

# SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday (Lunes, Miércoles, Viernes) 9AM to 12PM and 1PM to 6PM

## Welcome / Bienvenidos

February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

### REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

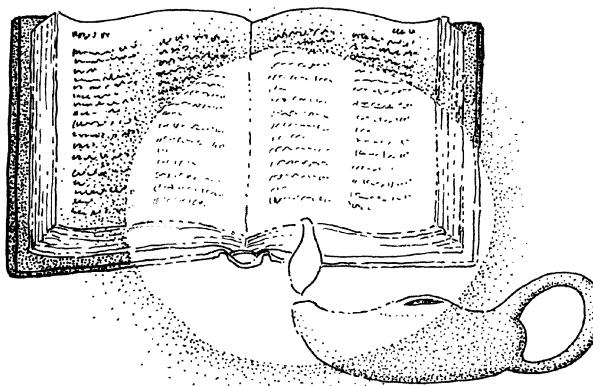
**First Reading** — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:8-15).

**Psalm** — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

**Gospel** — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15)

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21 de febrero de 2021

Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

### ARREPIÉNTANSE Y CREAN EN EL EVANGELIO

La Cuaresma es la época del año que dedicamos a examinar nuestras vidas a la luz de nuestro Bautismo en la muerte y Resurrección de Jesús. Las lecturas de hoy son un catecismo abreviado de lo que significa estar bautizados. Como Noé pasó por las aguas del diluvio a una alianza con Dios, así también nosotros entramos en una alianza, una relación con Dios, mediante nuestro Bautismo. La carta de Pedro da una explicación explícita de lo que nuestro Bautismo significa: un llamamiento que hacemos a Dios para que nos dé una conciencia tranquila. ¿Cómo podemos obtener esta conciencia tranquila? Las palabras proclamadas por Jesús inmediatamente

después de su tentación nos muestran cómo: "Arrepiéntanse y crean en el Evangelio" (Marcos 1:15). Podría ser un buen ejercicio espiritual mantener estas lecturas ante nosotros durante todo el tiempo de Cuaresma, un medio que nos ayude a volver a una vida vivida por las promesas bautismales.

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### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Dios estableció una alianza con Noé y sus hijos y les prometió que nunca más habría un diluvio devastador (Génesis 9:8-15).

**Salmo** — Descubrenos, Señor, tus caminos (Salmo 25 (24)).

**Segunda lectura** — Aquella agua representaba el bautismo que ahora nos salva (1 Pedro 3:18-22).

**Evangelio** — Despues de los cuarenta días en el desierto, Jesús viene a Galilea proclamando el Evangelio de Dios (Marcos 1:12-15).

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**St. Anthony Parish Mission**  
*Our community follows Jesus  
 by praying, loving and serving God.*  
*Nuestra comunidad conoce y  
 sique a Jesús rezando, amando, y  
 sirviendo a Dios.*  
 St. Anthony, pray for us.  
 San Antonio, ruega por nosotros.

## CONFESION / CONFESION

Saturday: 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment

## MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Daily:	8:30AM	Bilingual in the Church
Sunday:	5:00PM	English in the Church
	8:00AM	English in the Church
Live Stream	10:00AM	English in the Plaza
Live Stream	12:00PM	Español en la Plaza
	5:00PM	Español en la Iglesia

## Live Stream Mass

Sunday Mass at 10AM (English) and 12PM (Español) will be Live Streamed. Come to the Plaza between Padua Hall and the Church to receive Holy Communion at 1:30PM to 2PM. Observe social distancing and face mask guidelines.

## DEVOTIONS

SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday: 8PM to 11PM in the Church

## HOLY CROSS CEMETERY AND FUNERAL CENTER

2200 East 18th Street, Antioch, (925) 757-0658

We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services (CFCS) at Holy Cross Cemetery and Funeral Center. Their staff will contact the parish office to assist you with your arrangements.

## Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9AM to 12PM and 1PM to 6PM. Please ring the doorbell for service. Only two persons in the office at one time. Wear face mask. Practice social distancing. Call (925) 625-2048 with questions.

