

# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# LAST OF ALL

# AND THE SERVANT OF ALL.

MARK 9:35

## **Our Mission / Nuestra Misión**

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

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## SACRAMENTS

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm	Eng
Sunday	8:00 am	Eng
	10:00 am	Eng
	12:00 pm	Esp.
	2:00 pm	Esp.
	5:00 pm	Esp.

### Daily Mass Times

Daily	8:30 am	Bilingual
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Esp.
Friday	6:30 pm	Bilingual

### Confession/Confesión

Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm,  
Thursday 6:30 pm  
or by appointment.

### All other Sacraments

Please call the office for more information.

## CLERGY

Fr. Rafael Hinojosa,  
**Parochial Administrator**

Fr. Juan Carlos Ponce,  
**Parochial Vicar**

Deacon Alberto Cruz

Deacon Emeritus Joe Tovar

Deacon Emeritus Alan Layden

## PARISH OFFICE

Jajahira Gallardo, *Parish Secretary*  
Celeste Plate, *Parish Bookkeeper*

(925) 625-2048

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
(Lunes, Miércoles, Viernes)

9AM to 12PM and 1PM to 6PM

## BULLETIN

### Submissions to the Sunday Bulletin

Deadline by noon on Monday, six (6) days prior to the desired Sunday of publication. Send files to parish@stanthonyoakley.com.

## WEBSITE

All church ministries are invited to share their upcoming events or news to our website. Send your info to parish@stanthonyoakley.com

## Oline Giving Using VANCO Donaciones Por Linea Usando VANCO

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### Sunday's Collection—Totals for September 15, 2024

	PLATE	GIVE +
1st Collection	\$14,657.00	\$1,187.32
2nd Collection	\$153.00	\$235.76

*Thank you for your generous support / Gracias por su generoso apoyo.*

### Second Collection Schedule

September 15	Mission Coop Plan/ Plan de la Misión Cooperativa
September 22	Maintenance of Padua Hall-Mantenimiento de Padua

### St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) St. Anthony Conference

If you need assistance, or like to volunteer or donate, contact the St. Vincent de Paul St. Anthony Conference at 925-325-7424. We provide various forms of assistance which may include food, clothes, furniture, housing assistance, and referrals to other professional agencies. **(Food Pantry) Open on the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 8:30AM to 10:00AM.** / *Si necesita ayuda, o desea ser voluntario o donar, comuníquese con la Conferencia de San Vicente de Paul San Antonio al 925-325-7424. Brindamos diversas formas de asistencia que pueden incluir alimentos, ropa, muebles, asistencia para vivienda y referencias a otras agencias profesionales. (Despensa de alimentos) Abierto el segundo y cuarto sábado de 8:30 am. a 10:00 am.*

## We are now on



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### Parishioners Registration



## English Form

### Registracion de Parroquianos



## Forma en Español

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him. (Wis 2:20)

### Psalm:

The Lord upholds my life. (Ps 54)

### Second Reading:

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

### Gospel:

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mk 9:35)

## Gospel Meditation

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a wet-behind-the-ears seminarian, I was sent for an immersion with the poor. For one month, I lived in a home for adults with developmental disabilities. It was a challenge for me because the residents had significant communication issues. A 30-year-old man there named Robin was totally deaf and mute. He had Down's Syndrome. He looked like a Viking, with a shock of red hair and a fine beard. But I felt awkward and disconnected from him. All my normal ways of interacting failed. I resigned myself to the fact that we'd never connect.

Then one morning something amazing happened. He was on the living room floor quietly playing with toys. Watching him from a chair, I sensed Jesus' words float into my mind, "**Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me**" (Mark 9:37). I thought, "Jesus, you must somehow be *in* Robin." I sheepishly made sure no one else was in the room, and then I spoke in a clear voice: "Jesus, are you there?" Robin did not turn to me and say, "Hi, John. Yes, it's me, Jesus." He kept playing with his toys in silence.

