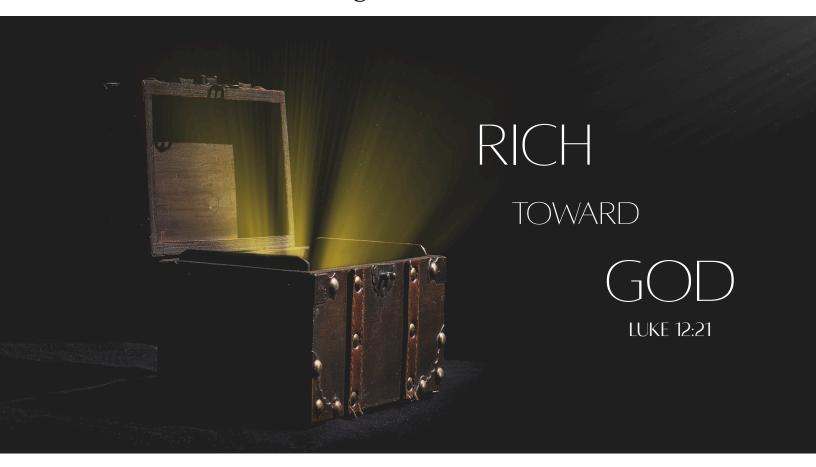


St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE TO WORSHIP GOD IN THE GENIUS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY

August 3, 2025



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S!

We welcome all new members and visitors to our parish. Please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org. to register, or you can also register online - scan the QR code below by opening your camera app



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM (Noon)

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS

11 AM & 6 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday - Friday: 11 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Or by Appointment

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Please see an Usher before Mass

PARISH OFFICE

Physical Location: 204 Douthit St. Monday thru Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM

Friday 9 AM - 12 PM Phone: (864) 233-7717

Website: www.stanthonysgvl.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

Diocesan Office: (843) 261-0430

DO YOU NEED HELP?

Financial Assistance: (864) 233-7717 ext. 0

Catholic Charities: (864) 331-2626

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 8/2

• 5 pm Fr. Mark Beard 📋

SUNDAY, 8/3

- 8 AM
- 10 AM Camilla Hertwig
- 12 PM The Tanzillo Family +

TUESDAY, 8/5

• 11 AM For SAP School

WEDNESDAY, 8/6

• 11 AM Jordan Signor

THURSDAY, 8/7

• 11 AM Mike and Pat Reilly

FRIDAY, 8/8

• 11 AM

SATURDAY, 8/9

• 5 PM

SUNDAY, 8/10

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

It is a wonderful Catholic tradition to request a Mass Intention for loved ones; living or deceased. In fact, asking for Mass intention for the deceased is not only Catholic tradition, it is biblical (2 Maccabees 12: 38-46).

Mass intention is also a wonderful gift for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc. Mass intention donations are \$10 each.

Please call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention.

TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR

Individuals

Alice Rigler Ann Fournier Ann Moore Ann Nechodom Annette Martin Bill Higgins Clarice Hanly Charlene Palmer Chester Williams David Burnett Dee Dee Dzikowicz Donna Neelev Donna Nickels Dorothy Baker Drew Butterfield Elaine Greggs

Ellaniose Johnson Eric Kuhn Erica Hardy Billy Mayes Ronnie Glenn Gregory Kuhn Hazel Hill Jen Duhe Jonathan Turner Joseph Neito Joyce Croce Laura Drummond Laurie Rappl Lillie Davis Lori McGinley Malik McCauley Margaret Morris

Marie Therese Isdiore Marilyn Daly Martha Cotel Mary Cormican Mary Curran Matthew Bryson Maureen Lukovic Megan Counihan Mary Ann Turner Melvin Armstrong Michael Davis Olivia Brown Ornella Muth Rhonda Brown Ruth Henderson Richard Palmer Sabrina Walker

Sammy Huguet
Sandra McNaughton
Sharon Bryant
Sharon Patton
Sherri Hoffman
Stephan Pleasant
Steve Miller
Stuart MacNaughton
Tara Cleary
Thelma Williams
Tom James
Tyler Korybski
Wilbert Morgan
Willie Davis

