

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

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## PARISH OFFICE

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## PARISH TRUSTEES

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## PARISH REGISTRATION:

Please use registration forms in the back of church.

Return completed forms to the friary. WELCOME!

## THE ROARKE CENTER

107 Fourth Street, Troy 273-8351

An outreach for people in Troy; offering its members crisis intervention and advocacy.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

12:00 pm

## DAILY MASS

Monday – Friday 7:15am

## HOLY DAY MASSES

Holy Days will be announced.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30-4:00pm in Church or  
by appointment in the Friary

## PASTORAL CARE

Please call to arrange for pastoral visitation including  
Anointing of the Sick and Communion calls to the  
hospitalized and homebound.

## BAPTISM

Please call to schedule Baptism.

## MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in  
advance. Couples must attend a one- day Pre-Cana  
Marriage Preparation program.

## ROSARY

JOIN US FOR THE ROSARY  
LIVE ON FACEBOOK OR IN PERSON  
EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER DAILY MASS

*The mission of St. Anthony of Padua Church*

*is to minister spiritually, sacramentally and physically to all who enter our doors.*



## Second Sunday of Advent

December 7-8, 2024

*The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy*

**Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** *St. Ambrose*

**4:30** Michael Carlow (B'day Rem) – wife, Carol  
Perry Spain, Sr. – Tom & Maureen LaLiberte  
Carole DeGiorgio - Family  
Thomas Crudo – Chuck & Marie McGinniss

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** *Second Sunday of Advent*

**9:00** Mary Ann Early  
Deceased Members of Consuelo & Esposito  
Families

**12:00** Epifanio & Mary Nora Jacques– son, Richard  
& Family

James V. Cocca – Wife & Children  
Cornelius Thomas – Matt & Suzanne Turner

**Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

**7:15** Christopher Fazio (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)–O'Bryan Family  
Cornelius Thomas - Matt & Suzanne Turner  
Int. of Riley O'Shea – Helene LaRose

**Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

Church Closed

**Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** *St. John Damascene*

Church Closed

**Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**

Church Closed

7:00pm Advent Penance Service St. Joseph's Church

**Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**

**7:15** Carol J. Calacone – Steve Calacone

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30** Ray Skiba – wife, Sue & Sons  
Michael Carlow (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv) – Family  
Charles Hewitt (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv) – wife, Linda  
Lorraine DelSignore –sisters, Linda & Marie

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

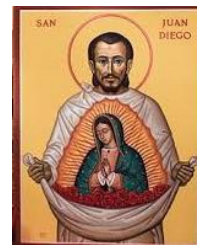
**9:00** Carole Razzano – Tim McGowan  
Christi Merola Van Royen - Family  
Lindsey M. Whalen – Matt & Suzanne Turner

**12:00** Deceased Members of Farano Family  
Elizabeth Nicols (B'day Rem) –

Granddaughters, Laurie & Liz  
Int. Keith Jacques (B'day) - Family

## Saint of the Day for December 9<sup>th</sup> St. Juan Diego

(1474- May 30, 1548)



Thousands of people gathered in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe July 31, 2002, for the canonization of Juan Diego, to whom the Blessed Mother appeared in the 16th century. Pope John Paul II celebrated the ceremony at which the poor Indian peasant became the Church's first saint indigenous to the Americas.

The Holy Father called the new saint "a simple, humble Indian" who accepted Christianity without giving up his identity as an Indian. "In praising the Indian Juan Diego, I want to express to all of you the closeness of the Church and the pope, embracing you with love and encouraging you to overcome with hope the difficult times you are going through," John Paul said. Among the thousands present for the event were members of Mexico's 64 indigenous groups.

First called *Cuauhtlatohuac* ("The eagle who speaks"), Juan Diego's name is forever linked with Our Lady of Guadalupe because it was to him that she first appeared at Tepeyac hill on December 9, 1531. The most famous part of his story is told in connection with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. After the roses gathered in his tilma were transformed into the miraculous image of Our Lady, however, little more is said about Juan Diego.

In time he lived near the shrine constructed at Tepeyac, revered as a holy, unselfish, and compassionate catechist, who taught by word and especially by example. During his 1990 pastoral visit to Mexico, Pope John Paul II confirmed the long-standing liturgical cult in honor of Juan Diego, beatifying him. Twelve years later the same pope proclaimed him a saint.

**Reflection:** *God counted on Juan Diego to play a humble, yet huge role in bringing the Good News to the peoples of Mexico. Overcoming his own fear and the doubts of Bishop Juan de Zumarraga, Juan Diego cooperated with God's grace in showing his people that the Good News of Jesus is for everyone. Pope John Paul II used the occasion of Juan Diego's beatification to urge Mexican lay people to assume their responsibilities for passing on the Good News and witnessing to it.*



*The Second Week of Advent is the week of Peace. This verse tells us that Jesus came to be the Prince of Peace. The word peace is the Hebrew word shalom which means completeness or well being. Jesus did not come just to end wars, but to make us complete by saving us from our sinfulness.*

**Please pray for the sick of our parish family:** Willie Feliciano, Colton Teal, Glenn Anthony Reiniger, Pat Bond, Jim McPhillips, Madeline Kilcullen, Steve Bouchey, Rami Shehadeh and for all those in need of our prayers and support.



