ALL ARE WELCOME!
Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at the Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua.

There are no Strangers at St. Anthony’s - Only Friends We Haven’t Met

FATHER WILLIAM J. SMITH, K.C.H.S. PASTOR
FATHER LAURO C. SEDLMAYER, PAROCHIAL VICAR
MICHAEL BRUCATO, DEACON  JOEY PERLAS, DEACON  PETER BARCELLONA, DEACON

St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site
436 Port Reading Ave., Port Reading, NJ

The Holy Eucharist
Saturday, Evening: 4:00 PM
Sunday, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Daily: Tuesday & Wednesday: 7:30 AM
Thursday: 7:00 PM
Tuesday— Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal following 7:30 AM Mass
Thursday—Novena to St. Anthony following the 7:00PM Mass
Liturgical of the Hours - Prayed 20 minutes before Daily Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Thursday Evening: 6:30 PM
Saturday: 3:15 PM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site
280 Amboy Ave. (Rt.35), Woodbridge, NJ

The Holy Eucharist
Saturday, Evening: 5:30 PM
Sunday, 9:30 AM Rosary prayed in Hungarian before Mass.
Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed after Mass.
Daily: Monday, Friday & Saturday: 8:00 AM
First Friday of the Month Devotions to the Sacred Heart Following the 8:00 AM Mass
First Saturday of the Month Devotions to Mary following Mass
Liturgical of the Hours - Prayed 20 minutes before Daily Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:45 PM

Parish Office Hours
Monday 8:30AM—3:30PM
Tuesday, 10:00AM—3:30PM
Wednesday 8:30AM—3:30PM
Thursday 8:30AM—5:30PM; 6:30PM—9:00PM
Office is CLOSED on Fridays
Closed for lunch each day at 12:45PM—1:30PM

www.saintanthonypadua.org
CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!

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Study Hall: studyhalloffice@gmail.com or studyhalldirector@gmail.com
Youth Ministry: jaamyouthministry4@gmail.com

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 30, 2017
If you have requested a Mass to be celebrated you have the right to present the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ during that particular celebration of Mass. If you would like to fulfill this responsibility, please inform one of the Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers) before Mass. If you don’t inform the Ministers of Hospitality, they will ask another person to fulfill that responsibility. Thank you for helping the Ministers of Hospitality in this matter.
2nd Banns of Marriage...

Announced for the second time the intention of:

Amanda Small & Joseph Scarano

to enter into the Covenant of Marriage

at

St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church

Port Reading, NJ

on

August 12, 2017

Ambassadors for Christ

Thank you! The 2016 Bishop’s Appeal has officially come to a close. To date
our parish pledged $25,441.50, payments totaling $20,617.75 from 200
parishioners.

If you have not completed your pledge payments, please
send it in as soon as possible. Checks are to be made payable to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal and mail it to:

Diocese of Metuchen

PO Box 4000,

Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000

FOOD DRIVE MINISTRY

Our monthly food drive will be held the weekend of August 5th & 6th. Please be as
generous as your means will allow. Your donation of food items is greatly appreciated and
will enable us to provide for those in need. Just a reminder... Please do not send in any perishable items.

The ministry members working are asked to be in the Father Miilos Hall at 10:00 am on Sunday morning.

The members working this month are:

R. McNamara

Delivery: P. Barcellona (Tuesday, August 8th)

2,000 Hail Marys

During these times of turmoil and uncertainty, Pope Francis urges us to pray more fervently and
consistently to bring about God’s peace and social justice throughout the world. Since we believe that our
Blessed Virgin Mary is our greatest intercessor and our Perpetual Help, we invoke her unfailing and powerful inter-
cession during these uncertain times.

