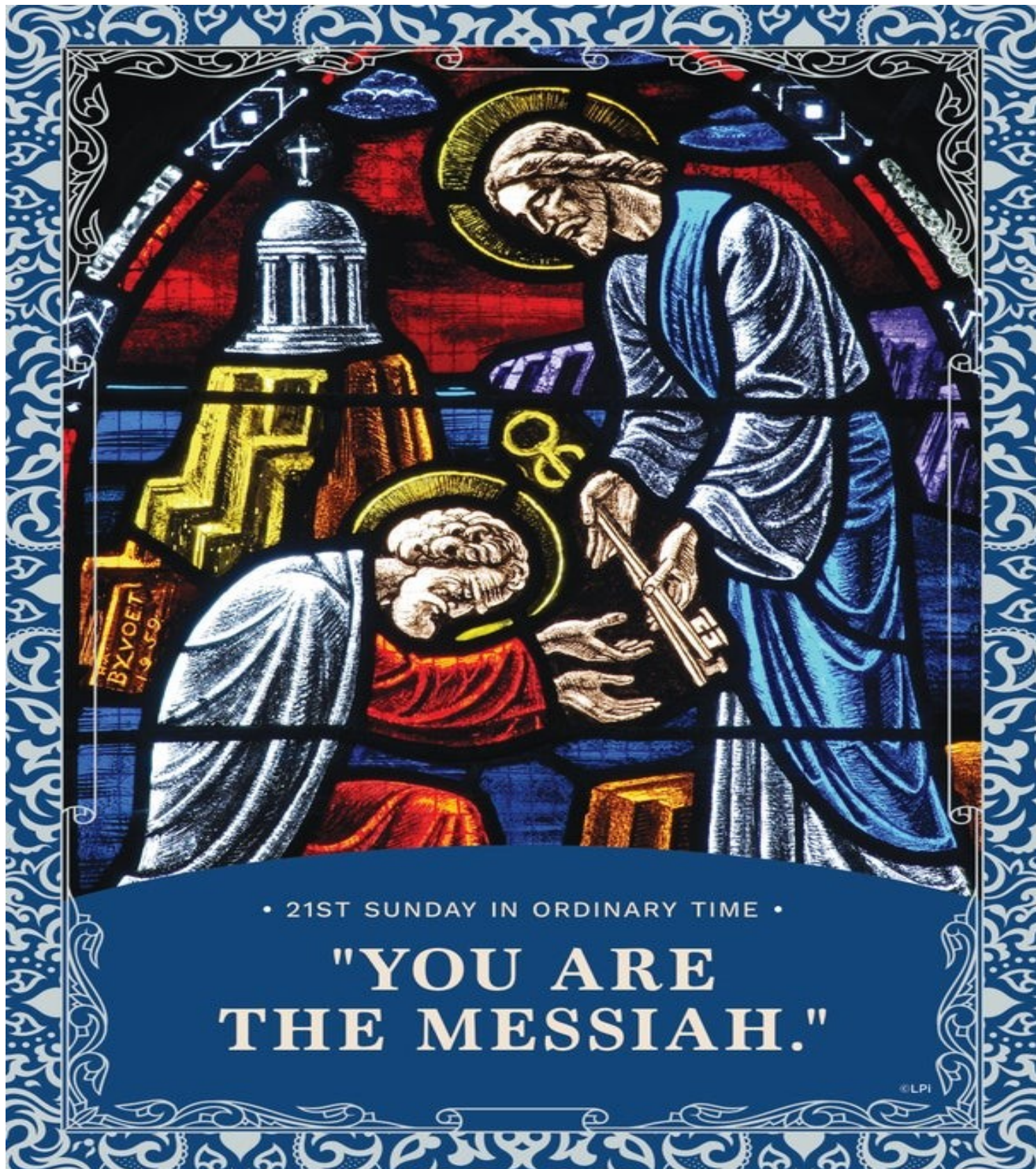


ST. ANTHONY — ST. RITA PARISH

August 23, 2026
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday
4:30 PM
5:00 PM

August 22nd
Peter Matthes ✕
Pamela Beard



Sunday
8:00 AM
9:30 AM
11:30 AM

August 23rd
Cynthia Clancy ✕ (10 Yr. Anniv.)
Angelo A. Migliero ✕
Frank & Masa Harrison ✕

Monday
8:00 AM

August 24th
Adilia Narvaez Gonzales ✕

Tuesday
8:00 AM

August 25th
Jacqueline McGraw ✕

Wednesday
8:00 AM

August 26th
Reverend Dorace Grabassos ✕

Thursday
8:00 AM

August 27th
Joe & Roberta (32nd Wedding Anniv.)

