

*Thou hast not offered me the ram
of thy holocaust*

*Thou hast made me to serve with thy sins,
thou hast wearied me with thy iniquities*



Juan de Valdés Leal, *Ecce Homo* (1657-59). Oil on canvas.

I AM, I AM

He that blot out thy iniquities for My own sake



St. Anthony of Padua Church

SOCIETY OF ST. PIUS X

Bulletin for March 2010

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103 Gould Avenue, North Caldwell, New Jersey 07006

March Calendar

- 4 St. Casimir / St. Lucius
- 5 First Friday
- 6 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity / First Saturday
- 7 3rd Sunday of Lent / St. Thomas Aquinas
- 8 St. John of God
- 8-13 *Men's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)*
- 9 St. Frances of Rome
- 10 Forty Holy Martyrs
- 12 St. Gregory I, the Great
- 14 4th Sunday of Lent (Lætare Sunday)
- 17 St. Patrick
- 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem
- 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 21 Passion Sunday / St. Benedict
- 24 St. Gabriel
- 25 Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 26 Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 27 St. John Damascene
- 28 **Palm Sunday** / St. John Capistran

Sunday Catechism Classes

Religious education classes are divided into the following categories: pre-First Communion; First Communion; post-First Communion; pre-Confirmation; Confirmation & post-Confirmation; and Apologetics (adults and older children).

Classes are scheduled at 9:30 AM, between the two Sunday Masses, and commence after the thanksgiving silence. Winter/Spring classes are **March 7 & 21** and **April 18**.

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Daylight Savings Time for 2010 begins at 2 AM on Sunday, March 14. Please remember to set your clocks **ahead** one hour when going to bed the night before.

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Jordan Fahnestock

(in residence at: St. Ignatius Retreat House, 209 Tackora Trail, Ridgefield, CT 06877. Telephone: **203-431-0201**)

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Holy Days: 10:00 AM & 7:30 PM
Saturday Mass: 6:00 PM / First Friday: 6:00 PM

Confession

Confessions are heard prior to every Mass.

Other Sacraments, Sick Calls, & Pastoral Visits

Please contact Fr. Fahnestock at the Ridgefield retreat house (203-431-0201) for information regarding Baptism, Marriage, Confirmation, Extreme Unction, Sick Calls, and possible priestly vocations.

Contact Us:

Parish phone: (973) 228-1230
Web: <http://www.latin-mass.net> SSPX: <http://sspax.org>

Feast of St. Joseph

To be convinced how much the intercession of St. Joseph prevails with Jesus Christ, we have only to consider these words of the Evangelist: *And he was subject to them.* The Son of God employed 30 years assiduously obeying Joseph and Mary! It was sufficient for Joseph, by the least word or sign, to show that he wished Him to do anything; Jesus immediately obeyed. This humble obedience of Jesus teaches us that the dignity of Joseph is above that of all the other Saints, except that of the Queen of Saints. We should be particularly devout to St. Joseph, that he may obtain for us a happy death.

The Annunciation of Mary

This feast recalls the greatest event in history, the Incarnation of Our Lord. On this day, the Word was made flesh, and united to itself forever the humanity of Jesus. The mystery of the Incarnation has earned for Mary her most glorious title, that of "Mother of God" (in Greek, Theotokos). Since the title of Mother of God makes Mary all powerful with her Son, let us have recourse to her intercession with Him, so that by the merits of His passion and crucifixion we may have part in the glory of His resurrection.

First Friday Homeschool Gathering

The monthly Homeschool Gathering will be conducted on First Friday, March 5. Holy Mass will be at 10 AM; confessions will be heard before Mass. The children will participate in communications activities; there will also be choral instruction and activities for the younger children. Lunch will be provided.

Spring Cleaning Work Day

The chapel will have a spring cleaning and Easter preparation work day on Saturday, March 6, from 10 AM to 3 PM. Lunch will be provided.

Tasks will include cleaning, painting, polishing, window washing, and possible outdoor work. There will be several teams with various tasks assigned.

All able-bodied parishioners are asked to participate. Please use the sign-up sheets in the social hall.

