

Did you know that we have an active Prayer-line? If you would like to be remembered in the prayers of many people, please call John Lukens, 229-561-0719. John sends out the prayer requests via text message daily.

Catholics and their family members who are struggling with same-sex attraction can find help through **COURAGE** (www.couragec.org/). Help is available online at their website or by phone (404)931-1836 or (404) 747-8204. Local **COURAGE** Chapter for Diocese of Savannah is in Macon, GA. Website information is available in Spanish and Italian. Founded in 1980 at request of the late Terence Cardinal Cook, COURAGE received canonical status in the Catholic Church on November 28, 2016.

NEWCOMER RECEPTION: On the first Sunday of each month we will have a Newcomers Reception after Mass. We would like everyone to come back to welcome anyone who is new to our Parish.

USHERS NEEDED! Men and women are needed to become active members of our Parish to help with the Collection and the Reception of Holy Communion. See John Lukens for the 10:00 AM Mass and Deacon Steven for the 12:30 PM Mass.

THE SECOND SUNDAY of the month is **GIVING SUNDAY**. We take up a second collection that day and for the month of **November**, it is **CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**. We also accept donations for St. Francis Center which is a Catholic Thrift Shop and Out-reach Center run by St. John the Evangelist Church in Valdosta.

Our **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM. Please bring something from your planned dinner to be blessed.

The **JOHN XXIII** Group will meet on Fridays in the Parish

UNFAILING PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY
O holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for his creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers.
Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (your request).
The answer to my prayer may require a miracle; even so, you are the Saint of Miracles.
O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet Infant Jesus, Who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen

PRAYER GARDEN: We have a Prayer Garden with engraved bricks around the Statue of Our Lady. If you wish to order an engraved brick—either in honor of someone special to you or in memory of someone special who has passed away, you can come to the Parish Office, or you could fill out a sheet with the appropriate envelope that can be found on the table in the Narthax. The cost is \$100.00 each and we will take payments.



On November 5th, for your safety the Church doors will be locked 15 minutes after the beginning of Mass until the dismissal.

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will host a **“Breakfast with Santa”** on Saturday, **December 2nd** at St. John’s Parish Hall., 800 Gornto Road, Valdosta; 8:00—11:00 AM. Ages 4-10 \$5.00; 11—Adult \$7.00. Have breakfast, meet Santa & Mrs. Claus, make crafts, white elephant table, gift wrapping, raffle baskets.

On Sunday, November 26, **Feast of Christ the King**, we will have a bilingual Mass at 10:30 a.m. followed by a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament on the premises. If you have icons or statues to bless, bring them, Fr. Joey would be happy to bless them. This is the end of our Liturgical Year and a way to celebrate the Eucharistic Revival.



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November 19, 2023

Parish Mission Statement

“We are a bilingual community, who walk together to meet the Lord through the sacraments. We are guided by the Holy Spirit and by the Doctrine of the Church, towards the love of God the Father through Jesus, His only Son.”

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday thru Thursday: 9:30 AM Mass will Be celebrated There will be Adoration available each day the Church is open until 3:00 PM. On First Friday There will be Adoration from 3:00 — 7:00 PM Followed by a Healing Mass at 7:00 PM.
Sunday: 10:00 AM, English, & 12::30 PM in Spanish

Office Hours: Mon — thru—Thurs

9:00 am—3:00 pm

E-mail: church@anthonyofpaduaga.org



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month 3:00 — 7:00 PM
Followed by a Healing Mass at 7:00 PM
Every day the Office is open 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

Reconciliation

Sundays between 10:00 AM & 12:30 PM Masses
Or by appointment

RCIA

Classes begin in September.
September—May

Baptism

Speak with Priest or Deacon three months in anticipation of the proposed date. Copy of Birth Certificate is required.

Marriage

Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

Faith Formation

Classes began on September 17th.
Classes are 11:15 AM —12:15 PM
Contact Deacon Steven Mancuso for more information.

Adult Education

Classes began on September 17th.
Sunday: 11:15 AM—12:15 PM in Conference Room
“Adam & Eve After the Pill Revisited”

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Nov 19 10:00 AM Raymond Johnson & Family
12:30 PM For the People of the Parish

Nov 20 9:30 AM Health of Jose Guadalupe
Nov 21 9:30 AM Family of Compean Salazar
Nov 22 9:30 AM Luis Juarez & Lizabeth Rodriguez Birthday



Sanctuary Light: In Reverence and Petition, Pray this week for this special intention:

