



Blessed Trinity

Weekend Magazine

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October 22, 2023 ▪ The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer to St. Anthony to find an item that was lost



"Dear St. Anthony, please come around: something is lost, and it cannot be found."

Losing or misplacing something can be quite frustrating. Especially when you lose an item or object that you urgently need. **The good news is that St. Anthony of Padua is here to help.**

The Portuguese and the Italian claim Saint Anthony as their own, and not without reason on both sides: born in Lisbon in 1195 under the name Fernando de Bulloes y Taveira de Azevedo, upon entering the Order of Friars

Minor (that is, the Franciscan Order) he assumed the name Antonio, in homage to San Antonio Abad. **In Padua, the city where he died and is buried**, stands the Basilica dedicated to him, popularly known simply under the name of "il santo" – "the saint" – no further info needed.

Saint Anthony is widely known as the "Patron Saint of Lost Things." It all goes back to a story from his life. A novice stole a book of Psalms he had. When St. Anthony prayed to God for it to be recovered, the novice returned it to him.

Throughout the centuries countless people have turned to St. Anthony in their hour of need, and many times their prayers were answered. **Invoking his intercession does not always guarantee that the item will be found, but when the person prays to St. Anthony with an honest faith and open heart, God always answers the petition somehow.**

Here is a popular prayer to St. Anthony to recover a lost item, as well as a catchy rhyme that is easy to memorize.

St. Anthony, perfect imitator of Jesus, who received from God the special power of restoring lost things, grant that I may find [name the item] which has been lost. At least restore to me peace and tranquility of mind, the loss of which has afflicted me even more than my material loss. To this favor, I ask another of you: that I may always remain in possession of the true good that is God. Let me rather lose all things than lose God, my supreme good. Let me never suffer the loss of my greatest treasure, eternal life with God. Amen

or

Tony, Tony, look around. Something's lost and must be found!

or

Dear St. Anthony, please come around: something is lost, and it cannot be found.

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Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

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Saturdays 2:45-3:45

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Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

10/22 • Msgr. John A. Cippel
10/23 • Rev. Hector Cruz
10/24 • Rev. Anthony Ustick
10/25 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
10/26 • Rev. Stephan Brown
10/27 • Rev. Augustine Mailadiyi
10/28 • Rev. Saji James, MST

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.



October 22, 2023

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5b | Mt 22:15-21

Written by
THE
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It strikes me that our readings today are about “belonging.” It may seem like a simple concept, but in practice its meaning and ramifications run deep. Picture a young child coming home after a day at school or child care: He or she may even audibly let out a sigh of relief at the familiar surroundings, the presence of Mom and/or Dad, and all that they hold dear. Is it so different for us? We are God’s, we belong to him. In the first reading God tells Cyrus, “I have called you by your name.” And Jesus says to repay “to God what belongs to God.” How do we do that? We, who have been called by name by virtue of our baptism, do this by putting God first in our lives. By loving God with all our heart, soul, and mind. And by giving him not the leftovers, but the first fruits of our talents, our treasure, and our time. Spend some time in prayer with God today and listen to the words he writes upon your heart.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We have been chosen by God to spread his Good News in the world. We are his witnesses. Sound intimidating? I took comfort in the words from Saint Paul in the second reading: “For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.” Is it always a “piece of cake” to be Christ’s disciples in the world helping to build his kingdom here on earth? No, certainly not. But the knowledge that we are beloved and valuable in the sight of God, coupled with the power and strength of the Holy Spirit, fortifies us for the task. Are we up to the task? Yes. We belong to God now and forever. Let us strive to act like a child of God in all things, and deepen our reliance on the Holy Spirit when things get tough.

WITNESS Today’s Gospel acclamation, from Philipians, says: “Shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life.” There is so much darkness in the world. Make an effort to be the “light” in someone’s life this week, whether it be a spouse, a child, a parent, or a co-worker.



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

Office Hours

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Journeying Through Grief

“Grief is not a sign of weakness. It is a tribute to the loved one who died, and a healthy response to our heart ache.”