## Virtus Safe Environment Training

Is your certificate up to date? Many of us at St. Anthony took the training in 2017. We are required to renew our certification every three years. This is a MUST to continue in your ministerial work here. Start now at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) Call Florrie Brice at (925) 354-0107 or the parish office with questions.

## Clergy Sexual Abuse

Any reports of abuse should be directed to Steve Wilcox, Chancellor, at [swilcox@oakdiocese.org](mailto:swilcox@oakdiocese.org) or (510) 267-8334.

## Email and Text Scam Involving Priests

If you receive an email or text from a priest or other church personnel asking for assistance, confirm by calling that person. Do not respond to the email or text.

## Mass Intentions For The Week

Saturday, February 20

5PM Helen Kendrat†

Beto Hinojosa (Birthday)

Sunday, February 21

8AM Theodoro Terenate and Iluminada†

10AM Robert Leonard†

12PM Priscilla Marin (Birthday)

2PM Junior Hinojosa (Birthday)

5PM Alfredo y Maria Ortega (Salud)

Monday, February 22

8:30AM Anna, Joseph, Jr., Joseph Sr. Nguyen†

6:30PM

Tuesday, February 23

8:30AM Natalia Faria (Health)

6:30PM

Wednesday, February 24

8:30AM Esperanza Gallardo†

6:30PM

Thursday, February 25

8:30AM †

6:30PM

Friday, February 26

8:30AM Arcadio y Conrado Solorio†

6:30PM

Saturday, February 27

5PM †

Sunday, February 28

8AM Corazon S. Mejia†

10AM Juan Vicente Borrego†

12PM For the People of St. Anthony Parish

5PM Por la Comunidad de San Antonio

## Giving Made Simple

During this time when our public Mass is suspended, please continue to offer your support to St. Anthony with your monetary gifts. These gifts allows us to pay our bills. Please continue giving to the Sunday collection basket by using GIVE+; the online way of giving. Visit the St. Anthony website and click on the pull down "About" and click "Online Giving". Sign up for your account today and continue giving. Or you may drop your Sunday envelope(s) in the U.S. Mailbox in the front by the Church entrance. You decide how to give, but please continue to give.

## Submissions to the Sunday Bulletin

Deadline by noon on Monday, six (6) days prior to the desired Sunday of publication. Send files to [stanthonybulletineditor@gmail.com](mailto:stanthonybulletineditor@gmail.com) or call Michael Maeda, (925) 451-6883.

## Second Collection Schedule

February 21 Maintenance

February 28 Parish Utilities

## Support the Businesses and Merchants

whose advertisements make this bulletin possible.

## *First Sunday of Lent*

Today's readings suggest two different meanings and experiences of baptism. The second reading (from 1 Peter) makes an analogy between Noah's ark and Christian baptism: just as Noah and his family were saved from death by going through the waters of the flood in the ark, Christians are saved from sin and death by going through the waters of baptism. The first reading, from Genesis, portrays the world after the flood: washed clean of its prior wickedness, embraced by God's promises that the world will never again be destroyed by water. The psalmist expresses a desire to follow the ways of God, as if re-establishing the harmony between God and humanity destroyed by sin. This peaceful scene is very different from the drama and urgency in Mark's description of Jesus after his baptism. Jesus battles demons, receives sustenance from angels, and begins preaching: "Repent. The kingdom of God is at hand."

### **Good Morning! Welcome to Lent!**

You probably did not get that greeting from your priest today, and you probably did not expect it. Isn't Lent a time of reflection and repentance? Somber purple, no "Alleluias"? Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving; attending to one's relationship with God?

True enough; however, there are Lenten practices that have a festive air woven into these penitential elements. One example is in the Church's retrieval of ancient Lenten practices that made up the final preparation of persons elected to receive the Easter sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and eucharist. Jesus' urgent preaching in today's passage from Mark comes soon after his own baptism and reminds us that these sacraments still signal a dramatic change in a person's life: they have responded to Jesus' preaching of the kingdom and are now publicly professing themselves to be disciples of the Lord and fully initiated members of his visible church. The prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent were part of that preparation. Repentance was then, and remains today, important also for those already fully initiated; the work of repentance, of prayerfully examining our lives and making changes in anticipation of God's reign, is an ongoing aspect of our life in Christ.