Friday
8:00 AM

August 28th
Jose Manuel Alves ✕

Saturday
4:30 PM
5:00 PM

August 29th
Lynne Robb ✕
Sue Sullivan ✕

Sunday
8:00 AM
9:30 AM

August 30th
Jacqueline McGraw ✕
Francis & Joan Rooney ✕ (10 Yr. Anniv.)
Jim & Naomi Cattell ✕

✕ 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 & 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 and Paul Guilbeault.

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



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

For Our Parishioners

Offertory Altar Bread & Wine

St. Anthony's

Louis Hayward

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.)

OCIA Inquiry Sessions

Curious about Catholicism? Do you have questions about what Catholics believe and why?

Join one of our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Inquiry sessions. Inquiry sessions are informal and open to anyone who has an interest in the Catholic faith. Whether you're considering becoming Catholic, returning after some time away, or simply seeking to deepen your understanding, you are warmly invited. The OCIA team will present some basic tenets of the faith, but most of the session will be devoted to answering your questions about Catholicism and helping you discern your next steps.

Session date: Saturday August 29th following the 4:30pm Mass. Location: Downstairs in the church hall.

OCIA Volunteers

Join Our OCIA Team – Share the Journey of Faith!

If you are baptized and confirmed in our faith you are already a member of the team. But we need people to take on more formal roles. Do you have a heart for welcoming others and walking with them as they explore the Catholic faith? Our parish is seeking caring, faith-filled individuals to join our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) team. Team members help accompany those who are preparing to become Catholic or seeking to deepen their understanding of the faith. Whether you enjoy sharing your personal faith story, offering hospitality, leading prayer, or simply being a friendly presence, your gifts can make a difference!

No teaching experience is required—just a willingness to listen, encourage, and grow in faith alongside others. The time commitment is flexible, it may be as simple as providing snacks and conversation before instruction. It may be standing by someone as a sponsor, attending Mass with them, and praying with and for them as they discern God's call.

Interested? Contact the Parish office (508) 758-3719/office@anthonyandrita.com for more information. Or stop by one of our Inquiry sessions and leave your name and contact information.



Saint Anthony's Saint Rita's Christmas By The Sea Bazaar Save the Date!

We are excited to announce that our 2026 Christmas By The Sea Bazaar will be held on

Saturday, December 5!

Plans are beginning for this wonderful parish tradition, and we are looking forward to another festive day filled with Christmas cheer, community, and fellowship. **We need your help to make it happen!** If you are interested in volunteering for this year's Bazaar—whether helping with preparations in the weeks leading up to the event or lending a hand on Bazaar Day—we would love to hear from you. There are many different ways to get involved, and all helping hands are welcome!

If you would like to volunteer or learn more, please contact **Katie Silvia** at her email: katsa06@gmail.com. Mark your calendars for December 5, and stay tuned for more Christmas By The Sea Bazaar announcements in the weeks ahead!

This year, we're inviting our Saint Anthony and Saint Rita parish community to help design our



2026 Parish Christmas Ornament!

Our theme for this year's ornament is:
"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

Children, grandchildren, families, and artistic parishioners of all ages are invited to submit an original design inspired by this beautiful Christmas message. The winning design will be featured on our **2026 Parish Christmas Ornament!** Designs should be created with a circular ornament shape in mind and must include the year 2026 somewhere in the design. Entries may be colorful or simple, traditional or creative—we can't wait to see how our parishioners bring this year's theme to life! **Submissions are due Monday, October 5.** A winner will be selected and announced in the following week's bulletin!

Clear photographs of your design may be emailed to **Teri Nelson** at ternel00@yahoo.com, or a physical copy may be dropped off at the **Parish Office, Attn: Teri Nelson.**

Gather the kids, break out the art supplies, or put your own artistic talents to work and help us create a special ornament that celebrates the joy and meaning of Christmas!

"O Come, Let Us Adore Him!"

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

August 16, 2026

Weekly Receipts:

St. Anthony's-

First Collection: \$6,576.00

St. Rita's-

First Collection: \$1,686.00

St. Vincent de Paul- \$812.00

Holy Day- \$443.00

Oblates of the Blessed Virgin Mary- \$1,011.00

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.**

The **Rosary** will be prayed on
Thursdays after 8 AM Mass.

Please consider joining us.



Grand Annual Parish Appeal

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our **"Grand Annual Parish Appeal."** If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your donation card, please do so as soon as possible. You can drop your gift in the basket at church or mail it to the parish office. You can also make your secure gift or pledge online today by visiting anthonyandrita.com and scrolling down to the "onate" button. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. ***Thank you.***

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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