

ST. ANTHONY — ST. RITA PARISH

September 20, 2026
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday September 19th
4:30 PM **Joseph Luis Paiva** ✕

Sunday September 20th
8:00 AM **For Our Parishioners**
9:30 AM **Joao, Irondina, Jose Andrade & Thelma Andrade Silva** ✕
11:30 AM **John & Robert Jepson** ✕
Harold Terpeny ✕

Monday September 21st
8:00 AM **George Johnson** ✕

Tuesday September 22nd
8:00 AM **Joann Skoropowski** ✕

Wednesday September 23rd
8:00 AM **Trudy McCormack** ✕

Thursday September 24th
8:00 AM **Sue Sullivan** ✕

Friday September 25th
8:00 AM **Reverend James Ferry** ✕

Saturday September 26th
4:30 PM **Ryan Plunkett** ✕

Sunday September 27th
8:00 AM **Kathleen Elizabeth Hoye, DMD** ✕
(4th Yr. Anniversary)
9:30 AM **Timothy Watterson** ✕
(6th Yr. Anniversary)
11:30 AM **Sue & Jim Sullivan** ✕



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please remember in prayer: Heather Bradley, Peggy Kelley, Lillian Zhang, Beverly Donlon, Sarah Hayes, Robert Dupont, Catherine B. Perry, Ella DiCarli, Bobby Knight, Ethel Savery, John R. Dolan, Dean Learned, Paulette Lake, Erin Smith, Andrew Sienkiewicz, Lexie Williams, Linda Matos, Janice DeMello, Mary Ann Motta, Jeanette Bousquet, Leo Pudim, Kaidin Young, Joanne Nye, Patricia Aleks Aiello, Callen James Pellerin, Mickey Flynn, Maureen McCarthy, Jason Caffelle, Joseph Elison, Henry Gardyna, Terry Carrier, Ilona Langhoff, Mary Jones, Christiane Van de Kerckhof, Tammie DeCroteau, Carl Hubbard, Sharon & Pete Desnoyer, Cecelia Mary Wedge, Jackie & Jack McGraw, Sue Sullivan, Mark Tucker, Chela Short, Delia Nestler, Caroline Schulz.

AND Nichole Nye, Jennifer Nye, James H. Henry, Ben Lyons, Jason Gracia, Elizabeth Verni, Faith Lomba, Douglas Nye, Cynthia Roberts, Kathy Gillis, Susan Alexander, Ann Sweeney Reed, Joseph Napoli, Aaron Souza, Mary Ann Mazzola Looney, Art Lyons, Jack Fearons, Sarah Danforth, Chris Beauchamp, Manuel Rodrigues, Jonathan Parsons, Barbara Puglisi, Fred DeCastro, Eileen Hallett, Chris Turner, Lucas Payette, Dennis Roddey, Hannah Strom, Patricia Parker, Joan Marathas, Jacqueline Cote, Mary Verni, Jason Ryan Kathleen Flaherty Sites, Matthew Rogers & Family, Theresa Randall, Tim Smith, Charlie Smith, Christiane Van de Kerckhof, Paul Guilbeault and Janet Gallo.

Please call the office to add or remove a name from the list or to ask for holy eucharist to be brought to the home of the sick or homebound.

If you or someone you know is a homebound parishioner looking for support or for someone to pray with please contact Donna Fortin 508-997-3798.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE HOSPITALER SISTERS OF THE GOOD NEWS & THE O'CONNELL HOUSE

We are thrilled to share recent exciting news that the O'Connell House will now be managed & operated by The Home for Little Wanderers. This is the first 13-room residence in MA which provides comprehensive services to women who have been sex trafficked. These women may be pregnant and/or have a small child. It is a place where dignity will be restored and healing can occur. The unique 24/7 "Sister Care Model" delivers trauma-informed care which supports their complex needs with compassion, while being the loving nurturing presence the women so desperately need. Visit their website: <http://theoconnellhouse.org> or follow them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TheOConnellHouseMA> Checks can be made out to The O'Connell House, Inc. and mail to: P.O. Box 9568, Lowell, MA. 01853.



Sanctuary Lamps
St. Anthony's
For Our Parishioners

St. Rita's
Jim & Naomi Cattell

Offertory Altar Bread & Wine
St. Anthony's
For Our Parishioners

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If you would like to have a Memorial devoted to a loved one for the week, please call the office and we will be glad to assist you in this special remembrance.

The Memorials available are Tabernacle Lamp, Offertory Wine, Altar Bread. Cost is \$25 per week, except for the Tabernacle Lamp (\$15 per week.)

The **Rosary** will be prayed on
Thursdays after 8 AM Mass.
Please consider joining us.



