía en cuatro charlas informales, con himnos y oraciones en lengua vernácula.

Muchas de las figuras destacadas de su época acudían a Felipe en busca de consejo. Es una de las figuras influyentes de la Contrarreforma, principalmente por haber llevado a la santidad personal a muchas de las personas influyentes dentro de la propia Iglesia. Sus virtudes características eran la humildad y la alegría.

Después de pasar un día escuchando confesiones y recibiendo visitantes, Felipe Neri sufrió una hemorragia y murió en la fiesta del Corpus Christi de 1595. Fue beatificado en 1615 y canonizado en 1622.

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Saint Philip Neri" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-philip-neri/> (Consultado el 28 de abril de 2026).



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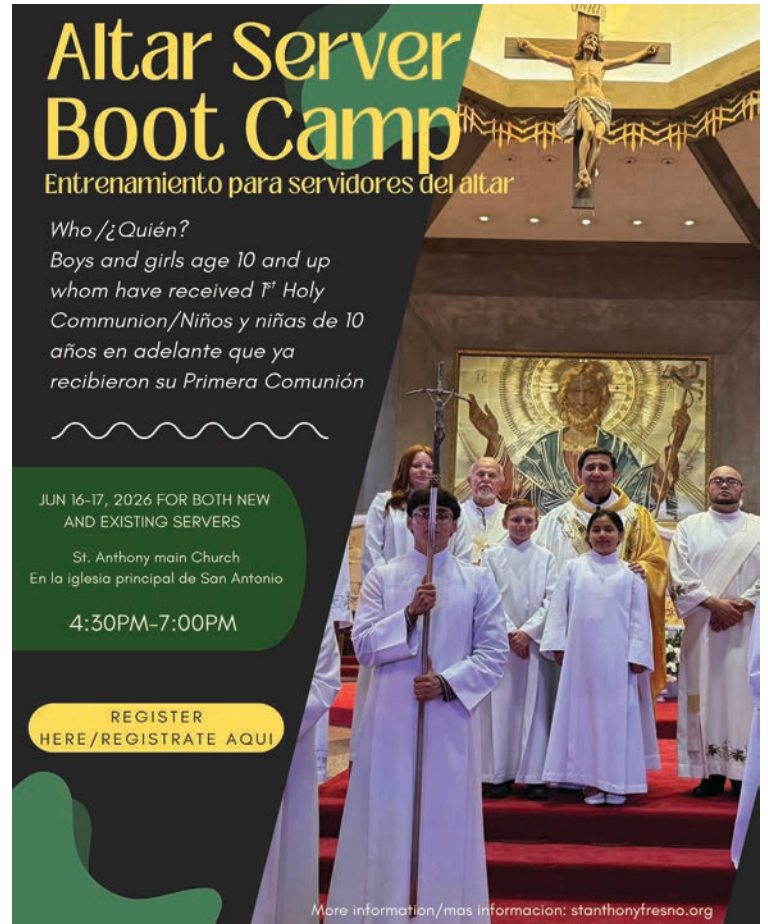
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