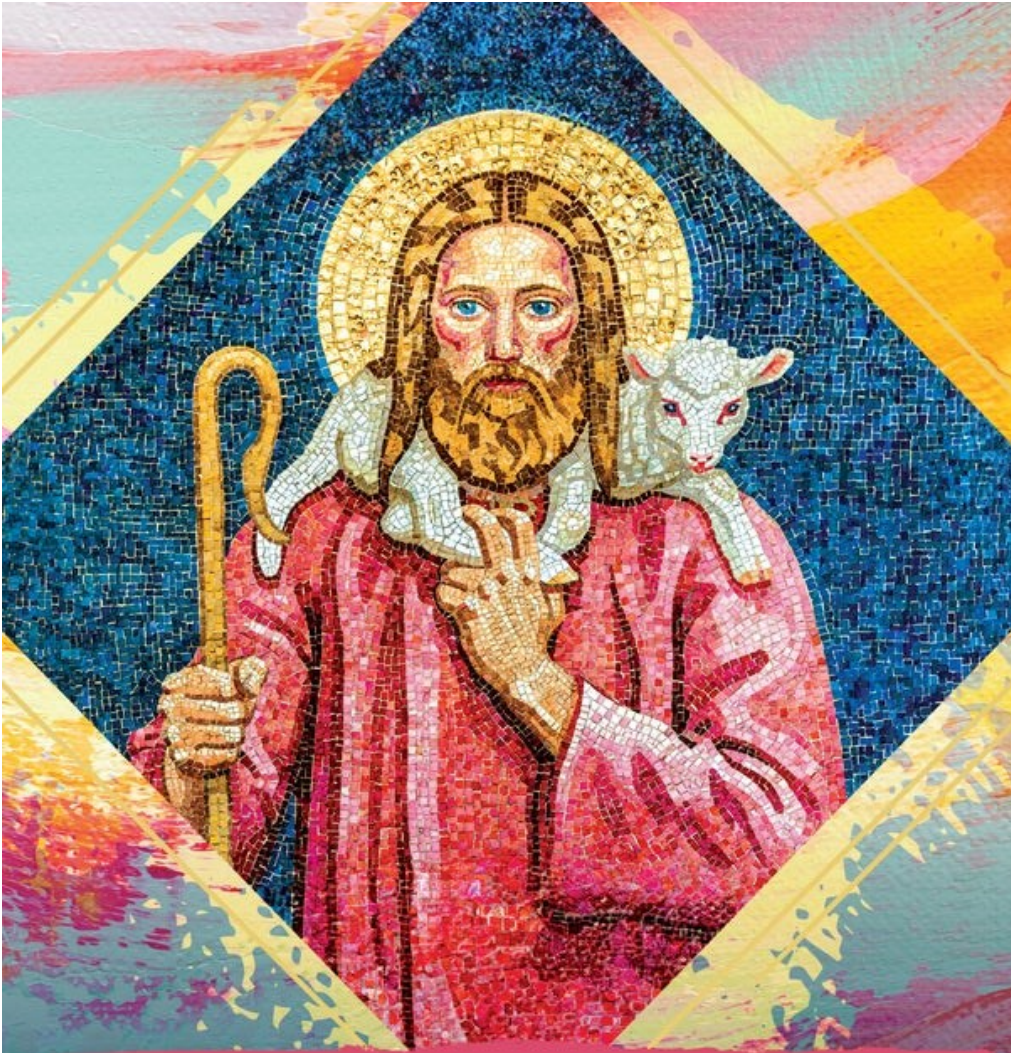


APRIL 21, 2024



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again." - Jn 10:17

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Weekend Mass:

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.

Rosary:

Monday - Friday, after 8:00 a.m. Mass

Holy Day of Obligation:

8:30 a.m., 12 Noon and 6:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

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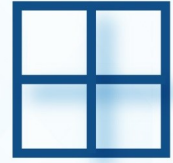
Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the month from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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(Part time-Retired)

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SAINT ANTHONY PARISH

"The life of the body is the soul; the life of the soul is God." - St. Anthony of Padua





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Thursday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed

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MISSION

"The people of St. Anthony Catholic Parish are called by Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, to live a life of holiness by doing good works through faith, worship, service and hospitality for the glory of God."



