



# St. Anthony of Padua CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*August 9, 2020*

*19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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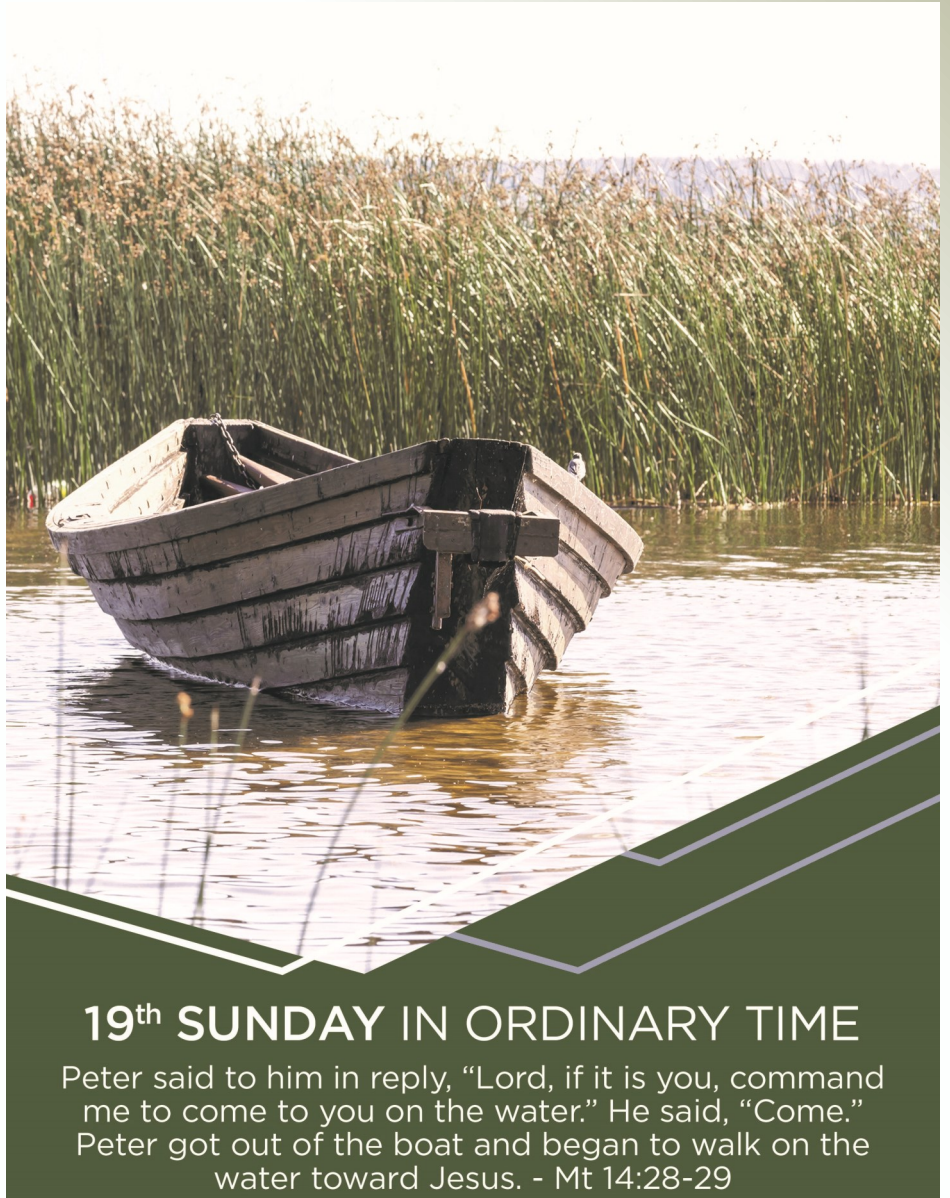
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Parish Office Hours  
Monday thru Thursday  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Mass**  
10:00 AM Sunday  
[bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube](http://bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube)



## 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

### *A Family Blessing*

Lord of All, Bless our families. Be they formed by blood or by circumstance, make them holy. May we find you in our relationships: in our marriages, in our families, in our households, in our communities, in our global humanity. May we look across all that divides us and see family, and embrace as a family does, and love as a family ought to. For where two or three gather in your name, there you are. Amen.

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. May the fullness of your Will be done in their lives. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Georgia Holloman	Mildred Morrison	Len & Julie Lacour
Greenie Lyons	Kathryn Rivers	Domonica Hilt
Destiny Strider	Charles D. Carter	Maurice Hill
Carla Haley	Sabrina Polote	Julia Hilt
Mmgr Edward Branch	Tahlia Bostic	Michael Malcolm
Louise Robinson	Romaine Miller	The J. R. Lewis Family
Natalie Miles Reed	Belinda Pederoso	John Robert Lewis
Linnie Francis	Ingrid Berry	Monica Nurse Family
Eunice Lecounte	Everett Johnson	Fatima Ahmed Family
Eartha Lee Jackson	Teresa Williams	Shirley Reynolds Kelley
Alvin Johnson	Sadye H. Williams	Simeon Kelley
John Guice	Gloria Edwards	Sheila Russel
Taylor Simmons	Edith C. Bentley	Samal Floyd

### ***Mass Intentions***

Aug 9th 10AM: The People of the Parish  
Aug 16th 10AM: The People of the Parish

### ***The Pope's August Prayer Intention***

*We pray that families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly schools of true human development.*

### ***The Catholic Church Responds to Racism***

The Archdiocese has compiled a library of resources statements from our Archbishop, the U.S. Bishops, & Pope. Info for youth & parishes; links to the Catholic Mobilizing Network & the USCCCB website on racism; other articles, videos, & free online webinars.: [bit.ly/2CGhtuk](http://bit.ly/2CGhtuk)

### ***In Our Parish***

The first meeting of St. Anthony's Committee on Racism was held earlier this month. Also, a facilitated zoom forum with peer breakout groups was held Sunday July 19th. More than 80 Parishioners attended and many contributed their thoughts, feelings & experiences. Great contributions to this important dialogue!

