ST. ANTHONY —— ST. RITA PARISH

November 8, 2026

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour

MATTHEW 25:13





Saturday	November 7th	
9:00 AM	**For the Immaculate Heart of Mary**	
4:30 PM	**Patricia Przybylek & Nancy Fleming ✠**	
Sunday	November 8th	
8:00 AM	**Robert Cardoza ✠ (30 Year Anniv.)**	
9:30 AM	**McGowan Family**	
11:30 AM	**Sue Sullivan ✠**	
Monday	November 9th	
8:00 AM	**Jean Proia ✠**	
Tuesday	November 10th	
8:00 AM	**Preciosa Larouco ✠**	
Wednesday	November 11th	
8:00 AM	**John Dawson ✠**	
Thursday	November 12th	
8:00 AM	**Joe Stayer ✠**	
Friday	November 13th	
8:00 AM	**Our Lady of Fatima**	
Saturday	November 14th	
4:30 PM	**Ryan Plunkett ✠**	
Sunday	November 16th	
8:00 AM	**Donald Mansfield ✠**	
9:30 AM	**Steven Santos (20 Year Anniv.)**	
11:30 AM	**Jack McGraw ✠**	

✠ Deceased

Mass Intentions Anyone may request that a Mass be said for a special intention; in thanksgiving; in honor of another person (such as a birthday); or as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Sanctuary Lamps



St. Anthony's
For Our Parishioners

St. Rita's
Gene and Mary Jeanne Langevin

Offertory Altar Bread & Wine

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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 ($15 per week), Offertory Wine and Altar Bread ($25 per week).

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





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, 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, Leigha Fabian
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.

THE O'Connell HOUSE

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE HOSPITALLER 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.

Prayer When Making an Important Decision

Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes and ears of my heart, so that I may hear and understand your word and do your will, for in this world, Lord, I am a stranger and an exile. Hide not your commandments from me. Draw the veil from my eyes, and let me ponder the wonderful workings of your law. Make known to me the obscure and hidden ways of your wisdom and of my own heart. For in you, God, is my hope; enlighten my thoughts and my understanding. Amen.

- The Essential Catholic Handbook pg. 68

Grace in General

What are two general errors about divine grace?

1. So exalting the natural powers of man as to make divine grace unnecessary, as *Pelagianism* and *naturalism*; 2. So exalting divine grace as to make man's free cooperation unnecessary or impossible as *Lutheranism*, *Calvinism*, *Baianism*, and *Jansenism*.

What is naturalism?

An exclusion, and sometimes a negation, of the entire supernaturla order. Naturalism ultimately leads to a complete Anti-Christianity, because it holds man and nature as self-sufficient.

How does the Magisterium of the Church describe naturalism?

"The fundamental doctrine of the naturalists, which they sufficiently make known by their very name, is that human nature and human reason ought in all things to be mistress and guide...They deny that anything has been taught by God; they allow no dogma of religion or truth which cannot be understood by the human intelligence, nor any teacher who ought to be believed by reason of his authority."

Conversely, what errors exalt divine grace to the detriment of our cooperation?

In addition to those of Luther and Calvin, the Church condemned the errors of Belgian theologian Michal Baius, Dutch bishop Cornelius Jansen, and French Jansenist theologian Paschal Quesnel, including the notions that "free will, without the help of God's grace, is valid only to sin," and that the fallen soul has "a general impotence for labor, for prayer, and for every good work."

What is the most common error about divine grace today?

Neo Pelagianism, the notion that men will be saved merely by their morally good deeds, apart from cooperation with divine grace and saving faith.

Does mere human existence enable man to reach perfection?

No. Man must become Christian, because he needs

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the help of God's grace for his: 1. Reason to understand the essential truths of faith without admixture of error; 2. Will to act rightly toward eternal life, his true perfection; 3. Passions to be well-ordered and in harmony with reason.

What are the two kinds of grace?

Grace may be divided into two kinds: *actual grace* and *sanctifying grace*.

Actual Grace

What is actual grace?

A temporary assistance of God, whereby God moves us to will and to act in order to help us become holy or cooperate in the justification of another?

Why is this grace called actual?

Because it does not abide in us habitually, but actively prompts us to perform a passing *act*, whether exterior or interior.

What is exterior grace?

Anything outside of us that God uses to act upon our souls: e.g., the preaching of the Gospel, charitable advice, miracles, good example, pious reading, trials and adversity, etc.

Are the so-called "charismatic gifts" examples of actual grace?

