

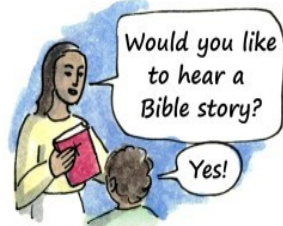
Jesus Sends Us to Do His Work

Today's Gospel reading tells the story of Jesus sending out His twelve apostles to do His work in the nearby towns. He was teaching them to do His work: healing the sick, raising the dead, and even driving out demons. Do you think they might have been a bit nervous, or even scared, to do this work?



Did you know that you are also called to be a disciple of Jesus? Some people are called to be missionaries and bring Jesus' word to far away places, but most of us - especially when we are young - are called to do Jesus' work close to home.

What are some of the ways you can be an apostle for Jesus? Maybe you can pray for sick or hurt people that you know of. You can tell people the stories of Jesus that you know. And did you know that even by being a good example to others, you are teaching them about the love of Jesus by your actions?



Don't be scared - do Jesus' work for the people around you today!

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

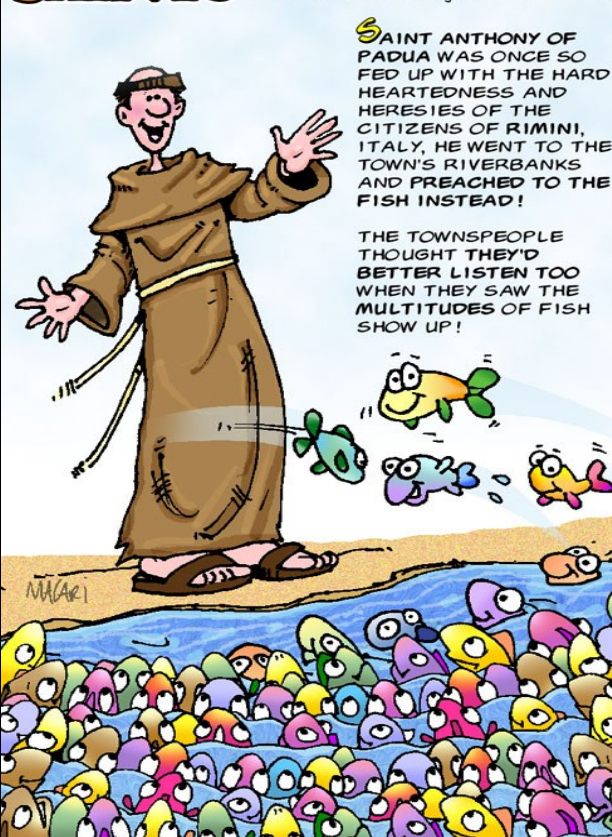
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

SAINT'S FUN FACTS by mario d. macari



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA WAS ONCE SO FED UP WITH THE HARD HEARTEDNESS AND HERESIES OF THE CITIZENS OF RIMINI, ITALY, HE WENT TO THE TOWN'S RIVERBANKS AND PREACHED TO THE FISH INSTEAD!

THE TOWNSPEOPLE THOUGHT THEY'D BETTER LISTEN TOO WHEN THEY SAW THE MULTITUDES OF FISH SHOW UP!

FOR THE LORD IS GOOD;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth
to all generations.

Psalms 100:5 KJV
Top-BibleVerses.com

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00am to 2:00p.m.
Closed Tuesdays, Weekends & Holidays



11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 14TH JUNE 2026 - YEAR A

His Mercy Endures Forever.

The words God speaks to Israel in today's First Reading are intended for us as well. The Church is the fulfillment of God's covenant promises to Israel, a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. In the Church, we have been gathered as the new "Israel of God". As we sing in the Psalm, He has made us His own people, the flock He tends.

Moses was Israel's first shepherd. With the Promised Land in sight, he prayed that God would raise up a successor so that God's people would not be left as sheep without a shepherd. These same words are used in the Gospel to describe Jesus' pity for the crowds, who are "harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd."

Israel's shepherds, the Pharisees and scribes, had abandoned and misled the people through their hypocrisy and spiritual blindness. But God had long before promised that He Himself would come and save His sheep, searching over the whole earth where they had been scattered for lack of a shepherd.

Jesus is the new Moses and new David promised by the prophets, a divine shepherd-king sent to restore God's priestly kingdom. As Moses commissioned Joshua as his successor, so we see Jesus giving the Twelve His powers and authority. In God's plan, they are to seek out the lost sheep of Israel first and then bring all nations into the fold.

Together we have been saved and reconciled to God. As He delivered Israel, He has also made us a kingdom of priests in the Church. So we come in this Mass to serve Him with gladness, to praise His kindness, which endures forever.

