

DID YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE AN ACTIVE PRAYER-LINE? If you would like to be remembered in the prayers of many people, please call John Lukens, 229-561-0719. John sends out the prayer requests via text message daily.

Catholics and their family members who are struggling with same-sex attraction can find help through **COURAGE** (www.couragec.org/). Help is available online at their web-site or by phone (404)931-1836 or (404) 747-8204. Local **COURAGE** Chapter for Diocese of Savannah is in Macon, GA. Website information is available in Spanish and Italian. Founded in 1980 at request of the late Terence Cardinal Cook, COURAGE received canonical status in the Catholic Church on November 28, 2016.

USHERS NEEDED! Men and women are needed to become active members of our Parish to help with the Collection and the Reception of Holy Communion. See John Lukens for the 10:00 AM Mass and Deacon Steven for the 12:30 PM Mass.

THE SECOND SUNDAY of the month is **GIVING SUNDAY**. We take up a second collection that day and for the month of **JULY**, it is for **CHURCH IN AFRICA**. We also accept donations for St. Francis Center which is a Catholic Thrift Shop and Outreach Center run by St. John the Evangelist Church in Valdosta. We have been notified that St. Francis Center is now closed until Tuesday, August 6th. This is their time for any repairs and/or painting to the interior of the building and maybe a week of vacation.

On Sunday, **July 28th**, we will celebrate the **Feast of St. Ann**, the Patroness of our new Mission Church. There will be a Mass in Alapaha at 9:00 AM, an English Mass at 10:30 AM followed by a Pot Luck Luncheon and the 12:30 PM Mass in Spanish. Please bring your favorite dish as we share a meal with our new brothers and sisters in faith.

UNFAILING PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY

O holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for his creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers.

Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (your request).

The answer to my prayer may require a miracle; even so, you are the Saint of Miracles.

O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet Infant Jesus, Who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen

PRAYER GARDEN: We have a Prayer Garden with engraved bricks around the Statue of Our Lady. If you wish to order an engraved brick—either in honor of someone special to you or in memory of someone special who has passed away, you can come to the Parish Office, or you could fill out a sheet with the appropriate envelope that can be found on the table in the Narthax. The cost is \$100.00 each and we will take payments.



ABUSE HOTLINE NUMBER: To report sexual abuse of a minor by Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection

Protecting Our Youth: Diocesan policy requires all diocesan adult employees and volunteers attend VIRTUS (safe environment) awareness training, undergo a background check, and read and sign the diocesan code of conduct for working with minors prior to commencing their ministry.

PRAYER FOR THE GRACE FROM ALL THE WORLD'S MASSES
Eternal Father, we humbly offer Thee our poor presence, and that of the whole of humanity, from the beginning to the end of the world at all the Masses that ever have or ever will be prayed. We offer Thee all the pains, sufferings, prayers, sacrifices, joys, and relaxations of our lives, in union with those of our Lord Jesus here on earth. May the Most Precious Blood of Christ, all His Blood, Wounds, and Agony save us., through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary. Amen

This prayer should be recited daily and be made known.)



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Rev. Joey Buencamino, Parochial Administrator

Deacons: Ray Brown & Steven Mancuso

July 21, 2024

Parish Mission Statement

“We are a bilingual community, who walk together to meet the Lord through the sacraments. We are guided by the Holy Spirit and by the Doctrine of the Church, towards the love of God the Father through Jesus, His only Son.”

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday thru Thursday: 9:30 AM Mass .
There will be Adoration available each day the Church is open until 3 :00 PM. On First Friday there will be
Adoration from 5:00 — 6:30 PM followed by a
Healing Mass at 7:00 PM.

Sunday: 9:00 Am (St. Ann’s) , 10:30 AM in English &
12:30 PM in Spanish at St. Anthony of Padua

Office Hours: Mon — thru—Thurs
9:00 am—3:00 pm



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month 5:00 — 6:30 PM
Followed by a Healing Mass at 7:00 PM
Every day the Office is open 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

Reconciliation

Sundays between 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM Masses
Or by appointment

RCIA

Classes begin in September.
September—May

Baptism

Speak with Priest or Deacon three months in anticipation of the proposed date. Copy of Birth Certificate is required.

Marriage

Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

Faith Formation

Classes begin in September.
Classes are 11:45 AM —12:45 PM
Contact Deacon Steven Mancuso for more information.

Adult Education

Sunday: 11:45 AM—12:45 PM in Conference Room
We will study the Book of the Prophets beginning in September.

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Fr. Francois Pellissier, Fr. Michael Cerrone, Fr. Michael Kavanaugh, Fr. Brian LaBurt, Msgr. Chris Schreck, Fr. Stan Pieczara, Deacon Ray Brown, Ray O’Keefe, Eva de Angel, John Lukens, Emma Moore, Al Pole, Bennie Owens, Marciano Perez, Mike Kunai, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, James Holton, Gerald Silva, Vera Kate Setser, Ana Beltran, Julia Santacruz, Lindy Reed, Valentina Rojas, Pam Coombs, Julianita Tejada, Joanna Padgett, Mandy Sirmans, Carol Buencamino, Tom Lostetter, Betty Brannon, Armando Sanchez, Gary Hogan, Ricardo Vargas, Antonio Tejada, David Sands, Shirley Logan, Pat Murphy, Nicholas Cantera, Bill Schade, Joseph Costantino, Joann Dise, Mike Chammoun, Agustin Iglesias, Sharon Walter, David Sands, Tony Christiano, Esther Lopez, Jackie Shierling, Valerie Vargas, Renae Cassity, Robert Beier, Don Christiano, Manuel Arias, Brenda Diefanderfer, Erika Lloyd, Nayar Prado, Nina Waters, Kathy Giddens, Lisa Salomon, Jeanne Han, Josefina Di Domenico, Steve Register, Grace Mack, Segrid Mack, Barkeia McBride, Mary Diefanderfer, Barry White, Manuel Garcia, Patricia Hunter, Pat Murphy, Skyler Deyarmin, Manuel Lopez and Myriam Santacruz.



