July 28, 2019
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Schedule

Weekdays
Monday-Friday
7am and 9am
Saturday
8am

Weekends
Saturday Vigils
5pm English
7pm Spanish

Sunday
7am English
8:45am English
10:45am English
12:30pm Spanish
6pm English
(youth mass)

Reconciliation
Saturday 8:30am

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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Friday: 8:30am-4pm
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MISSION STATEMENT
We covenant to give ourselves to Christ as He gives Himself to us in the Eucharist, so every person might be a full, active, & conscious participant in His Church, empowered to share & live the Gospel.

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP COTTA

My Dear People of God,

Earlier this week, after a remarkable grassroots campaign mounted by religious liberty advocates, California Catholics, as well as Catholics from across the country, Senate Bill 360 was pulled from the Assembly Public Safety Committee agenda. The withdrawal of the Senate Bill came the day before a scheduled July 9 hearing.

I am grateful to California State Senator Jerry Hill for removing Senate Bill 360 from any further consideration this year. I am also grateful to the California Assembly Public Safety Committee members for their careful thought, analysis and deliberation regarding this bill. Most of all, I am grateful to all of God’s people for their efforts in making sure this bill would not be passed.

I would like to express my personal gratitude for the faith and devotion of individual Catholics, parishes, and organizations within the Diocese of Stockton. Thousands of phone calls, letters, and emails from Catholics in our diocese were made to lawmakers in Sacramento. Together we have done our part in protecting the seal of confession.

Senator Hill still has the option of bringing his bill up again next session but for now Senate Bill 360 is off the table. This is a win for the Catholic people of California and for believers of all faiths throughout the United States.
Our effort was worth it. It all made a difference, all involved made a difference.

Thank you.

In Peace of Christ
Most Reverend Myron J. Cotta

CHANCE TO WIN LARGE CASH PRIZES AND SUPPORT THE 2019 HARVEST FESTIVAL

We are once again holding a raffle to cover the cost of professionally installed tents for the Harvest Festival. We invite you to take a chance on winning some of the $17,750 in monetary prizes that will be awarded. Only 500 tickets will be sold at $100 each.

The Grand Prize is $10,000, 2nd Prize $2,000, 3rd – 5th Prizes $1,000, 6th – 8th Prizes $500, and 9th – 13th Prizes $250.

Tickets will be sold at St. Anthony’s Parish office, St. Anthony’s School office, and after weekend masses. Credit card, cash, or check payments will be accepted. Everyone who buys a ticket will receive a free dinner on Friday night of the Festival, September the 13th.

Winners will be announced Friday, September 13th at 7pm on the main stage of the Harvest Festival. Need not be present to win. This is a wonderful opportunity to show your support for our Parish and its largest fundraiser, the Harvest Festival. It is through your generous contributions that we can continue our mission here at St. Anthony’s Parish.
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TUESDAY: EX 33:7-11; 34:5B-9, 28/PS 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8A]/MT 13:36-43
WEDNESDAY: EX 34:29-35/PS 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [CF. 9C]/MT 13:44-46
FRIDAY: LV 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34B-37/PS 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11AB [2A]/MT 13:54-58
SATURDAY: LV 25:1, 8-17/PS 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/MT 14:1-12

OBSERVANCE FOR THE WEEK
Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Martha
Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

SUNDAY’S READING
First Reading:
[Abraham] persisted: “Please, do not let my Lord grow angry if I speak up this last time.” (Gn 18:32)

Psalm:
Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)

Second Reading:
Brothers and sisters:
You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him ? (Col 2:12a)

Gospel:
“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” (Lk 11:9)

Lifting up to God for healing those in need of our prayers:

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If you are ill or in the hospital, please call 823-7197 to let us know, we can arrange a visit from a Priest or a Deacon.

Without prayer we have neither light nor strength to advance in the way which leads to God.