### **A SECOND CHANCE TO MAKE A FIRST IMPRESSION**

Other changes with baptism are more subtle and personal. When Noah and his family emerged from the ark, they saw that the floodwaters had receded after cleansing the world of human sinfulness. Everything was clean and fresh—a new creation, with a rainbow to guarantee God's promise to never again destroy the world with water. So, too, will the newly baptized emerge from the font and be anointed with chrism. Like the earth after the great flood, they are a new creation. Washed clean of sin and anointed with chrism, they are renewed in the embrace of the God of covenant love.

This is why Lent is always a festive anticipation of Easter and always about baptism, just as it is always about the repentance that draws us more deeply into God's kingdom.

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## **Schedule of Events Horario de Eventos**

All Parish events have been suspended, canceled or postponed by Bishop Barber as we are ordered to "Shelter in Place" to curb the spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19. This Order will continue to be in effect until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer by Order of the Contra Costa County Public Health Officer.

### **St. Anthony Church Hours**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is on Friday from 8PM to 11PM in the Church. Confessions are on Saturday from 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment. Wear face masks and observe social distancing.

St. Anthony Church will be open:

Monday through Friday 9AM to 5PM

Saturday 3PM to 5PM    Sunday 2PM to 5PM

### **COVID-19 Vaccination**

A safe, effective, **no-cost** COVID-19 vaccine will be available to everyone in California according to Contra Costa County Health Services. If you are a healthcare worker or are 65 years of age or older and would like to make a vaccination appointment visit [www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/vaccine](https://coronavirus.cchealth.org/vaccine) and complete the *Vaccine Appointment-Request Form*. Eligible residents who have difficulty using the form or have no internet access can request an appointment by calling 1-833-829-2626.

A COVID-19 vaccine is one of the most important tools to end the COVID-19 pandemic. The vaccine paired with other daily health habits, such as wearing face coverings and social distancing, will slow the spread of COVID-19 so businesses and schools can fully reopen and we can return to a more normal way of life.

### **DIOCESE COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY**

We are living our Catholic faith in the midst of one of the greatest global health crises in recent times. Therefore, the Diocese of Oakland strongly recommends all clergy, employees and volunteers to get COVID-19 vaccinations as soon as possible. Beyond protecting their own health and safety, Catholics also have an obligation to protect their family, friends, co-workers and community by vaccinating as soon as feasible. One should consult with their doctor concerning any personal health concerns.

### **FORMED.org — An Online Faith Website**

St. Anthony is a subscriber of FORMED.org  
Select "St. Anthony Oakley, CA"

*Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;  
teach me your paths.*

— Psalm 25:4

## Daily Rosary

Livestreamed Only at 6:30PM. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in English. Tuesday and Saturday in Spanish. Sunday before 10AM and 12PM Mass.

## Added Masses Starting February 20

5PM Saturday: English Mass

8AM Sunday: English Mass (no music)

5PM Sunday: Spanish Mass

These Masses will be in the Church with no reservation needed, but with a limited capacity.

## 6:30PM Mass Starting Thursday February 18

We will have a 6:30PM Mass during the week in the Church, no need to register. Monday and Wednesday: Spanish; Tuesday and Thursday: English.

**Starting the First Monday of Lent, February 22,** we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) from 7PM to 8PM in the Church.

## Lenten Fridays

We will not have Lenten soup, but we will have a Bilingual Mass at 6:30PM, Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8PM to 11PM in the Church.

## Knights of Columbus Friday Fish Fry

Every Friday during Lent from 4:30PM to 7PM. To Go orders only. Call or text Danny Avalos at (510) 477-9897 with your preorder. Fish or Shrimp basket is \$15. Combo basket is \$17. Basket includes roll, coleslaw and French fries.

