



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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

February 1, 2026



FOURTH 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, 1/31

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SUNDAY, 2/1

• 3 PM

Monday, 2/2

• 11 AM

TUESDAY, 2/3

• 11 AM

WEDNESDAY, 2/4

• 11:00 AM

THURSDAY, 2/5

• 11 AM

SATURDAY, 2/7

• 5 PM

SUNDAY, 2/8

• 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
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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

STEWARSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection for January 24-25, 2026 (30th week of the Fiscal Year)

	Actual	Budget
Weekly Total:	\$25,911.00	\$29,236.53
YTD* Total:	<u>\$917,883.18</u>	<u>\$900,895.90</u>

*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

What If Happiness Starts at the End of Ourselves?

Aristotle once said that every human being is chasing happiness, and most of us know he's right. The problem isn't desire for joy; it's where we keep trying to find it. We reach for whatever promises relief, belonging, or control, yet the very things we chase often leave us more restless than before.

That's why Jesus' words in the Beatitudes land with such surprising force. He looks at an unexpected group of people and calls them "**blessed.**" Not lucky, nor comfortable, not hashtag-living-the dream, but deeply happy. It raises the question: if these are the happy ones, why does their life sound so hard?

Consider the list. The poor in spirit. Those who mourn. The meek. The hungry for justice. The insulted. The persecuted. Even the seemingly "positive" traits—mercy, purity of heart, peacemaking—are difficult when lived out. So why call this group blessed? At first it can sound like delayed gratification: your reward will be great in heaven. But Jesus isn't saying "suffer now to be happy later." The Beatitudes aren't about celebrating pain; they're about humility—a new way of seeing and belonging to God. As Mother Teresa put it, **we** must empty ourselves to receive a blessing, because even God cannot fill what's already full. Want happiness? Seeking holiness? Spoiler: The front door is humility.

The Beatitudes sit at the heart of Jesus' teaching, and show us what he himself looks like. And the first Beatitude is the entryway into the whole kingdom life: "Happy are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Only the first and the eighth mention "the kingdom," like bookends, suggesting that everything in between reveals the kingdom's inner logic and way of life.

And yes, it's counter-cultural. Our world preaches a different gospel: win, get rich, and get admired. Even in the Old Testament can seem to equate blessing with success. Today we often skip the "God" part and chase the prize ourselves. But Jesus is more realistic: wealth and success can wreck a person, and strengths can become weaknesses. And the opposite is true: what looks like defeat can become a victory. Jesus lived that truth, crucified, then raised.

Meister Eckhart went so far as to say poverty of spirit is more foundational than love. Sounds extreme, but he meant this: without humility, we can only love selectively—our people, our tribe, the ones who don't annoy us. Christ's love is open-handed, self-giving, fearless. His love begins where our ego ends—and let's be real, most of us could use a smaller ego and a bigger heart.

This is why the Beatitudes don't look like economic or political strength. They are intentionally counter-cultural. Jesus isn't just redefining happiness; he's giving us a path to it. The Greek word 'makarios,' usually translated "blessed," means a serene, untouchable joy. Not the absence of sorrow, but a joy deeper than sorrow.

To live the Beatitudes means seeking God with an honest, uncluttered heart. In conflict, loss, or confusion, the invitation is the same: turn toward God. Not only with prayers, but with choices, habits, and relationships. We are "blessed" because we are held by the One who is joy Himself.

The first group of Beatitudes—poverty of spirit, mourning, meekness, hunger for righteousness—exposes the emptiness of our false gods: money, pleasure, power, fame. "Blessed are the poor in spirit" isn't a praise of economic poverty; it's a call to detachment. Everything is gift. Once we see that, we can finally live freely.

The second group—mercy, purity of heart, peacemaking—shows what a transformed life looks like from the inside out. Mercy steps into another's suffering. Purity of heart seeks God without mixed motives. Peacemaking refuses the easy path of contempt.

And then the final Beatitude: "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake." Jesus isn't glorifying martyrdom. He is describing freedom. As Paul wrote, "I have been crucified with Christ..." Meaning: the world loses its power over a heart no longer clings to itself.

In the end, the Beatitudes teach abundant living: living fully and freely, whatever the circumstances. The path forward isn't spiritual heroics but humble openness: letting Jesus soften what has hardened in us and letting God shape us into people of mercy, courage, and peace.

If you want a place to begin, try this: choose one small, hidden act of mercy. No credit. No applause. Just love. Then pay attention to what happens in your heart. That's where freedom begins.

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.