Families

Barb & Vern Prinzing Dana Lacher Duhe Family Catherine & Michael Branca Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu Karen Randall & Family Scott Cely Family Michael & Ruth Walters Tessa & George Skoniecki Deacon Richard Murtaugh Deacon Steve & Susan Olson Deacon Winston Wright Juan & Christina Francisco

Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Clenty Fair Nicole Campbell Little

HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

If you are sick at home or in the hospital, have a member of your family notify the parish if you are not able to notify us yourself. We care about you and want to help you when you need help from your church family. If there is someone you would like to be added on the prayer list OR removed, please contact the Parish Office: 864-233-7717 ext 2. Thank you!

PARISH REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS

ACTIVE PARISHONER

- Weekly attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Volunteer on regular basis (**Time**)
- Active involvement in a parish ministry/organization (**Talent**)
- Weekly or monthly use of parish envelopes or online giving (Treasure)

PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTS

Those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony **must be registered members** for **at least six months** prior to reception of these Sacraments. You must be a registered member of the parish to ask for Godparent or Sponsor's form of eligibility. **To register, please email Kyle Hall at kyle.hall@charlestondiocese.org**, or you can also <u>register online</u> – scan the QR code below by opening your camera app.



Infant Baptism Class for Parents

Parents must be registered and active member of St. Anthony's. Class is offered on the third Thursday of every month. Pre- registration is required. Please call the office to pre-register. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

First Holy Communion

Preparation begins in the first grade and continues into second grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week in August.

Confirmation

Preparation begins in the eighth grade and continues into ninth grade for a total of two years of preparation. Registration for Religious Education classes takes place in August. The first day of class is the third or fourth week of August. Adults who have not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament are asked to contact the parish office.

Marriage

You must be registered and active member at least six months prior to preparation of the Sacrament. Couples should call the parish office and speak to the priest/ Deacon for pre-nuptial inquiries. Then the couple will begin formal marriage preparations at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

This is a process through which non-baptized adults known as catechumens or baptized adults who wish to convert from other faith traditions enter in communion with the Catholic Church. Classes begins in September. If you wish to become a Catholic, please call the parish office.

COMMUNICATIONS

BULLETIN CONTENT SUBMISSION

Anyone parish group/organization wishing to submit items for publishing in the weekly bulletin should send the content to **Daffodil Behal** (sapgvlcomms@gmail.com) by end of day Tuesday for the coming weekend's bulletin. Submissions after the deadline will be included in the Sunday email.

FLOCKNOTES

We are currently in the process of arranging Flocknotes so that multiple people in each household can receive the Parish emails. This will allow us to not duplicate information on our Servant Hearts Flocknote group.

If you, or have someone in your household that currently does not receive the Parish emails (that are registered parishioners), and would like to subscribe, please email Daffodil Behal at: dbehal@charlestondiocese.org.

Provide the following information:

Envelopes:

- · Full Name
- Email
- · Phone Number

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is not only about the needs of church, rather it is about our desires to give back to God in thanksgiving; by sharing with others the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us. If you would be interested in joining our Stewardship Committee, please contact Jay Pitts at 864-233-7717 ext. 4.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION

Collections for July 26-27 Masses

Cash: \$2,639.12

Online Giving: \$12,418.00

\$16,432.70

Total \$31,489.82

<u>Giving Online</u> makes it easier and more convenient to contribute to St. Anthony's Church. Scan the QR code to the right by opening your camera app to start giving online.



The true spirit of Stewardship is "Equal Sacrifice and not Equal Giving."

PRAYER

FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

In the hustle for success and the pursuit of happiness, have you ever stopped to ask yourself: What's the point of it all? Really, what's it all for? This Sunday, we're exploring that very question with the help of one of history's most brutally honest voices: Qohelet—the preacher, philosopher, and ancient realist who dared to confront life's deepest uncertainties. His opening words still pierces hearts today: 'Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!'