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 21 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.

RESPECT LIFE MARCH FOR LIFE

California March for Life, Monday, April 22, starting 11:00 a.m. at the State Capitol. Please bring your signs and a prayerful heart to advocate for the respect of life here in California. For more information or to register:

marchforlife.org/California/

PARISH DIRECTORY

Our last pictorial directory was in 2020, and it is time for another as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary/Jubilee year!!! The directory is such an invaluable resource for putting names and faces together and conveniently making contact. Plans are being made for photo sessions from June 3-6 and July 24-25, 2024. You will be hearing more about this in this space and at Mass over the next few weeks, but please begin now to plan your family's participation! In 2020 we had 270 families participate and would like to see 300 this year! Can we do it??? Yes indeed because St. Anthony is such an active and vibrant congregation.



MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Sunday,</i>	<i>April 21</i>	<i>8:30 am</i>	<i>Josefa Alcala, Enrique Alcala, Antonio Alcala and Mario G. Obledo †</i>
		<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>For the People</i>
<i>Monday,</i>	<i>April 22</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Laura S. Partida †</i>
<i>Tuesday,</i>	<i>April 23</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Charles Chapman †</i>
<i>Wednesday,</i>	<i>April 24</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Loreto Callao †</i>
<i>Thursday,</i>	<i>April 25</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Walter Fong & Deceased Relatives †</i>
<i>Friday,</i>	<i>April 26</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Josefina Notsinne †</i>
<i>Saturday,</i>	<i>April 27</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>	<i>Almeida Family Members †</i>

SHEEP AND SHEPHERDS

Today in the Gospel we hear about sheep or shepherd. Sheep are mentioned in the Bible about 500 times, more than any other animal, and is used to symbolically refer to God's people. There is a close relationship between the shepherd and the flock (God and His people). A shepherd's primary responsibility is the safety and welfare of the flock, and the sheep cannot live without the shepherd and are entirely dependent on the shepherd for everything. They require constant care and watching over, so leaving them unattended can put them at risk and greatly endanger their lives. Sometimes we just need to quiet our world to listen for the voice of the Master so that we do not unintentionally stray from the flock. Is it not comforting to know that, regardless of our attention, God keeps watch over us in everything we do and in every situation we encounter? To resound and paraphrase today's responsorial psalm and second reading, let us give thanks to our God, for He watches over us and answers us, His children!

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, April 21:	Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8-12/ 1 Jn 3:1-2/ Jn 10:11-18
Monday, April 22:	<i>Acts 11:1-18/ Jn 10:1-10</i>
Tuesday, April 23:	<i>Acts 11:19-26/ Jn 10:22-30</i>
Wednesday, April 24:	<i>Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50</i>
Thursday, April 25:	<i>1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20</i>
Friday, April 26:	<i>Acts 13:26-33/ Jn 14:1-6</i>
Saturday, April 27:	<i>Acts 13:44-52/ Jn 14:7-14</i>



PRAYER LIST

To add a person's name to the prayer list, contact **Kathy Reynolds** at **916-212-9949** or kathy@stasac.org. To keep the list current, names will remain on the list for six weeks.

Belinda Alcíd
Linda Almario
Celestino Avalos
Edgar Betts
Judy Bezzone
Jeannette Caietti
Bill Callahan
Gundelind Curry
Skye Drennan
McKenna Egan
Theodore Flores
JJ Hom
Robert Kimball
Kay Madsack
Lisa Martinez
Tony Martinez
Eileen Marsh
Gregg Masada
Paula Maw
Leonard Medina
Lewis Nace
Charlene New
Kirstin Oakes
Alicia Perez
Janet Perez
Scott & Tom Raimundo
Alfonso Ramirez
Morena Ramos
Carlene Ranzieri
Sheri Ray
Francisco Refuerzo
Joan Rhee
Carlo Salvador
Susan Sankus
Donald Scott
Doug Skewes
Larry Seaton
Jewell Senegal
Mercedes Slakey
Vincent Smith
Richard Spring
Bob Von Essen
Jay Waterbury
Christopher White
Rocky Wong
Sonia Zimmerman



