

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Anthony of Padua Parish
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Holy Masses
This Week 

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

12:05 p.m. Intentions of Fr. Ben Nguyen

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

12:05 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

12:05 p.m. +John Belton

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

12:05 p.m. +Valeria Pelzel

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

4:00 p.m. +Diana D'Amato

5:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

9:30 a.m. St. Anthony Parish Family

11:00 a.m. Vietnamese Mass

Liturgical Roles for Saturday, April 27, at 4:00 p.m.:

Lector: C. Claycomb

E. Minister: C. Hartman

Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

Liturgical Roles for Sunday, April 28, at 9:30 a.m.:

Lector: C. Reyneros

E. Minister: S. Walcher

PARISH PRAYER LINE

+Jim Mies Jerry Warrell +John Belton
Ukraine and its Citizens Kathy Hunter
Devin Carpenter Marian Eggbert Grace
Johnny Gabe Domimelli Jim Garcia
Azariah Willis Julie Munoz Ares Reid

Good News!

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We live with a maze of instincts—some from the dark side and some from the light. In her book *Caste*, Isabel Wilkerson describes how cultures tend to consign certain individuals to the bottom of the social ladder. She specifically compares the caste system in India with how the Nazis sought to suppress and eliminate Jews and with the way blacks were oppressed by slavery and even in our own time. She describes the instinct in every society to relegate others to a lower class, always seeking to ensure that we are not at the bottom. This instinct can come from the dark side of people.

There is also an instinct for goodness to others, an instinct of light—to recognize everyone as brothers and sisters. As Saint John notes, “we are God’s children now” (1 John 3:2). It is the voice of the Shepherd instilled in the human spirit that calls us into one fold, the voice of God urging us to healing goodness.

It is the dark side that nurtures white supremacy. It is the light that enables us to see beyond the color of our skin. It is the dark side that excludes those who seem different. It is the light that welcomes and offers hospitality. It is the dark side that succumbs to fear. It is the light of God’s love that confronts the wolves of hate and urges us to follow. There is always tension between darkness and light. ●

OFFERING

April 14, 2024

English: \$ 2,318.00

VN: \$ 3,791.00

Total: \$ 6,109.00

APRIL 21, 2024

This Sunday, April 21, the combined Mass at 10:00 a.m. instead of the regular Sunday Masses of 9:30 a.m. (English) and 11:00 a.m. (Vietnamese) is being celebrated outdoors at the Our Lady of LaVang grotto in the north parking lot. Although only a couple years old, the grotto is already getting a lot of use. And people passing by have commented on how inspiring it is to see an outdoors place of prayer in the neighborhood.

There will be no 12:05 Mass at St. Anthony's on Wednesday, May 1. On that day, Fr. Ben will be concelebrating the noon Mass at the Cathedral in celebration of Bishop Kemme's 10-year anniversary. Everyone is asked to pray for our Shepherd on his anniversary.

Priests and Curia Members have been formally invited to a luncheon at the Cathedral on May 1 in honor of Bishop Keeme's 10-year Episcopal Anniversary in the Diocese of Wichita following the Mass.

The Catholic Diocese of Wichita is seeking a **St. Dismas Coordinator**. Additional information may be found at: <https://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/careers/>

Psst. . .

On May 31 and June 1, our Vietnamese community will be having their annual Crawfish Festival. There are specific times for that Festival. On Friday, May 31, the hours will be 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. On Saturday, June 1, the hours will be 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Something to think about.....

Can there be a more fitting pursuit in youth or a more valuable possession in old age than a knowledge of Holy Scripture? In the midst of storms it will preserve you from the dangers of shipwreck and guide you to the shore of an enchanting paradise and the everlasting bliss of the angels.

---Anonymous

Dear Padre

April 21, 2024

My son was raised Catholic and still claims he is Catholic, but he and his wife go to a Protestant church. How should I deal with my frustration?

Many parents and grandparents today share your frustration. They raised their children Catholic, maybe even sent them to Catholic schools, but the children have grown up and chosen not to continue to be faithful Catholics. A recent survey showed that nine out of ten people say they believe in God, but often they are not committed to a single religion or house of worship. About half of the people questioned attend religious services less than once a month, or never. The loyalty to one Church that was evident in our own lives, or in our parents' and grandparents' lives, is lacking in today's people under age fifty-five.

What can one do about this situation? Certainly pray for your children and continue to give a good example through your own loyalty to the Catholic Church and attendance at Sunday Mass. Invite your son and his wife to attend with you when they visit. As your children age, they may become more interested in your family's history and traditions, and the religion of their childhood may again appear attractive. Try to be patient and continue to pray that your children will return to the Church of their roots. ●

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