If you would like to be part of a Grief-Support “group” or you would prefer “one on one” support, please call Rachel between 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the parish office, 727-867-3663

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 21, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Edward Natale (dec)

Saturday, October 21, Vigil for The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Dolores and Joseph Ciminera (dec)

Sunday, October 22, The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Peg O'Hara (dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Mary Beth Haining (dec)

Monday, October 23, Memorial of Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

8:00 a.m. Stella Locricchio (dec)

Tuesday, October 24, Memorial of Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:00 a.m. Tony Romani (dec)

Wednesday, October 25, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, October 26, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Dolores & Joseph Ciminera (dec)

Friday, October 27, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Dolores & Joseph Ciminera (dec)

Saturday, October 28, Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:00 a.m. Carole Huff (dec)

Saturday, October 28, Vigil for The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Carole Huff (dec)

Sunday, October 29, The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Dennis Dutilly (dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (dec)

Blessed Trinity Social Group

Some parishioners are initiating a social group to take advantage of all that St. Petersburg has to offer. A list of events and excursions is being compiled. More ideas would be warmly welcomed. We will have a special Flocknote Group created to help disseminate info on upcoming events.

Contact Susan Kruse at 803-261-4946 for more information or to offer suggestions for future outings.

To join the Flocknote Group, call the office Monday - Friday, before noon, and Emily can help to add you to the group.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Many years ago, during faith formation in my parish, one of the children wrote something that wasn't very nice on a textbook that belonged to someone else. Being the pastoral associate that oversaw the program, I began the investigation immediately. Slowly I began eliminating suspects until it became obvious who the perpetrator was. He denied he was the one, but after much pressure he broke down and confessed. Of course, I derived no satisfaction from finding out the culprit. Of course, it was my own son.

My son didn't want to come clean because he naturally feared what I would say and do when I found out. He also knew that our pastor would find out as well. He felt accountable for his actions and that made it very difficult for him. He realized he let himself, others that loved him, and God down. It was a lesson learned that wasn't much fun to go through. What I was grateful for was the fact that he felt the weight of what he had done. If he hadn't, things would have been very different.

That was a long time ago and when I reflect on it, I think about how often we all do things we regret and then have to face the consequences. But that's what being accountable is all about. We are accountable to those we love, to our neighbor, and to our God. When we begin to slide into a worldview that focuses too much on ourselves, we can easily make decisions that hurt others. We must always seek to do what is good in the eyes of God and that respects others. When we are children this is easier said than done. Alright, let's be honest--it isn't always so easy as adults either. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Benefit Concert in the Parish Hall
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Weekend of Oct 8th:

Offertory	\$7,196
Other Donations	\$ 116
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 267

Weekend of Oct 15th:

Offertory	\$4,591
Other Donations	\$3,780
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 431

Scripture Class

Blessed Trinity Scripture Classes have resumed from 10:00 am - 11:30 am. We will begin with a new study from Q Place "celebrate", yes to life in Christ.

Class will be held in the Courtyard Hall and the books will be \$12.00 for 12 sessions. For further information and to confirm attendance, please call Barbara Townsend (727) 867-3605



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To sign up please contact:
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or
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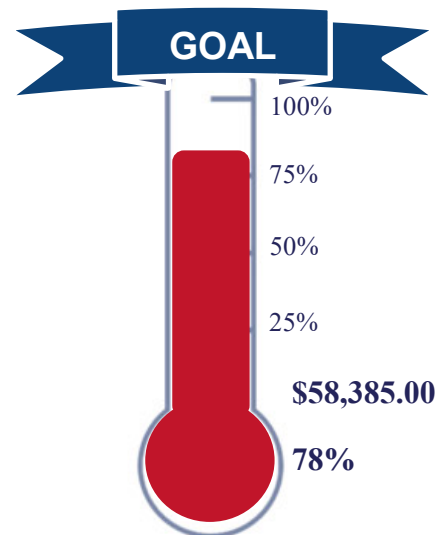
Autumn Harvest Dance

The Knights of Columbus are hosting an Autumn Harvest Dance in Parish Hall on Saturday, November 4th at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be \$10 each and there will be a 50/50 raffle benefiting Gold Star Families.




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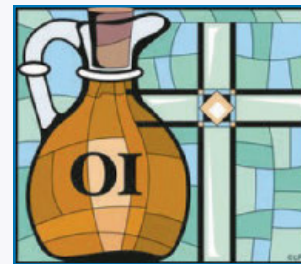
Please Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

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Brown, Bob & Beverly
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Christ, Kathryn
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Curtis, Sherlyl
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Gawlik, Sofia
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Helbig, Len
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Kindel, Helen
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Preeper, Helen
Riley, Marie
Roberts, Deacon Lionel

Romani, Angelo
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Thuline, James and
Lil
Vanderbeck, Jay
Walsh, Thomas
Youngman, Ruth



Anointing of the Sick

To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.

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