St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church



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Office hours: Monday to Friday form 9:00am to 3:00pm

Mass Schedules

Next Sunday: 10:00 AM in English

12:30 AM in Spanish

11:15 AM Sunday Classes

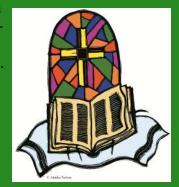
Monday - Wednesday: 12:00pm

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: Our Lord in the Attic, or as the locals say, "Ons Lieve Heer op Solder." What looks like a beautiful narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved seventeenth-century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and "de-Catholicized" them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed "Old Church" by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work "hiding" St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here. It's a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared regarding marble, gilding, a pipe or-

gan, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and if the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there's no need for any of them to hide in the attic. -Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.





Every First Saturday of the Month

"Christ held Himself in His hands when He gave His Body to His disciples saying: 'This is My Body.' No one partakes of this Flesh before he has adored it."
-St. Augustine
February 3,2018 adoration will begin at 5pm until midnight.

New Mass Saturdays

Beginning Saturday January 27, 2018 English Mass 5pm Spanish Mass 7pm



GOD'S PROMISE: WALK TOWARD GOD

Jonah did not simply walk away from his previous way of life. He walked toward Nineveh. The disciples did not only abandon their nets. They walked toward Jesus and to a life of discipleship.

G. K. Chesterson is quoted as saying, "Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been tried and found difficult." Yet Christian living is also deeply meaningful. What would happen if you truly took the call to follow Jesus to heart? It isn't only about turning away from things that are counter to the Christian way of life. As it was for Jonah, the disciples at the seashore, and Saint Paul, a true life of faith is also about walking toward God, about loving God and neighbor, about risking an unknown future filled with life and goodness, holiness and grace.





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May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed.— Psalm 20:4

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

Children

Tuesday: St. Vincent; Saint Marianne Cope

Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales

Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Friday: Ss. Timothy and Titus

Saturday: St. Angela Merici; Blessed Virgin Mary



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Round table meeting

2nd Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm upcoming date January 9th, 2018



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





Adult Faith Formation Classes

We will be meeting in the Church Conference Room at 11:30am on Sundays. It is open to any adults interested in learning about the Church and our Catholic Faith. For further information, contact our office or Mrs. Lukens at 229-794-9140.



St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Garden

Join us by ordering a memorial brick for our prayer garden for \$100.00. To order a brick or if you have any question about our engraved bricks, please feel free to contact the Parish Office

January 14, 2018

Regular Collection	\$1552.00
Building Fund	\$2898.00