ST. ANTHONY SVDP CONFERENCE THANK YOU

The St. Vincent De Paul Conference at St. Anthony Parish would like to give a huge thank you for your continued support from the recent 5th Sunday. As it continues to be hard during these past years for those in need, it is through your generosity the conference continues to respond to those who are in need of assistance within our parish boundaries whether it is for rent, the gas bill, or their electricity. We also provide food cards for groceries. We pray for your continued support.

LOVE INC.—ST. ANTHONY CHURCH OF THE WEEK May 13 to 18

Do you have 3 to 4 hours on one day to help people in need? As a member of PACT (Pocket Area Churches Together), St. Anthony is partnering with other Pocket area churches to assist Love INC during its COTW (Church of the Week) to meet the needs of families who have contacted Love INC for assistance. Please visit: www.loveincsacramento.com for more information and to sign up online, or call (916) 428-0843 if you have any questions.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE AT ST. ANTHONY

The Sacramento Life Center's Rose Sale will be held on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12. This is a major fundraiser for the group which has been providing free medical care and support to pregnant women since 1972 (accredited by the Association for Ambulatory Health Care). We will need helpers for the sale here at St. Anthony—if you would be willing to help at one of the Masses, please contact Peggy Walrath at (916) 708-6543 or pswrath@gmail.com. Also needed, volunteers to prepare the roses on Saturday morning, May 11, at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish hall. For more information please call (916) 451-4357 or email: LourdesR@saclife.org



SACRAMENTO LIFE CENTER IS HIRING!

We are looking for a Nurse Manager, with a current RN License, who is eager to help serve women within the community as a Clinical Manager for our community medical clinic located in the Arden Area. Are you interested in having a work schedule that provides a better work/life balance? Are you knowledgeable in leadership practices? Are you a motivator for others around you? Do you enjoy team building, quality improvement and problem resolution? If you answered yes to any of these questions, apply now! We want a chance to meet with you! If you are interested, please send a letter of interest along with a copy of your resume to: hiringcommittee@saclife.org

SOUTH SACRAMENTO INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP (SSIP) FOOD CLOSET JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The SSIP is an emergency, non-profit food distribution organization established 55 years ago. Its mission is supported by partner churches and hundreds of individual donors. They are seeking applications for a newly established Volunteer Coordinator position. This paid position is full time, non-exempt, and at will. Compensation is \$22 per hour and up, depending upon experience. The address is 5625 24th Street, Sacramento (corner of Fruitridge Road and 24th Street). This position reports to the Food Closet Director and is primarily responsible for coordinating volunteer activities and overseeing client intake and data tracking program. Experience using computer spreadsheet and database software is necessary. Must pass a basic pre-employment background check, possess a valid driver's license and complete a California Food Handlers Certificate within 30 days of employment. Benefits include paid holidays, vacation and sick leave; working with congenial staff of four and many dedicated volunteers from all walks of life; and satisfaction of knowing you are helping those in need.

Application deadline is April 19, 2024. To apply, please email resume and cover letter to: info@SSIPfoodcloset.org. For a detailed list of job duties and qualifications, please visit SSIPfoodcloset.org (News tab). You may also call Simon Yeh, Food Closet Director at (916) 428-5290.



CARE FOR CREATION: MOTHER EARTH PROGRAMS

THIS WEEK!
All are welcome!



Join us for an opportunity to pray, learn, discuss, and discern how to take concrete actions on the plastics crisis as Catholic individuals and as a Catholic community. Parents bring your kids. Kids bring your parents. (*Special youth-oriented Care for Creation session for 3rd to 6th graders.)