—St. Alphonsus Liguori

Holy Hour
Eucharistic Adoration
At St. Anthony’s Catholic Church
7pm on Friday, August 2nd
**ST. ANTHONY’S SCHOOL**

Did you know that 80% of Catholic priests attended a Catholic elementary school? Additionally, those priests and other religious (deacons, brothers and nuns) heard their calling at least three times before the age of 12? Catholic elementary schools will play a big part of the continuation of our Catholic churches and the promotion of vocations

www.sasmanteca.org

**SPOTS AVAILABLE**

St. Anthony's Catholic School still has some spots available for the 2019-2020 school year in 1st, 2nd and 5th grades. First day of school is August 14. Contact us at 209-823-4513 to set up an appointment for a visit or visit us online at www.sasmanteca.org.  

"Growing God's children in faith to build a lifelong relationship with Christ."

**ROADRUNNER ROUNDUP**

St. Anthony's Catholic School Annual Roadrunner Roundup (back-to-school event for enrolled Preschool through 8th grade students) is August 7 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Come meet your teachers, drop off school supplies and hear about the upcoming school year. More information is on the school Facebook page and on the school website www.sasmanteca.org

**NICK BUSH UPDATE**

Thank you, for all the love, prayers, and support you have given to our family. Nick has been home for over 3 months now. He has been making some improvements and has regained his hearing. We are glad he's doing better at home and are grateful to be able to share this positive news with you.

We have an urgent problem and need your help. We must install a permanent generator to protect Nick's life due to PG&E's 2-5 day Public Safety Power Shutoff. A portable generator will not work because it runs on gasoline. Gas stations will not be operating once the power is cut, which means the generator as well as Nick's oxygen and equipment will all shut down. Thus making it impossible to protect Nick. The cost of the generator is $13,800, which we cannot come up with on our own due to extensive medical bills and additional medical supplies not covered by insurance.

If you are able to help, we have set up a Go Fund Me page where donations in any amount can be made. We are grateful for any and all help you can give as well as continued prayers.

More detailed information is available on Nick’s Go Fund Me page.  https://www.gofundme.com/nick-bush-generator-to-power-medical-equipment

Thank you and God Bless you! 

Bush Family

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**PRO LIFE CORNER**

"Christians have a duty to be politically active, to register and vote, to lobby and educate candidates and elected officials, and to speak up about the issues that affect the common good. The Church does not set up the voting booths, but when we go into the voting booths, we don't cease to be members of the Church! If we don't shape public policy according to moral truths, why do we believe that moral truth at all?"

Fr. Frank Pavone, Director, Priests for Life

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**FEAST OF ST. MARTHA**

What's on your calendar this week? On July 29th, we celebrate the feast of St. Martha, unofficial patron of workaholics and busybodies everywhere. Martha appears several times in Scripture. One passage we heard in our recent Sunday Gospel. Jesus has visited the home of Martha and Mary. Mary sits at the feet of our Lord, soaking in his teaching. In the meantime, Martha is washing dishes, preparing hors d'oeuvres, and playing the hostess. Sound familiar? John's Gospel doesn't shy away from Martha's active nature either. After the death of their brother Lazarus, Martha is the first to greet Jesus, and while she's quite confident in Jesus' power to heal, she's the first to warn him of the possible smell should the tomb be opened. While Mary often gets the credit for contemplative holiness, we can't forget that pragmatic is a saint, too! As we strive to place Jesus in the right perspective, making him king of our hearts and over all our daily tasks, we can know that we're in good company. St. Martha, pray for us!
PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Anthony’s adoration chapel is open daily, Monday through Friday 6:30am-5pm. After hours adoration is available to committed adorers.