For a Special Intention

Ray O’Keefe, Eva de Angel, Evelyn Tatiana Borromeo, Derrick Reese, Bill McDaniel, Julianita Tejada, Joanna Padgett, Mandy Sirmans, Jennifer Johnson, Deacon Ray Brown, Bob Fair, Carol Buencamino, Tom Lostetter, Betty Brannon, Armando Sanchez, Gary Hogan, Hazel Hiefner, Ricardo Vargas, Antonio Tejada, Osman Tejada, Johnathan Duarte, Joan Pable Tejada, David Sands, Shirley Logan, Pat Murphy Evelyn Tatiana Puentes, Nicholas Cantera, Bill Schade, Joseph Paul Costantino, Joann Dise,, Mike Chamoun, Agustin Iglesias, Sharon Walter, Clemmons Family, Fr. Daniel Firmin, Liviana Sirmans, Jesus Cordova Duarte, David Sands, Tricia Johnson, Tony Christiano, Esther Lopez, Ann Carter, Jackie Shierling, Valerie Vargas, Renae Cassity, Robert Beier, Don Christiano, Manuel Arias, Brenda Diefanderfer, Michael Junai, Erika Lloyd, Nayar Prado, Patricia Costello, Nina Waters, Kathy Giddens, Lisa Salomon, Jeanne Han, Josefina Di Domenico, Steve Register, Grace Make, Segrid Mack, Barkeia McBride, Mary Diefanderfer, Barry White, Manuel Garcia, Patricia Hunter, Pat Murphy, Skyler Deyarmin, Manuel Lopez and Myriam Santacruz.



Prayer Requests



Liviana Sirmans, Gloria Lucas,
Julia Lee, Brenda Korsen, Jeffory Korsen,
Jose Bautista, Clemente Oriciaga,
Juan Morales, Angelica Juarez Vargas,
Olean Perez Batz, Valeria Valdes,
Ethan Garza, Isaiah Lorinczy.

Michael Richbourg, Felipe Bautista, Ottis Miller, Fr. Harold Essling, Guillermo Santacruz, Joseph Garneski Keith Sebring, Gene Shearl, Jorge Osorio, JR Cassity, Jesus Cordova Duarte, Bessy Garcia, Everett Holley, Br. Walter Gluhm, Mary Carrell Morrison, Jose Llanos, Jose Mandragon Benitas, Alan Moore, Kathy Archer, Juan Salazar Mendez, Deb Ruth, Luke Adkins, Windy Wingate, John Lucian, Msgr. Daniel Loureiro Rosende, Geri Erickson, Ann Richbourg, B.G. Gerhard, Phyllis Fletcher, Maria Dolores Segade, Dick Ruth, Roshell McCrae, Beatriz Agudelo, Bubba Knight, Myriam Roa, Frank Zubricky, Paul Hamilton, and All the Faithful Departed.

In loving memory

Bishop Parkes sent a letter reminding us that this month we observed the 21st Annual World Day Against the Death Penalty. Here in Georgia, we face not just a broader fight for abolition, but also the reality that our state executes people with intellectual disabilities. We are the only state in the country to require proof for intellectual disability “beyond a reasonable doubt”. Our prayers are needed to correct this injustice.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a kid, I hated playing Monopoly because my siblings and friends always seemed to win. But worse was how it happened. Scared to risk my fake money on buying properties, I’d hold on to it. My opponents hungrily bought up the various real estate squares on the board. Then, inevitably, my poor, low-equity self would land on their spots, pay them rent, and my money would drain to zero. It seemed so unfair. The rich get richer, and the poor get poorer. I had to learn that monopoly money is meant to be spent. I was scared to lose some of it. So, I lost all of it.

How do we see what we possess? Jesus’ parable about the talents is not really about economics but about the investability of everything he entrusts to us. How marvelous that everyone in the fable who places talents in the open market doubles their investment. The only one who doesn’t is the man who fearfully buries his one talent. Jesus’ success strategy for us seems to be, whatever we have, *get it out of our possession*. Risk it as quickly and as fully as we can.

You and I have precious gifts. We have valuable things to invest — time, talents, treasure. The Lord invites us to be brave and even somewhat reckless, to give as much away as possible. If we give it away in the direction of love and truth, it will grow. If we hold on to it in fear, the little we have will be taken away. Let me challenge you this week: find something in your life you’re holding on to, and risk it by giving it away. It won’t double if you hold on to it.

— *Father John Muir*

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Today is Food Sale Sunday. The menu will be a choice of (4) tacos (either pork or steak), a dessert and bottled water OR a Quesadilla, rice & beans, a dessert and bottled water. The cost is \$10.00 per plate and all monies go to our Building Fund. Of course, other items will be available for purchase.

OFFERTORY — Week of November 12

Regular Offertory	\$ 2,451.00
Building Fund	1,241.00

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2022

WE ARE ONE-HOLY-CATHOLIC-APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Our goal this year:
\$11.866.00

Total ACA PAID TO DATE	12,039.00
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Knights of Columbus

Roundtable meeting in the Parish Hall every Second Sunday of the month in the Parish Hall.

**Next Meeting will be
December 10th .**



Rosary Makers

Our Rosary Makers meet every 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30 AM. For more information, please contact Kathy Giddens at (229)482-2364.

**Next Meeting will
December 16th.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 19	Food Sale Sunday
Nov 23	Thanksgiving
Nov 26	10:30 AM Mass with Procession for the Eucharistic Revival
Dec 1	Adoration, 3:00—7:00 PM
Dec 1	Healing Mass, 7:00 PM
Dec 2	Breakfast with Santa @ St. John’s Parish Hall, 8:00 AM
Dec 10	Knights of Columbus Meeting, 11:15 AM
Dec 16	Rosary Makers Meeting, 11:30 AM