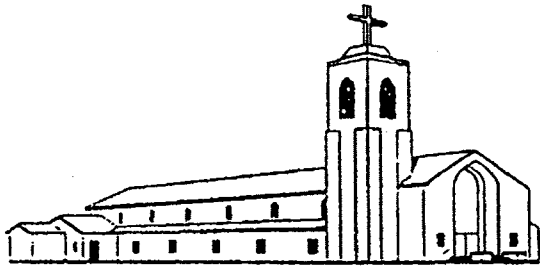


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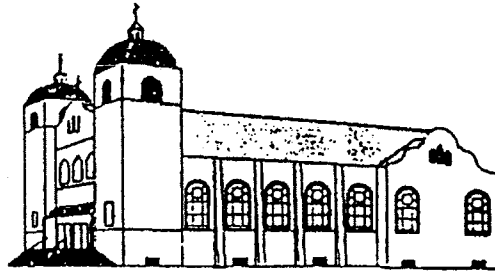
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St. Anthony Church



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Sunday Masses

4:00 PM (Sat Vigil)	English	St. Anthony Church
5:30 PM (Sat Vigil)	Español	St. Anthony Church
7:00 AM	English	Immaculate Conception Church
8:00 AM	Español	St. Anthony Church
9:45 AM	English	St. Anthony Church
11:30 AM	English	St. Anthony Church

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Daily Mass or Communion Service

Miercoles y Jueves Misa en Espanol

6:30 AM	English	St. Anthony Church
6:30 PM	Español	St. Anthony Church

Liturgy of the Hours 20 Minutes Before Daily Mass

Holy Days As Announced

National Holidays As Announced

Reconciliation Thursday 4pm—6pm

Baptism English: 1st & 4th Saturday 8:00am

Bautismo Español 2do y 3er Sábado 8:00am

Marriages 6 Months Advance Notice Required

Quinceañeras

1 year Advance Notice Required (Please call the Parish Office
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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time,

January 21st, 2024

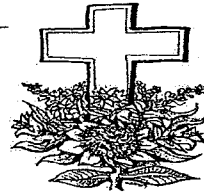
Positive Homiletic Message from Deac. Jesus Cisneros

Repent! Here we are in Ordinary Time and it sounds like Lent! The beginning of the ministry of Jesus Christ begins with Jesus calling His followers to repent. Repent in this context means to change the direction of one's life. And we see with clarity where Jesus is pointing us: Believe in the Gospel! The first reading today is the story of Jonah preaching repentance in the city of Nineveh. The preaching of Jonah was completely successful and the whole city repented including the rulers. Although Jonah did not want the city to repent but rather wanted it destroyed, we see that the people respond to Jonah's preaching and God "repented" of the evil which He had planned. We need to hold this in our hearts: the people repented and God also repented. Both were willing to change the direction of their intentions. We don't normally think of God repenting but surely the repentance of God is part of the Gospel that Jesus is proclaiming. God's only intention is our salvation and our good. Whenever God is presented as angry in the Scriptures, it is because God loves us and the hope is that God's anger will bring us to repentance and then God Himself will repent. This probably is not the way that we think of God but we need to listen to God's Scriptures and discover again God's love for us. The second reading today, from the First Letter to the Corinthians, puts right before our eyes that the world in its present form is passing away. Many of the early Christians felt that the Second Coming would happen in their lifetime, but it did not. On the other hand, if we truly live the message of Jesus, this world is passing away even now because our way of living changes it. We are not so good at that, for sure, but we keep trying. The Gospel brings us back to the need to change. Jesus invites his first followers to come with Him. Jesus invites us to follow Him as well. We need at some level to have this personal encounter with the Lord, even though it will not be in the same way as these earlier followers who were able to touch Him, to hear Him, to see Him, in the flesh. We walk by faith. Yet we are still called, by faith, to touch Him, to hear Him and to see Him. In order to do this, we must change. The change we need is to live by faith and to touch by faith and to see by faith. It is not an easy change, because the world around us wants us not to believe, to touch or to see. May Jesus Himself touch our hearts today so that we may touch Him. May Jesus Himself open our eyes today so that we may see Him. May Jesus Himself come into our hearts today to strengthen our faith. Help me, Lord Jesus!