(St. Ann’s) Mark Davis, George Harper, Reagan Nugent, (St. Anthony’s) Maria Bautista, Maria de La Luz Bautista Cuna, Andres Contreras, Joseph Fairall, Adriana Hernandez Garcia, Austin Hisel, Joseph Lamas-Bravo, Juana Maria Mata, Mani Oriciaga, Charly Utrera, Armando Valdes.

Jill Rosbury, EW Wilkerson, Leo Betlow, David Hunter III, Paul Reed, Florinda Blas, Maria Auxiliadora Bastidas, Thomas Mooney, John Kumpel, Tricia Johnson, Alfonso Santacruz, Eugene Molisee, Fr. Mike Ingram, Viviana Moreno Lopez, Homer Giddens, Regino Solorio, John Callaghan, Edgar Oceguela, Joe Henkels, JP Hiler, “Nina” Chammoun, Linda Christiano, Cirilio Antonio Almarez, Michael Richbourg, Felipe Bautista, Ottis Miller, Fr. Harold Essling, Guillermo Santacruz, Joseph Garneski, Keith Sebring, Gene Shearl, Jorge Osorio, JR Cassity, Jesus Cordova Duarte, Bessy Garcia, Everett Holley, Br. Walter Gluhm, Mary Carrell Morrison, Jose Llanos, Jose Mandragon Benitas, Alan Moore, Kathy Archer, Juan Salazar Mendez, Luke Adkins, Msgr. Daniel Loureiro Rosende, Ann Richbourg, Phyllis Fletcher, Maria Dolores Segade, Roshell McCrae, Myriam Roa, Frank Zubricky, Paul Hamilton, and All the Faithful Departed.

In loving memory

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Burnout. Recent studies suggest that roughly two-thirds of doctors and nurses have signs of it. You probably know what burnout is: long-term stress leading to emotional exhaustion and a lack of a sense of personal accomplishment. Burnout can threaten anyone who tries to seriously serve and love others. How does our faith inform this challenging experience, and how do we find refreshment?

The apostles face something like burnout this week in Mark 6. They are run down from their missionary work, and Jesus says, “Come away by yourselves to a lonely place, and rest a while.” For them, and for us, it takes humility to intentionally rest. It means the world can go on without us. It stings our pride to admit God is necessary and we are not. Choosing to leave our good work to be with him — whatever the cost — is an act of humble faith. And that trust in God begins to revive us.

But there’s more to it. Hilariously, Mark tells us that throngs of needy people find out where the apostles are going and arrive ahead of them. Imagine the exasperation of the burnt-out apostles. “Can we *please* get a minute to ourselves? This is not healthy!” And Jesus seems to *encourage* the boundary violation by telling his frayed followers to feed the crowd. Look: once we move into humble rest, he calls us to *more* work, because we are made for love, not for rest. But Jesus does the vast bulk of the labor. He himself is the one who multiplies the small offering until everyone is satisfied.

What finally gives our heart rest isn’t more vacation time. It’s experiencing the super abundant generosity of God for us and those whom we serve.

— Father John Muir

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TRAVELING

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA,
THE MIRACLE WORKER

We will pray as a family to St. Anthony of Padua in our homes for any special intentions we might have. This week St. Anthony will travel to Lakeland to the home of Daniel Cassity.



As you know, you are not always able to get a Mass on a date you would like. Did you know that Sanctuary Candles burn for a week and you can usually get the date you wish. Cost is \$15.00. Envelopes available on the table in the Narthax.

OFFERTORY — Week of July 14

Regular Offertory \$ 2,134.00
Building Fund \$ 1,627.00

St. Ann’s Offertory \$ 300.00

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

WE ARE ONE-HOLY-CATHOLIC-APOSTOLIC CHURCH

ST. ANTHONY’S GOAL THIS YEAR: \$10,761.00
Total ACA PAID TO DATE \$10,960.00
Congratulations!!

ST. ANN’S GOAL THIS YEAR: \$ 3,010.00
Total ACA PAID TO DATE 2,263.25
TOTAL DUE \$ 746.75
7 Donors, 75.19% of Target, 24.14% Participation

Knights of Columbus

Roundtable meeting in the Parish Hall every Second Sunday of the month in the Parish Hall.



Next Meeting will be
August 11th

Rosary Makers

Our Rosary Makers meet every 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30 AM. For more information, please contact Kathy Giddens at (229)482-2364.



Next Meeting will be
August 17th

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 03 Parish Pastoral Council, 10:00 AM
Aug 11 Knights of Columbus, 11:45 AM
Aug 17 Rosary Makers, 11:30 AM
Aug 18 Food Sale Sunday



Sanctuary Light: In Reverence and Petition, Pray this week for this special intention:

For Bill & Araceli Schade as they Celebrate their 47th Anniversary