



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY

January 25, 2026



THIRD 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

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

ADORATION

Wednesday: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

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.stanthonysgyl.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone: (864) 271-0167

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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

Food Pantry: (864) 233-7717

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, 1/24

- 5 PM

SUNDAY, 1/25

- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 PM

Monday, 1/26

- 11 AM

TUESDAY, 1/27

- 11 AM

WEDNESDAY, 1/28

- 11:00 AM
- 6:00 PM

THURSDAY, 1/29

- 11 AM

SATURDAY, 1/31

- 5 PM

SUNDAY, 2/1

- 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	Dr. Jeff Giguere	Malik McCauley	Ruth Henderson
Ann Fournier	Drew Butterfield	Margaret Morris	Ronnie Glenn
Ann Moore	Elaine Greggs	Marie Therese Isdiore	Sabrina Walker
Ann Nechodom	Ellaniso Johnson	Marilyn Daly	Sammy Huguet
Annette Martin	Eric Kuhn	Martha Cotel	Sandra McNaughton
Bernice Latimore	Erica Hardy	Mary Cormican	Sharon Bryant
Bill Higgins	Gregory Kuhn	Mary Curran	Sharon Patton
Billy Mayes	Hazel Hill	Matthew Bryson	Sherri Hoffman
Bob Stein	Jason Latimore	Maureen Lukovic	Stephan Pleasant
Clarice Hanly	Jen Duhe	Megan Counihan	Stuart MacNaughton
Charlene Palmer	Jonathan Turner	Mary Ann Turner	Tara Cleary
Chester Williams	Joseph Neito	Melvin Armstrong	Thelma Williams
David Burnett	Joyce Croce	Michael Davis	Tom James
Dee Dee	Laura Drummond	Olivia Brown	Tyler Korybski
Dzikowicz	Laurie Rappl	Ornella Muth	Wilbert Morgan
Donna Neeley	Lillie Davis	Rhonda Brown	Willie Davis
Donna Nickels	Lori McGinley	Richard Palmer	

Families

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

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 PARISHIONER

- 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 register online** - 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 January 17-18, 2026 (29th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$32,373.77	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	\$891,972.18	\$871,659.37

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

Consider Online Giving:

51% 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!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Emerson Rodriguez Delgado

Unseen or Wrestling: The Places Jesus Chooses

This Sunday's Gospel begins with a hard sentence: "**When Jesus heard that John had been arrested...**" Before a sermon, a jail cell. Before a miracle, a headline. Jesus steps into public life to the sound of a prison door.

Matthew is teaching us this: **God's light does not wait for peace and quiet.** It doesn't arrive after the trouble passes. It comes while the trouble is still here. Light meets us in the mess, not after we've cleaned it up.

Then Jesus goes to Capernaum, to the region of **Zebulun and Naphtali**. It sounds like a small detail, but it's a big announcement. Matthew is hearing Isaiah in the background: "**The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.**" And Isaiah names that region on purpose. It was the borderland—the crossroads—often the first place to be hit when the powers of the world came marching through. The exposed places. The overlooked places. The places people judged as "too far," "too mixed," "too complicated." And Isaiah says: "**That's where dawn breaks first.**" Not in the safest center. Not in the shiny places. On the edge.

So here's a question worth carrying this week: **Where is the edge in your life right now?** Where you feel stretched thin. Where you feel unseen. Where you're tired of holding everything together.

Because Zebulun and Naphtali were names before they were places—names born from a complicated family. Zebulun carries Leah's ache: *Maybe now I'll be seen. Maybe now I'll matter.* Naphtali carries Rachel's honesty: *This has been a struggle. I've been wrestling.* Those are still two common kinds of tiredness.

Some of us live in **Zebulun**—doing the right things, showing up, staying faithful—yet quietly asking: "**Does anyone see me?**" Some of us live in **Naphtali**—wrestling with anxiety, addiction, caregiving, money, health, relationships—so long that struggle starts to feel normal.

And here is the mercy of the Gospel: **Jesus begins there.** Not after everything is fixed. Not when fear is gone. Not when life finally becomes manageable. He makes the edge his starting point.

Then Jesus speaks his first public word: "**Repent.**" That word can sound like a scolding, but here it's a doorway. Repent means **turn.** Reorient. Change direction. As if Jesus is saying: You don't have to arrange your whole life around the dark. You don't have to stay braced for the worst. You don't have to let your wound be your name. **Turn—because light is here.**

And notice what he does next: he calls ordinary people—fishermen with nets, bills, and sore backs. The light doesn't only shine; **it gathers.** It makes a people. It heals—and then it sends.

