

# ST. ANTHONY — ST. RITA PARISH


*May 24, 2026*  
*Pentecost Sunday*



• PENTECOST SUNDAY •

**FILLED WITH  
THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

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<b>Saturday</b> 4:30PM	May 23rd <b>Stephen Prout</b> ✠	
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	May 24th <b>For Our Parish Family</b> <b>For Our Parish Family</b> <b>Jim Sullivan, Frank Sullivan, Neil Sullivan &amp; David Sullivan</b> ✠	
<b>Monday</b> 8:00AM	May 25th <b>Fernando Rodrigues</b> ✠	
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 AM	May 26th <b>Jean Revil</b> ✠ (Birthday)	
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 AM	May 27th <b>Lee Talty</b> ✠	
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 AM	May 28th <b>James Crook</b> ✠	
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 AM	May 29th <b>Dolores Mahoney</b> ✠	
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 PM	May 30th <b>Christine Barber</b> ✠	
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	June 1st <b>Beryl M. Sullivan</b> ✠ <b>Paul Snider</b> ✠ <b>For Our Parish Family</b>	

✠ **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.



**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 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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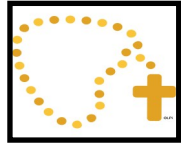
***Sanctuary Lamps***  
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**For Our Parishioners**  
  
St. Rita's  
**For Our Parishioners**

*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**

**Prayer to Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

O Mother of Perpetual Help, behold at your feet a wretched sinner who turns to you and puts all trust in you. Mother of mercy, have pity on me! I hear those who call you the refuge and hope of sinners: be then my refuge and my hope. Help me for the love of Jesus Christ; hold out your hand to fallen sinners who commend and dedicate themselves forever to your service. Praise and thanks be to God, who in his great mercy has given me this trust in you, sure pledge of my eternal salvation.

-The Essential Catholic Handbook pg. 72



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**

How may the faithful take part in this public prayer of the Church?

By devout participation in the various liturgical offices, e.g., Holy Mass, Benediction, Vespers, processions, etc.

What is mental prayer?

Interior prayer, in which the mind and heart are applied to divine things, with or without words.

What is meditation?

From the Latin *meditatio* (thinking over), it is mental prayer in which the mind reflects on some spiritual theme in God's presence and stirs the will to make practical resolutions.

Is meditation very useful?

Yes. By meditation we absorb the truths of faith with our intellect, and make acts of repentance and love with our will, renewing good resolutions, strengthening against vice, and growing in virtue.

What subjects of meditation should we prefer?

The mysteries of Our Lord's life and Passion, as presented in the Gospels.

What can help focus our attention for meditation?

1. *Sacred reading (lectio divina)*, dwelling on the texts of scripture or the liturgy; 2. *Devotional reading* of the works of Catholic saints and spiritual masters; 3. *Sacred art*, in the Church's various visual and musical traditions.

What are the most advisable methods for meditation?

There are many classical approaches to Christian meditation, e.g., *lectio divina*, the Rosary, Ignation exercises, Teresian imaginative prayer, etc. Even so, the goal of all true prayer is union with God, which cannot be "mastered" by technique.

What is contemplation?

From the Latin *contemplatio* (looking at), it is mental prayer in which the mind and heart are lifted and absorbed in God's presence, engaged in the simple gaze and wordless act of loving communion.

-CREDO pg. 230-231

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

May 17, 2026

Weekly Receipts:

**St. Anthony's-**

First Collection: \$4,139.00

Catholic Communication: \$1,156.00

**St. Rita's-**

First Collection: \$750.00

Catholic Communication: \$127.00

**St. Vincent de Paul-** \$871.00

*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](http://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.

### PARISH OFFICE

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### STAFF

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