****BAPTISMS: MUST REGISTER IN THE PARISH OFFICE****

CURRENTLY REGISTERING in the month of JANUARY, to sign up for a CLASS in FEBRUARY, & BAPTISM will be in APRIL. *IN ORDER TO ATTEND A BAPTISM CLASS, YOU MUST REGISTER IN THE PARISH OFFICE. IT IS A REQUIREMENT FOR BOTH PARENTS & GODPARENTS TO ATTEND A CLASS. PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN TO CLASS.

****BAUTISMOS: DEBE REGISTRARSE EN LA OFICINA DE LA PARROQUIA** ACTUALMENTE ESTAMOS REGISTRANDO en el mes de ENERO, para asistir a una CLASE en FEBRERO, y el BAUTISMO será EN ABRIL. *PARA ASISTIR A UNA CLASE DE BAUTISMO DEBE REGISTRARSE EN LA OFICINA DE LA PARROQUIA. ES REQUERIDO QUE PADRES Y PADRINOS ASISTAN A LA CLASE. POR FAVOR DE NO TRAER NIÑOS A LA CLASE.**



MEETINGS

Group

Altar Society	As Announced	
Bible Study (Estudio biblico en espanol)	Miercoles 7pm	CCD Building: Salon Sacred Heart
Catholic Daughters of the Americas	2nd Tuesday Monthly 6 pm	CCD Building: St. Theresa of Lisieux
Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial	Miercoles 7pm	CCD Building: St. Theresa of Lisieux
Movimento Familiar Cristiano	2do Jueves del Mes 7pm	CCD Building: Salon San Juan Diego
Guadalupe Society	Last Thursday of the Month / Ultimo Jueves del Mes 7pm	CCD Building: Salon San Juan Diego
Knights of Columbus	1st Monday & 1st Tuesday 6:00 PM Monthly	Parish Hall
Grupo de Oracion Dulce Maria	Friday/Viernes 7:00pm	St. Anthony Church
RCIA	Sundays 11am-1pm	CCD Building: Music Room
RICA(Español)	Every Thursday/Jueves 7pm	Parish Hall
YLI	2nd Monday Monthly 6:30pm	Italo Lodge
YMI	4th Wednesday Monthly 7:00 pm	Parish Hall
Hijos del Trueno (Ministerio de Hombres) (Mens Spanish Prayer Group)	Every Tuesday/Martes 7 pm 5th Tuesday/ Martes Monthly 7PM	CCD Building: Music Room St. Anthony Church
Anchor Youth Group	Fridays 7pm	Parish Hall
St. Anthony 4-H Club	3rd Wednesday Monthly 7pm	Parish Hall
Talita Cumi	2do Sabado del Mes- Español & 4th Saturday of the Month-English	Parish Hall
On-line Marriage Prep Class Website:	Catholicmarriageprepclass.com	
PLATICAS PRE MATRIMONIAL	Heriberto y Monica Rodriguez Para Información llame al: 559-393-5923	
CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIONES	Thursdays/ Jueves 4PM- 6PM	St. Anthony Church

REGISTRATION: New to the Parish? Moving? Been with us a while but haven't yet registered? That's OK. Just fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or bring it by the office. Thanks! You are encouraged to register online at www.stanthonyatwater.org also.

Change of Address New Parishioner

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Would you like to receive offertory envelopes? Yes No

December 2023 Profit & Loss

Sunday Collection: \$40,718.50

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Quinceañera

Offerings: \$3,250.00

School Support Collection: \$1,000.00

Misc. Fees, Sacramental Prep./Religious

Education: \$1,197.00

Altar Society: \$757.45

OLG: \$610.00

Candles, Votives, Poor Box: \$968.00

Extra Ordinary One Time Donations: \$11,815.00

Charity Collection: \$400.00

Other Special Collections: \$9,338.00

Total Income for December 2023: \$70,053.95**Expenses for December 2023**

Salaries, Wages, Health Ins., FICA, Fringe

Benefits: \$17,571.36

Administrative Expenses: \$2,998.04

Contr. To Organizations/Individuals: \$400.00

Maint., Building Repairs, Janitorial, Gardening:

