



# St. Anthony of Padua CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## November 28, 2021

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“THE DAYS ARE COMING, SAYS THE LORD,  
WHEN I WILL FULFILL THE PROMISE  
I MADE TO THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH.”

—JEREMIAH 33:14

Mass  
9:00AM Sundays in Parish Hall  
Live Stream  
[bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube](http://bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube)

**Parish Mission.** Guided & inspired by the Holy Spirit, we seek to be a beacon of hope in the wider community by sharing our unique cultural & spiritual experiences & spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all. As a Church Family, we strive to collectively & individually share the responsibility of continuing the mission of Jesus Christ to heal, reconcile, & serve.

## Remember in Prayer

Father of goodness & love, hear our prayers for the sick & housebound members of our community & 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

Christine Belcher	Journee A. Guice	Belinda Pederoso
Edith C. Bentley	Easton Hairston	Sabrina Polote
Ingrid Berry	Carla Neal-Haley	Natalie Miles Reed
Catherine Binns	Maurice & Domonica Hilt	Kathryn Rivers
Tahlia Bostic	Eartha L. Jackson	Louise Robinson
Msgr. Ed Branch	Alvin Johnson	Taralyn Ruff
Marzine Bristow Sr.	Everett Johnson	Sheila Russel
Thomas Britto* & Family	Shirley R. Kelley	Jacqueline Simpson
Emarie Browning	Simeon Kelley	Larry Stewart
Agnes Carter	Len & Julie Lacour	Destiny Strider
Charles D. Carter	Eunice Lecounte	Pauline Washington
Diane Dalton	Michael Malcolm	Teresa Williams
Gloria Edwards	Merrine McDonald	
Linnie Francis	Romaine Miller	
John & Patricia Guice	Mildred Morrison	

## Mass Intentions

Nov 28 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish

Dec 5 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish

## The Pope's November Prayer Intention

Let us pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

## Archdiocesan Announcements

25th Eucharistic Congress **Oct 15 E-Blast**  
Black Catholic Ministry. **Connected Newsletter**  
Faith in Formation. **Oct 12 Newsletter**  
Fortunate & Faithful Families. LGBTQ+ **Info here**  
Justice & Peace Ministries. **Nov Newsletter**  
Marriage Today. **Sept Newsletter**  
Respect Life. **Nov Newsletter**  
Youth Ministry. **Nov Newsletter**

The **Year of St. Joseph** celebration continues.

World AIDS Day Prayer Service. Wed. Dec 1st. 7 PM  
@ Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Fr. Desmond Drummer presiding. Reception to follow.

Webinar—**Not in Our Name**: The Road to Abolishing the Death Penalty in GA. Thurs. Dec. 16, 7 PM.  
Panelists to include Frank Mulcahy, & Rep. Scott Holcomb (81st district) & co-sponsor currently pending repeal bill in the House (H. B. 485).

Highschoolers & Young Adults wanted for quarterly features and e-newsletters to The Georgia Bulletin. Planning meetings begin in January. Contact Samantha Smith at [ssmith@georgiabulletin.org](mailto:ssmith@georgiabulletin.org).

**Safe Environment**. Local & national resources to help keep our parishes, schools, homes, & communities safe. 24-hr hotline: 888-437-076.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for sharing your gifts from God.

### Annual Appeal 2021—COMPLETED

Thanks to you we have completed our Parish goal & rebate goal for this year's annual appeal! For the remainder of 2021, consider directing donations to the Capital Campaign, Offertory, or other 2nd collections. Remember to update your **online giving** & automatic debits.

### Upcoming 2nd Collections

11/28 & 12/5—Capital Campaign. Construction is in the final stages of Church renovations. Your donation of any amount will support the beautification & preservation of St. Anthony of Padua Parish as a worship & gathering space for generations to come. For pledge inquiries, **email** or call the Office.

### Other Information

**Online Giving**. While Parish activity is limited due to construction, the church has the same operational expenses. Contribute securely to Offertory, Capital Campaign, & 2nd Collections online at [bit.ly/](https://bit.ly/stanthonyonlinegiving)



[stanthonyonlinegiving](https://bit.ly/stanthonyonlinegiving). The online giving system was upgraded. recently Please be aware that you may need to create a new account. Try resetting your password first. If that doesn't work, you'll need to create a new account. The upgraded system now allows for gifts to multiple funds in a single transaction & the ability to use Google pay.