If you are interested in committing to one hour of adoration, please contact in English, Francine Miller (209) 601-8440 or email: marxmillers@yahoo.com in Spanish, Javier Elias (209) 603-4570 or email: jazzyelias@yahoo.com

We are currently in need of adorers during these times:
- Mondays 9PM to 10PM
- Fridays 10PM to 11PM

"Could you not watch one hour with me?"
- MT. 26:40

Ministries and Activities

Legion of Mary would like to bring Blessed Mother to visit your home and say the Rosary. Blessed Mother will stay at your home for two weeks. You will get many blessings and graces. Contact: Esmeralda at (209) 629-8995.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If someone would like to request a shawl (for ladies) or lap robe (for men), please send an e-mail to prayer.shawls@yahoo.com. Shawls and lap robes are not just for those who are ill; they are also given out to celebrate a special occasion such as an anniversary. A message of love and caring comes with each shawl or lap robe and the giving of the shawl or lap robe enriches the giver as well as the recipient.

"If some of you hear the call to priestly service like the apostles John and Paul do you fear not being afraid, because you have entered into the joy of the Lord?"
- Pope John Paul II

Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

After more than two decades in parish ministry, my life changed course when LPI reached out to me with an offer to do something different with my life. I hadn’t been looking for a new job, but I had been working for some time to grow a ministry of speaking, writing, and consulting outside of my parish. It occurred to me I just might be throwing away a long career of stability and certainty for a situation that was new and anything but certain. My family was relying on me. I was moving from a comfort zone into a place where I was going to have to trust in God. There was the question on the surface of whether this move would work out in the end. However, the real question was whether I had the ability to put all my trust in God.

The fact that you are reading this reflection is a testament that it all worked out for the best. I did place my faith and trust in God, and He came through as always. When I look back over my life and identify those times of greatest struggle, I can honestly say those were times when I trusted more in myself or let fear take over.

We all are faced with decisions in life where we are met with uncertainty or fear. Often, our stewardship is limited by our inability to trust fully in God. Our comfort zones really become prisons of fear we never leave. If you find yourself unable to face the future or to make the big decisions in life, where does your trust lie?

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Diocesan Vocations Contact: Fr. Cesar Martinez 209-463-1305 vocations@stocktondiocese.org

Cross Country and Girls Basketball seasons begin in September. Sign up now through the school office or parish office. For more information please contact Roman Alvarez at cyo@sasmanteca.org
St. Anthony’s Weekly Events

Monday, July 29
9:30 am  Legion of Mary, Mary’s Room
6:30 pm  Adult Formation, Church
7:00 pm  Santo Nino Ministry, Cry Room

Tuesday, July 30
10:00 am  Bible Study, Conference Room
6:00 pm  Hora Santa, Church
7:00 pm  Bible Study, Conference Room

Wednesday, July 31
10:00 am  Legion of Mary, Mary’s Room
6:30 pm  Adult Formation, Rec. Hall
6:30 pm  Life Teen, Church
7:00 pm  Encuentro Matrimonial, Cafeteria
7:30 pm  Music Ministry, Church

Thursday, August 1
9:30 am  Legion of Mary, Mary’s Room
10:00 am  Bible Study, Conf. Room
6:00 pm  Legion of Mary, Mary’s Room
6:00 pm  Y.L.I., Cafeteria
7:00 pm  Grupo Alabare, Cry Room
7:00 pm  Bible Study, Mary’s Room & Conf. Room

Friday, August 2
7:00 pm  Holy Hour, Church

Saturday, August 3
8:00 am  Faith Formation, Cafeteria

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

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Sunday, July 28 at 5:00 pm. A meeting for those young men who are considering the priesthood as their vocation. Please attend the June meeting at the Cathedral Parish House: 425 W. Magnolia St. in Stockton. A light meal will be offered. RSVP to Fr. Cesar at: vocations@stocktondiocese.org or (209) 463-1305.