Please join us in praying 2,000 Hail Marys at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH. Our next prayer session will be on Saturday, August 5th. Prayers will begin at 9:00AM after the 8:00AM Mass. Come, stay for a half-hour, a hour or more and you will be blessed. You may also send us your personal intentions or petitions or drop them in a box at the front of the altar and we will pray for them.
VOTIVE CANDLES
Votive candles burn constantly as a form of prayer and adoration. The candles burning this weekend are dedicated at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site

TABERNACLE
In Loving Memory of our dear parents, Maria & Carmen req. by Albina & Victor D’Alessio
In Loving Memory of Roberta (Nobes) Finch as she celebrates her 55th Birthday in Heaven req. by her parents Bob & Gerry Nobes & godparents, Richie & Adrienne Simeone
May God Bestow His Blessing for Continued Good Health Upon MaryAnn Marrone req. by your friend, Marge

GOOD SHEPHERD
In Loving Memory of Gordon & Ann Ur, John Patrick & Owen req. by their family

If you would like flowers for the altar for your special intention at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site or Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site please call the Parish office.


Let us join with Pope Francis I in his Universal Intention for August 2017.... Artists. That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Altar Flowers this weekend at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site are...

Happy Birthday Leonard “Sal” Romano with love
His wife, Mary, children and grandchildren

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS
July 31 Our Holy Father, Pope Francis I
Aug. 1 Rev. Joseph Desmond
Rev. Matthew Paratore
Aug. 2 Rev. John Stec
Rev. Edgar Madarang
Aug. 3 Rev. Alexander Carles
Rev. Anthony Sirianni
Aug. 4 All Priests
Aug. 5 Rev. Thomas Ryan
Rev. Peter Chakkunnuy CMI
Aug. 6 Most Rev. James Checchio, JCD, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen

SILVER & GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.

Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 4:00 PM
Application forms may be secured by contacting the parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: http://diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/. Kindly note that this form can be typed on and printed out but cannot be forwarded. If you wish to keep the information it must be SAVED AS a word document in your computer.

Forms must be signed by your priest, pastoral minister or deacon and returned to the Family Life Office by the parish office. Application forms will be accepted by the Family Life Office until the deadline for registration Friday, September 1st. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed.

For further information, please call the Family Life Office by phone at 732-562-1990 x 1705 or 4573 or email at: mfonseca@diometuchen.org.

While planning your vacation, remember it’s easy to locate a Catholic Church for Mass while you’re away.

Log on to www.catholicmasstime.org; www.thecatholicdirectory.com; or catholic-mass-times.com.

You’ll be able to locate the Church Closest to where you’ll be throughout the U.S.A.
REST IN PEACE
Please remember in your prayers the souls of:

Entered Eternal Life
Patricia C. Williams—July 13, 2017
Lucille A. Baris—July 14, 2017
Salvatore Covino—July 14, 2017

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES: ... Absent from the body ... Present with the Lord
During the month of August, please remember those parishioners who died a year ago:

Anniversary of Death
Judith “Judi” Drahos—August 5th
Timothy P. Devlin—August 17th

MISSION MASS
The souls of:
Martin “Marty” J. Nolan
Frances Centino
MaryJane Arose Harkins
Orlando Vernachio
MaryJane Harkins
Alice Krehel
Requested by:
Brenda Cuntala
Frank & Amy Paultz
Peggie & Carmen Margiotto
The D. Raite Family
Mike & Kathy Yannuzzi
Jacqueline Smith

A Mass will be offered in private.

PURGATORIAL MASS SOCIETY
The souls of:
Alfred Madsen, Jr.
Lois Perret
Margaret “Peggy” Maurice
Patricia Williams
Patricia Williams
Lucille Baris
Salvatore Covino
Salvatore Covino
Requested by:
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Peggie Margiotto
Carmen & Peggie Margiotto
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Pat Reagan
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Family
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Maryanne & Robert Mateuszczyk

They have been enrolled into the St. Anthony’s Perpetual Mass Society. They will be remembered in a special Mass during the first week of the month alternating between our two worship sites. (Odd months on the First Saturday at 8:00AM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; even months on the First Wednesday at 7:30AM at St. Anthony of Padua) and remembered daily at the Altar in the Eucharistic Prayer.

As a Parish Family we rejoice and celebrate the gifts of life and love that God has given to us all. We offer to all those celebrating their birthdays this month our best wishes and prayers that God may continue to bless them abundantly in the years ahead.

LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE
In conjunction with our Vacation Bible School program and our annual upcoming program SummerWorks of Faith for middle school students, we will continue our “Lighthouse Challenge” collecting change in our flashlight and collecting non-perishable items to bring the Light of Jesus to those in need. We can especially use non-perishable items such as cake mix, icing, box of birthday candles, birthday napkins and small plates. These items will be used for a special birthday project we will be working on. These items can be dropped in the “Lighthouse Challenge” bins in the narthex through Wednesday, August 9th. Your items for our August food drive next weekend can also be placed near the bins.

Thank you for Shining Your Light.

EAT WELL
DO GOOD
Dining for Dollars
FUNDRAISING PROGRAM
899 St. George Ave., Woodbridge
WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 23rd
11:00AM—10:00PM
EAT IN OR TAKE OUT
Bertucci’s Fundraiser to benefit St. Anthony’s
SUMMERWORKS OF FAITH Program
15% of our sales will come back to our program.

More details to follow...

SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS
At St. Anthony’s we have an ongoing fundraiser, ShopRite Gift Cards. When purchasing ShopRite gift cards, our Parish receives 5% of the proceeds. Gift Cards come in a variety of denominations and can be purchased in the Parish Office. Please consider helping St. Anthony’s the next time you shop.

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WONDER WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING
In Our Neighborhood & Our Diocese
Pick up a copy of the flyer on the desk located at the entrance of both worship sites.
Thank you.
**COUNTING TEAMS**

**MONDAY, July 31st**
Team #1  P. & R. Sierminski

**SUNDAY, August 6th**
Team #2  C. Botwin, Wm. Neveil

**SUMMER ENVELOPES** - We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the parish office while you are out-of-town on vacations this summer. As many of you understand our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here at St. Anthony.

**Stewardship:**

God’s Plan for Giving

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“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.” - Romans 8:28

Do you really trust God? Do you believe that all things work for good? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, means that God’s plan for our lives may be different than our plan. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Anthony of Padua Church

We are blessed to have Eucharistic Adoration at St. Anthony of Padua.

Eucharistic Adoration will resume on Thursday, September 7th. We need to have 3 people (2 minimum) to sit before the Blessed Sacrament (see times below.) Forms are available on the desk at the entrance of both worship sites. After filling it out please return it to the parish office or contact Rose Leone at 732-634-0958.

- 2:00pm – 6:45pm
- 7:00pm Mass/Novena
- 7:30pm – 9:00pm

*In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked His disciples that question… “Can you not stay awake with me for even one hour?”*
Liturgical Minister Schedule

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE

ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday 08/05/17
4:00PM Volunteer Needed

Sunday 08/06/17
8:00AM Volunteer Needed
9:30AM Volunteer Needed
11:30AM T. Greener, E. Roche

*STEP UP...When you come for Mass if you notice that there is no alter server, please volunteer to substitute. Just speak to Fr. Smith. Extra Albs are available.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Homebound Ministers 08/05/17—08/06/17
No Homebound visits this weekend

Saturday 08/05/17
4:00PM C. Adams, J. Barcellona, H. Pagliuca

Sunday 08/06/17
8:00AM M. Balint, S. Gadomski, M. Russo
9:30AM K. & M. Mitterando, V. Reuben
11:30AM E. Bishop, B. Cuozzo, R. Sorbanelli

READERS
Saturday 08/05/17
4:00PM R. McNamara

Sunday 08/06/17
8:00AM T. Casey
9:30AM M. Oddo
11:30AM L. Emory

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL WORSHIP SITE

ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday 08/05/17
5:30PM C. Torres

Sunday 08/06/17
9:30AM Volunteer welcome

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 08/05/17
5:30PM R. Bernabe, E. Bonus

Sunday 08/06/17
9:30AM M. Amaya, V. Rabago

READERS
Saturday 08/05/17
5:30PM G. Miller

Sunday 08/06/17
9:30AM A. Rabago

Donate Your Vehicle to Catholic Charities Diocese of Metuchen!
Visit www.ccdom.org/cars or call 1-877-999-8322 to get started.