## Most Holy Rosary School Accepting Applications

Most Holy Rosary School is accepting applications for preschool through 8th grade. Holy Rosary is currently teaching in person and Hy Flex learning (this is at-home learners that are projected on the white board during class time). Families are given a choice to be in school or at home. Holy Rosary provides superior academics for each and every student no matter how near or far. For more information contact Jolie Golinveaux at (925) 757-1270. View the virtual open house at <https://vimeo.com/506678617>

## St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Food Pantry

Open on the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 8:30AM to 10:30AM in the Hall. If you need food outside of these dates call (925) 325-7424.

## The RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic

Operated by a partnership between St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County and Rotacare Bay Area, the clinic provides care to the uninsured. The clinic is located at St. Vincent de Paul's Family Resource Center, 2210 Gladstone Drive, Pittsburg, CA (925) 439-5060.

## Please Pray For/Oremos Por

Deacon Joe Tovar  
Andrea Spindler  
Antonio Velasquez  
Avelina Sablan Salas  
Bartolome Robinos  
Bebit Belotendos  
Bev Rossi  
Danny Luna, Sr.  
Danny Luna, Jr.  
Dorothy & Mary Ann

Gay Lacsa  
Gloria Ibarra  
Grace Bustos  
Guadalupe Sanchez  
Guillermo Villanueva  
Helen Alleman  
Heriberto Diaz  
Janice Contreras

Jose Munoz  
Karen Valdez  
Liz Escamilla  
Margarita Avalos  
Marge Browne  
Maria Guadalupe Galvan  
Marlene Layden  
Mayra Murillo  
Michael Makinano, Sr.  
Michael Makinano, Jr.

Olga Ramos  
Rocco Vicente Reyes  
Rolando Abad  
Ron Dion  
Stella Benitez  
Teri Hernandez  
Tony Rodriguez  
Virginia Pickell



Our Men and Women of the military services.  
*Names are removed periodically. If you wish to add a loved one, please call the office at 625-2048.*

## Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the parish office of any parishioner who is ill or infirm to request a visit, to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick or Communion at home, hospital or assisted living facility.



**REBUILD  
MY CHURCH  
2021 BISHOP'S APPEAL  
2021 CAMPAÑA ANUAL DEL OBISPO**

This year's Bishop's Appeal has started. Our goal at St. Anthony remains at \$21,100. This year has been challenging for so many. Now, more than ever, the good work of the Church is needed in our community. From Faith Formation for students and adults, to important ministry works, to supporting our schools and parishes, our Diocese is making a difference in people's lives every single day — thanks to the prayers and contributions of our catholic community. Make your pledge or donation at [www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page](http://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page)

## *Primer Domingo de Cuaresma*

**¡BUENOS DÍAS! ¡BIENVENIDOS A LA CUARESMA!**  
Es muy probable que hoy tu sacerdote no te ofrezca este saludo, y tú no esperas recibarlo. ¿No es la Cuaresma un tiempo de arrepentimiento y reflexión? ¿Alrededor el color que decora es morado o púrpura y no hay “aleluyas”? ¿La oración, el ayuno y las obras de caridad, acompañan nuestra relación con Dios?

Sin embargo, es cierto que hay prácticas cuaresmales que tienen un festivo entrelazado con estos elementos penitenciales. Un ejemplo es el restablecimiento de antiguas prácticas cuaresmales que integran la preparación final de las personas elegidas para recibir los sacramentos de Iniciación en la Pascua, el Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía. La insistente predicación de Jesús en el Evangelio de Marcos llega poco después de su propio bautismo y nos recuerda que estos sacramentos siguen señalando un cambio radical en la vida de una persona: ellas han respondido a la predicación de Jesús acerca del reino y ahora están públicamente profesando ellos mismos ser discípulos del Señor y miembros iniciados plenamente de su Iglesia visible. La oración, el ayuno y las obras de caridad durante la Cuaresma fueron parte de esta preparación. El arrepentimiento era entonces, y nos recuerda hoy, también importante para aquellas personas plenamente iniciadas; la labor del arrepentimiento, de examinar nuestras vidas por medio de la oración y de hacer los cambios en anticipación al reino de Dios, es un aspecto de nuestra vida en Cristo.

