


NOVEMBER 17, 2024

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MY WORDS

WILL NOT PASS AWAY.

— MARK 13:31 —



SAINT ANTHONY PARISH

*“The life of the body
is the soul; the life of
the soul is God.” -
St. Anthony of Padua*



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.

Exposition of the

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

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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."



KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST—TODAY

Do you remember the last time you stopped by to dine in or take away a freshly prepared breakfast plate Join us THIS SUNDAY, November 17 in the Memorial Center before and after the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses for pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, fresh fruit, juice, and coffee. Gluten-free pancakes are available upon request.

Cost s \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, \$10 for two or more children. Venmo is also now accepted.

YOUNG @HEART LUNCHEON

"HARVEST OF BLESSINGS"

Come & Enjoy the Bounty!

The next luncheon is Thursday, November 21 and the doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at 12:00 noon.

The cost for lunch is \$10 members and \$12 for non-members. Lunch will be quiche, green salad, roll, and pumpkin pie square for dessert.

Cash or check payments and RSVPs must be received by Friday, November 15. Either through the parish office or can be placed in an envelope "Young @ Heart Luncheon Payment" in the offertory basket. Payments will not be accepted at the door. Please contact Norma Montez to RSVP: 916-217-3499. Thank you.

2024 PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE IN

The 50th Anniversary edition of our parish directory is ready for distribution. Each family who participated in getting a formal photo made will receive a free copy of the directory. Someone from the Directory Committee will be available in the narthex over the next few weekend Masses, so please stop by and pick up your copy.

If you were unable to participate and would like a copy of the directory, please contact: Kathy Reynolds at 916-212-9949 or kathy@stasac.org.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday,	November 17	8:30 am 10:30 am	Noreen Webber (SI) Departed Souls of the Family of Souza e Pereira †
Monday,	November 18	8:00 am	Leonardo & Alberta Pena (SI)
Tuesday,	November 19	8:00 am	Robert Greene †
Wednesday,	November 20	8:00 am	Rev. Ambrosio Cabildo & Nataniel Trinidad Agraan †
Thursday,	November 21	8:00 am	Hubert & Katie Jordan †
Friday,	November 22	8:00 am	Lucia L. Juan †
Saturday,	November 23	5:00 pm	Arturo Palle Alcalen †

END TIMES

In today's readings we hear about the end times when Jesus Christ will return. In the last few words of the Gospel from Mark 13, Jesus himself describes what this will look like but is clear to say that except for the Father, no one knows the day or hour. The Gospel acclamation from Luke 21:36 tells us to "Be vigilant at all times..." Unlike preparation for a natural disaster when you stock up on water and other essentials, there is not one single thing you can do physically to prepare for the Jesus' second coming. But we can get spiritually prepared and that is what God desires. Living a life of service, striving for holiness, and abiding by the Ten Commandments and the greatest commandments of loving God and others is the only way to prepare. An Old Testament verse summarizes it nicely: You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the LORD requires of you: Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

Red poinsettias will decorate the sanctuary during the Christmas season. If you would like to purchase one (\$15) in memory or in honor of a loved one, please complete the form below and return it to the parish office no later than Wednesday, December 11.

Name of person(s) for whom plant is requested

_____ Living _____ Deceased

Name of person(s) requesting plant



REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner Purita Aberilla, who died recently.

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.

Celestino Avalos
Victoria Barranco
Edgar Betts
Judy Bezzone
Jeannette Caietti
Bill Callahan
Gavin Canseco
Josh Conrad
Gundelind Curry
Skye Drennan
McKenna Egan
Marie French
JJ Hom
Mary Huther
Robert Kimball
Tisha Koppes
Hermann Lorenz
Kay Madsack
Lisa Martinez
Tony Martinez
Eileen Marsh
Gregg Masada
Leonard Medina
David Meza
Josephine Meza
Joann Murray
Lewis Nace
Julian Narciso
Anna Rita Neuman
Charlene New
Yogi Palenko
Alicia Perez
Janet Perez
Scott & Tom Raimundo
Alfonso Ramirez
Carlene Ranzieri
Sheri Ray
Joan Rhee
Carlo Salvador
Susan Sankus
Doug Skewes
Larry Seaton
Jewell Senegal
Richard Spring
Susan Ventura
Bob Von Essen
Jay Waterbury
Christopher White
Marilia Wiget
Rocky Wong
Abraham Zimmerman



ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS

The Christmas season is rapidly approaching. We are again working with Family Promise of Sacramento to provide families who have been through the Family Promise program in the past year with a memorable Christmas. The family wish lists will be available after each of the Masses **THIS weekend of November 16-17.**



If you will not be attending Mass in person that week, but would like to participate, you can contact **Maureen Sergent** by phone or email to receive a wish list. As always, you can also participate by donating towards the sponsorship of a family or child. Donations can be made directly to St. Anthony Parish. Please specify that the funds are for the Adopt-a-Family Program.

We are also requesting donations of new or gently used bikes. Bikes are a one of the most requested items on the children's lists, but they are often more than the sponsor families can manage along with the other gifts. If you have a bike your children or grandchildren have outgrown, from toddler to adult size, please contact us to see if we have someone that it will fit. Helmets and bike locks are also greatly appreciated. We do ask that the bikes be in good condition. Thank you for your generous support of this program over the years.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please call **Maureen Sergent** at **916-798-4769** or email walgent@comcast.net.

SUPPORT FAMILY PROMISE

St. Anthony's virtual hosting week for the Family Promise families is November 17-23. Your steadfast support has helped with program break the cycle of poverty for these families and truly changes lives. Eighty five percent of the families who have gone through the program have remained housed long term. The program now hosts families in the Safe Harbor Tiny Homes community in north Sacramento. The Tiny Homes provide each family their own private space as well as access to the community kitchen/bath/laundry and a beautiful outdoor gathering space. Safe Harbor provides a safe, stable home environment in addition to the continued support they receive from the Family Promise staff at the Day Center to help them address the issues that led them into homelessness. Your support is critical to the success of the program.

Family Promise is currently housing three families in Tiny Homes at a cost of \$1,500 per family per month, or \$4,500 per month for housing alone. The families are also provided with grocery store gift certificates to purchase groceries which costs another \$1,600 per month. There are a number of ways you can continue to support the program both monetarily and through donations of much needed items or assistance with tasks at the Tiny Homes. Monetary donations can be sent directly to Family Promise:

<https://www.familypromisesacramentoca.org>, or to the parish office. Donated supplies can be dropped off at the parish office or you can contact **Maureen Sergent** at the number or email below.

Ways to Support the Family Promise Program

- Monetary donations to help with the costs of housing the families in the Tiny Homes and Hotels.
- Donate Diapers (all sizes). Diapers are a huge expense for homeless and low income families. Family Promise has a diaper program to distribute diapers to families in need and the demand always outstrips the supply.
- Contribute towards purchase and help with installation of shelving for two new storage sheds at the Tiny homes location to store donated supplies. (Please contact *Maureen Sergent* at number below.)
- Safeway gift cards for food and gas. (Please list the amounts on the cards.)

If you would like more information about the Tiny Homes or if have any questions, please contact **Maureen Sergent** at **916-798-4769** or walgent@comcast.net. Thank you for your continued and generous support of Family Promise.



SSIP THANKSGIVING COLLECTION

St. Anthony Parish is an active Partner in the South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership (SSIP) that operates a Food Closet that is feeding over 7,000 households each month. The SSIP relies on Member Churches' financial support as well as private donations. Father Mitch has agreed that the collection at the Thanksgiving Day Mass will entirely be committed to our parish's support of the SSIP Mission. SSIP envelopes will be in the pews at the November 23- 24 weekend Masses. Parishioners who will not be attending the Thanksgiving Day but wish to contribute may drop off cash or check donations in the parish office (with notation on check that it is for SSIP) Thank you for your generous support for this ministry. Contact: Henry Sepulveda (916-812-7107).