Qohelet's raw honesty forces us to face an unsettling truth: everything we build, achieve, and accumulate ultimately slips through our fingers like sand, leaving us with empty hands and restless hearts. As the saying goes, "You'll never see a U-Haul behind a hearse."

Qohelet's observations are sobering—life can feel absurd, even meaningless at times. Centuries later, Albert Camus echoed Qohelet's sentiment in *The Myth of Sisyphus*, describing life as endless and absurd toiling. And honestly? Qohelet's words still pierce through our modern and digital world. We scroll endlessly on social media feeds, chase LinkedIn accolades, and curate picture-perfect Instagram lives—today's versions of the very vanity Qohelet described.

Even with our remarkable achievements—24/7 connectivity, space exploration, self-driving cars, and algorithms that seem to know us better than we know ourselves—we're still restless. Dissatisfied. Searching. We chase bigger houses, shinier cars, and loftier titles, only to find the void within us still gaping. Mick Jagger wasn't wrong when he sang: "I can't get no satisfaction."

But Qohelet's stark honesty isn't meant to leave us in despair—it's meant to wake us up. Life 'under the sun,' when viewed purely through human lens, is like running on a hamster wheel: lots of effort, no lasting destination. Even life's greatest joys—love, friendship, success—leave us longing for something eternal. Qohelet understood this: the deepest questions of purpose, death, and meaning can't be answered without God.

And here is where Jesus steps in. You see, Qohelet shows us the problem, but **Jesus gives us the answer**. While Qohelet exposes the futility of life, Jesus gives us a hope that will never fade. Jesus didn't come to deny life's struggles—He came to transform them. He offers eternal life, unites us with God, and fills our days with a purpose that doesn't vanish when the sun sets.

Take the parable of the rich fool – a man consumed with building bigger barns to store his wealth, only to lose his life before enjoying it. Jesus didn't call him foolish just because of his riches. He called him foolish for his misplaced priorities.

So, let me ask you this: What are you striving for? More storage units, more status, more fleeting pleasures? (Fun fact: storage facilities are among America's fastest-growing businesses.) Or are you investing in what truly endures—relationships, generosity, kindness, and faith? Listen to the psalmist in Psalm 90 calling us to "number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart."

True wisdom, my friends, isn't about a "YOLO" mindset of "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." No, true wisdom is about aligning your life with God's eternal purposes. It's about using your brief time on this earth to make an everlasting impact. How you want to be remembered when you are gone? Saint Basil said it best: "The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry; the coat in your closet belongs to the one who needs it."

True wealth isn't measured in possessions. It's measured by how much you give, how much you love, and the legacy of faith you leave behind. And can I tell you something? Jesus offers us a way off that hamster wheel. He turns despair into joy, futility into purpose. He takes death itself and replaces it with eternal life. While Qohelet correctly diagnoses our human condition, Jesus provides the cure.

So, I'll ask you again, my friends: What are you truly living for? Are you chasing treasures that will fade away, or are you building up eternal riches that will last forever? Qohelet reminds us that life is brief—it's a vapor, a mist. But in Christ, we find the one thing that will never fade: a life rich in faith, love, purpose, and eternal hope.

Everything else? Shadows. Vanity.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

The men and women who serve in the armed forces do so with a sacrificial love for our country and the world. Lifting them up in prayer to our Lord must be our humble, and yet great support for them.

Lord, may your love encircle our military as they work across the world to install justice and peace for all. And be their hope through the difficulties and stress they face each day.

PARISH UPDATE

Parish Office Hours & Schedule Update

Parish Office Hours & Fr. Emerson's Day Off Update:

- Monday to Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and the office will be closed for lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 PM.
- Fridays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- Fr. Emerson's day off will be on Fridays starting in August.

Wednesday Mass & Confession Schedule Update:

- 11:00 AM Daily Mass
- 4:00 PM Procession of the Blessed Sacrament
- 4:00 to 6:00 PM Confession
- 5:30 PM to 6:00 PM Prayer of the Rosary
- 6:00 PM Daily Mass

Friday Schedule:

• 11:00 AM - Communion Service

Calling All Young Adults!