**Workplace Giving**. If your employer offers charitable giving opportunities, consider a gift to St. Anthony of Padua! Some companies offer payroll giving, matched giving, peer matching, grants, & more. Let the office know if the church needs to register for you to participate.

**Amazon Smile**. Instead of shopping at Amazon.com; make the switch to **smile**. **Amazon.com**. Select St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Atlanta Inc as your charity of choice. The parish will get 0.5% of eligible purchase price as a donation at no extra cost to you!

**Catholic Foundation of North GA**. Consider naming the parish endowment fund as a beneficiary of your 401K or retirement account. Request a form from your plan provider. Contact Juliet Greco ([jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org)) at the **Catholic Foundation**. 404-497-9440

**Contact Information Changes**. Notify the office if you have name, address, phone, or email changes.

**Envelopes**. Notify the office to start, stop, or pause receiving packages of giving envelopes in the mail.



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E-newsletter signup



## Parish Announcements

### Centering Prayer Groups

Do you seek a more intimate relationship with God? Wed 6:30 PM & Sat 9:30 AM. We find healing, light & love together praying in the ancient tradition. Contact [Leslie Geer here](#), for the Zoom link info. Learn more about [Centering Prayer](#), All are welcome!

### Submit Your Ideas to Re-Name Parish Hall

The Parish Hall needs a name. Please submit your ideas to Fr. Vic. Consider the history of the Parish, our Parish Mission, or the general purpose of the gathering space.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Home Auxiliary Fundraiser

The Keen Agers are raising funds to support the merciful end-of-life care for those with no where else to turn provided by the Hawthorne Dominican Sisters. All patients are accepted regardless of their ability to pay. For a 2nd year in a row, the pandemic has thwarted the usual fun of a luncheon & raffle drawings across the Archdiocese. The loss of crucial donation-streams has left a tremendous deficit. Please consider contributing to this magnificent charity that tenderly provides comprehensive palliative care to patients prior to their transition. Thanks for your generosity! You can give online (look for the OLPHHA Cancer Home Fundraiser) or include a memo "OLPHHA Fundraiser" on checks.

### #iGiveCatholic #GI♥INGTUESDAY November 30th

As we rejoice in the renovations of our Church and Parish Hall, there are still some details that need our attention. Our campaign this year is to stock the kitchen with all the essentials needed to make it functional—to refresh & revitalize it with updated cookware, utensils, safety items, & basic supplies.

The kitchen facilitates so much of our fellowship and is central to many of our ministry events & outreach efforts.

Our goal is \$2,626. That's one dollar more than last year. Another goal is to increase the number of contributors. We would love to increase the supporters to 45. That's one more person than 2020.

Follow this [link](#) to donate early. Or wait until #GI♥INGTUESDAY on November 30th.

### Black Catholic History Month T-Shirt Sale

The Jr. Daughters of KPCLA are raising funds with a t-shirt sale that highlights several Black Catholic heroes. Celebrate Black Catholic History all year long & support the Jr. Daughters with your purchase. Adults S—3XL: \$20 Youth M—XL: \$18 [stanthonyatlanta.org/black-catholic-history-month/](https://stanthonyatlanta.org/black-catholic-history-month/)

### Share Special Days

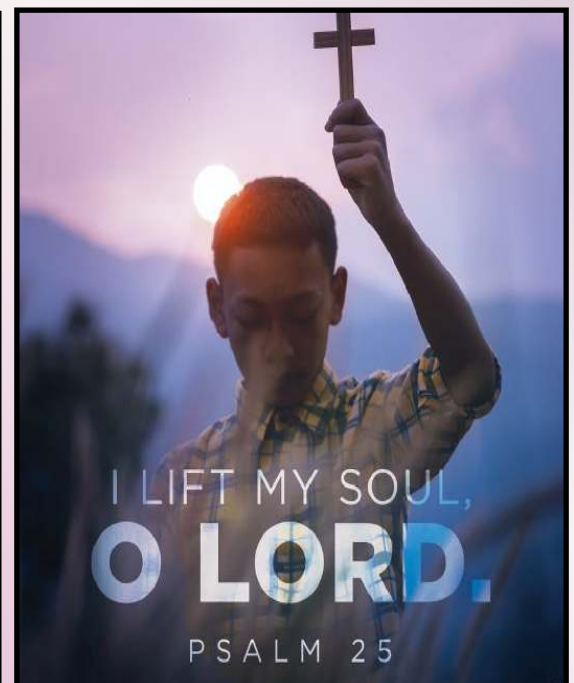
If you have an upcoming Birthday, Anniversary, milestone, or cause for celebration please use this form so that it can be announced at Mass [bit.ly/2YHDMbT](https://bit.ly/2YHDMbT).