### ***Readings for the Week***

**Sun 9** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33  
**Mon 10** 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26  
**Tue 11** Ez 2:8—3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
**Wed 12** Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Mt 18:15-20  
**Thu 13** Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21—19:1  
**Fri 14** Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Mt 19:3-12  
**Sat 15** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

***Thank you for sharing your gifts from God.***

***Sunday August 2, 2020***

Offertory	\$3,516.00
Capital Campaign	\$2,065.78
2020 Annual Appeal	\$1,614.00

### ***Upcoming Second Collections***

Aug 9: Annual Appeal  
Aug 15: Assumption of Mary Offering  
Aug 16: Capital Campaign  
Aug 23: Annual Appeal

### ***Mail & Online Giving***

While Parish activity is limited for your safety, the church has the same operational expenses. We appreciate all your financial gifts. Contribute securely online at [stanthonyatlanta.org](http://stanthonyatlanta.org) & look for the "giving" tab. Also, let Dr. Roof know if you would like to start or stop receiving giving envelopes in the mail, or have address updates.

### ***Find up-to-date information***

Check out our Facebook page, parishioner Facebook group, website, & Instagram @stanthonyorg. Listen for Fr. Vic's announcements after Mass to meet virtually via "Zoom."

If you are not already receiving the email newsletter from our talented Communications Ministry, you are missing out! Subscribe here: [bit.ly/3cYnGym](http://bit.ly/3cYnGym)

### ***Reach out to us! Want to support others?***

Fr. Vic, Deacon Simmons, & Deacon Jelks are here for you. Call or email if you would like to pray together, would like to chat, or need anything. To request assistance or to volunteer to help use the form on our website.

### ***St. Anthony Whole Parish Catechesis.***

New resources posted each week for families. Please look for the "Covid" file

### ***Find liturgical & spiritual resources, Covid guidance, & virtual Mass listings***

at [archatl.com](http://archatl.com) or The GA Bulletin at [gabulletin.org](http://gabulletin.org)

### ***Share Special Days***

If you have an upcoming Birthday, Anniversary or milestone please use this form so that it can be announced at Mass [bit.ly/2YHDMbT](http://bit.ly/2YHDMbT) Pictures are encouraged!

**10:00AM Mass on YouTube**

[bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube](http://bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube)



## #everyone counts

[my2020census.gov/login](https://my2020census.gov/login)



Sharon Hubbard-Belcher encourages fellow church family members to complete the 2020 Census. Have you done yours?

## Free Virtual Catechist Conference



The 2020 Atlanta Catechist Conference is going virtual this year! Registration is now open and best of all, free! Learn more about the new virtual process, which will allow you to attend even more classes.

<https://atlcatechistconference.com/>

## Mass Dispensation Extended (Again)

Archbishop Hartmayer extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass through **Sun, Aug. 30th**. Those healthy, & able to comply with Parish protocols & wish to attend, may. Those at high-risk or caring for the vulnerable should participate in an online or televised liturgy.

## Live the Liturgy

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.

## We are Here to Listen & to Take Action



You matter. You're family.  
Archdiocesan 24-hr Abuse Reporting  
Hotline: 1.888.437.0764

## Need Help?

Catholic Charities has funding for parishioners who need assistance with utility bills or rent due to the loss of a job or decreased hours due to COVID-19 while funds last. To determine eligibility, please send an email with details about the assistance needed & circumstances: [Help@ccatlantatlanta.org](mailto:Help@ccatlantatlanta.org)

## The Way for Women 3-day Retreat

A three day retreat for adult female survivors of any type of abuse by anyone is offered by the Archdiocesan Victim Assistance Program Aug 28-30 in Hoschton, GA. Register by Aug 21st. Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed. [bit.ly/30cB2E6](https://bit.ly/30cB2E6)

## Joint Statement on the BLM Movement & Black Catholic Responsibility

The St. Anthony Committee on Racism invites you to view the YouTube video produced by the Bowman-Francis Ministry with joint statements from Black Catholic Clergy, Black Catholic Sisters, and other national Black Catholic organizations on racism. The video link is posted on our Parish YouTube channel, on Parish social media, in our bulletin, and on our website. <https://youtu.be/HICWGDHux4>

## Parishioner Survey about Racism

Please take this parishioner-designed survey to help guide our conversations on our anti-racism efforts.

Take the survey: <https://bit.ly/3fEylzt>



## Making a Difference ... One Box at a Time

Last Saturday, the CCW and MAC collectively picked up and delivered 44 boxes of fresh produce and milk to households. Joyful, thankful smiles despite the heat & humidity.