Are you in your 20s or 30s and looking to connect with other Catholic young adults in a relaxed, welcoming setting?

We're excited to launch a new Young Adult Group—a space for faith, fellowship, and fun with others who are navigating life, work, and faith together.

First Meet-Up:

Thursday, August 7th at 7:00 PM Location: Southernside Brewing Co.

Whether you're new to the parish or have been here for years, we'd love for you to join us! Come meet new people, build community, and help shape what this group becomes.

No commitment—just come as you are. Grab a drink, bring a friend, and let's build something good together.

Questions? Contact Nancy McNamara: sapyoungadult@gmail.com or scan the QR code to join the GroupMe chat:

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Saint Anthony Summer Retreat



Saint Francis Prayer Center Retreat Father Peter and SAP parishioners, July 2025

This past weekend some parishioners enjoyed a reflective and fun retreat at the Saint Francis Prayer Center in Stoneville, NC.

Inspired by the charism (spiritual gifts) of St. Francis and St. **Clare**, the center offers a comfortable, peaceful environment where all can experience the beauty of nature, the sanctity of silence, and the joy of Franciscan hospitality.

Opportunities included talks by Father Peter, prayer, discussions, rest, quiet, meditations, nature walks, fun and prayerful community gatherings including mass and a send-off blessing.

Rogozenski House Fire

St. Anthony parishioners Kathleen and Karl Rogozenski recently lost their home and their beloved dog, Nash, in a devastating house fire. If you're able, please consider making a donation to help them rebuild. Scan the QR code below to give. Thank you for your support and prayers.







Women's Council Meeting

Sunday, August 3rd at 1:30 PM in the Multipurpose Room

All women of the parish are welcome join us!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3rd MONDAY, AUGUST 4th

1:30 PM - Women's Council Meeting

Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5th

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study

Zoom

AUGUST 3RD - AUGUST 10TH

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6th

- New Wednesday Schedule 11:00 AM Mass
 - 4:00 PM Procession of the Blessed Sacrament
- 4:00 to 6:00 PM Confessions
- 5:30 to 6:00 PM Prayer of the Rosarv
- 6:00 PM Mass

PARISH UPDATE

The MICAH Program - Rescuing People from Predatory Loans

As the saying goes, "a drowning man will grab the tip of a spear." When someone is desperate, even a dangerous loan can feel like the only option.

That's exactly what happened to a woman we recently helped. She took out a \$1,268 loan with an outrageous 177.81% interest rate. Without intervention, she would have paid \$1,479 in interest alone.

Through the MICAH Program, she refinanced her loan at just 4.3%, saving \$1,437. We're also working with her on personal budgeting skills so she can avoid falling into predatory lending traps again.

The Mentors at the MICAH Program turn despair into hope and fulfills Christ's call to love through action. Please consider joining the MICAH Program as a Mentor. See our contact information in the bulletin to learn more.

Be a Witness, Be Involved, Serve at the Altar.

Are you a young adult looking to grow in your faith and become more involved in parish life? Consider serving as a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mass!

These sacred roles are a beautiful way to deepen your relationship with Christ and serve your parish family in a meaningful and visible way. Whether you feel drawn to proclaiming the Word of God or helping distribute the Body and Blood of Christ, your "yes" matters- and makes a difference.

We are especially **in need of volunteers to serve at the Noon Mass on Sundays**. If you regularly attend that Mass, this is a wonderful opportunity to take an active role in the liturgy.

No prior experience is needed. Training will be provided.

Come be part of something greater. Let your faith come alive through service.

Interested? Please contact:

- Eucharistic Ministers (EME): Kyle Herr at kylekherr@gmail.com or 864-907-9355
- Lectors: Paul Herr at pdherr@gmail.com; 864-907-9356.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" -1 Peter 4:10

Formation

As we celebrate the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we invite you to deepen your reflection on this weekend's Gospel through these engaging resources on FORMED:

- For Adults:
 - <u>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</u> A thoughtful video reflection to help prepare your heart for Mass and ponder the riches of God's Kingdom.



- For Children:
 - The Rich Fool A fun, animated retelling of Jesus' parable that teaches young hearts about the true treasure we find in Christ.



