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MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

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Deacon Gary Gaudin

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*You will be hated by all because of my name,
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.*

LUKE 21:17-18

NOVEMBER 13, 2016

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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

Women's ACTS Retreat

A Women's ACTS Retreat is scheduled for February 9-12, 2017. Talks are given this weekend at both St. Anthony and Annunciation inviting parishioners to register for this retreat. With the Thanksgiving Holiday and Christmas

and New Year's Holidays following, we may find that while we intend to register for the retreat – we forget. So please sign-up at a time you will not forget, preferably before Thanksgiving.

The retreat offers a lot:

- Learn more and grow in your faith & prayer life.
- Renew yourself spiritually & deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Unburden yourself from the past & grow closer to God.
- Meet other people who are beginning or are already on a spiritual journey.
- Build lasting friendships with members of our parishes and faith community.

Extraordinary Jubilee Year – Year of Mercy Eucharistic Procession

The Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy comes to an end next Sunday, November 20, 2016. This is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. We have the annual Eucharistic Procession in Eunice at St. Thomas More Church on November 20, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. beginning in Church. This is the procession ordinarily held on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Remember we moved it to the celebration of Christ the King as the weather is more amiable for outdoor processions in November than in June. Also it is a good way to conclude the Year of Mercy. Please try to attend!

Preparing for Advent and Christmas at St. Anthony

Parishioners of St. Anthony are invited to join together to assemble the trees in the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas on Saturday, November 25, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in St. Anthony Church. Families may dedicate the tree they set up in memory of a loved one.

Giving Tree

At both Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church and at St. Anthony of Padua Church, we have a Giving Tree during Advent. Each Church's Giving Tree has its own unique practice.

For Annunciation, the Giving Tree will be in the foyer area of Church for the first Sunday of Advent. On the Tree will be slips of paper with a suggested gift. Parishioners can choose a paper and place their gift in an envelope. The money collected will be used to help a needy family. The deadline for these gifts is Sunday, December 18, 2016.

For St. Anthony, the Giving Tree will be near the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the first Sunday of Advent. On the tree will be a Christmas Ornament with a number and information regarding a gift for a child. Also near the tree there will be a poster

with the corresponding number of the ornament. Parishioners are asked to take an ornament and on the corresponding poster write their name on the line number corresponding to the number on the ornament. The gifts can be placed at the Giving Tree and will be attended at that time. The last day to place the gift at the Giving Tree is Thursday, December 15, 2016. The gifts will be delivered to the children on December 19, 2016. Please return the ornament by placing the Christmas Ornament on the gift so that we know for who it is. Individual parishioners or groups of parishioners can come together in adopting a child. Groups could be family, class, civic organizations, or business.

I take this occasion to thank parishioners of both Annunciation and St. Anthony for your love and care.

Gospel for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C – Luke 21:5-19

“You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name.” This is not a pleasant prophecy. On the contrary, Jesus' somber words may strike us with a bit of fear and make us wonder if we will ever actually face such a tragic scenario. We are fortunate to live in a country where religious freedom is tolerated, and of course we hope that this continues to be the case. But the sad fact is that right now, there are Christians in other parts of the world who are living out the reality of these prophetic words. For these men, women, and children of faith, the name of Jesus truly is a cause of persecution and martyrdom.

Let us imagine for a moment that the tables were turned. Suppose we were the ones suffering from the violent advances of anti-Christian forces. Suppose we were the ones losing our homes, fleeing for our lives, tending to our wounded loved ones, or worse. Where would we look for help? To other Christians, most likely, to those who would sympathize with our commitments but who still had the resources to assist us.

We are those other Christians. We are the ones who share a common faith with these suffering brothers and sisters on the other side of the globe. We are the ones with the resources to help them, even if it is just in a small way. Our prayers for their protection and peace cannot be underestimated, but neither can we dismiss the significance of contributing in any way possible to those organizations that are working on the front lines to assist the suffering Church throughout the world. May we all do what we can to bring relief to those who need it most.

Questions of the Week

Luke 21:5-19: What do you find most interesting about Jesus' "end-time" predictions?

Malachi 3:19-20a: Where do you see God's mercy in Malachi's prophecy?

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12: How should communities of faith deal with lazy members?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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STEWARDSHIP TO
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

****NOTE:** We will report the collections for
November 6 & 13 in the Nov. 20th bulletin.



Thank you for your generosity.
*Please remember St. Anthony Church
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

Save the Date!!