Healing Our Throwaway Culture:
Focus on Plastics

WHEN:
Monday, April 22
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

WHERE:
Memorial Center
St. Anthony Parish

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kim-Son Ziegler | kim-son.ziegler@usa.net



EARTH DAY

TAKE THE CARE FOR CREATION CHALLENGE:

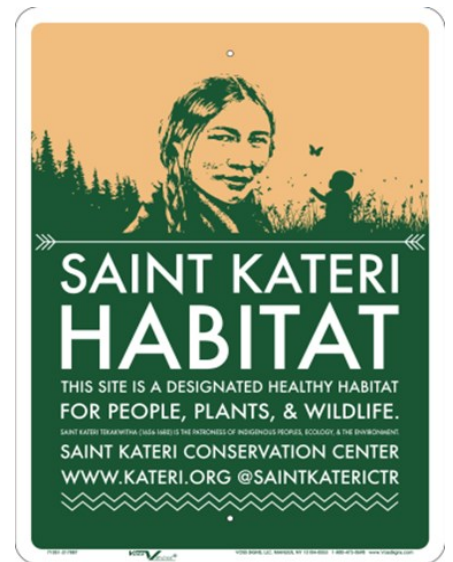
Show your care by gathering and recycling those single-use, home use batteries. The battery recycling drop-off locations in our area:

- Belle Coolidge Community Center, 5699 South Land Park Drive, (916) 808-5610
- Sam and Bonnie Pannell Meadowview Community Center, 2450 Meadowview Road, (916) 808-6680

***Call ahead for details. Batteries collection containers are usually clear tubes, labeled for battery recycling and located near the information desk.*

St. Anthony Parish Battery Collection
Monday, April 22 to Sunday, June 2

Please see marked collection containers in the church narthex and outside near the CFF building entrance. Note: kindly bring only single-use batteries used at home like AA, AAA, 9V, C, or D cell. NO rechargeable or automotive batteries, damaged, defective or recalled batteries (DDR). NO cellphones or their batteries. For large volume (> half gallon) or other battery types and locations to recycle, please visit <https://www.call2recycle.org>.



On Sunday, April 28, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass, please come join us at the St. Anthony courtyard for the unveiling and blessing of our newly designated Saint Kateri Habitat found amongst our recent parish landscaping updates. For more details, please e-mail: Kim-Son.Ziegler@usa.net



LAST DAY FOR SUNDAY CLASSES: MAY 5

LAST WEEK OF CFF CLASSES: MAY 13-15

Please make every effort to attend classes and arrive on time!

FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

Our CFF First Holy Eucharist students have been preparing to receive Jesus in their hearts.

*Please keep our students and their families in prayer:
**Claire, Samuel, Parker, Noah, Luca, Ryan, Giovanni,
Chandler, Gavin, & Nevin***

Rehearsal

Friday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Celebration

Saturday, April 27 at 5:00 p.m. Mass



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

*Join Children's Choir
Sing praise and worship
for God!*

*Come join Children's Choir
rehearsals on Wednesdays
from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.!*

Rehearsal

April 24 & May 1

We sing at Mass

Saturday, April 27 @ 5:00 p.m.

for First Holy Eucharist

Sunday, May 5 @ 10:30 a.m.

CFF 6th-7th /Pre-Youth Ministry Mini Retreat

Friday, May 10 from 4:00 to 10:15 p.m.

We are excited to introduce our middle schoolers to Youth Ministry!

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Year 2

May 2: Candidate & Sponsor Reflection 6:00 p.m. - CFF

Confirmation Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. - Church

Year 1

May 8: Parent & Student Session 6:00-7:00 p.m.

SAYM YOUTH NIGHTS

7th thru 12th grade youth are invited to share in fellowship and faith with the youth community.

Come join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Bring a friend! We hope to see you there!

**LAST YOUTH NIGHT OF THE
SCHOOL YEAR
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**





Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I did not care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I do not know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby.

How passionately Jesus wants us to know Him and His willingness to die for us! This week He says, "I know my own and my own know me," and "I lay down my life for the sheep." Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down His life for you and me—and He has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby—blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and His saving love. This Easter season, the Risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about His love. He never ceases to lay down His life for us.

— Father John Muir