Mary's Flowers Easter Flower Sale

Mary's Flowers girls will conduct an Easter Flower Sale, with orders taken on Passion Sunday (March 21) for delivery the following Sunday. All parishioners are encouraged to support this fundraiser. Proceeds are used to purchase flowers for the Mary's Flowers Garden outside the chapel.

Easter Duty

The Third Precept of the Church states: "To confess at least once a year, and to receive the Holy Eucharist during the Easter period." In the United States, the Easter period lasts from Ash Wednesday until Trinity Sunday. This duty is binding even after the prescribed time has elapsed, until the duty is fulfilled.

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Administrative Notes

Bookstore & Thrift Shop

St. Anthony's Bookstore & Thrift Shop will be open on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Please support our chapel as your source for Catholic books, religious items, and gifts. All proceeds benefit our parish!

Mass Intentions & Stipends

To have Masses offered for the intentions of living or deceased persons, the requestor must contact and contract with the desired priest personally. (The USA District set Mass stipend is \$15 per Mass request, which is only a suggested offering for the priest; more can be given if desired, or if one cannot legitimately afford the set offering, a lesser amount/service can be arranged with the priest.)

Donation Checks

You may make donation checks payable to "St. Anthony of Padua Church-SSPX."

Envelopes for Cash Donations

When using a cash donation envelope, please fill in the lines for name, address, date of contribution, and donation amount. This allows the accountant to retain your envelope as a "receipt" for the donor records. **NOTE:** you do not need to use an envelope when making a donation by check.

Choir

New voices are always welcome in the choir! Boys and girls are encouraged to offer their voices to the praise of God in the children's choir. Please see the choir director if you are interested in lending your voice.

Pastoral Meetings — March 2010

1st Saturday – Third Order Carmelites / Mary's Flowers / Maidens of the Immaculate Heart / St. Anthony's Chapter of the Eucharistic Crusaders (Groups I, II)

2nd Sunday – Holy Name Society / Sodality of Our Lady of Sorrows & Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers (9:30 AM)

4th Sunday – Pastor's liturgical instruction (9:00 AM)

Planning Outlook

The following events are "on the horizon." Details will be announced as event dates grow nearer.

Apr. 1: Holy Thursday

Apr. 2: Good Friday

Apr. 3: Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

Apr. 4: Easter

Apr. 19-24: Women's 5-Day Retreat (*Ridgefield, Ct.*)

Apr. 25: First Confession

May 2: First Holy Communion / May Crowning

May 13: The Ascension of Our Lord (holy day)

May 17-22: Men's 5-Day Retreat (*Ridgefield, Ct.*)

May 23: Pentecost

May 30: Trinity Sunday

Jun. 3: Feast of Corpus Christi

Jun. 11: Feast of the Sacred Heart

Jun. 21-26: Women's 5-Day Retreat (*Ridgefield, Ct.*)

Jun. 22: Confirmation (*St. Anthony's, N. Caldwell, N.J.*)

Jul. 1: Feast of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus

Jul. 12-17: Men's 5-Day Retreat (*Ridgefield, Ct.*)

Holy Week 2010 – Schedule

Palm Sunday

8:00 AM Blessing and distribution of palms; Mass

10:30 AM Distribution of palms; High Mass and procession

Holy Thursday

6:30 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Mass of the Last Supper / Mandatum /

Procession to Altar of Adoration, with adoration until 10 PM

Good Friday

1:00 PM Confessions

2:15 PM Stations of the Cross

3:00 PM Mass of the Presanctified

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

9:30 PM Confessions

10:30 PM Easter vigil

12:00 MID Missa Cantata

Easter Sunday

10:00 AM Mass

SSPX Consecration to the Immaculate Heart

Fr. Rostand, District Superior for the United States, wishes to renew the SSPX's consecration of the United States to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, serving as a source of many graces of conversion and of sanctification of souls.

A preparatory novena will be prayed after every Mass from March 12 to March 20. The consecration will take place on Sunday, March 21; following the principal Mass, Benediction will be celebrated with the reading of the consecration.

Confirmation at St. Anthony's

On Tuesday, June 22, Bishop Alfonso de Galarreta will be visiting St. Anthony's to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. Details will be announced as the date draws closer.