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The Sacraments

Infant Baptism:
Minimum of three months notice & pre-baptismal instruction required.
Dave Corder, ext.230

First Holy Communion
For school age children (2nd grade or higher) this is a two year preparation.
Faith Formation: 239-4302

Confirmation
For students 7th grade or above who desire to become a fully initiated Catholic: this is a two year preparation.
Faith Formation: 239-4302

Matrimony:
Following an appointment a minimum of six months preparation is required.
Dave Corder, ext.230

Christian Initiation
This process provides Adults and children over the age of 7 the opportunity to explore their calling to Baptism, Confirmation and Communion to become a fully initiated Catholic Christian.
Dave Corder, ext.230

Anointing of the Sick
The Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.
To schedule a priest please call 823-7197 or if an emergency call 688-0888

For any other question you can contact the parish office at (209) 823-7197 or email: receptionist@st-anthonys.org

ADULT FORMATION CORNER

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM ON JULY 20TH & 21ST

Amari Sienna Aguilar, Benjamin Anthony Arzabal, Angela Avalos Gomez, Kimbella Avalos Gomez, Regina Hazel Esparza, Araxie Ortiz Radilla, Audrey Jayleen Ortiz Radilla, Aitana Rivera, Ulices Guadalupe Topete Limon, Jazleen Ayana Arechiga, Brielle Novalie Avila-Moore, Eliana Azariah Estrada, Josiah Mateo Hansen, Carter Joel Lowry, Sofia Rose Midgley, Analyna Marie Negrete, Emmanuel Abel Nuñez, and Jillian Elizabeth Reyes

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

DOMINGO: GN 18, 20-32/SAL 138, 1-2. 2-3. 6-7. 7-8 [3]/COL 2, 12-14/LC 11, 1-13


MARTES: EX 33, 7-11; 34, 5-9. 28/SAL 103, 6-7. 8-9. 10-11. 12-13 [8]/MT 13, 44-46

MIÉRCOLES: EX 34, 29-35/SAL 99, 5. 6. 7. 9 [CFR. 9]/MT 13, 47-53

JUEVES: EX 40, 16-21. 34-38/SAL 84, 3. 4. 5-6 Y 8. 11 [2]/MT 13, 47-53

VIERNES: LV 23, 1. 4-11. 15-16. 27. 34-37/SAL 81, 3-4. 5-10-11 [2]/MT 13, 54-58

SÁBADO: LV 25, 1. 8-17/SAL 67, 2-3. 5. 7-8 [4]/MT 14, 1-12

LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: 17o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: Santa Marta
Martes: San Pedro Crisólogo, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia
Miércoles: San Ignacio de Loyola, sacerdote
Jueves: San Alfonso de Ligorio, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia
Viernes: St. Eusebio de Vercelli, obispo; San Pedro Julián Eymard, sacerdote

ANUNCIO DE MINISTERIOS

DIVINO NIÑO
El Divino Niño está visitando los hogares. Si quieres que visite tu hogar por favor de llamar a Alma Soto para el Divino Niño del Domingo (208) 450-0095 o Consuelo Flores para Divino Niño del Sábado (510) 919-2586.

RIFA DEL FESTIVAL DE LA COSECHA
Una vez más, estamos haciendo una rifa para cubrir el costo de las carpas instaladas profesionalmente para el Festival de la Cosecha. Te invitamos a participar y tener la oportunidad de ganar algunos de los premios monetarios que suman la cantidad de $17,750. Sólo se venderán 500 boletos a $100 cada uno.

El Gran Premio es de $10,000
2do Premio $2,000
3ro a 5to Premios $1,000
6to a 8vo Premios $500
y 9no a 13o Premios $250

Los boletos se venderán en la oficina de la Parroquia de San Antonio, la oficina de la Escuela de San Antonio o después de las misas del fin de semana. Se aceptarán pagos con tarjeta de crédito, efectivo o cheque. Todos los que compren un boleto recibirán una cena gratis el viernes por la noche del Festival, el 13 de septiembre. Los ganadores serán anunciados el viernes 13 de septiembre a las 7 pm en el escenario principal del Festival de la Cosecha. No es necesario estar presente para ganar. Este es una maravillosa oportunidad de mostrar su apoyo a nuestra parroquia y a través de sus generosas contribuciones es que podemos continuar nuestra misión aquí.

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