\$14,766.12

Utilities: \$8,082.80

Altar & Liturgical Supplies: \$2,893.82

Meals, Entertainment & Hospitality: \$3,755.43

Altar Society: \$942.19

Books/Supplies, Non-Liturgical: \$909.31

Total Expenses for December 2023: \$52,319.07**Net Income: \$17,734.88****DATE CHANGED! Mandatory Reader/Lector Training Mon., Jan. 29, 2024, at 7:15 p.m. in the Church:**

All Existing Mass Volunteers Who Read/ Lector at St. Anthony's & Immaculate Conception Churches are required to attend the upcoming Mandatory Reader/Lector Training. We will be covering Safe Environment requirements, proper Diocesan/ Parish protocol/ procedures when serving & handing out the new Reader/Lector Books. Anyone interested in becoming a new Reader/ Lector should attend this training. Any existing Reader/ Lector who cannot attend, please contact Deacon Rene as this training is mandatory. You may call the parish office or send an email to: church.office@stanthonyatwater.org

Renewal Certification for Safe Environment Training

As a requirement from & Diocesan policy, all volunteers who work with children, youths, & vulnerable adults must be compliant with certification for Safe Environment. **Every volunteer that is in regular contact with children, youth & vulnerable adults must complete the recertification prior continuing with their volunteering service.** For new volunteers the training also needs to be completed prior to beginning their volunteer service. **For anyone who is currently active & is not compliant with the renewal training, they must be put on hold until the requirement is fulfilled, & the certificate is received at the Parish office.** Adherence to those policies **is mandatory.** For Assistance contact our Safe Environment coordinator Claudia Hernandez (209)358-5743 or via email: stanthonysafeenvironment@gmail.com

Renovación de Certificación para Capacitación en Ambiente Seguro

Como requisito y la póliza Diocesana, todos los voluntarios que trabajan con niños, jóvenes y adultos vulnerables deben cumplir con la certificación de Ambiente Seguro. **Todo voluntario que esté en contacto regular con niños, jóvenes y adultos vulnerables debe completar la recertificación antes de continuar con su servicio de voluntariado.** Para los nuevos voluntarios, la certificación también debe completarse antes de comenzar su servicio voluntario. **Cualquier persona que esté actualmente activa y no cumpla con la capacitación de renovación, debe quedar en espera hasta que se cumpla el requisito y se reciba el certificado en la oficina parroquial.** El cumplimiento de esas políticas **es obligatorio.** Para obtener ayuda, comuníquese con nuestra coordinadora de Ambiente Seguro, Claudia Hernández (209)358-5743 o por correo electrónico: stanthonysafeenvironment@gmail.com

MASS TIME CHANGE!
ONLY FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY
10, 2024

Mass hours will change due to Youth Confirmations ONLY FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2024!

*ENGLISH MASS: 5PM

**SPANISH MASS: 6:30PM

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NO CONFESSIONS THURSDAY, JAN. 25TH
NO habrá CONFECCIONES JUEVES, 25 DE
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St. Anthony School Fundraiser A Knights' Gala

~ **Dinner & Auction** ~ Dinner, Raffles,

Silent & Live Auction: March 9, 2024

*\$70 Donation per ticket

~ **Cash Raffle** ~ -1st Prize \$1,000,

-2nd Prize \$500, -3rd Prize \$250

*\$10 Donation per ticket. Please help support St. Anthony School by purchasing dinner tickets, raffle tickets, donating an item for auction, or providing a sponsorship. **TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR AFTER DESIGNATED MASSES.** Please **CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE** with any questions **(209) 358-3341.** Thank you for your support!



World Marriage Day: Will be celebrated on **February 11, at 3:30 pm** at **St. Charles Borromeo Church in Visalia.** The requested donation for this event is **\$10 per couple.** This can be offered upon entrance to the event, in **cash or check.** Every registered couple will receive a special certificate and small gift from Bishop Brennan. If you register after February 4th, your certificate may not be ready on time, and will be mailed to you.