If any parishioners have not yet been confirmed but wish to receive this Sacrament in June, please contact the pastor or the parish coordinator for information.

Support for Our Seminarians

Parishioners wishing to financially assist the seminarians known to our parish, Rev. Mr. Therasian Xavier from India and Mr. Frankter Natera, may contribute directly to their tuition accounts. Tuition at the seminary is \$7,000 per year. You may send donations to: St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary, 21077 Quarry Hill Rd., Winona, MN 55987. Make checks payable to "St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary" and **write the seminarian's name and "tuition" in the memo section.**

Rev. Mr. Xavier and Mr. Natera express their gratitude for any assistance that the parishioners of St. Anthony's may offer.

Poor Box (Good Samaritan Fund)

The ongoing Good Samaritan Fund, a fund for the relief of the needy our parish, is separate from church collections. Donations by cash or check (made out to the church) may be placed in the white box located at the chapel entrance. If you are (or someone you know is) in need of assistance, contact the pastor or coordinator, either in person or by a note in the Good Samaritan box. Recipients' names and relief given will be known only to the pastor and coordinator.

The Man of Sorrows

by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, excerpted from Divine Intimacy

It is the suffering Christ who presents Himself to us, covered with the shining purple of His Blood, wounded from head to foot. “Why then is Thy apparel red, and Thy garments like theirs that tread in the winepress? I have trodden the winepress alone, and of the Gentiles there is not a man with Me.” (Isaias 63:2-3) All alone Jesus trod the winepress of His Passion. Let us think of His agony in the Garden of Olives, where the vehemence of His grief covered all His members with a bloody sweat. Let us think of the moment when Pilate, after having Him scourged, brought Him before the mob, saying: “Behold the Man!” Jesus stood there, His head crowned with thorns, His flesh lacerated by the whips; the brilliant red of His Blood mingled with the purple of His cloak, that cloak of derision with which the soldiers had clothed their mock king. Christ was offering Himself as a sacrifice for men, shedding His Blood for their salvation, and men were abandoning Him. “I looked about and there was none to help; I sought, and there was none to give aid.” Where were the sick whom He had cured, the blind, who at the touch of His Hand had recovered their sight, the dead who were raised to life, the thousands whom He had miraculously fed with bread in the wilderness, the wretched without number who in countless ways had experienced His goodness? Before Jesus there was only an infuriated mob clamoring: *Crucify Him! Crucify Him!* Even the Apostles, His most intimate friends, had fled; indeed one of them had betrayed Him: “If he that hated Me had spoken great things against Me, I would perhaps have hidden Myself from him. But thou, a man of one mind, My guide, and My familiar, who didst take sweetmeats together with Me” (Psalms 54:13, 14). We read these words [on Wednesday of Holy Week], as on all the Wednesdays of the year, in the psalms of Terce. To this text which is so deeply expressive of the bitterness Jesus felt when betrayed and abandoned by His own, there is a corresponding response at Matins: “Instead of loving Me, they decied Me, and returned evil for good, and hate in exchange for My love.”

As we contemplate Jesus in His Passion, each one of us can say to himself, *dilexit me, et tradidit semetipsum pro me*, He loved me, and delivered Himself for me (Galatians 2:20); and it would be well to add, “How have I repaid His love?”

Jesus is singularly worthy of the gratitude and fidelity of men. No one has ever done more for them than He; yet no

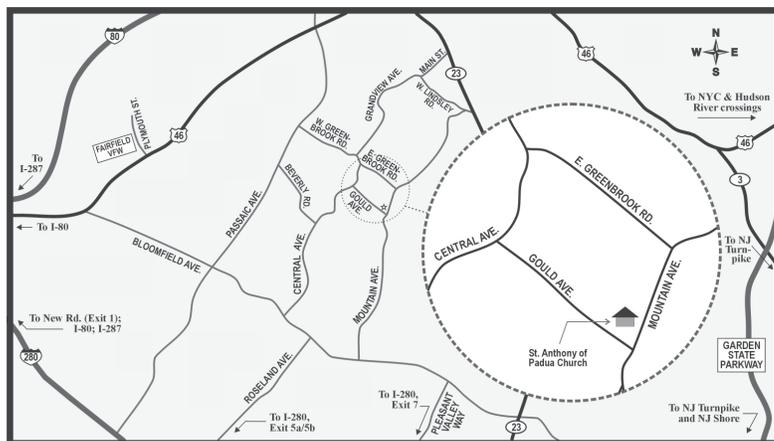
one has suffered more than He the bitterness of ingratitude and treachery.