# Parish Offerings

## December 1, 2024

Mass Time	Collection
4:30 pm	\$ 731.00
9:00 am	\$ 784.00
12:00 pm	\$ 538.00
<b>Mailed In</b>	<b>\$ 597.00</b>
<b>Total Offerings:</b>	<b>\$ 2650.00</b>

<b>Budgeted Weekly Collection:</b>	\$ 3077.00
Total weekly donations:	\$ 2650.00
Amount <b>under</b> budget:	(\$ 427.00)

Monthly: \$1021	All Souls: \$10
Christmas: \$100	Flowers: \$242
All Saints: \$10	Candles: \$178.35
Bldg. Rep.: \$30	Solemnity of Mary: \$25
Cath. University: \$10	Peter Pence: \$10
Immaculate Concept.: \$55	

### Counters for Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

Vivian S., Paul A., Bernie B.

### LIVE STREAMING MASS

Sunday liturgy is available on **YouTube**. Our channel is [@StAnthonyofPaduaTroy](#) A link is on our [webpage](#) to easily access our **YouTube channel**.

Dear Parishioners,

We have scheduled a contractor to clean and shine the church floors ahead of the Christmas Season.

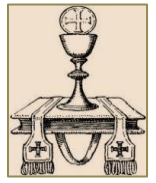
Due to the need for proper drying time, the church will be **closed at 8:00am, December 9<sup>th</sup> following Mass of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** which is not a Holy Day of obligation this year.

We will reopen for Mass on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your patience,  
Fr. Richard Donovan, ofm



This week, Father Richard celebrates his 37<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary. Fr. Richard was ordained on December 12, 1987. *Congratulations, Fr. Richard and May God Bless your Priesthood!*



### ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

**St. Anthony of Padua & St. Joseph's**  
Combined Penance Service at  
St. Joseph's Church, 416 Third Street  
**Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Parish Council is planning a 60/40 Christmas raffle. Ticket sales Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> **prior** to Mass. Drawing will take place December 25<sup>th</sup>. **Winner takes 60% of proceeds**  
**Tickets: \$2 for 1 \$5 for 3 \$10 for 10.**



### 2024-25 Diocesan Appeal

St. Anthony's Goal: **\$28,553**(updated)

**TOTALS TO DATE: \$10,297 in pledges from 20 Parishioners**

Pledges will be mailed directly to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Avenue, Albany N.Y.

12203 or visit: <https://thediocesanappeal.org/donate/>. Select "St. Anthony's of Padua-Troy" in the drop down menu and select your pledge amount.

### **A note from Fr. Richard on the Diocesan Appeal:**

*The Diocesan Appeal goal for 2024-25 was \$48,553. We have been able to negotiate that down to \$28,553 for this present year. To date, we have received \$10,297 in pledges and we need to raise an additional \$18,252 to meet our new goal. Currently, we average 210 attendees to weekend liturgies. Of that count, only 20 parishioners have made a commitment to the Appeal. Please consider making a pledge either online or using the envelopes on the vestibule table. As I mentioned in my earlier letter, we are striving for 100% participation no matter the amount. God Bless Your Family and St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for Us.*



Kindness Matters lawn signs should be brought in before the first snowstorm. They can be stored over the winter and put back out again in spring.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
 THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
**FRANCESE FAMILY**  
*WE MISS YOU,*  
 From the Francese Family

IN MEMORY OF  
**"TROY'S FINEST & BRAVEST"**  
**TROY P.D. & TROY F.D.**  
**MAGNETTO FAMILY**  
*Never Forget*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
 THE THORPE FAMILY**  
 We will never forget sons Bob & John

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
 LAFONTAINE & LAPINE FAMILIES**

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**DAVID M. SKIBA  
 & MOTHER, LYDIA SKIBA**  
 By the Family

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE  
**VALENTI & PEREZ FAMILIES**  
*Peace and Love.*  
 Valenti & Perez Families

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**JAMES VINCENT COCCA**  
*LOVE AND MISS YOU,  
 WIFE, CHERYL & CHILDREN*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**JOHN, MARY & MARGARET DELORENZO  
 PATRICK & KATHRYN MACKEY  
 ANTHONY & JOSEPHINE RAZZANO**

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**ROTHERHAM, MOSHER  
 KENNEDY & ZULLO FAMILIES**  
*By Family*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
 STUART & LECLAIR FAMILIES**  
 by Vivian Stuart

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**JOSEPH & MARYANN JULIAN**  
*WE LOVE AND MISS YOU  
 Love Forever, Your Family*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**JOHN & LENA NARDELLA  
 CATHERINE L. (KAY) NARDELLA  
 JOSEPH J. SALERNO  
 ANNMARIE SALERNO-ROSEN**  
*Love you & Miss you, Your Family*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE  
**BEVEVINO & VALENTE FAMILIES**  
*With love,*  
*Mary Valente Bevevino*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
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 J. PAUL "POPIE" RYAN**  
 Love, Chris & all the Children

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE  
**FITCH, HEFFERN & FISK  
 FAMILIES**  
*LOVE, MARY & CHILDREN*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE  
**Colarusso-Cioffi  
 &  
 Kazmierczak-Kolach  
 Families**

In Loving Memory of  
 our priest and friend,  
**REV. MARCELLINUS BORG, OFM**  
 The Douglas Family

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**MARIO R. & ROSE M. JULIAN**  
*LOVE, YOUR FAMILY*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
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