El Día Mundial del Matrimonio:

Será el **11 de febrero, 2024 a**

las 3:30 pm en la Parroquia San

Carlo Borromeo en Visalia. La donación solicitada para este evento es de **\$10 por pareja.** Esto se puede ofrecer al ingresar al evento, en **efectivo o con cheque.** Cada pareja recibirá un certificado especial y un regalo pequeño del Obispo Brennan. Si se registra después del 4 de febrero, es posible que su certificado no esté listo a tiempo y se le enviará por correo.



LET US REMEMBER TO OFFER A PRAYER

FOR THE SICK: Domingo Arana, Pat Brown,

Wanda Constable, Theresa Gonzalez, Tony Santigato, Mike Gilbert, Lucy Saldana, Anna Rogers, Yolanda Hamilton, Diana Heller, Terry Leyle, Mary Lourenco, Joseph Kumetat, Adrian Kumetat, Zina Kumetat, Natalie Borba, Mary Johnson, Micaela Mendoza, Alexa Garcia. **(To Have a Name**

Removed or Added to The Prayer List Call the
Parish Office.)




2024 Mass Intention Book Now Open: *A suggested offering per Mass is \$10. Only 5 Mass intentions per household per year per same Family name. (3 during the week & 2 weekend Masses Allowed) *You would need to come into the parish office to request Mass Intentions. Please have the dates and Mass times you would like ready. *No more than 2 names are allowed per Mass Intention (has to be the same last name)

El libro de intenciones para las Misas de 2024 ya está

abierto: *Una donación por Misa es de \$10. *Solo 5 intenciones por hogar por año con mismo apellido. (Se permiten 3 misas durante la semana y 2 misas de fin de semana) *Tendrá que venir a la oficina para solicitar intenciones de misa. *Tenga listas las fechas y horarios de misa que desee. *No se permiten más de 2 nombres por intención de misa (tiene que ser el mismo apellido)

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: It is that time of year again, **TAX SEASON!** Please be advised if you need a charity donation tax statement for 2023, please contact the parish office at (209) 358-5743 or via email: church.office@stanthonyatwater.org. We will be processing your request on flow basis as they come in. Thank you all for your generous contributions. May God continue to bless you.

ATENCIÓN FELIGRESES: ¡Es esa época del año nuevamente, **TEMPORADA DE IMPUESTOS!** Tenga en cuenta si necesita una carta para declaración de impuestos de sus donaciones para 2023, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al (209) 358-5743 o vía correo electrónico: church.office@stanthonyatwater.org. Estaremos procesando su solicitud según van llegando. Gracias a todos por sus generosas contribuciones. Que Dios Continúe bendiciéndolos.

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PLEASE KEEP THEM IN PRAYER.
If you would like to add someone to the Military prayer list please contact the parish office.





**** Español, * Mass at Immaculate Conception**

Saturday, January 20th, 2024

4:00PM †Joe Vieira

4:00PM Intention for Matthew Farias

5:30PM Intención para los Feligreses de San Antonio y Inmaculada Concepción

Sunday, January 21st, 2024

7:00AM Intention for Emma & Ruben Baesler*

8:00AM †Raul & Salvador Castillo**

8:00AM †Ester Ortega**

9:45AM ---

11:30AM Intention for Pat Cahill

11:30AM †Mike Barroso

Monday, January 22nd, 2024

6:30AM ---

Tuesday, January 23rd, 2024

6:30AM †George Stephanic

6:30AM †Andres Walle

Wednesday, January 24th, 2024

6:30AM Intention for Venancia Baclig Asuncion

6:30PM ---**

Thursday, January 25th, 2024

6:30AM †Souls Most in Need of Gods Mercy

6:30PM ---**

Friday, January 26th, 2024

6:30AM †Souls in Purgatory

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Tuesday: St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope
Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales
Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Friday: S.S. Timothy & Titus

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed" when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth." (Jon 3:1-5, 10)

Psalm: "Descúbrenos, Señor, tus caminos." (Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9)

Second Reading: "I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out." (1 Cor 7:29-31)

Gospel: "Se ha cumplido el tiempo y el Reino de Dios ya está cerca. Arrepiéntanse y crean en el Evangelio." (Mk 1:14-20)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10,
PS 89:20, 21-22, 25-26;
Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19;
PS 24:7, 8, 9, 10;
Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17;
PS 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30;
Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22;
PS 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5;
PS 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;
Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17;
PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;
Mk 4:35-41



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