But something changed in *me*. From that moment on, it was easier to just be with Robin, to joke around with him, to try sign-language with him, to let him be himself, and for me to be myself. His "disabilities" were no longer obstacles to overcome. He became just Robin, my friend.

Who in your life seems awkwardly distant or uncomfortable to be with? Next time you see him or her, quietly invoke the name of Jesus, and see how the barriers disappear in you.

— Father John Muir

## (PRACTICING)—CATHOLIC

### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS *By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

#### Bearing Witness

I am fascinated by minor Gospel characters. These people — the rich young man, the adulterous woman, the teachers at the temple — share the stage with Jesus only briefly. They bear passing but powerful witness to crucial moments of his earthly ministry. They breathe the air he breathes. They hear the sound of his voice. Some of them feel the touch of his skin.

And then they go on with their lives and disappear into obscurity. They become just another one of us.

I think of the child who sat in Jesus' lap while he said those famous words: "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

What did the boy think? Did he understand the words, or did he only know that they were gently spoken? Did he only think to himself how kind was the face of this man, and how consoling and warm his embrace?

I picture this child growing up. Perhaps he married and loved his wife and children. Perhaps he was happy, or perhaps he was not. Perhaps he became wealthy or was even wealthy to begin with. Perhaps he, like so many other children of that era, had only a very short life, and returned quickly to the arms that enveloped him that day in Capernaum.

We don't know. But we know he was there: he saw Christ, he felt him, he heard him. We sigh to think of it. How lucky. If only we could, too. Then it would be easier. Then we could be holy.

But we are all this child in Capernaum. We are all the woman at the well. We are all the centurion at the cross. Every time we kneel before the Host and hear the words "This is my Body," we occupy the same earthly time and space as the Messiah, and he fixes upon us the same gaze he fixed upon them.

We all bear witness.

We receive him, and then we go back to our lives, our ordinary lives.

Do we carry him with us? Do we dare?

*"I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness." — Psalm 54:6*

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday, September 22

8:00 AM Jesus y Ma. Dolores Arroyo †

10:00 AM For the Community

12:00 PM Elena & Isidro Castro †

Gustavo Becerra (B-day)

2:00 PM Mercedes Regalado †

Claudia Lopez (B-day)

5:00 PM Andres Hernandez †

Andrea Sanchez

Monday, September 23

8:30 AM Wendi Elisondo †

Mercedes Villa (B-day)

Tuesday, September 24

8:30 AM Jesus y Maria Dolores Castellanoz †

Wednesday, September 25

8:30 AM Geanette Ferris †

Padre Candelario (Thanksgiving)

6:30 PM Dorita Largaespada †

Padre Marcos Galvin (Thanksgiving)

Thursday, September 26

8:30 AM Alfredo & Odilia Alvarez †

James Oranga (Health)

Friday, September 27

8:30 AM Carlos Ortega †

Juan Antonio Perez (B-day)

6:30 PM Maria Solis †

Stacy Gonzalez (B-day)

Saturday, September 28

5:00 PM



Please Pray For
Por favor Oremos Por

Esther Gallardo
Jaime & Juana Gomez
Angelo Jace Marayag
Sigfredo Alcaraz Jr.
Jurith Martinez

Johanna Jauregui

Our Men and Women of the military services.

St. Anthony's Prayer List

If you wish to add a loved one who is in need of our prayers, please call the Parish office at 625-2048, Names will be posted for a month.

Observances for the week of September 22, 2024

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week

Thursday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Friday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest r

Saturday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

The apostles argue, each one claiming to be the greatest of Christ's followers. But Christ shows them who is truly the greatest — a child, one who has no thought of his own importance, one who has no ambition. Let's seek to be like that child.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday: 9:30am to 6:30pm, Friday: 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Scheduling Coordinator: Linda Hipólito (925) 493-0976

EXPOSICIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO

Lunes a Viernes: 9:30 am a 6:30pm, Viernes: 7:00 pm a 11:00 pm

Coordinadora del Horario: Linda Hipólito 925-493-0976

# Oración Semanal, Adoración & Meditación

## LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO

### Primera lectura:

Condenémoslo a una muerte ignominiosa, porque, según sus propias palabras, Dios cuidará de él. (Sab 2,20)

