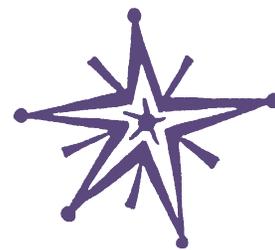


Advent Mission 2018

AT ST. ANTHONY DE PADUA CATHOLIC PARISH



We invite you to prepare your hearts for the coming of the Lord with us at St. Anthony de Padua Catholic Parish. All are invited to attend our 2018 Advent Mission which will help us to reflect on the life of our patron, Saint Anthony de Padua. It is through the saints that we can find examples for how to grow closer to the Lord while we are here on earth.

What better time than this to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child at Christmas?

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 AT 6:15 PM

St. Anthony and Franciscan Spirituality, Sr. M. Benedicta Duna, OSF

Like St. Francis, St. Anthony's love for Jesus was centered on the Crib (Incarnation), the Cross, and the Chalice (Eucharist). By focusing on these three aspects of the life of Christ, it enabled him to find God in everything and everyone. Sr. Benedicta will reflect on St. Anthony's ability to bring people back to the faith through gentleness and humility.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 6:15 PM

St. Anthony's Love of Scripture, Fr. Jacob Meyer, St. Monica Parish

Upon his canonization in 1232, Pope Gregory IX called Anthony the "Ark of the Testament" and the "Repository of Holy Scripture." Fr. Jacob will explore St. Anthony's love of God's Word, his prayerful efforts to understand and apply scripture to everyday life, and how we can strive to incorporate scripture into our prayer lives.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT 6:15 PM

St. Anthony's Love of the Eucharist, Fr. Eric Burgener, St. Pius X

St. Anthony's fundamental and unwaivering belief that the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ is associated with miracles he performed during his life. Fr. Eric will discuss how the saint's fidelity to the Eucharist supplied him with the grace to live a life fully dedicated to God and to teach others to do the same.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18 AT 6:15 PM

St. Anthony's Love of the Christ Child, Sr. Marie Morgan, OSF

St. Anthony is most often shown with the child Jesus in his arms, and many writings about Anthony speak to his sense of wonder and awe concerning Christ's incarnation. Sr. Marie will help us consider how he carried out this ardent devotion to the Baby Jesus and how we can imitate it in our own lives, especially during the Advent and Christmas seasons.

The mission will take place after the 5:30pm Mass on each Tuesday of Advent. We will begin at 6:15pm with Evening Prayer and conclude with a reflection by our speakers, ending at 7:00pm. The church will remain open for 30 minutes after each reflection to allow for quiet prayer time and a space for contemplation during this busy season.