## **UNA SEGUNDA OPORTUNIDAD PARA CAUSAR UNA PRIMERA IMPRESIÓN**

Otros cambios con el bautismo son más sutiles y personales. Cuando Noé y su familia salieron del arca, vieron que las aguas del diluvio habían bajado después de que limpiaron el mundo de la pecaminosidad humana. Todo estaba limpio y fresco, una nueva creación, con un arcoíris que garantizaba la promesa de Dios de nunca volver a destruir el mundo con agua. Así, también, los recién bautizados salen de la fuente bautismal y son ungidos con el crisma. Como la tierra después del diluvio, ahora son una creación nueva. Limpiados del pecado y ungidos con el crisma, son renovados, incorporados en la alianza de amor de Dios.

Es por esto por lo que la Cuaresma es siempre, una anticipación festiva de la Pascua y siempre del bautismo, así como siempre del arrepentimiento que nos lleva más profundamente al reino de Dios.

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*Descubrenos, Señor, tus caminos,  
guianos con la verdad de tu doctrina.  
— Salmo 25 (24):4*

### **Segunda Colecta**

21 de Febrero Mantenimiento  
28 de Febrero Agua/Luz/Gas

***Apoye a nuestros patrocinadores***  
Cuyos anuncios hacen posible este boletín.

## **Rosario Diario**

Solamente transmitido en Vivo a las 6:30 pm Lunes, Miércoles, y Viernes—En Ingles. Martes y Sábado—En Español. Jueves—Bilingüe. Domingo—Antes de cada Misa.

**Empezando el próximo fin de semana de Febrero 20 y 21,** tendremos ya Misa en Ingles a las 5:00 pm el día sábado, Misa a las 8 am, sin música, en Ingles el dia domingo y Misa a las 5:00 pm en Español el día Domingo también. Estas Misas serán dentro de las Iglesia sin necesidad de registración pero con cupo limitado, además de las dos Misas que ya tememos afuera.

## **Empezando Jueves Febrero 18**

Tendremos una Misa extra todos los Días. Lunes y Miércoles en Español y Martes y Jueves en Ingles. A las 6:30 pm dentro de la Iglesia, no se necesita registracion.

## **Y los Lunes**

Empezando el primer lunes de cuaresma Febrero 22, tendremos después de la Misa, la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento de 7 a 8 pm y durante este tiempo habrá confesiones.

## **Viernes de Cuaresma**

No tendremos sopa cuaresmal pero si Tendremos Misa Bilingüe a las 6:30 pm seguido del Vía-Crucis a las 7:00 pm. Y de 8 a 11 pm será la Exposición del Santísimo.

## **Los Caballeros de colon tendrán Pescado Frito!!**

Viernes de Cuaresma de 4:30 a 7 pm, órdenes para llevar solamente. Para órdenes llamar a Danny Avalos (510) 447-9897.

## **Misa De Transmisión en Vivo**

Las Misas transmitidas en vivo continuarán en nuestra página de Facebook y canal de YouTube para aquellos que no podrían asistir o aquellos que no se sienten seguros de asistir a una Misa pública. La Misa del domingo en vivo será a las 10 a.m. (Inglés) y a las 12 p.m. (Español). Si solo desea recibir la Comunión, a las 1:30 p.m. a 2 p.m. Observe las pautas de distanciamiento social y máscara facial. Misa Diaria serán en Plaza hora de 8:30 a.m.

**La Conferencia de San Vicente de Paul de San Antonio** necesita de su asistencia, le gustaría ser voluntario o donar, comuníquese con la Conferencia de San Vicente de Paul de San Antonio al 925-325-7424. San Antonio de Paul provee servicio de tiempo, talento, y recursos de persona a persona dando varias formas de asistencia entre ellas, comida, ropa, muebles, vivienda, y referencias a agencias profesionales por medio de visitas a su hogar o en la parroquia.

