

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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

November 2, 2025



THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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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 <u>register online</u> - 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

Monday - Thursday: 11 AM Wednesday : 11 AM & 6 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 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 Street, Greenville, SC 29601 **Hours of Operation:** 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

Phone: (864) 271-0167

Website: www.stanthonyschoolgvl.org

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

Diocesan Office: (843) 261-0430

DO YOU NEED HELP?

Financial Assistance: (864) 233-7717 ext. 0 Catholic Charities: (864) 331-2626 Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 11/1

• 5 PM

SUNDAY, 11/2

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM Monica Biroc 🚺

Monday, 11/3

• 11 AM Joe Mausser

TUESDAY, 11/4

• 11 AM

WEDNESDAY, 11/5

• 11 AM

THURSDAY, 11/6

• 11 AM

SATURDAY, 11/8

• 5 PM David Peot

SUNDAY, 11/9

- 8 AM
- 10 AM Jacob & Daffodil Behal Wedding Anniversary
- 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 Billy Mayes Clarice Hanly Charlene Palmer Chester Williams David Burnett Dee Dee Dzikowicz Donna Neelev Donna Nickels Dr. Jeff Giguere Drew Butterfield

Elaine Greggs Ellaniose Johnson Eric Kuhn Erica Hardy Gregory Kuhn Hazel Hill Jason Latimore Jen Duhe Jonathan Turner Joseph Neito Joyce Croce Laura Drummond Laurie Rappl Lillie Davis Lori McGinley Malik McCauley Margaret Morris

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

Families Karen Randall & Family

Barb & Vern Prinzing Dana Lacher Duhe Family Catherine & Michael Branca Doug, Debbie, & Barbara DeLeu

Scott Cely Family Michael & Ruth Walters Tessa & George Skoniecki Deacon Richard Murtaugh Deacon Steve & Susan Olson Deacon Winston Wright Juan & Christina Francisco Camilla Hertwig

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 at dbehal@charlestondiocese.org 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:

- Full Name
- Email
- Phone Number

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection for October 25-26, 2025
(16th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$22,922.77	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	\$430,380.95	\$497,021.01

*Our Fiscal Year starts 7/1/2025, so Year-to-Date (YTD) data is total weekly collections since 7/1/2025

Consider Online Giving:

56% of our YTD giving this year has been online. We want this % to be as close to 100% as possible. Online contributions provide steady, reliable support — even when you are away. Sign-up for online giving by scanning the QR code below:



Leave a Legacy:

Remember St. Anthony's of Padua in your will or estate plan. Your planned gift helps ensure our parish remains a place of worship, education, and community for generations to come.

Every gift matters - together we make a difference!

PRAYER

FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

What Awaits Us Beyond This Life?

"Where are we going?" Four words, yet they hold the weight of countless sleepless nights, existential crises, and even that heated road trip debates when someone forgot to check the GPS. Oops. But this question, beyond its casual usage, has haunted humanity since the first gazed at the stars and wondered, "Why are we here? What's the point of it all?" It lingers, unshaken, one of the deepest inquiries in philosophy.

In his *Critique of Practical Reason*, Kant asked, "What can we hope for?"—a question that touches the very core of humanity's quest for meaning and the ultimate destination of life. This longing echoes throughout history, surfacing in moments of awe, fear, and even denial. For some, it demands soul-searching reflection. For others, it's easier to avoid. What lies beyond death? Are we, as a culture, sidestepping the reality of mortality—distracting ourselves with fleeting pursuits while ignoring the inevitable?

Christianity offers a bold and transformative response: the resurrection of the body. But, this promise is often misunderstood, shaped more by Platonic ideas of disembodied souls floating off to heaven. The biblical vision, however, is far richer. It's not about escaping from the physical world but about its complete renewal – a new heaven and a new earth, where the physical and spiritual are united in perfect harmony (Rev 21). As St Paul proclaims, "If we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection" (Rom 6:5). In other words, death doesn't get the last laugh. Life does.

Life is fragile, shadowed by the certainty of death. Each breath brings us closer to the grave-a reality that can feel overwhelming. Yet, for Christians, death is not the end. It's a doorway—to a life more abundant and eternal, where God's love triumphs over the grave. As the psalmist assures us: "Even though I walk through the dark valley, I fear no evil; for you are at my side, with your rod and your staff that give me courage" (Ps 23:4). In this promise, we find courage to face both life and death. The resurrection declares God's resounding "no" to death, transforming how we live, what we value, and where we place our hope. It calls us to affirm life, reject all that destroys it —violence, oppression, and injustice—and to honor the sanctity of every human being.