ST. ANTHONY STUDY HALL PROGRAM

SHOP AT AMAZON
If you shop on Amazon, you can help support the St. Anthony Study Hall as the charity you wish to support. Eligible purchases will result in Amazon donating a portion to the parish. You do have to designate St. Anthony of Padua Church, Port Reading NJ as your charity. You also have to use the Amazon Smile site instead of the normal Amazon site. It is the same merchandize and account as Amazon but it allows you to be connected by the Amazon Smile Program.

To check it out go to http://smile.amazon.com and log in using your personal Amazon account or if you do not have one click on create one. Select a charity by typing St. Anthony of Padua Church and click the search tab and select the one that says, Port Reading, NJ.

If you have any questions, please contact the Study Hall office, 732-634-6800.

Thank for your support.
Summer Start on Catholic Girl Scout Medals

Come join one of the fun sessions and get a head start on next year’s GS awards.

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Cost $5, snack and beverages provided.
Discuss “Where life is taking you” and begin service project planning.

Contact for all sessions: DOMgirlscouts@gmail.com

Retrouvaille
September 15th—17th, 2017
Somerset Hotel

Retrouvaille is a lifeline to help couples heal and renew their marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussion) with six follow-up sessions. The cost is $450.00, which includes meals and resource materials.

For more information, please call: Office of Family life at (732) 562-1990 ext. 4573.

To register call Tom & Pat McTague at (732) 583-4468 (evenings); or Rich & Annette Colasuonno at (732) 236-0671.

St. Joseph Retreat
September 1, 2 & 3, 2017

Join us this year at Mount Alvernia Retreat Center, Wappingers Falls, NY for the annual St. Joseph Retreat. Come away and spend some time with Jesus.

The weekend is filled with activity as well as reflective time; Talks by the Franciscan Friars, Group reflection, Eucharistic adoration/celebration, Faith Sharing, to name a few. The fee of $180 per person includes bus transportation, meals, private room/bath and activities. Facility is air-conditioned and handicap accessible.

Please register by August 11, 2017. Submit the Registration form (available on the desk in the narthex) and your check made payable to: St. Joseph Church CIAM: St. Joseph Church, PO Box 72, Bound Brook, NJ 08805.

Please clearly mark the envelope “Retreat”.

Any questions, please call us at (732) 356-0027 or Edith Brizzi (908) 581-3545.

Middlesex County Fair 2017

NEEDED TO STAFF RIGHT TO LIFE BOOTH

Middlesex County Right to Life is requesting volunteers to help staff their booth at the Middlesex County Fair 2017. It would be for a two hour block during the week of August 7th to the 13th and would involve interacting with the fair goers who visit the Right to Life booth. You would be paired with an experienced staffer. If anyone is interested please contact fair volunteer coordinator Gerry Blinstrub: 732-251-5879.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer
1651 U.S. Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069
908-753-2091 * msmhope@msmhope.org
Registration Required

Will offer the following programs. Registration required.

UNPLUG AND TUNE INTO GOD

Relationships with people—not screens– are what give us life. How is God inviting us to live in this digital age?

Wednesday, August 2nd, 2017 either at 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 7:00—9:00pm
$20-$30 As You Are Able

Office of Multicultural Ministry

Cultural Mass, program and Dinner
August 13, 2017 2:30 to 7 p.m.

Our Lady of Peace Parish, 277 Washington Place, North Brunswick, NJ

The Indian and Sri Lankan Apostolate and the Indian Communities of Goan, Gujarati, Mangalorean and Tamils, invites all to a Cultural Mass, program and dinner. The celebrant will be the Most Reverend George Antonymsamy, Ph.D., Archbishop of Madras and Mylapore Archdiocese. This is an opportune moment for Catholics from the South East Asian subcontinent to come together as one community.

For information or to RSVP, call Charles Arokiaswamy, at 732-372-3194 or email apostolate.in@gmail.com.
**OPPOSE NJ ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL S2474**

The NJ “Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill” Act was released from the Senate Health, Human Services, and Senior Citizen’s committee on November 3rd, 2016 and could be posted for a vote in the full Senate at any time. An identical bill, A2451, passed the General assembly on October 20th, 2016. The bill would allow for physicians to prescribe drugs to end the lives of individuals considered to be terminally ill.