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Ex.19:2-6

Second Reading

Rom.5:6-11

Gospel

Mt.9:36-10:8



MASS TIMES

Gros Islet

Morning Prayers:
Mon -Fri
5:45 a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere

7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

Variable



St. Anthony of Padua - Feast Day June 13th

St. Anthony of Padua is one of the Church's most popular saints. Born in 1195 in Portugal into one of the prominent families of the city, he was named Fernando at Baptism. At the age of 15 he entered the Order of St. Augustine where he learned the Augustinian theology that he would later combine with Franciscan vision. He was probably ordained a priest during this time.

His life took a crucial turn when the bodies of the first five Franciscan martyrs were returned from Morocco, and carried in solemn procession to Fernando's monastery. Inspired to become a Franciscan, he eventually received permission to leave the Augustinian Abbey to join the new Franciscan Order, where he changed his name to Anthony.

Perhaps we would never have heard of Anthony if he hadn't gone to an ordination of Dominicans and Franciscans in 1222. As they gathered for a meal afterward, Anthony was asked to give a speech. His knowledge was unmistakable, but his holiness was what really impressed everyone. His quiet life of prayer and penance at the hermitage was exchanged for that of a public preacher. So simple and resounding was his teaching of the Catholic Faith, the unlettered and the innocent could understand his messages. Despite his efforts, not everyone listened.

Legend has it that one day, faced with deaf ears, Anthony went to the river and preached to the fish. When the critics saw the fish begin to gather, they realized they should also listen to what Anthony had to say. St. Francis heard of Anthony's gifts and gave his approval and blessing for Anthony to instruct his brother Franciscans. Anthony became the first teacher in the Franciscan Order.

The reason for invoking St. Anthony's help in finding lost or stolen things is traced back to an incident in his own life. As the story goes, Anthony had a book of psalms that was very important to him. Besides the value of any book before the invention of printing, the Psalter had the notes and comments he had made to use in teaching students in his Franciscan Order. A novice who had grown tired of living religious life decided to leave the community, taking with him Anthony's Psalter. Upon realizing his Psalter was missing, Anthony prayed it would be found or returned to him. After his prayer the novice was moved to return the Psalter to Anthony and to return to the Order.

St. Anthony's life is what every Christian's life is meant to be; a steady courage to face the ups and downs of life, the call to love and forgive, to be concerned for the needs of others, to deal with crises great and small, and totally trusting in the love of God.

He was only 36 years-old when he died and was canonized less than one year afterward by Pope Gregory IX. Upon exhumation some 336 years after his death, his body was found to be corrupted, yet his tongue was totally incorrupt, so perfect were the teachings that had been formed upon it. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946.

St. Anthony is celebrated as a teacher and preacher extraordinaire and the patron saint of lost and stolen articles

(excerpt: stanthony.org)
(excerpt: catholic.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Marie Joseph
Claudia Joseph

DECEASED

Ron Drakes
Maria Philip
Lina Modeste
Cecilia Richard
Clement Myers
Mary Charmont
Jamie Alcindore

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

1Kgs.21:1-16
Mt.5:38-42



TUESDAY

1Kgs.21:17-29
Mt.5:43-48



WEDNESDAY

2Kgs.2:1,6-14
Mt.6:1-6,16-18



THURSDAY

Ecc.48:1-15
Mt.6:7-15



FRIDAY

2Kgs.11:1-4,9-18,20
Mt.6:19-23



SATURDAY

2Chr.24:17-25
Mt.6:24-34



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A		
Sat Jun 13 - 6:00 p.m.	<i>Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture</i>	Sp. Int: Girard Glace family Sancha James, Rhyland Joseph Thks: Augusta Toussaint Alghitha Richelieu & family
Sun Jun 14 - 7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		B'day: Anthony Robinson Int: Marilyn Hyacinth & family
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Thks: John & Dianne Mzondo Lucella Sandiford & family
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Thks: Anne Marie Paul & family Marcia Haywood & family
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Jun 15 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph	De'd: Thelma Joseph James & Paulina Prudent
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Cyrillia & Althea Palton
Tue Jun 16 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Errol Frederick Sr. Rosemarie Minj	Holy Spirit: Seth Clark Shaquille Jn. Marie
Wed Jun 17 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Yvon Tremont Sr. Benedicta Chanda	B'day: Tyler James Prudent Thks: Miguel Louisy, Ellen Regis
Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Jun 18 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Gabriel Arockiasammy Sr. Bernadette Peter	De'd: Letitia Laurent
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Marcia Haywood & family
Fri Jun 19 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Lambert St. Rose	B'day: Isabella McLean
12:30 p.m.		De'd: Thomas Louis
Sat Jun 20 - 6:30 a.m. <i>BVM</i>	Fr. Paul Vu	De'd: Gemma Joseph Joseph Kent Joseph