On All Souls' Day, we light candles for the faithful departed. Their flickering glow reminds us of the eternal light in Christ. As we remember their lives - their struggles, joys, and faith - we trust that they now rest in God's care. This day reassures us: love never forgets, and in Christ, we are never alone. It is a time to honor their memories and renew our trust in Christ's promise: "Everyone who believes in me will have eternal life" (Jn 6:40). Are we living in the light of eternity?

This day also calls us to reflect on the communion of saints—a bond unbroken by death. The Church Militant, Suffering, and Triumphant form a symphony of faith, their prayers blending across time and space in a harmony that reaches the heart of God. This communion urges us to think beyond ourselves. Salvation is not a solitary journey; it's a shared mission. Faith compels us to ask not just, "How can I save myself?" but also, "How can I help others find salvation?" By sharing the hope of eternal life, we fulfill our calling as followers of Christ.

So, where are we going? If we live as people of the resurrection, the answer becomes clear: toward a future where love conquers, life endures, and the grave holds no power. We are going home! This hope isn't just for eternity – it transforms us here and now. It calls us to embrace life, reject what destroys it, and share eternity's promise with a world longing for hope. Death, where is your sting? Not here. Not now. Not ever.

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.

Important Dates & Updates

- Nov 3rd-6th: Fr. Emerson away for the annual Priest Retreat in Charleston, SC. Communion Service will be offered and no Confessions will be available during the week (only on Saturday)
- Nov. 5th: United Housing Connections Breakfast
- Nov. 2 & 22nd
 - Nov. 26th-28th: Parish Office will be closed for Thanksgiving
 - Nov. 29th & 30th: Visiting Priest, Fr. Daniel

PARISH UPDATE

SAP Hiking Ministry – Ashmore Heritage Preserve

Join us for our next hike on **Saturday, November 15th**, as we explore **Lake Wattacoo** with a **Clemson naturalist** who will guide us through the beauty of the preserve.

- Meet: 7:30 AM in front of the school (carpool available)
- ▶Hike: Moderate 4.1 miles at a relaxed pace
- Finish: Around 2:00 PM
- Suggested Donation: \$5 for gas

All are welcome — including first-time hikers! Expect a "Franciscan Experience" of fellowship, prayer, quiet reflection, and appreciation of God's creation.

Scan QR code sign up:



Contact Paul Herr at pdherr@gmail.com for questions. **Mark your calendar:** our next hike is **December 6** (no hike in January).

Young Families Group

Looking to connect with other young families in our parish? The Young Families Group is a wonderful way to build community, share faith, and enjoy fellowship together. We gather for fun, family-friendly events throughout the year that help strengthen our parish family.

Our next event will be a **Thanksgiving celebration -** stay tuned for more details!

To stay in the loop and join the group chat for updates on events and gatherings, scan the QR code:



Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule:

- Thanksgiving Week (Nov. 24th-27th) Communion Service only
- Weekend of November 29th-30th Visiting Priest, Fr. Daniel.
- Wednesday December 24th 4:00 PM (children's), 6:00 PM, and Midnight
- Thursday, December 25th 10:00 AM

Parish Office Closures:

- Wednesday, November 26th to Friday, November 28th.
- Tuesday, December 23rd at 12 noon to Friday, December 26th and we will reopen on Monday, December 29th.

Women's Council Upcoming Events

- Join us Sunday, November 2nd at 1:30 PM in the Social Hall for our November meeting.
- We will be having our annual Bake Sale on Sunday, November 23rd after all Masses
- We will have a Women's Day of Recollection for Advent on November 21st & 22nd. For more information, please see flyer below:



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

NOVEMBER 2ND - NOVEMBER 9TH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd

All Souls Day

9:00 AM - Men's Club Breakfast SAP Social Hall

1:30 PM - Women's Council Meeting SAP Social Hall

5:00 PM - Youth Ministry Communion Service and Meeting

Church & SAP Social Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

11:00 AM - Communion Service **Church**

6:30 PM - Christmas Float Meeting
Classroom A

7:00 PM - OCIA

Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th

10:00 AM - Card Ministry Meeting

Classroom A

11:00 AM - Communion Service **Church**

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study

Zoom

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th No Confessions

11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Communion Service **Church**

6:00 PM - Religious Education/CCD Assigned Classrooms

> 7:00 PM - Men's Bible Study Zoom

PARISH UPDATE

Rise and Shine Breakfast for a Brighter Future

Join United Housing Connections for the Rise and Shine Breakfast on Wednesday, November 5, from 7–9 a.m. at the Greenville Convention Center.