So the Gospel leaves us with one simple, searching question: **If Christ begins on the edges, what edges do I avoid?** Out there—in my community, my parish, my neighbors. And in here—in my own heart.

And perhaps the most personal question of all: **Where have I lived in the dark so long that turning toward the light feels risky—even though it's the way home?**

The good news is not that darkness isn't real. John is arrested. The world is tense. The powers are still the powers. The good news is this: **The Light has come near.** Near enough to tell the truth. Near enough to heal what's wounded. Near enough to lead us forward. May we have the grace not only to notice the light, but **to turn toward it**—and follow, one step at a time, into a new way of seeing, and a new way of living in Christ.



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.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Chris and Janet Lester

PARISH UPDATE





Monthly Rosary Walk

All Women of the Parish are invited to join the Women's Council to pray the Rosary on Friday, January 30th 10:00 am

We will walk from the church parking lot to the statue of Mary

This month's Rosary will be for Pope Leo's call for Justice over War

In case of inclement weather, we will meet in the church lobby

St. Anthony of Padua Parish Lenten RETREAT

BLESSED BROKEN & SCARED

Becoming Eucharist for a Starving World

March 14, 2026

309 Gower St. | Greenville, SC 29611 | Social Hall



Through stories, music, humor, and his personal testimony Brian shows how the Last Supper challenges everyone to become Eucharist. The retreat offers hope, healing, and change as it explores the profound implications of God's mercy, forgiveness, and love. Ideally suited for ages 16 and older.

8:30am Donuts and Coffee
9:00am Retreat Begins
Noon Lunch
3:00pm Retreat Concludes

"I've attended many day retreats, go home, and forget all about it. This retreat will stay with me forever."

PAST ATTENDANT



Brian is a Catholic lay evangelist, author, and founder of Broken Door Ministries.

BrokenDoorMinistries.org

A love offering will be accepted.



What's Happening at St. Anthony's

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.

👉 Sign up today:

<https://AnthonyPaduaSC.flocknote.com>



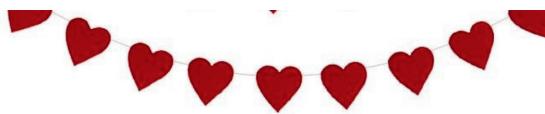
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St. Anthony's Families Group

St. Valentine's Day Event

Please join the Families Group for packing bags for the food pantry. We will meet in the school gym and pack the bags while the children make Valentines cards to add to each one. Use the QR code at the bottom to sign up for a food pantry item to bring.

Date: Sunday February 15th
Time: After the 10 am Mass (about 11:15 am)
Where: St. Anthony's School Gym
Who: All are welcome!

*Craft supplies and snacks will be provided. This is a great way to meet and get to know other families in our church and involve your family in helping others in our community. For questions or more information email: Sapfamilies@gmail.com



Scan QR Code
for Sign-Up Sheet

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25th

Second Collection: Church in Latin America

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 26th

Parish Office Closed

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church
7:00 PM - OCIA
Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27th

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study
Zoom

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28th

11:00 AM & 6:00 PM - Daily Mass
Church

4:00-6:00 PM - Adoration & Confessions
Church
6:00 PM - Religious Education/CCD Classes
Assigned Classrooms
7:00 PM - Men's Bible Study
Zoom



FORMATION

Living Waters Bible Study Update

The Living Waters Bible Study has resumed this past Tuesday and will meet on Tuesdays via Zoom. We will continue our study of the Book of Romans, a rich theological masterpiece from which every Christian can benefit.

All are welcome to join at any point along the journey—whether you are new to the study or returning. We would love to have you with us!

Living Waters Bible Study

Tuesdays | 6:30-8:00 PM

Via Zoom

Zoom Log-In:

Meeting ID: 834 4618 4219

Passcode: LWBS

Participant ID: 529792



Scan QR Code for
Zoom Link

We look forward to gathering again in the new year for faith, fellowship, and Scripture.

Men's Bible Study Update

All men of the parish are **invited to grow in faith and fellowship** through our Men's Bible Study, which will meet next on **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom**.

Join us for meaningful discussion, prayer, and reflection—all from the convenience of home. New participants are always welcome!