Let us review for a moment the prologue of St. John’s Gospel, which presents Jesus to us in all His divine Majesty, in the eternal splendor of the Word, the “true light which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world.” Compare it then with the lesson from Isaias (53:1-12), which describes the opprobrium and ignominy to which His Passion has reduced Him. The result should be a deeper understanding of the two great truths that emerge: the exceeding charity with which Jesus has loved us, and the enormous gravity of sin.

Of Him, the Son of God, it was written: “There is no beauty in Him, nor comeliness: and we have seen Him, and there was no sightlines that we should be desirous of Him: despised and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows ... His look was, as it were, hidden.” He has no beauty, He who is the splendor of the Father. He seeks to hide his face, He, the sight of whose face is the beatitude of the angels and saints. He is so disfigured that He seems like a leper, so abject that no account is made of Him. To this pitiable condition our sins have reduced Him. “Surely He hath borne our infirmities and carried our sorrows” — infirmities and sorrows are the consequences of sin — “He was wounded for our iniquities and bruised for our sins ... The Lord took all our iniquity upon Himself.”

The consideration of the horror of sin should throw into relief the other great truth of the Passion; namely, the inexpressible love of Christ. This love made Him willingly accept His Passion; and having accepted it because “He willed it,” He did not evade His enemies, but freely gave Himself into their hands. Let us recall the moment when Jesus, by His divine power, cast to the ground the soldiers who had come to arrest Him, and having said that, if He wished, He could have legions of angels to defend Him, allowed them to take and bind Him without any resistance. Let us remember that, when He was taken prisoner and condemned, He did not hesitate to say to the Roman governor, “Thou shouldst not have any power against Me, unless it were given thee from above” (John 19:11). Jesus is the victim. He goes willingly to be sacrificed; He immolates Himself lovingly, with sovereign liberty. We touch here the summit of love, the summit of liberty, for we speak of the love and the liberty of God.

Map & Directions to St. Anthony of Padua Church (intersection of Gould Avenue and Mountain Avenue)



From US-46 (east of Willowbrook Mall):

US-46W to NJ-23S. Right on Lindsley Rd. Left on Mountain Ave. Right to 103 Gould Ave.

From US-46 (west of Willowbrook Mall, #1):

US-46E to NJ-23S. Right on Lindsley Rd. Left on Mountain Ave. Right to 103 Gould Ave.

From US-46 (west of Willowbrook Mall, #2):

US-46E to Bloomfield Ave. Right on Bloomfield Ave. Left on Mountain Ave. Left to 103 Gould Ave.

From I-280 (option #1):

Exit 5a or 5b to Livingston Ave (northbound). Right on Eagle Rock Ave. Left on Roseland Ave. Right on Bloomfield Ave. Left on Mountain Ave. Left to 103 Gould Ave.

From I-280 (option #2):

Exit 7 to Pleasant Valley Way (northbound). Left on Bloomfield Ave. Right on Mountain Ave. Left to 103 Gould Ave.

From NJ-23 (southbound):

NJ-23S, past Willowbrook Mall and Wayne Towne Center. Right on Lindsley Rd. Left on Mountain Ave. Right to 103 Gould Ave.

From NJ-23 (northbound):

Left on Lindsley Rd. Left on Mountain Ave. Right to 103 Gould Ave.

From I-80 (eastbound):

Exit 47B (The Caldwells/Montclair) to US-46E. Right on Bloomfield Ave. Left on Mountain Ave. Left to 103 Gould Ave.

From I-80 (westbound):

Exit 53 to NJ-23S. Right on Lindsley Rd. Left on Mountain Ave. Right to 103 Gould Ave.

From I-287:

I-287 to NJ-23 or I-80, whichever is closer. Follow directions as above for NJ-23 southbound or I-80 eastbound.