

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 website 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 **September**, it is for **MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL**. 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. Today they have several needs: personal hygiene items, non-perishable food items and snacks for the homeless, anything they can eat while walking that doesn't need to be heated up. Packs of crackers are always good.

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS
On the first Sundays of the month, there will be a special blessing for anyone who will celebrate a birthday or anniversary during that month. This information comes from your Registration Forms.

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.



THE SPANISH MASS WILL CONTINUE AT 12:30 PM.

Our **Fall Festival** will be held on Saturday, **September 28th** from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Please be an active part of our Parish and help if you can but try to participate where and however you are able. There will be a Bounce House, food, a Classic Car Display, Face Painting, Children's Carnival Games, a Dunk booth, Popcorn and Snow Cones, a Bake Sale, a Cupcake Walk, White Elephant Table, and MORE!

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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St. Ann Catholic Church
9007 US Hwy 82
Alapaha, GA 31622

Rev. Joey Buencamino, *Parochial Administrator*
Deacons: Ray Brown & Steven Mancuso

September 8, 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 on September 15th.
 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 on September 15.
 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, Rosa Santacruz, Juan Nieto, Juan Bernardo Arango, John Lukens, Morris Family, Jean Dingman, Emma Moore, Al Pole, 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, 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, Skyler Deyarmin, Manuel Lopez and Myriam Santacruz.



Teresa Cano, Hector Castro
 Dolores Hamilton, Xouhiti Lemus,
 Rebecca Mancuso, Mercedes Rivas,
 Antonia Trista, Alessandra Trujillo,
 Leonardo Valdes, Sophia Vargas,
 Hilda Zelaya.

Andy Morrison, Fr. James Holloway, Lucio Sanchez Rangel, Pat Murphy, Jill Rosbury, EW Wilkerson, Leo Betlow, David Hunter III, Paul Reed, Florinda Blas, Maria Auxiliadora Bastidas, John Kumpel, Tricia Johnson, Alfonso Santacruz, Eugene Molisee, Fr. Mike Ingram, Viviana Moreno Lopez, Homer Giddens, Regino Solorio, John Callaghan, Edgar Ocegüera, 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, Br. Walter Gluhm, Mary Carrell Morrison, Jose Llanos, Jose Mandragon Benitas, Alan Moore, Kathy Archer, Juan Salazar Mendez, Luke Adkins, Ann Richbourg, Phyllis Fletcher, Maria Dolores Segade, Roshell McCrae, Myriam Roa, Frank Zubricky, Paul Hamilton, and All the Faithful Departed.

In loving memory

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the most touching YouTube videos I’ve ever seen is one in which a deaf woman receives new technology to heal her hearing. She hears her husband’s voice for the first time — and her own, too — and bursts into tears of overwhelming joy. It must have been like an immovable wall between her and her loved ones came tumbling down.

We are all like this woman, to some degree. We believe in the presence of God’s love, but we can’t hear Him. We can’t speak well about Him. The deaf man who can’t speak properly in the Gospel today is an image of what God wants us to experience again and again. Jesus takes the man aside to a private place away from the crowd, touches his ears and tongue, and says, “Ephphata!” The man’s ears are opened, and he speaks clearly. Contact with Christ has this effect on us.

This experience happens to us in our baptism, almost exactly. It happens to us in the liturgy. It happens in our private prayer. It happens when we hear the voice of God in our conscience. The more we engage these privileged channels of Jesus’ healing, the more we are empowered to hear and speak of the presence of God’s perfect love.

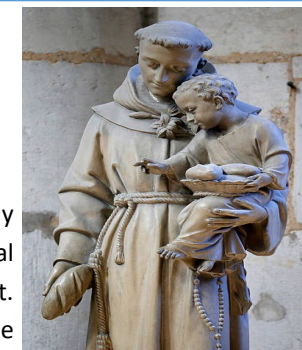
— *Father John Muir*

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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 Ray City to the home of Jean Dingman.



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 September 1

Regular Offertory	\$ 2,777.00
Building Fund	\$ 727.00

St. Ann’s Offertory	\$ 815.00
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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	\$11,060.00
Congratulations!!	
ST. ANN’S GOAL THIS YEAR:	\$ 3,010.00
Total ACA PAID TO DATE	\$ 3,010.00
Congratulations!!	

Knights of Columbus

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



**Next Meeting will be
September 8th**

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
September 21st**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 8	Knights of Columbus Mtg, 11:45 AM
Sep 15	All Religious Education Classes begin
Sep 15	Food Sales
Sep 21	Rosary Makers Meeting, 11:30 AM
Sep 28	Fall Festival 10:00 AM—2:00 PM
Oct 5	Parish Pastoral Council, 10:00 AM
Oct 13	Knights of Columbus Mtg, 11:45 AM
Oct 19	Rosary Makers Meeting, 11:30 AM
Oct 20	Food Sale Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 8	9:00 AM	(St. Ann’s) For the People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Roger, Jr. & Chandler Johnson
	12:30 PM	For the People of the Parish
Sep 9	9:30 AM	Joe & Charlotte Simpson
Sep 10	9:30 AM	+ Marcial Contreras (5th Anniv)
Sep 11	9:30 AM	Nereida Yetzel Capula (16th B’Day)
Sep 12	9:30 AM	Raymond, Larry & Linda Rosenblatt
Sep 15	9:00 AM	(St. Ann’s) For the People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	For the People of the Parish
	12:30 PM	+ Andres Contreras (9th Anniv)



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