

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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First Sunday of

LENT

March 10, 2019

Jesus said to the devil,
"You shall not put the Lord,
your God, to the test."

Luke 4:12



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Pastoral Team

Rev. Fr. Fredy Angel
Pastor
Deacon Ray Brown
Deacon Steven Mancuso

Sunday Masses

English: 10:00AM

Spanish: 12:30AM

Daily Mass

Monday-Wednesday: 9:30AM

Confessions

Sunday before Masses or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00AM - 3:00PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

LENT TIME
EVERY FRIDAY 7:00PM
BILINGUAL



Sunday March 10 and 17

Adults Faith Formation Classes
The Ten Commandments

TRUST IN GOD

When Moses and the Israelites were in the desert, they sometimes grumbled. Fearful and anxious, they questioned whether God was really with them, in spite of the many signs and wonders of God's fidelity to them. Gradually, they learned to trust that God would always lead and be with them. They grew in awareness of God's presence, and were thankful for the gifts of God in their midst. In celebrating the first harvest in the Promised Land, they gave their first fruits back to God as a sign of their gratitude. Have you ever grumbled at God in a time of anxiety or worry? At times, we may be tempted to turn away from the life to which we are called. It is in just such moments that we may learn from Jesus, who responded to temptation by turning toward God and trusting God's will completely. Look around. Be attentive to the many blessings in your life, and know that all good things come from God. Lent is a season when we turn our lives around, opening our hearts and lives to see the Lord's goodness and responding to it with our lives. Let us follow Jesus out of the desert, ready to give of our first fruits, the fruits of our lives, talents, resources, and faith.

Today's Readings: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

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Lenten Adult Catechesis begins on Wednesday, March 13th. A pot luck will be held at 6pm followed by a presentation by Deacon Steven on "The Pentateuch" at 7pm. The second presentation will be on Wednesday, March 27th at the same time and will feature a presentation by Fr. Angel on "Lumen Gentium". The third and final session, date and topic to be determined.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life’s journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three “pillars” of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death’s darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life’s journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven.

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STAND FIRM

It may be difficult for us to imagine Jesus being tempted. He was God, after all. But he was also fully human, and faced the temptations and trials of life just like the rest of us. In fact, this is one of the key aspects of our faith. Jesus came to be one with us in all things but sin. He understands our weaknesses and the difficulties that sometimes happen in life, and he is with us, strengthening us to stand firm in faith, as he did in the desert, throughout his earthly ministry, and on the cross.

<p>St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Garden</p> <p>Support us by ordering a memorial brick for our prayer garden. The cost is \$100 we do offer <i>payment plan</i>. To order a brick or if you have any question about our engraved bricks, please feel free to contact the Parish Office.</p> 	<p>Adult Faith Formation Classes</p> <p>Meet every Sunday at 11:15 in Church conference room. For more information please contact our office or Mrs. Lukens (229) 794-9140</p> 	<p>Diocese of Savannah Office of Family Life: RACHEL’S VINEYARD POST ABORTION HEALING RETREAT: March 22-24, 2019</p> <p>For any person, mother, father, family member, or friend, who is struggling with the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain after an abortion - this is a special ministry just for you. A Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat offers an opportunity to find healing, hope and forgiveness. Come and experience the mercy and compassion of God through this healing ministry.</p> <p>For additional information contact Stephanie May at (912)-3060406, stephmay@bellsouth.net, or visit the website www.rachelsvineyard.org. All calls and inquiries are strictly confidential. Come and be restored. Our next retreat is near Augusta, GA.</p>	
<p>Adoration Of The Sacred Sacrament First Saturday 7:00 PM - 12 AM</p> 		<p>Registration</p> <p>We will be working on updating our Parish files and will ask that everyone fill a church registration form again. This will help fix all incorrect and missing information.</p> <p>Please Update!</p> 	
<p>Knights of Columbus Round table meeting Parish Hall Every Sunday at 11:15AM.</p>	<p>Rosary Ministry Our Rosary makers meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 11:30am. For more information please contact Kathy Giddens at (229)482-2364</p>	<p><i>thankful</i></p> <p>March 3, 2019 Collections</p>	
<p><u>Let us pray for the health of:</u> Eva de Angel, Sara B, Raymond Moore, Phyllis Fletcher, Patrick Hunter.</p> <p><u>For the Eternal rest of:</u> Dylan Giardi, L C Martin, Juanita Trejo, Maureen Remick, David Kinmond, Ann Brown. All Faithful Departed</p> 		<p>Regular Collection</p>	<p>\$ 2,298</p>
		<p>Building Fund</p>	<p>\$ 3,657</p>
		<p>Bishop Annual Appeal</p>	<p>\$ 95</p>