*And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because redemption is at hand.*

### Live the Liturgy

Any human success requires vigilance. Opportunities and powerful moments of encounter can easily be missed when we are not attentive. It is all too easy today to live distracted and preoccupied lives. There is so much vying for our attention that it can be hard to be selective and really focus. Caught up in this whirlwind of busyness and anxiety, we become tired and almost sleepwalk through life. Advent is a time to selectively focus. These beautiful four short weeks are a time to look backward and forward and be attentive to the human journey and God's revelation. From the beginning of time, God has been seeking our attention. He constantly reminds us of the justice he desires to bring and the promise of his abiding unconditional love. Understanding and growing in these truths requires alertness so that we can be strengthened in our faith and prepared for whatever will come.



## Weekly Readings

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



## MLK Day 5K Drum Run: Let Freedom Run



The MLKDay5K Drum Run/Walk gathers diverse groups in the community to celebrate Martin Luther King Day in the spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood with fellowship and fitness. This 5K walk/run will take place entirely on New Peachtree Road. The FLAT & FAST out & back USATF certified

race course and Peachtree Road Race qualifier will have a 3.1-mile drumline all along the racecourse. This 5K will have a vibe like no race ever run.

Partial proceeds from the run will be returned to St. Anthony of Padua again this year!

Registration \$30 & includes a long sleeve shirt. Make sure to select/join our parish group: "St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church" so that we can show up in force for this joyful day of community celebration. [bit.ly/3rv4Utt](http://bit.ly/3rv4Utt)

## Advertisements for Sunday Bulletin

When the church opens, we need to send our bulletin out to be printed professionally. If sponsors buy year-long ads on the back page — it can be printed at no cost to the parish.

### Support St. Anthony with your ad!

Small business owners

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CPAs, Lawyers

Service providers

Contractors, Artists

Content Creators

Ministries/Organizations

### BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for **one full year, at one low price.**
- A FREE ad listing on [parishesonline.com](http://parishesonline.com).
- FREE, professional ad design.

To place an ad contact :  
Melissa Jones with LPi  
205-382-4555  
[mjones@4LPi.com](mailto:mjones@4LPi.com)

## Lyke House at AUC —New Art Exhibit

Learn about the Archbishop Lyke Memorial Gallery that celebrates contributions of Black Catholics to U. S. Catholicism & the universal church. Read about the new exhibit in [The Georgia Bulletin article](#) by St. Anthony of Padua Parishioner, Andrew Nelson. Located at 809 Beckwith St SW (AtI) [lykehouse.org](http://lykehouse.org)

## Family Advent Resources

[Busted Halo Advent Calendar](#)

[Loyola Press Children's Advent Calendar](#)

[Blessing an Advent Wreath](#)

[Blessing the Christmas Tree](#)

[Blessing of a Manager or Nativity Scene](#)

[Praying the O Antiphons of Advent](#)

[Directory of Penance Services in GA Bulletin](#)



### Advent Wreath Prayer

As a family, light the first candle and say ...

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light" (Is 9:1).

God of compassion, be with us in these long and dark days as we await the birth of your son, Jesus. Amen

## Week 1: Hope

Sometimes we think of hope as wishful thinking. The virtue of hope is much more than wishing upon a spiritual star, even the Star of Bethlehem. It is an optimistic expectancy that allows us to have confidence that God is with us in all things.

As you light the first candle of Advent, talk about what each family member is hoping for. If the hope is more of a wish (I hope I get a new doll), take time to explain the difference between wishing for material possessions and hoping for the great gifts that only God can give us — like peace, wisdom and forgiveness.

This week, my family is praying for:

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