



St. Anthony of Padua CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“BLESSED ARE YOU WHO BELIEVED
THAT WHAT WAS SPOKEN TO YOU BY THE LORD
WOULD BE FULFILLED.”

—LUKE 1:45

Mass
9:00AM Sundays in Parish Hall
Live Stream
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	Easton Hairston	Mildred Morrison
Edith C. Bentley	Carla Neal-Haley	Belinda Pederoso
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Diane Dalton	Hillmore Lee	Destiny Strider
Gloria Edwards	Michael Malcolm	Pauline Washington
Linnie Francis	Merrine McDonald	Teresa Williams
John & Patricia Guice	Romaine Miller	
Journee A. Guice		

Mass Intentions

Dec 19 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish
Dec 26 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish

The Pope's December Prayer Intention

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit

Archdiocesan Announcements

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

Building Your Marriage Before It Starts Workshop.

Four dates to choose from: 2/5; 4/2; 8/27; 10/29.
Contact Kelly Angelo at 404-252-4513 ext 221.

Ignatius House Event & Retreat Calendar. Tours, spiritual direction, classes, & retreats through Feb. High schoolers & Young Adults wanted for quarterly features & e-newsletters to The Georgia Bulletin. Contact Sam Smith ssmith@georgiabulletin.org.

Penance Services for Advent Season. Several parishes offer large penance services across the Archdiocese.

Young Men's Winter **Discernment Retreat.** Jan 4-5 @ Camp Covecrest. Transportation available.

The **Year of St. Joseph** celebration continues. St. Thomas Aquinas **free video series** explaining the deeper meaning of Mass & its components. A great refresher for Catholics & teaching aid for RCIA.

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.
December 12

Offertory	\$2,752
Capital Campaign	\$4,121

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.

Upcoming 2nd Collections

12/19—Capital Campaign. Church renovations are in the final stretch. Your donation will support the beautification & preservation of St. Anthony of Padua Parish as a worship & gathering space for generations to come.

12/24-25—Catholic Charities, Atlanta. Provides supportive services that enable families to overcome barriers & achieve self-sufficiency.

12/26—Capital Campaign.

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/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 the parish. 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! Select St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Atlanta Inc as your charity of choice. The parish gets 0.5% of eligible purchase price as a donation from **Amazon Smile**.



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) 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 OLPHHA Cancer Home Fundraiser) or include a check memo—OLPHHA Fundraiser.

Advent Blue Books & 2022 Josephite Calendars

The Little Blue Book for Advent & Christmas Season is available for your family to pick up at Mass. These are much loved 6-minute reflections & weekday Gospels. Also, with the support of H. Griner Funeral Home, 2022 Josephite Calendars have arrived. Pick up one for your family at Mass 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

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.

Help Rebuild After Tornado Devastation

Catholic Charities Atlanta is raising funds to forward to the communities in Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, & Tennessee that were struck by the Dec 10th storms. Write checks to St. Anthony of Padua with a memo for Tornado Relief or donate via the Parish giving system—just look for the Catholic Charities Tornado Relief fund.

Beyond a Reasonable Doubt: Intellectual Disability & the Death Penalty

Thursday, January 25th @ 7 PM. Zoom webinar. GA Catholics Against the Death Penalty host a discussion about what GA's standard of proof means for people with intellectual & developmental disabilities & actions we can all take to work toward the reform of our criminal system. [Register here](#).

Christmas Eve Mass

5:00 PM
in the Parish Hall-
also streaming live
on YouTube



“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” (Lk 1:42-43)

Live the Liturgy

Did you ever find yourself wishing that God would just step in and fix all that is wrong with the world? After all, how much longer can all of this go on? There is so much inequity in life. Our world's political, economic, and environmental systems do not always serve the best interests of people. We read stories about injustice, disregard for human life, greed, heartache, and people being hurt and deprived every day. People are still starving and there is often little regard for human life. This is not the way God intended it to be. Realizing that we have caused most of these problems ourselves, we look to God for an answer and a way out of the difficulties we have created. Taking responsibility for our actions is not something that comes easily. What we fail to see is that God has already sent the answer in the person of Jesus Christ. God did fix our problem! Mary had to set her needs aside in order for the Son of Justice to come into the world. We need to do the same. It is only by believing in, listening to, and acting upon what God has spoken that true peace will ever come to be, and God's fix be made known.



LORD,
MAKE US
TURN
TO YOU.

PSALM 80

Weekly Readings

Monday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
 Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 & 14 /Lk 1:57-66
 Friday: *Morning:* 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29/Lk 1:67-79
 Saturday: *Vigil:* Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
 Sunday Sir 3:2-6,12-14/Ps 128:1-2,3,4-5/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22,24-28/Ps 84:2-3,5-6,9-10/1 Jn 3:1-2,21-24/Lk 2:41-52



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 & brotherhood with fellowship & fitness. This 5K walk/run will take place entirely on New Peachtree Road. The FLAT & FAST out & back USATF certified

race course & 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

Lyke House at AUC —New Art Exhibit

The Archbishop Lyke Memorial Gallery 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. Lyke House—809 Beckwith St SW (Atl) lykehouse.org

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 ID: 16-0051

2022 Catholic Foundation Investment Forum

Keynote Speaker Rupal Bhansali

Ariel Investments, Chief Investment Officer of International & Global Equities
 Winning by Not Losing:
 A Provocative Look at Global Markets



Also Presenting
 Rod Henneck and Michael Butkus
 Atlanta Consulting Group
 Catholic Foundation Portfolio Update



Thursday, February 3, 2022

7:30-8:30 AM check in and breakfast
 8:30-10:30 AM speakers and Q&A

Dunwoody Country Club

1600 Dunwoody Club Drive
 Atlanta, GA 30350

The Catholic Foundation Investment Forum is back for the 3rd year! Attend this event to learn about the 2022 economic outlook and how the Catholic Foundation stewards our assets to meet the needs of the community.

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