Yes. Authentic *charisms* like prophecy, healing, discernment, etc. are graces given for building up the Church. They are not indicators of personal holiness, and must always be carefully discerned, as St. John the apostle relates: "Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are of God." This kind of grace, also called *gratuitous* grace (gratia gratis data), does not of itself sanctify the one who has it. Rather, it is given to one person for the sake of facilitating the sanctifications of others.

-CREDO pg. 219-220

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
Response: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Response: Amen

-The Essential Catholic Handbook pg. 74



May the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace

Marian G. Greene
Michelle Logan McLean-Russell
Stephen E. Perry
Margaret A. Ferreira
Elizabeth A. Dawson
Joseph F. Napoli
Leona C. Mansfield
Lawrence J. Oliveira
Joseph G. Cosgrove
Mary Leona Talty
Sue Ellen Sullivan
Thomas F. Healy IV
Ann Rita Burchill
Laura Baptista
Adam S. Roderick
Donald J. Gregory
Robert Daniel Maher
Jacqueline A. McGraw
John Matos
Richard A. Bono
Ronald McDonald SR
Dominga Pina
Arnold Lionel Frances
Nelida "Lucy" Luzza
Roy W. Wingate
Florence Rose
Ray Cebula
Thelma Chester Andrzekewski
David Andrzekewski
Evelyn & Leo Cebula
Robert Cebula
Ellan Schneider
Medeline Connelly Monteiro
John Monteiro
Pellegrino Giella
Nicollette & Riley Families
Grant & Juliano Families
Maureen McGraw
Stasia Lyons
Margaret Ray
James & Margaret Dawson
Charles T. Kelly
Craig Family
Frederick Kelley
Dupont & Serpa Family
The Perry's
Langan & Hermes Family
Anna Mae & John S. Graf
Christine R. & Paul W. Shields
Paul D. & Jeffrey W. Shields
David Drew
Medeleine Drew
Joanne Drew Melco
Peter & Stefanie Pilat

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Stanley, Ron & Steve Waclawik
John & Genevieve Manfredo
Ralph & Sharon Manfredo
Ernest & Mary Ann Verni
Sean Patrick Young (Beloved Son)
Christine Gonsalves
Mother, Dad, Family, Friends
Poor Souls
Carol George
Baptista Barros
The Goslins- Joe - Peg - Joe C
John & Todd Shockro
The Morin Family
Mary Jones
The Stempka, Viera & Mahoney Families
Jesus, I trust in you

Christmas by The Sea Raffle!

Raffle tickets are now available! If you do not already have tickets, you can get them by calling or stopping by the Parish office, or get them after Mass on Saturdays or Sundays. If you have your tickets already, please consider tickets for yourself, family members or friends. They make great Thanksgiving or early Christmas gifts. Our prizes are $1,000, $500 or $250, with the drawing on December 5th at our annual Christmas Bazaar. You can drop off your tickets at the Parish office, or place your ticket stubs with donation into an envelop and drop into the collection basket.



Children's Christmas Choir

We will be offering a children's choir for Christmas this year. The plan is to have them sing at the 4 PM Mass on Christmas Eve.
Marianne Oien will be directing.
Rehearsals will begin on
Wednesday, December 2nd at 4 PM in St. Anthony's
Children in grades 1-8 are invited to join



Gift of Treasure: St. Anthony-St. Rita Parish
November 1, 2026
Weekly Receipts:

St. Anthony's-
First Collection: $4,709.00
All Souls & All Saints: $1,876.00

St. Rita's-
First Collection: $1,385.00
All Souls & All Saints: $310.00

St. Vincent de Paul– $364.00

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 click Donate.**

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 Friday Adoration
On the first Friday of every month we are looking for Adorers of the Lord from 9 AM - 7 PM. There is a sign up sheet at the main entrance of the church. Please feel free to sign up at your convenience.

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

St. Rita's Closed for Construction
St. Rita's will be closed from November 2-16 for renovations. The 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday will be held at St. Anthony's. St. Rita's will reopen the weekend of November 22nd.





Saint Anthony of Padua Church
26 Hammond St.
Mattapoisett, MA

Saint Rita of Cascia Church
121 Front St.
Marion, MA

LITURGIES

at St. Anthony
SaturdayVigil:4:30 PM;
SundayMorning: 8:00, 9:30AM
Daily Mass: M-F 8:00 AM

at St. Rita
SundayMorning: 11:30 AM
Holy days as announced
Additional SaturdayMass from weekend before July4 through Labor Day at 5:00PM .

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 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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