ADVENT WREATH MAKING IS BACK!

Join us at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 30 in the Memorial Center, where we will gather to create and decorate Advent wreaths. Afterwards, bring your wreath to 5:00 p.m. Mass for the first liturgical celebration of the Advent season, where Fr. Mitch will bless the wreaths. Please use the [Google Form to RSVP](#) on the parish website, so we have an idea of how many to expect.

We have a limited number of brass wreath rings. So if you already have one, please bring it and we will provide the greenery, ribbons, and candles. The suggested donation is \$10.

For any questions, please email: Andrea Daily: andreapdaily@gmail.com



Each day of the week during Advent, try to focus on a different goal from the Catholic Church's *Laudato Si'* Action Platform.

Sign-up: @ <https://igsol.net/advent> for more info and reminder e-mails with practical tips for living simply, opportunities for personal reflection, and surprises meant to provide inspiration and hope in our Advent journey to renew our spirits and the earth.

- Monday:** Goal 1—Response to the Cry of the Earth (reducing carbon emissions)
- Tuesday:** Goal 2—Response to the Cry of the Poor (climate resilience/adaption)
- Wednesday:** Goal 3—Ecological Economics (responsible investing, sustainable purchases)
- Thursday:** Goal 4—Adoption of Simple Lifestyles (plant-based diets, food waste management)
- Friday:** Goal 5—Ecological Education (engagement and education)
- Saturday:** Goal 6—Ecological Spirituality (celebrations/responding to *Laudato Si'*)
- Sunday:** Goal 7—Community Resilience and Empowerment (advocacy)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is filled with a constantly changing selection of quality gently used items, all at unbeatable prices supporting a wonderful cause. The SVDP Thrift Store is located at 2275 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, 95825. The store is open everyday from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Donations are accepted from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. For volunteer opportunities or donations, please call: 916-972-1212 or visit: www.svdp-sacramento.org/thriftstore.



We Remember in November

November is the month of remembrance for Catholics. Every day of the year we remember loved ones that have gone before us, yet November marks the month when the Catholic community remembers and gives thanks for those who have gone before us. We look with prayer and hope to their new life in heaven. Families are invited to send in a copy of a photo(s) of their dearly departed one(s) for our board of remembrance this month.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Kindergarten thru 6th grade are invited to come sing with us!

Children's Choir sings the first Sunday of the month at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.



NOV. TO DEC. DATES
November 25-December 1
Thanksgiving Break
NO CFF Classes (Classes resume Dec. 2)

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children Pre-K thru 6th are invited to join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word this Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass! *What happens? Just after opening prayers and before the 1st Reading, Fr. Mitch will invite all children at Mass to the sanctuary steps. He will dismiss the children who are then led by Children's Liturgy leaders to the CFF building to listen and learn about the readings at an age-appropriate level. Children will return to the church at offertory.*

Come join us at the 10:30 a.m. Mass!

SAYM YOUTH NIGHT

Junior high and high school youth are invited to join us in fellowship and prayer on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Memorial Center. Bring a friend! We are excited to see you!



TURKEY BOWL 2025

Saturday, November 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

After a hiatus of over 10 years, we are bringing back TURKEY BOWL — fun, fall morning for SAYM to come together and celebrate the season and upcoming holiday. For Turkey Bowl to happen, we need teams! PLEASE RSVP by Monday, November 18 if you plan to participate. Details will be given as teams begin to form. We hope you can join us!

SAVE THE DATE

ADVENT LOCK-IN RETREAT

Friday, December 20, 4:00 p.m.
to Saturday, December 21, 12:00 Noon





I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts, and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little boy whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every “world” we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon, and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It is awful. But, second, Christ comes “in the clouds.” Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with Himself as the prime governing principle. Third, He sends out His angels to “gather His elect from the four winds.” He re-integrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. “Summer is near,” He concludes. A new world begins.

Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon, and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn’t make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

— Father John Muir