Learn how affordable housing is being developed across the Upstate — including projects supported by St. Anthony Parish. Our own board members, Mark O'Rourke and Julia Mullen, invite you to attend and see how our parish's efforts continue to make a difference.

Free tickets available - scan the QR code to register!



Ken Bassett Family Thank You Dinner

The Bassett Family warmly invites **St. Anthony Parishioners** to a **Thank You Dinner following the 5:00 p.m. Mass on December 13th.**This special gathering is their way of expressing gratitude for the **prayers, support, and generosity** shown by the parish when Ken's daughter lost her home in a house fire. **All dinner expenses will be graciously covered by the Bassett Family.**

Men's Bible Study

Grow in faith and fellowship with our Men's Bible Study, meeting every **Wednesday at 7 PM via Zoom**. All men are welcome! For details or the Zoom link, contact David Quast at thequasts@gmail.com or 864-906-2632.

Women's Bible Study - Thursdays

All women are invited to join us Thursdays, **9:00–10:45 AM in the Multipurpose Room**, as we read Jesus and Women: In the First Century and Now by Kristi McLelland. Come for fellowship, prayer, and reflection – contact Nancy (414–736–6290) or Rita (864–979–7544) for details.

Join Living Waters Bible Study

All are welcome to grow in faith and fellowship with our Living Waters Bible Study! To join, log into Zoom (free), click "Join Meeting", enter Meeting ID: 834 4618 4219, type your name, and click "Join."

Stay Connected

We are excited to launch a shared calendar, please scan the QR code below to view our calendar:



Follow our Socials: Facebook & Instagram









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Sign-up for Flocknote Emails/E-News

Don't miss out on the latest parish news, upcoming events, and faith-filled updates! Sign up for our Flocknote emails (E-News), sent every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. It's the best way to stay informed and connected to parish life.



https://AnthonyPaduaSC.flocknote.com



VIRTUS Training for All Volunteers!



All parish and school volunteers must have current VIRTUS training.

Youth Ministry Meeting

Calling All Teens (Ages 13-19)!

Come be part of our **revamped Youth Ministry** — a place to **inspire**, **lead**, **and grow together in fellowship!**

Join us this **Sunday**, **November 2**, **2025**, **at 5:00 PM** for a **Communion Mass with Deacon Dexter**.

After Mass, we'll head to the **Social Hall** for **dinner**, **fun icebreakers**, and **two amazing talks** led by our Teen Leaders, **Nathan Twaddle** and **David Mitchell-Dela Cruz**. Bring a friend and come see what our Youth Ministry is all about — **faith**, **fun**, **and community**!

NOVEMBER 2ND - NOVEMBER 9TH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

9:00 AM - Women's Bible Study **Multipurpose Room**

11:00 AM - Communion Service **Church**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7th

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

4:00 PM - Wedding Rehearsal Church

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9th

Second Collection Archdiocese for the Military Services

10:00 AM - Pickleball School Gym

2:00 PM - Wedding **Church**

3:00 PM - Quinceañera Mass **Church**

4:00-4:45 PM - Confessions **Church** 9:00 AM - Men's Club Breakfast SAP Social Hall

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

Terrific Tuesday Highlights

Superhero Theme Day brought lots of smiles and excitement as our students showed off their heroic spirit — rain and cold couldn't stop the fun! Our Beta Club also spent time reading to our younger students, making it an extra special day filled with laughter, learning, and community.



















St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School - First Quarter Awards

This past Thursday, our school community came together to celebrate our students' hard work and dedication during the **First Quarter Awards Ceremony**.

Students were recognized for earning A Honor Roll, A/B Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance, and Student of the Quarter honors. We are so proud of their achievements and the example they set through their commitment to learning and living out our school's values of faith, excellence, and service.



NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

• 1st: Solemnity of All Saints

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- 6th: All School Mass | 9 AM
- 11th: Veterans Day Program
- 13th: All School Mass | 9 AM
- 18th: Make-Up Picture Day I Thanksgiving All School Lunch
- 19th: Progress Reports Q2
- 20th: All School Mass | 9 AM
- 26th-28th: Thanksgiving Break No School

St. Anthony's Catholic School Needs You!

Can you volunteer some of your time and talents to our school?

We are looking for volunteers to read with students, monitor students during lunch in the cafeteria, and work in the library.

If you are interested in any of these tasks, please send your name and contact information to one of the contacts listed below. There will be a meeting scheduled soon to discuss details and schedules.

Thanks in advance for your help!

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