We hope these videos enrich your weekend prayer and spark meaningful family conversations about faith and discipleship.

Join Our Living Waters Bible Study - Tuesday on Zoom

Looking to grow deeper in your faith and connect with others in a welcoming, supportive environment? Join us for the Living Waters Bible Study this Tuesday evening via Zoom.

Whether you're new to Scripture or have been studying for years, all are welcome!

Interested in joining us?

We'd love to have you! Simply **scan the QR code** below to get connected—we look forward to welcoming you into the conversation.



AUGUST 3RD - AUGUST 10TH

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7th

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8th

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9th

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

11 AM - Communion Service **Church**

SECOND COLLECTION: DISASTER ASSISTANCE

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

Principal Purview

What Makes a School Truly Catholic? Part 4: Supporting Parents in Their Vocation

At the heart of every Catholic school is a partnership-a sacred collaboration between parents and educators. The Church teaches in Gravissimum Educationis (§3):

"Since parents have given life to their children, they are bound by the most serious obligation to educate their offspring... The role of parents in education is of such importance that it is almost impossible to provide an adequate substitute."

Catholic schools do not replace parents; they exist to assist them. Parents are the first teachers of their children-not only chronologically, but by divine design. They are entrusted by God with the full formation of their children: body, mind, and soul.

A truly Catholic school recognizes this. It seeks not to usurp the family's role, but to strengthen and support it. It works in harmony with parents to form young people in truth and love, providing a community of faith, culture, and learning where children can flourish.

This partnership between home and school is foundational. When parents and educators share a common vision of the human person and a shared commitment to formation in wisdom and virtue, the result is a powerful witness to the Gospel-and a deep and lasting education.

As we conclude this series on the nature of Catholic education, let us remember: the school is not just an institution, but a community-one that walks alongside families in the joyful and challenging work of raising saints.

-Brian Long

Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF)

The scholarship amount has increased to \$7,500 per **student**, and prior enrollment in a public school is no longer a requirement — making the program far more accessible.

Please scan QR code for more information, or visit our school webpage: https://stanthonyschoolgvl.org/tuitionfees/



2025-2026 Enrollement is Open

Please scan QR code to apply:



ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

BACK TO SUPPLY LIST

2025-2026 School Year

- #2 Pencils (Fat&Thin)
- 100 Pencil Boxes
- Ergsers
- 75 Student Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Markers
- Crayons
- Colored Pencils
- Playdoh
- Chalk
- Cardstock (White & Colored)
- Craft Tissue Paper
- Painter's Tape
- Sticky Notes
- Watercolor Paint
- Pocket Folders Hot Glue Sticks
- Scotch Tape
- Pens(Blue, Black, Red)
- Chart Paper
- White Out
- Manilla Folders
- Colored Manilla Folders
- Different Size Ziploc Bags

- Dry erase markers
- 2 Pocket Folders
- 2 Pocket Folders with
- Plastic Folders(Red & Green)
- Highlighters
- Spiral Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Dry erase markers
- Kleeney
- Laminating Sheets
- Hand Sanitizer
- Kinetic Sand
- Tape Dispenser
- Expo white board care spray
- 20 Wooden Rulers
- Wide Ruled Notebook(Red, Yellow, Purple, Green, Orange, Blue) 80 of Each
- 40 Blunt Point Scissors
- 3x5 unlined and lined index cards

- Elmer's Liquid Glue
- Sharpies (Colored & Black) All sizes
- Sponges (Different Sizes)
- 20 2 Yellow Pocket Folders
- Thermal Laminator
- Velcro Dots
- Command Strips
- Construction Paper

Scan QR Code to View List



Join the Mission at St. Anthony of **Padua Catholic School!**

We're currently accepting applications for several open positions at our parish school. If you or someone you know is looking for meaningful work in a Christcentered, mission-driven environment, we'd love to hear from you!

Scan the QR code to view current job openings and apply.

Be a part of forming young hearts and minds in faith, excellence, and service. Thank you for helping us spread the word!

Elementary School Teachers