### Salmo:

El Señor sostiene mi vida. (Sal 54)

### Segunda lectura:

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

### Evangelio:

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” (Mk 9:35)

## Meditación del Evangelio

### 25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Cuando era un seminarista novato, me enviaron a una inmersión con los pobres. Durante un mes, viví en un hogar para adultos con discapacidades del desarrollo. Fue un desafío para mí porque los residentes tenían problemas de comunicación importantes. Allí había un hombre de 30 años llamado Robin, totalmente sordo y mudo. Tenía síndrome de Down. Parecía un vikingo, con una mata de pelo rojo y una barba fina. Pero me sentí incómodo y desconectado de él. Todas mis formas normales de interacción fallaron. Me resigné al hecho de que nunca conectaríamos.

Entonces, una mañana, sucedió algo asombroso. Estaba en el piso de la sala de estar jugando tranquilamente con sus juguetes. Al observarlo desde una silla, sentí que las palabras de Jesús flotaban en mi mente: “El que reciba a un niño como este en mi nombre, a mí me recibe; y el que me recibe a mí, no me recibe a mí, sino al que me envió” (Marcos 9:37). Pensé: “Jesús, de alguna manera debes estar en Robin”. Tímidamente me aseguré de que no hubiera nadie más en la habitación y luego hablé con voz clara: “Jesús, ¿estás ahí?” Robin no se volvió hacia mí y me dijo: “Hola, John. Sí, soy yo, Jesús”. Siguió jugando con sus juguetes en silencio.

Pero algo cambió en mí. A partir de ese momento, fue más fácil estar con Robin, bromear con él, intentar usar el lenguaje de señas con él, dejar que fuera él mismo y que yo fuera yo misma. Sus “discapacidades” ya no eran obstáculos que superar. Se convirtió simplemente en Robin, mi amigo.

¿Quién en tu vida parece extrañamente distante o incómodo? La próxima vez que lo veas, invoca en silencio el nombre de Jesús y verás cómo desaparecen las barreras en ti.

— Padre John Muir

## CATOLICA - (PRACTICANTE) RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Por Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Dar Testimonio

Me fascinan los personajes menores del Evangelio. Estas personas (el joven rico, la mujer adúltera, los maestros del templo) comparten el escenario con Jesús sólo brevemente. Dan un testimonio pasajero pero poderoso de momentos cruciales de su ministerio terrenal. Respiran el aire que él respira. Escuchan el sonido de su voz. Algunos de ellos sienten el tacto de su piel. Y luego continúan con sus vidas y desaparecen en la oscuridad. Se convierten en uno más de nosotros.

Pienso en el niño que se sentó en el regazo de Jesús mientras decía aquellas famosas palabras: “*El que recibe en mi nombre a un niño como este, a mí me recibe; y el que me recibe, no me recibe a mí, sino al que me envió.*”

¿Qué pensó el niño? ¿Entendió las palabras o sólo sabía que fueron dichas con suavidad? ¿Pensó sólo en lo bondadoso que era el rostro de este hombre y en lo reconfortante y cálido de su abrazo?

Me imagino a este niño creciendo. Quizás se casó y amó a su esposa e hijos. Quizás era feliz o quizás no. Quizás se hizo rico o incluso ya era rico para empezar. Quizás él, como tantos otros niños de esa época, tuvo una vida muy corta y volvió rápidamente a los brazos que lo envolvieron ese día en Cafarnaúm.

No lo sabemos. Pero sabemos que él estaba allí: vio a Cristo, lo sintió, lo escuchó. Suspiramos al pensar en ello. *Que afortunado. Si tan sólo pudiéramos nosotros también. Entonces sería más fácil. Entonces podríamos ser santos.*

Pero todos somos este niño en Cafarnaúm. Todas somos la mujer del pozo. Todos somos el centurión en la cruz. Cada vez que nos arrodillamos ante la Hostia y escuchamos las palabras “Este es mi Cuerpo,” ocupamos el mismo tiempo y espacio terrenal que el Mesías, y él fija en nosotros la misma mirada que fijó en ellos.