St. Anthony Women's
ACTS Retreat

February 9-12, 2017



**Registration Forms
are available at the
doors of the Church...
and may be turned in
at the Rectory office.**

NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for *December - January* will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **Nov. 23rd** to get your changes into the new schedule.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 14

6:15 a.m.: Lillie C. Young

Tuesday, November 15

12:00 p.m.: M/M Sady Courville

Wednesday, November 16

6:15 a.m.: Vernell Soileau; Kathy Cox

Thursday, November 17

12:00 p.m.: Merlin Moreau; Dr. Jack & Lois Miller
(*Wedding Anniversary*); Hazel & Ortere LaHaye

Friday, November 18

6:15 a.m.: Annie F. Montelaro

Saturday, November 19

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Merlin & Lizzy (*Liv.*) Moreau; Ashton Noel; Leonce Thibodeaux; George Sonnier; Travis & Gladys Hollier; Jessie Comeaux family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Shirley Janot; Lou Latour; Leon Stelly; Willard Matt

Sunday, November 20

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Denise L. Hanks

9:00 a.m.: Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Frankie LaFleur; J.D. & John Marshall Arabia; Blake Feucht; Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Joshua Godeaux

11:00 a.m.:

6:00 p.m.:



PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2016

4:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Michael Lombas, Amy Simon, Barry Soileau, Barbara Thibodeaux	Jennifer Miller	Evan Aucoin, Anna Fruge, Kylie Hebert, Greta Miller
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Kal Landry, Ed Benoit, Reneé Benoit	Lisa Miller	Hannah Benoit, Rebecca Benoit, Joshua Landry, Justin Landry
9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Rachel Andrus, Samantha Bertrand	Michelle LeJeune	Payton Brown, Phillip Fontenot, Leo Richard, Simon Richard
11:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Jr. Bergeron, Donnie Darbonne, Charles Feucht, Lynn Pavich	Genny Dischler	Avery & Elizabeth McGee, Vincent Thibodeaux MC: Needed Thurifer: Phillip Thibodeaux
6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Kim Miller, Jeff McGee, Angel McGee	Life Teen Member	Kelli Richard, Ava Warner, Chloe Warner, Laura Grace Warner

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Linda

Gaudin, Lenard Craig, Amy Duplechin, George Joseph, Charles & Judy Francois, Roger Gillard, Sophia Hortness, Amanda Prather, Norbert Young, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Judge Frank & Elaine McGee, Rebecca Johnson, Tammy Manuel, Vivian Soileau, Lynn Landreneau, Brandon Butler, Jonah Thibodeaux, Judson Ardoin, Louis McGee Jr., J.B. Lejeune, Joan Burson, Paul Rozas, Frank Bergeron, Charity Fontenot, Lillie Mae Aucoin, Gail Landreneau, David Frey, Mary Valerie LeJeune, Anita Masar, Darlene Faul, Emmitt Manuel, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Mary Lou Guillory, Russell Courville, Suzanne DeRouen, Elaine C. Guillory, Maril Fontenot, Diana Bertrand, Craig Durbin, David Stearns, Michael Folse, C.J. Godeaux, Karen LeJeune, Betty Durham, Jude Miller Sr., Suzanne Derouen, Elvin Morein, Rene Duplechain, Haley Dupre Troups, Dr. F.J. DeRouen.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:
[**www.parishesonline.com**](http://www.parishesonline.com)

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, November 14

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
C.C.D. Thanksgiving Mass -- 3:30 p.m.
Jr. High Faith Formation (C.C.D.) classes -- 6:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Pastoral Council -- 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 15

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 16

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund All School Mass -- 8:00 a.m.
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Church Hall.
Women's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Thursday, November 17

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Children's Christmas Choir -- 5:30 p.m. in Church.
Homebound Extraordinary Ministers -- 5:30 p.m.
Adult Christmas Choir -- 6:15 p.m. in Church
Knights of Columbus -- 7:00 p.m. at K.C. Hall.

Friday, November 18

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Eunice Manor / Oaklane Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 19

Ladies Altar Society Bake Sale -- at Masses this weekend.
Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 20

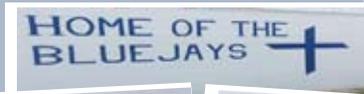
Masses -- 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
C.D.A. Anniversary Memorial Mass -- 11:00 a.m. st
St. Thomas More Church.
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m. / Life Night -- 7:00 p.m.

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Gracie Cormier (2024)
Katie Cormier ()



Amelia Vidrine Smith (2005)
Michele Richard (1991)



Abbie Brown (2016)



Hannah & Rebecca Benoit (2021)
Renee Benoit (1991)



Students assisting flood victims

Numerous Campus Beautification projects completed through VOLUNTEER work of students, parents, faculty and alumni during the summer of 2016. (Repainting exterior of weight room/PECK building, repainting multiple classrooms, artwork added to high school library and PECK building, courtyard statue of Mary refurbished, campus clean up, etc.



Join our Family TODAY!

For more information go to

www.stedmund.com or call 337-457-3777

2017 MASS BOOK OPENED

The 2017 Mass book is now open for scheduling Masses. Come to the Rectory during our regular office hours to schedule Masses for your loved ones -- living or deceased. Each Mass Intention is \$5.00.



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CHRISTMAS CHOIRS

The Children's Christmas Choir will be practicing to sing at the Children's Liturgy at the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Any St. Anthony parishioner from the 2nd grade on up can sing in this choir. Rehearsals will continue on these dates: **Thursday: Nov. 17, Dec. 1, 15 & 22 (in Church) at 5:30-6:15 p.m.**

Any St. Anthony parishioner interest in singing for the **10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass** (there will NOT be a Midnight Christmas Mass this year) can join the choir. Rehearsals will continue on these dates: **Thursday: Nov. 17, Dec. 1, 15 & 22 (in Church) at 6:30 p.m.** We need both **MALE & FEMALE** voices. For more information contact: Rodney Sonnier at 457-5285.

