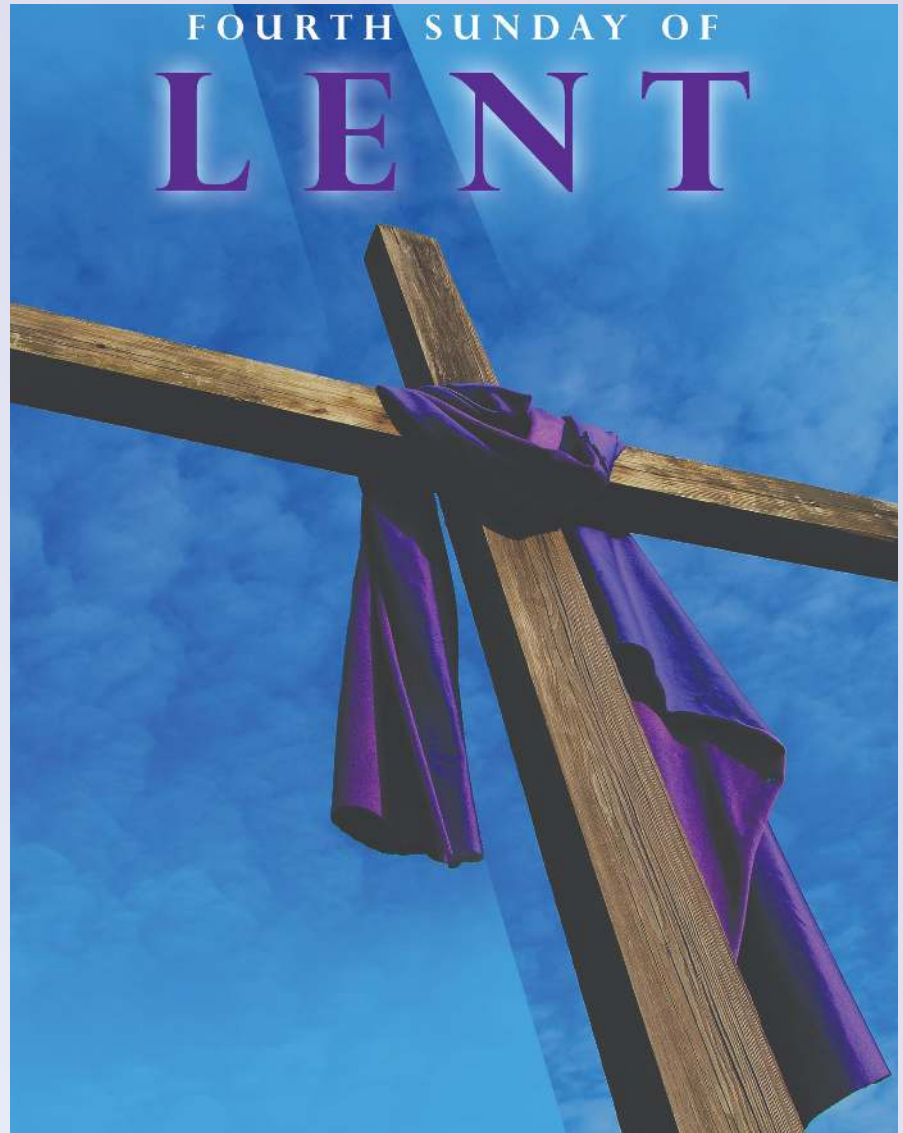




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Live Stream Link:
bit.ly/sapatlantayoutube

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, & departed 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. AMEN.

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

Mass Intentions

Mar 27 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish

Apr 3 9:00 AM: The People of the Parish

The Pope's March Prayer Intention

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Archdiocesan Announcements

Black Catholic Ministry. [Connected Newsletter](#)

Eucharistic Congress.. [Mar Newsletter](#)

Evangelization & Discipleship. [Mar Newsletter](#)

Faith in Formation. [Jan Newsletter](#)

Fortunate & Faithful Families. LGBTQ+ [Info here](#)

Justice & Peace Ministries. [Mar Newsletter](#)

Marriage Today. [Jan Newsletter](#)

Respect Life. [Mar Newsletter](#)

Youth Ministry. [Dec Newsletter](#)

[Building Your Marriage Before It Starts Workshop.](#)

Four dates to choose from: 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.