This assisted suicide bill is a direct threat to anyone viewed as a cost liability to an insurance company. In an era of cost control and managed care, patients with lingering illnesses may be branded as an economic liability, and decisions to encourage death could be driven by cost.

The facts are clear—in California, in Vermont and in Oregon—states that have passed assisted suicide bills—insurance companies have denied individuals healthcare coverage but offered them low cost drugs to end their lives of individuals considered to be terminally ill. This assisted suicide bill is a direct threat to anyone viewed as a cost liability to an insurance company. In an era of cost control and managed care, patients with lingering illnesses may be branded as an economic liability, and decisions to encourage death could be driven by cost.

The facts are clear—in California, in Vermont and in Oregon—states that have passed assisted suicide bills—insurance companies have denied individuals healthcare coverage but offered them low cost drugs to end their life. Please contact your state legislators and tell them that you oppose A2451/S2474. You may send a prewritten note by visiting: [http://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action](http://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action).

*Parish locations might be used but notifications will be made prior to date.

The Second Sunday of every Month – 6:00 – 7:00 PM starting (except May 13, 2018).

For more information, contact Mary Ann Giannone mgian-none@diometuchen.org.

*Please note individuals will be responsible for their own meal at a local restaurant.

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**ARE YOU SUFFERING AFTER AN ABORTION? HELP IS AVAILABLE!**

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available!

Experience God’s merciful love and begin the journey of healing: Call Project Rachel's local toll-free helpline number: 877-877-4300. or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org. (Spanish-speakers may visit EsperanzaPosaborto.org, or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org, call Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075.)

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Keep up with Bishop Checchio around the Diocese

Bishop’s schedule, correspondence and more can be found on our diocesan website: [http://diometuchen.org/bishop/](http://diometuchen.org/bishop/)

Photos from Bishop Checchio's visits around our diocese can be found on our official social media pages Facebook, [http://www.facebook.com/DioeseofMetuchen and Twitter, [https://twitter.com/diocesemetuchen](https://twitter.com/diocesemetuchen) and in The Catholic Spirit [http://www.catholicspirit.com/](http://www.catholicspirit.com/).

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Follow us @diocesemetuchen on twitter

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Open Your Heart and Home to a Foster Child

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is seeking loving families to foster children of all ages, who have been abused, neglected or have had multiple out of home placements, through its Treatment Family Homes Program, contracted by New Jersey’s Department of Children and Families.

The goal for the children in this program is to leave foster care and achieve permanency through reunification with their families, adoption, or independent living.

Catholic Charities provides these resilient children with individual and family therapy, assistance with educational and medical needs, and independent living skills to help them reach their full potential.

Applicants must have adequate space for a child and complete a home study which includes background checks, references, interviews, and a home inspection. All Catholic Charities licensed families receive initial and ongoing specialized training, 24 hour emergency access to staff, respite services, monthly reimbursement for the child’s expenses and support from experienced families.

For more information about the program, please visit [www.ccdom.org](http://www.ccdom.org) or contact Miguelina Nunez at 866-247-HOME (4663) or at mnunez@ccdom.org.

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**Diocese of Metuchen Youth & Young Adult Office Invites Young Adults from Age 18 to 39 for a YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017 (followed by fellowship*)**

Diocesan Center Chapel*
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854

*Parish locations might be used but notifications will be made prior to date.

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For more information, contact Mary Ann Giannone mgian-none@diometuchen.org.

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**CATHOLIC CHARITIES CONNECTIONS PROGRAM**

Is looking for volunteers, both men and women to participate in on-to-one activities and become a mentor to the youth of Middlesex County and Franklin Township. Do you:

• Have a minimum of three hours a week to offer to a child?
• Like having fun?
• Want to make a difference in a child’s life?
• Enjoy being a positive role model?

Then call Jeannette Cullen at 732-738-1323 or email her at jeullen@ccdom.org, for more information.