L.A.S. BAKE SALE

The weekend of November 19-20 -- our **Ladies Altar Society** will be hosting a Bake Sale. Pick up a dessert for your family and help support our Ladies Altar Society.



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PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Your presence in our lives.
- 2) For the grace of mass and confession.

Adorers needed for the following hours starting at: Wed. 12 am; Thurs. 11 pm; Fri. 3 pm, 6 pm; Sat. 12 pm

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am; Wed 8 am, Noon; Thurs 11 am, 4 pm; Fri 7 am; Sat 3 pm, 4 pm

To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.





Instruction *Ad resurgendum cum Christo* regarding the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation



An Explanation by Msgr. J. Robert Romero

The Instruction was dated in Rome, from the Offices of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 15 August 2016, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was made public on October 25, 2016.

The title takes its name from the Latin text of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church's* introduction to the teaching on Dying in Christ Jesus. It is a quote from paragraph 1005: “To rise with Christ, we must die with Christ: we must “be away from the body and at home with the Lord.” [Cf. Romans 6:8, 2 Cor. 5:8] In that “departure” which is death the soul is separated from the body. [Phil. 1:23] It will be reunited with the body on the day of resurrection of the dead. [Cf. Paul VI, CPG # 28]

The Latin text of paragraph 1005 is: Ad resurgendum cum Christo oportet cum Christo mori, oportet « peregrinari a corpore et praesentes esse ad Dominum » (2 Cor 5,8). In professione,⁵⁸¹ quae est mors, anima a corpore separatur. Ea corpori suo iterum coniungetur resurrectionis mortuorum die.⁵⁸²

This paragraph begins a section of the Catechism addressing the title of Dying in Christ Jesus. It explains the Christian understanding of death. It is from paragraphs 1005 to 1014. This Christian understanding of death also is the basis of how and why we treat our burial in high regard and with reverence. This understanding is also the background to the Instruction *Ad Resurgendum cum Christo* (To rise with Christ).

The COMPENDIUM of the Catechism of the Catholic Church summarizes this section in question 206 accordingly: **206. What does it mean to die in Christ Jesus?** [pars. 1005-1014, 1019] Dying in Christ Jesus means to die in the state of God’s grace without any mortal sin. A believer in Christ, following his example, is thus able to transform his own death into an act of obedience and love for the Father. “This saying is sure: if we have died with him, we will also live with him” (2 Timothy 2:11).

Accordingly I can make these points from the Instruction *Ad Resurgendum cum Christo* (To rise with Christ):

Christian death has a positive meaning. By death the soul is separated from the body. The body has promise of transformed life as it will be raised incorruptible at the general resurrection of the dead. The body is part of the human person and is holy. The body is a Christian sign of the person asleep waiting for the resurrection when the soul and body will be reunited. Burial is the most fitting way to express faith and hope in the resurrection of the body.

Our Christian understanding of death stands in contrast to other views of death “such as considering death as the definitive annihilation for the person, or the moment of

fusion with Mother Nature or the universe, or as a stage in the cycle of regeneration, or as the definitive liberation from the “prison” of the body. (par. 3.4)

Burial in a cemetery or another sacred place adequately corresponds to the piety and respect owed to the bodies of the faithful departed who through Baptism have become temples of the Holy Spirit and in which “as instruments and vessels the Spirit has carried out so many good works.” [St. Augustine] (par. 3.5)

Because of the above understanding of a Christian’s life in Christ, the deceased body or deceased ashes [if cremation is chosen) are to be laid to rest in a sacred place, like a cemetery, or an area which has been set aside for this purpose and is so dedicated by the competent church authority.

The reservation of the ashes as with the reservation of the deceased body in a sacred place ensures that the deceased is not excluded from the prayers and remembrance of their family or the Christian community.

In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful departed in the air, on land, at sea or in some other way, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry or other objects. These courses of action cannot be legitimized by an appeal to the sanitary, social, or economic motives that may have occasioned the choice of cremation. (Par. 7)

Lastly, the reverence and respect given by Christ’s faithful to those who have died expresses the Christian belief in the positive understanding of death and how a Christian is attached to Christ himself. When we live in Christ, we die in Christ. *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains these details in Part One, The Profession of Faith section beginning on Article 11, “I BELIEVE IN THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY”, from paragraphs 988 – 1019. Following Article 11, Article 12, “I BELIEVE IN LIFE EVERLASTING” teaches about the particular judgment, heaven, the final purification, or purgatory, hell, the last judgment, the hope of a new heaven and the new earth. Article 12 is found from paragraphs 1020 – 1060.

Even if a person does not believe in heaven, hell, and life after death, the Christian faith still thinks that everyone regardless of baptism in Christ or not believing in Christ will meet Jesus in the particular judgment and will be rewarded as Jesus decides. As St. Paul says, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil” (2 Cor. 5:10). Those faithful who live in Christ witness the Christian belief in our rising with Christ by our care, reverence and respect we give our deceased.