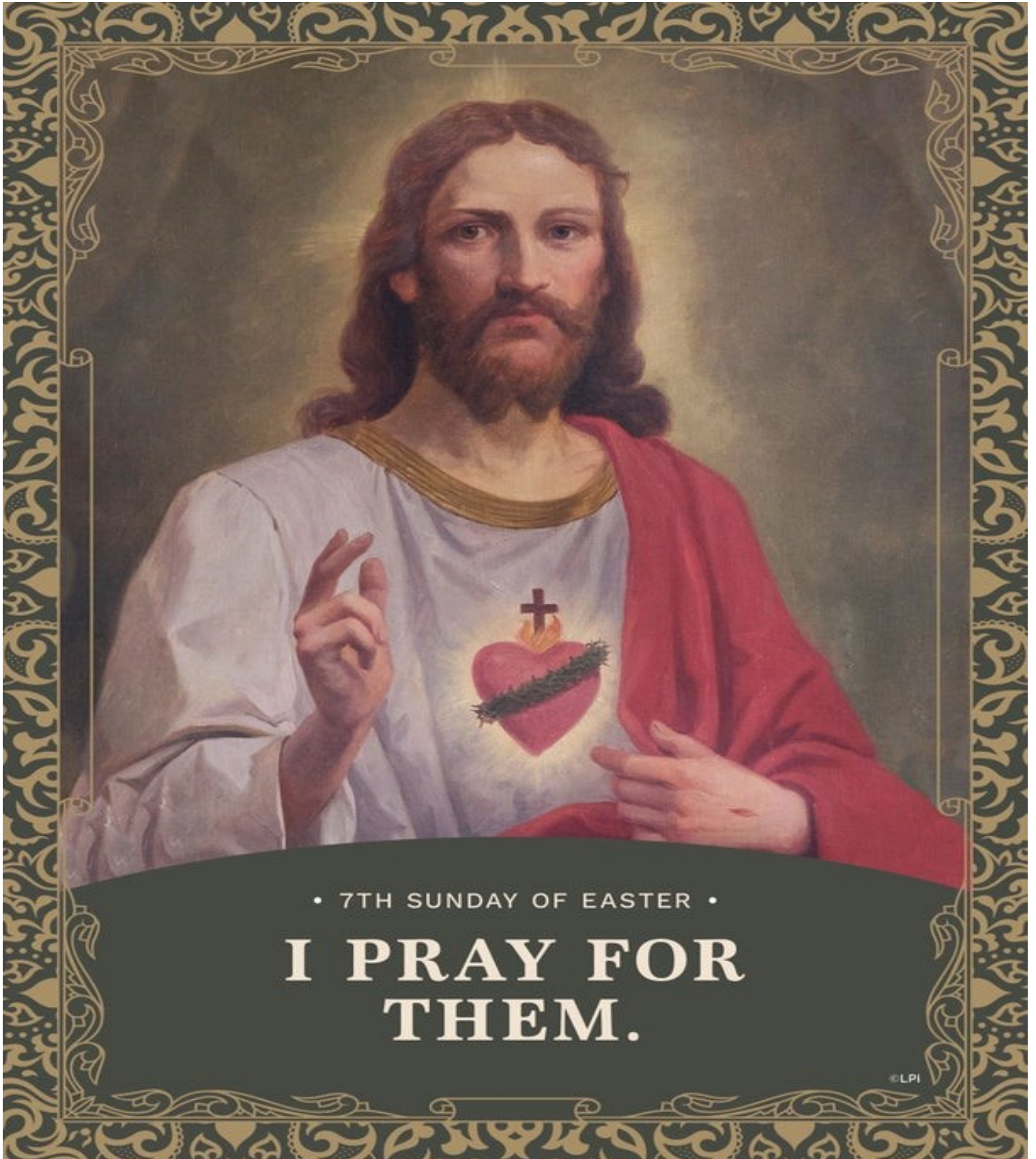


ST. ANTHONY — ST. RITA PARISH


May 17, 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter



• 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER •

**I PRAY FOR
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Saturday 4:30PM	May 16th Ryan Plunkett ✕	
Sunday 8:00AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	May 17th Kaitlin Griffin ✕ Lawrence Oliveira ✕ For Our Parish Family	
Monday 8:00AM	May 18th Reverend William P Blottman ✕	
Tuesday 8:00 AM	May 19th Thomas Russell Maloney IV ✕	
Wednesday 8:00 AM	May 20th Joe & Anne Stempka (65th Wedding Anniv.)	
Thursday 8:00 AM	May 21st Rosamond Pierce ✕	
Friday 8:00 AM	May 22nd Mary Cosgrove ✕	
Saturday 4:30 PM	May 23rd Stephen Prout ✕	
Sunday 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	May 24th For Our Parish Family For Our Parish Family Jim Sullivan, Frank Sullivan, Neil Sullivan & David Sullivan ✕	



REMEMBER
in your prayers

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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 and Pete Desnoyer, Cecelia Mary Wedge, Jackie and 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 and Mary Verni, Jason Ryan Kathleen Flaherty Sites and Matthew Rogers & Family, Theresa Randall, Tim Smith, Charlie Smith, Christiane Van de Kerckhof and Paul Guilbeault.

Please call the office to add or remove a name from the list or to ask for visits to the sick or homebound.



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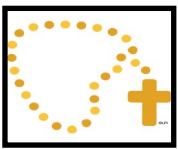
Sanctuary Lamps
St. Anthony's
Michele Perry
St. Rita's
For Our Parishioners

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.)

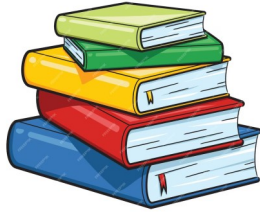
The Rosary

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



The 2026 Book Award

The Book Award Application is now available in the parish office or by emailing:



faithformation@anthonyandrita.com or office@anthonyandrita.com

These awards are made possible by a portion of the proceeds from the Christmas Fair.

The 2026 Parish Book Award is open to

- Active members of St. Anthony-St. Rita Parish
- Those who are graduating high school seniors in the class of 2026, pursuing higher education at an accredited college or university in the Fall of 2026.

Applications will be due no later than 2:00 pm May 29, 2026

Grace Before and Thanksgiving After Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We give thanks for all your benefits, almighty God, who lives and reigns forever. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. (Spontaneous prayers may also be used at mealtime.)