For more information, please contact David Quast at thequasts@gmail.com or 864-906-2632.

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Zoom Link



Women's Bible Study Has Resumed!

The Women's Bible Study is beginning **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** this winter! This engaging 8-week program by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer offers a wonderful opportunity to grow in understanding of Sacred Scripture and deepen your faith.

Women are still welcome to join us. Due to the wonderful response—38 ladies have already committed—we will be **meeting in the Social Hall on Thursdays at 9:00 AM**.

Each week includes a 30-minute video, followed by discussion and fellowship. We would love to have you join us!

For more information or to join, please contact Nancy at 414-736-6290 or Rita at 864-979-7544

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

View Our Parish Calendar

We are excited to launch a shared calendar, please **scan the QR code to view our calendar**
(link will expire on Jan. 29th):



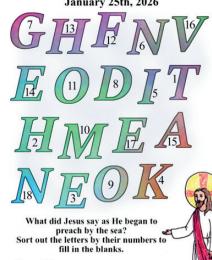
Important Dates Ahead

- **Jan. 25th-31st** - Catholic Schools Week
- **Jan. 30th** - Monthly Rosary Walk
- **Jan. 31st** - Annual Prayer Breakfast in the Social Hall - all are welcome!
- **Feb. 8th** - Super Bowl Party in the School Gymnasium
- **Feb. 13th-14th** - Black Catholic Heritage Celebration at St. Patrick Church Pastoral Center in Charleston, SC
- **Feb. 2nd-17th** - Fr. Emerson's Out of Town
- **Feb. 15th** - St. Valentine's Day Event hosted by Families Group
- **Feb. 16th** - President's Day (Parish Office Closed)
- **March 14th** - Parish Lenten Retreat: Blessed, Broken & Scared



The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 25th, 2020



Scan QR Code to View the
Kid's Bulletin for this week

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29th

9:00 AM - Women's Bible Study
SAP Social Hall

11:00 AM - Daily Mass
Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30th

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

10:00 AM - Monthly Rosary Walk
Church Parking Lot

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31st

9:00 AM - Annual Prayer Breakfast
SAP Social Hall

10:00 AM - Pickleball
School Gym

4:00-4:45 PM - Confessions
Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1st

**Second Collection:
Catholic Schools Week**

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

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Dear Parishioners of St. Anthony of Padua,

Over the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend, I joined a workshop and retreat sponsored by the Institute for Catholic Liberal Education. This was part of an 18-month national cohort of Catholic educators committed to renewing our schools. Despite my ongoing illness, the time was deeply renewing, reminding us that the Catholic educator participates in two key offices of the priest: to teach and to heal.

The Church has produced many strong documents on Catholic schools because education lies at the heart of her mission. Among my favorites are the Congregation for Catholic Education's *The Catholic School* (1977) and *The Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School* (1988). But the one that has most shaped my vocation is Pope Pius XI's *Divini Illius Magistri* (1929), which lays out Christian education's purpose with clarity and beauty:

"The proper and immediate end of Christian education is to cooperate with divine grace in forming the true and perfect Christian, that is, to form Christ Himself in those regenerated by Baptism, according to the emphatic expression of the Apostle: "My little children, of whom I am in labor again, until Christ be formed in you" (Gal. iv 19). For the true Christian must live a supernatural life in Christ: "Christ who is your life" (Col. iii 4), and display it in all his actions: "That the life also of Jesus may be made manifest in our mortal flesh" (II Cor. iv 11)."

This vision guides our renewal efforts at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School. I recommend two talks that make school renewal practical and inspiring:

"Treasures Old: Wisdom and Inspiration from the History of Catholic Education" by Dr. Andrew Seeley. He traces the rich history of Catholic education, showing how the Church's tradition of learning remains a vital heritage today.

"Rejoicing in the Truth: A Portrait of Renewal at Our Lady of Lourdes" by Rosemary Vander Weele, president of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School in Denver, CO. In 2011, enrollment had fallen below 100 students. By 2018, it grew to 231 across two campuses. Her story highlights what matters most: placing Christ at the center of formation.

Scan QR Code
to View "Treasures Old: Wisdom
and Inspiration from the History
of Catholic Education" Video



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Truth: A Portrait of Renewal
at Our Lady of Lourdes" Video



I encourage you to listen and reflect—they offer real insights for our parish school.

Thank you for your prayers and support as we build a school where Christ is formed in every student.

In Christ the Beloved,

Brian Long
Principal
St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School