Grand Annual Parish Appeal

We extend heartfelt thanks for the generosity shown in support of our parish's annual giving appeal, the "**Grand Annual Parish Appeal**" for St. Anthony's and St. Rita's. If you haven't yet had the chance to return your card and donation, we kindly ask you to do so at your earliest convenience. Every contribution, no matter the size, is deeply valued and greatly appreciated. In addition to dropping your gift off at Mass or mailing it to our parish office, you can give online anytime at **anthonyandrita.com** (please scroll down to the "Donate" button.) Thank you for your generosity!



The **Diocesan Health Facilities of Fall River 17th Annual Golf Classic** will be held September 21, 2026, at Crestwood Country Club in Rehoboth, MA. All proceeds will benefit the over 700 individuals we serve in our skilled nursing and rehabilitation centers. For details on the levels of participation available, please contact the Diocesan Health Facilities Office at 508-679-8154 or email Debra Medeiros at DebraM@dhfo.org for more details.

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RESPECT LIFE MONTH
MASS & CONFERENCE

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Join Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., for the Annual Respect Life Mass at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, Fall River. The mass is open to all; no registration is required. The Respect Life Conference and lunch to follow at Whites of Westport. The keynote speaker, Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, PhD., will speak as an ethicist on "End of Life Medical Choices: Making Ethical Decisions in Sickness and Compromised States." Conference and lunch registration is \$45. Registration is required by September 1st. For details, contact Deborah LeDoux at dledoux@dioc-fr.org. To register, visit fallriverdiocese.org/event.

Coffee & Community

Coffee and Community will resume on
Sunday, October 4th, after 9:30 AM Mass.

Please join us.

If you would like to contribute or help out please reach out to annerob@comcast.net.

**Advertise in Our Bulletin**

We are in the process of transitioning to a new bulletin vendor—John Patrick Publishing Company, Inc. John Patrick is not only working with current bulletin advertisers, but also looking to offer new advertisers the opportunity to join the bulletin.

Benefits of advertising in the bulletin include:

- Reaching the St. Anthony-St. Rita community
- Promoting your business locally
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If you would like to learn more about advertising, contact our bulletin representatives: Dan Linnell dlinnell@ippc.net or by phone at 508-566-2717

Holy Spirit

The third person of the Holy Trinity, distinct from the Father and the Son but coequal and coeternal with them. The ancient faith of the Church concerning the Holy Spirit—professed in all of the Christian creeds—is beautifully summarized in Pope Paul VI's Credo of the People of God: "We believe in the Holy Spirit, who is Lord and giver of life, who is adored and glorified with the Father and the Son. He spoke to us by the prophets; he was sent by Christ after his Resurrection and his Ascension to the Father; he illuminates, vivifies, protects and guides the Church."

-The Essential Catholic Handbook pg. 187

Gift of Treasure: St. Anthony-St. Rita Parish

September 13, 2026

Weekly Receipts:

St. Anthony's-

First Collection: \$4,746.00

Second Collection: 1,446.00

St. Rita's-

First Collection :\$1,265.00

Second Collection: \$152

St. Vincent de Paul- \$972.00

Thank you for your generous donations!



Please remember the Parish in your estate plan. The online giving feature on the parish website is available at anthonyandrita.com/online-giving.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Friday

After the **First Friday Mass from 8:30-9 AM** we will be offering Adoration & confession
Adoration is also offered from **7-8 PM at night**

First Saturday Mass

We will be celebrating *First Saturday Mass* each month. Mass will be at **9:00AM. Adoration and Confessions to follow until 10:00AM.**

Catechists are needed for:

Grade 9/Confirmation I: meets twice a month on Sunday morning 8-10:30 AM

Junior High classes meet twice a month. This year will be either Monday or Tuesday evenings from 6:30 –7:30 PM

Please contact the Faith Formation Office 508-758-3735 or faithfromation@anthonyandritae.com if interested

St. Anthony-St. Rita Parish



Saint Anthony of Padua Church

26 Hammond St.

Mattapoisett, MA



Saint Rita of Cascia Church

121 Front St.

Marion, MA

LITURGIES

at St. Anthony

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM;

Sunday Morning: 8:00, 9:30 AM

Daily Mass: M-F 8:00 AM

at St. Rita

Sunday Morning: 11:30 AM

Holy days as announced

Additional Saturday Mass from weekend before July 4 through Labor Day at 5:00 PM .

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at St. Anthony 3:30-4:20 PM. **Sundays** before Masses at St. Anthony's. **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays** Immediately following the daily Mass until 9:00AM. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to make an appointment for Baptism. **Baptisms happen after Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month.**

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

please call the Parish Office *at least 6 months* in advance of your wedding or for more information.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 7 to 8 pm at St. Anthony. Announced if time changes.

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