-The Essential Catholic Handbook pg. 67



Father Marek is organizing a pilgrimage to Poland from September 4 - September 14, 2026.

To receive more information please contact Father Marek at 508-274-3482 or email him at mchmki@yahoo.com

Kinds of Prayer

What are the different kinds of prayer? They may be divided according to their particular ends or means of expression.

What are the four kinds of prayer, divided according to their end?

1. *Adoration*, praising the greatness of God and expressing our love for Him;
2. *Thanksgiving*, showing our gratitude for His gifts;
3. *Atonement*, seeking to make reparation for our sins and defects;
4. *Petition*, asking for His gifts.

May prayers of petition be made on behalf of others?

Yes. Seeking graces and favors on behalf of others is a form of petition called *intercession*.

What are the two kinds of prayer, divided according to their means?

1. *Vocal* prayer, which may be either private or public;
2. *Mental* prayer, which may be either meditation or contemplation.

What is vocal prayer?

Prayer expressed by word of mouth, voicing the thoughts of the mind and interior sentiments of the heart.

What is private prayer?

Prayer that we offer as private individuals, either alone or in common with several others, e.g., in a family.

What is the public prayer of the Church?

Also called *liturgy*, it is prayer offered by the ministers of the Church, with or without the faithful assembled, in the name of the Church and according to her prescribed forms.

Is public prayer the most excellent of prayers?

Yes. "Liturgical prayer, being the public supplication of the illustrious Spouse of Jesus Christ, is superior in excellence to private prayers." It is objectively more efficacious in bringing sanctifying grace, although God may sometimes allow private prayer to be more efficacious for other graces.

-CREDO pg. 229-230

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

May 10, 2026

Weekly Receipts:

St. Anthony's-

First Collection: \$4,420.00

St. Rita's-

First Collection: \$472.00

St. Vincent de Paul- \$871.00

April Online Giving: \$2,440.00

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 8 AM & 7 PM Mass

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.**

Family Contribution Report \$

If you would like your contribution report for **2025 for tax purposes**, please call the office.

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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