



SAINT ANTHONY of PADUA

Catholic Community

SUNDAY MASS

12:30pm

5649 Mount Gilead Road
Centreville, VA

Also streamed live on Facebook

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

1st Sunday of Each Month

*class is held during the 12:30pm
mass and supplemental materials
are made available on the parish
website.*

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Last Sunday of Each Month

*contact a member of the hospitality
team if you'd like to bring a treat to
share!*

Chrism

CHRISM is the most special of all the oils used for Catholic sacraments and rituals. Traditionally, it is olive oil enhanced with balsam, a perfume. Today, other oils and perfumes may be used, especially in regions where the traditional ingredients are difficult to obtain. No matter the formula, Sacred Chrism should have a pleasing aroma.

Chrism is the oil used for the three sacraments that may be received only once in a lifetime: Baptism, Confirmation, and Ordination to the priesthood and episcopacy. It carries a strong association with the Holy Spirit, who consecrates the faithful for service according to the sacrament they receive.

Only the bishop may consecrate Chrism. If the parish supply begins to run low, the local priest may not create more. He must obtain it from the bishop. The bishop consecrates this oil only once a year at the Chrism Mass, shortly before the Paschal Triduum begins. This tradition began so that Chrism could be fresh and abundantly available for the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. After the Chrism Mass, portions of the oils are distributed to parishes for their use throughout the year. Oils are typically stored in bottles bearing the year of consecration.

When a new altar is dedicated for a church, the bishop smears its top with Chrism. When a new church is dedicated for the purposes of worship, its interior walls are anointed with Chrism in the form of many crosses. Through the anointing with Sacred Christ, the Holy Spirit consecrates a church and altar. As with the sacraments, once Chrism is used on an altar and walls, its effects are permanent.



YOUR PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Julian, Fr. Jason, and Fr. David are honored to walk with you on your journey of faith and to support your spiritual needs.

RERUM NOVARUM - DATES ANNOUNCED!

The Roman Church has selected a new pope who chose the name Leo XIV (Leo the 14th). To understand the significance of this name, one must look to Pope Leo XIII (Leo the 13th) who, in 1891, penned the papal encyclical Rerum Novarum. The main point of Rerum Novarum is to establish a framework for addressing the social and economic problems arising from the Industrial Revolution and the socialist responses to it. It outlines the Church's stance on the rights of workers, the responsibilities of employers, and the role of the state in ensuring a just society. This summer we will be hosting a brief series where we will read and discuss this encyclical and its significance for modern times. After a period of time spent reading and reflecting individually, we will meet on Zoom for 3 sessions exploring the history (session 1), the implementation and implications of the document (session 2) and we'll interpret it's relevance to today's time (session 3). This document is readily available online for free and can also be found in the texts our parish used for the Adult Faith Formation sessions on the Documents of Vatican II.

**Mark your calendars!**

Session 1: August 30th at 7PM

Session 2: August 31st at 7PM

Session 3: September 1st at 7PM

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Our next gathering for Fellowship will be after mass on Sunday, **July 27th**. This is also the monthly food collection date - so it's an opportunity to support our community's needs by donating a food item to WFCM and celebrate the joys of being part of a parish family. It's a twofold blessing to gather and share. Mark your calendar and join us!

**SUNDAY MASS IN THE SUMMER**

With time for travel and stretches of unbearable heat, we remain active as a parish each Sunday of the season. While you are traveling, join us online, keep us in prayer, and we will see you soon!

**Talk To Us...**

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