High schoolers & Young Adults wanted for quarterly features & e-newsletters to The Georgia Bulletin.

Contact Sam Smith ssmith@georgiabulletin.org.

St. Thomas Aquinas [free video series](#) explaining the deeper meaning of Mass & its components. A great refresher for Catholics & teaching aid for RCIA.

[Synod 2021 2023 Survey.](#) The Archdiocese has created a survey to get information from everyone about what 'journeying together' means. It asks questions about your experience as a Catholic & your hopes for how the Church can improve.

[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.

Mar 20

Offertory \$3,306

Capital Campaign \$2,119

Annual Appeal 2022 \$1,325

Upcoming 2nd Collections.

3/27: Catholic Relief Services—Promotes human development across the world by responding to emergencies, fighting disease & poverty, & nurturing peaceful & just societies; and, serves Catholics in the U. S. as they live their faith in solidarity with their global family.

4/3: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal—The major funding for vital ministry, outreach, education & formation programming across the Archdiocese. St. Anthony's goal this year is \$24,000. This number includes a 25% back to our parish.

4/10: Archdiocesan Seminarians—Supports the training & formation of our 46 seminarians as they study, discern, & prepare to become future priests of our Archdiocese.

Other Information

[Online Giving.](#) 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. The upgraded system now allows for gifts to multiple funds in a single transaction & the ability to use Google pay. More benefits of the new system will be communicated in the coming months.

[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.



Parish Announcements

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).

Centering Prayer

Wed 6:15 PM **Zoom gathering** led by Tonju Francois & Sat 9:30 AM Zoom gathering led by **Leslie Geer**. Find healing, light & love together praying in the ancient tradition. Learn more about **Centering Prayer**,

Health Ministry

Order 5 free testing kits to be shipped to your household at covidtests.gov. As of Jan 15th insurance companies are required to reimburse you for up to 8 at-home tests per month.

Homeless Ministry

Help make plastic sleeping mats out of grocery bags. Collect bags to make “plarn” (plastic yarn balls). Google “how to make plarn” to find youtube tutorials. If you crochet or knit your skills are also welcome. Contact **Angela Linton**.

Women's Day

Women's Day will be celebrated on 5/8.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The parish members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are accepting applications for this year's college-bound, high-school senior scholarship. **Applications** are on the parish website or from Ms. McCord-Estes at armcestes@bellsouth.net. Deadline 5/1.

Catechesis

In person Religious Education classes will next meet Sunday 4/3, 10:15am at the Lyke Center. First Communion will be held Sun 5/22.

Rosary Prayer

Join in praying the Rosary Sunday 4/3 at noon via Zoom. Call-in #: 530-881-1212. Passcode: 317 501 009. Led by KPC/KPCLA. All are welcome!

“But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.” (Lk 15:32)

CRS Rice Bowl

Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl at Mass or make your own almsgiving container. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on world hunger & take action to help our global family impacted by this injustice. You can also send donations via St. Anthony of Padua's **online giving system**. During the 40 days of Lent, we're invited to slow down & focus on our journey & how we can follow Christ's will more faithfully. We do this through the three pillars of **prayer, fasting & almsgiving**.

- Through **prayer** we seek & connect with the Lord & ask him to intercede for the needs of our global family. We grow in our relationship with him & unite with others around the world.
- When we **fast**, we experience a little bit of the hunger that many experience daily. We make room for the needs of others—& room for God's Holy Spirit to work within us.
- Through a recognition of the world's needs & a personal commitment to help others, we give **alms**.

See back of bulletin for more.

Called To Fast—by Christine Valters Paintner

I am called to fast from being strong and always trying to hold it all together, and instead embrace the profound grace that comes through my vulnerability and tenderness, to allow a great softening this season.

I am called to fast from anxiety and the endless torrent of thoughts which rise up in my mind to paralyze me with fear of the future, and enter into the radical trust in the abundance at the heart of things, rather than scarcity.