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 Feb. 6th):



PARISH UPDATE



Weekly Planner

Monthly Rosary Walk - Friday 1/30
10:00 am in the Parish Parking Lot

Postponed - Date to be Determined
Annual Prayer Breakfast
Saturday 1/31 9 am Social Hall

Postponed - Sunday 2/8
Monthly Meeting - Sunday 2/1
1:30 pm MultiPurpose Room

Buy Tickets for Valentine Gift Basket
After masses this weekend

Events Sponsored by the
St. Anthony of Padua
Women's Council

ST. ANTHONY
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PARTY



Scan QR Code to RSVP

JOIN US FOR SUPER SUNDAY FUN!
BBQ WINGS, DOGS AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH
DOORS OPEN AT 5 P.M.
KICKOFF AT 6:30 P.M.
LOCATION: SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
RSVP: IN THE CHURCH
LOBBY BY FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Thanks to the Mens Club and the Knights of Columbus for your support

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.
For more information or to sign up, call 864-706-2999, or scan QR code, or email BrokenDoor@charlestondiocese.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.

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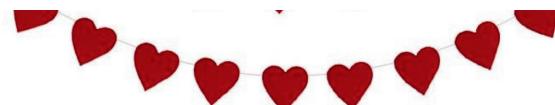
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St. Anthony's Families Group

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, FEBRUARY 1st

Second Collection:
Catholic Schools Week

No Men's Club Breakfast

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd

11:00 AM - Communion Service
Church

7:00 PM - OCIA
Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd

11:00 AM - Communion Service
Church

6:30 PM - Living Waters Bible Study
Zoom

FEBRUARY 1ST-8TH

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4th

11:00 AM - Communion Service
Church

**No Adoration and Confessions from 4-6 PM
No 6:00 PM Mass**

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.

Scan QR Code for
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

Important Dates Ahead

- **Jan. 25th-31st** - Catholic Schools Week
- **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 Vacation**
- **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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 1st, 2024



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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5th

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

11:00 AM - Communion Service
Church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6th

Fr. Emerson's Day Off

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7th

Fr. Daniel McLellan Visiting Priest

10:00 AM - Pickleball

School Gym

4:00-4:45 PM - Confessions
Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8th

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

1:00 PM - Youth Ministry Meeting
TBD

1:30 PM - Women's Council Meeting
Multipurpose Room

5:00 PM - Super Bowl Party
School Gym

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School is renewing its academic program to better serve the needs of children as persons—intellectually, morally, spiritually, and developmentally. This transition to a multi-age model strengthens our Catholic mission, supports excellence through mastery, and reflects our identity as a small, intentional learning community ordered toward the good of the human person created in the image and likeness of God.

Rather than organizing learning strictly by age or grade, students are grouped according to developmental readiness and mastery of skills. This allows instruction to be more responsive, more personal, and more humane.

The multi-age classroom places the needs of the child as a person at the center of the academic program, recognizing that children develop at different rates and learn best when instruction responds to where they truly are—academically, socially, and emotionally. By emphasizing mastery rather than pace, this model calls forth excellence, giving students the time and support needed to grasp foundational skills fully while maintaining appropriate challenge without undue pressure. Flexible groupings within each classroom allow teachers to know students more deeply and provide individualized attention, while the mixed-age environment fosters leadership, responsibility, and mutual support as older students mentor younger peers.

A Distinctively Catholic Identity

This model sets St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School apart from other Catholic schools in the area. It harnesses our strengths:

- A small, intentional community
- A mission-focused culture
- An education centered on the dignity of the human person

Child-Centered by Design

The multi-age classroom places the needs of the child as a person at the center of the academic program. Children develop at different rates, and learning is most effective when instruction responds to where a student truly is—academically, socially, and emotionally.

Excellence Through Mastery

This model calls forth excellence by emphasizing mastery rather than pace. Students are given the time and support needed to fully grasp foundational skills before moving forward. Instruction is developmentally appropriate, ensuring challenge without undue pressure.

More Individualized Attention

Multi-age classrooms allow teachers to work with students in flexible groupings and to know each child more deeply. Older students reinforce learning by mentoring younger peers, while younger students benefit from strong models of leadership and responsibility.

Responsible Stewardship of Resources

Reducing the number of instructional classrooms frees financial and human resources. This allows the school to strengthen essential support roles that the current grade-level model requires, such as:

- School Mission Operations Manager
- Advancement, Enrollment & Marketing
- Facilities Coordinator

The result is a school that forms students not only for academic success, but for lives of virtue, service, and faith. This shift promotes long-term sustainability while preserving academic quality. We will know that we have succeeded in our mission when we:

- Actively proclaim the kerygma and promote our Catholic faith, tradition, and history.
- Protect the primacy of parents as the first educators and the family as the first school of the child, actively pursuing harmony between the Church, school, and home.
- Revere the nature and dignity of the human person as male and female, body-soul unities created for heaven in God's image and likeness.
- Employ curricula, pedagogy, and human formation rooted in the Catholic tradition of liberal learning that inspire wonder and awe, and lead students to encounter and behold Jesus Christ, the Logos.
- Hire, equip, and retain dedicated men and women as leaders and educators who are disciples of Jesus, who give a joyful counter-cultural witness, and who have a relentless commitment to our mission.
- Form a Christian community rooted in charity whose joyful daily common life and personal practices give life to a sacramental and counter-cultural vision of the world and inspire its members to abide in relationship with God, the Church, and each other.

In Christ the Beloved,

Brian Long

Principal

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School