Todos damos testimonio. Lo recibimos y luego volvemos a nuestra vida, a nuestra vida ordinaria. ¿Lo llevamos con nosotros? ¿Nos atrevemos?

“*Alabaré tu nombre, oh, Señor, por su bondad.*” — Salmo 54:6 ©LPi

# “GLORIA DEI”

THE GLORY OF GOD

## NEW GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS

BETWEEN 18 TO 35 YRS OLD

### FIRST MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

7:00 PM

PADUA HALL

### FIRST TALK

WHY ARE WE CATHOLIC AND NOT JUST  
CHRISTIAN?

BY FR. JUAN CARLOS PONCE

JOIN US FOR A TALK  
AND SOCIAL DINNER!

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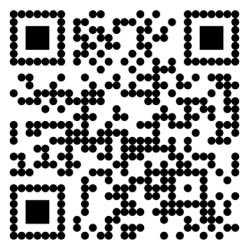
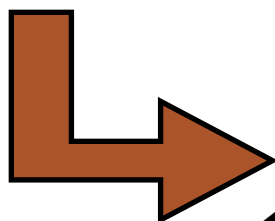
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## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Blessing of the Animales  
Bendicion de Animales

Saturday/Sabado

10/5/24

9:15 am

Church Plaza

Plaza de la Parroquia



# KID'S CORNER



## GOSPEL

Even though they were friends, sometimes the disciples fought with each other. In today's Gospel reading, they were fighting over who was the most important. All twelve of them wanted to be number one—the best disciple. Then Jesus told them a secret. The best disciple is the one who helps other people.

## MISSION

Ask your family members how you can help each of them this week. When you help them with a cheerful heart, God smiles.



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Which one of them was the greatest?

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## PRAYER

Dear God, when I am tempted to fight with my friends, show me ways to help them instead.



La Escuela Bíblica de San Jerónimo Apóstoles de la Palabra les hace la invitación a todos a ser parte de esta escuela.

**Todos los jueves a las 7 pm en Padua Salón 5.**

Venga y conozca mas de Dios por medio de Su Palabra!!

Para mas Información puede contactarse con: Yulma Diaz al (925) 470-9367



### Daily Rosary/ Rosario Diario

Only through live FB / Solo en vivo por FB 6:30 pm.

M., W. —English,  
Martes, Jueves, y Sábado—Esp.  
Viernes/Friday—Bilingüe/Bilingüe.  
Sunday/Domingo—Before Mass/Antes de Misa.

### Join the Columbiettes

An organization of Catholic women, who are affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. They support different charities and participate in the community while working collectively with our Brother Knights to promote Faith and unity. Call Patty Loosli at (925) 348-6064

### Únete a las Columbiettes

Una organización de mujeres católicas, que son afiliado a los Caballeros de Colón. Ellos Apoyan a diferentes organizaciones benéficas y participant en la comunidad mientras trabajan colectivamente con nuestros Hermanos Caballeros para promover la Fe y la unidad. Llame a Patty Loosli al (925) 348-6064

### Holy Family Ministry

Join us every 1st and 3rd Thursday of Every Month.  
Location: 1st Thursday at St. Anthony Parish Hall  
3rd Thursday via Zoom.  
Time: 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Please join our Mailing List at:  
YAREDOLIVEROS@GMAIL.COM

Throughout the year we will also plan fun family activities so visit our page for updates!

Visit St. Anthony Website for





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ONE CHURCH**  
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-  Catholic Schools & Parishes in Need  
**\$206,000**

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## Faith Formation, Formación de Fe

### FAITH FORMATION COORDINATORS

*Call the Parish Office,  
(925) 625-2048*

*for more program information  
or to register.*

**Baptism**, Parish Secretary  
**CCD**, Jajahira Gallardo  
**EDGE**, Emma Arcayena  
**Youth Confirmation**, Esperanza Casillas

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