I am called to fast from speed and rushing through my life, causing me to miss the grace shimmering right here in this holy pause.

I am called to fast from multitasking and the destructive energy of inattentiveness to any one thing, so that I get many things done, but none of them well, and none of them nourishing to me. Instead my practice will become a beholding of each thing, each person, each moment.

I am called to fast from endless list-making and too many deadlines, and enter into the quiet and listen for what is ripening and unfolding, what is ready to be born.

I am called to fast from certainty and trust in the great mystery of things.

And then perhaps, I will arrive at Easter and realize those things from which I have fasted I no longer need to take back on again. I will experience a different kind of rising.

A Story of Hope from Bangladesh Week 3 of Lent

Monpura, Bangladesh, is a beautiful island surrounded by the Meghna River. To the south, beach views stretch into the Bay of Bengal. To the west are forests and gardens where wild deer roam.

But in some areas, natural disasters like cyclones damage the landscape in the summer and autumn months. Houses are lost, farmlands flood, and roads and dikes break. Residents like **Noornobi**, who lives on Monpura with his family of 11, are always looking for new ways to protect their homes.

Noornobi says his family was poor when they lived in a small hut with a tin roof and hay walls. Their land would flood often, making it difficult to grow vegetables year-round. Noornobi found day labor catching hilsa fish in the river, but some days work was limited. This made it difficult for his family to eat well.

When Noornobi joined CRS' Mutki Project, he learned how to prevent his land from flooding, farm using chemical-free and organic fertilizers, and raise chickens and ducks to sell. Now, with the help of his father and nephew Abdul, Noornobi farms more than half of his land and grows a variety of vegetables—including tomatoes, chilies, eggplant and lal shak, which is like a red spinach. He sells the vegetables at market."



"We have been improving because of vegetable farming ... we slowly began to make a profit," Noornobi says. With that profit, the family bought a larger tin house. Noornobi also helped his brothers open a shop to support their family and pay for private schooling for Abdul, who wants to be an engineer, and his sister Nihar, who dreams of being a schoolteacher.

"If I can build a nice family ... I will be grateful," Noornobi says. And for his community, he hopes everyone can "have a full stomach by working hard in the field."

REFLECT. God created our world, and it is our responsibility to take care of it. Why is caring for creation so important? What is the impact—locally and globally—when we don't care for it?

A Story of Hope from Rwanda Week 4 of Lent

Living in Kigali, Rwanda, **Gloriose Uwamahoro** and her husband **Karekezi Jean Pierre** are no strangers to hardship and hard work. Driven by a dream to send their three children to a good school, Gloriose sells vegetables and water in a kiosk and Karekezi sells vegetables at a market. It's a full day's work. They often return home late at night, but thankful for the blessings they have.

"Our country went through a lot," Gloriose says. "Though I say that our country has made progress, development is still essential, and it is ongoing."



They faced many challenges. Their daughter was malnourished—like many other children in their village. Then Gloriose joined Gikuriro, a project funded by the U.S. government and led by Catholic Relief Services to support the Rwandan government's efforts to combat malnutrition.

In Gikuriro, Gloriose learned how to prepare balanced meals for her children. She also learned about the importance of good hygiene. She shared these and other skills—like how to grow a kitchen garden—with her husband so they could support their children together. "Parents have to pull together ... because they are our responsibility," Gloriose says about caring for their children.

She later joined a CRS-led micro-savings group and learned how loans could help her grow her business and make more money. Now she earns enough to support her family. She and Karekezi can also afford to fulfill their dream of sending their kids to school.

Gloriose says because parents in her village have gained knowledge about balanced diets, their children are receiving the food they need to grow. But what she considers truly wonderful is how, by participating in the program, "a woman has been given a voice."

"It wasn't a thing before for a woman to speak up ... or borrow a certain amount of money and use it to make profit and pay it back," she says. "That is something to be thankful for."

REFLECT. Each person is made by God and therefore each life is sacred and valuable. What is one thing you can do today to treat others with respect?

