



# 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!

October 5, 2025  
12:30 PM Outdoor Mass

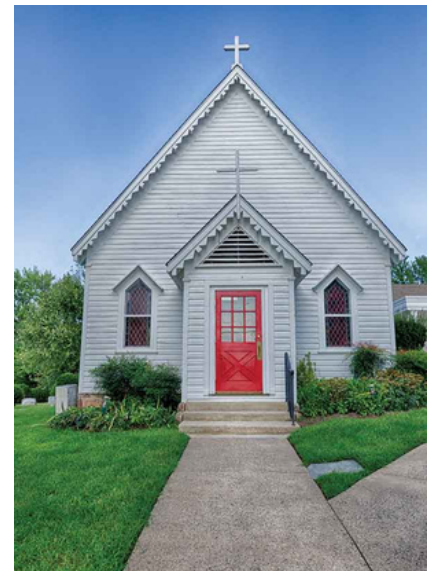
*Blessing  
of Pets*



*All pets are welcome: alive, stuffed, & photos!*



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### 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.

### FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS & BLESSING OF ANIMALS

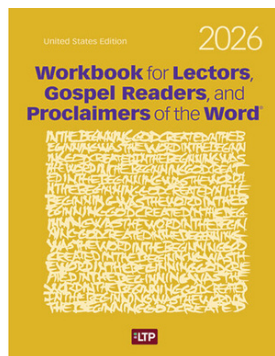
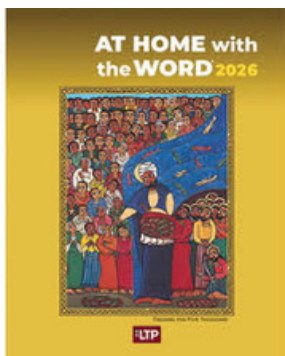
On **Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>** we will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with a special solemn liturgy held outdoors (weather permitting) where we will host our annual Blessing of Animals. The mass will take place on the grass where we traditionally begin our Palm Sunday liturgy. All pets should be contained or on a leash. Stuffed animals and pictures of animals will also be blessed. Mark your calendars!

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION 2025-2026**

We are approaching that time of year! Youth Faith Formation is open to children up to age 12 and registration will begin in August and classes begin on October 5<sup>th</sup>. You can register on the parish website. If you have a child that will be receiving a sacrament this year (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation) then participation is required. Classes are held during the 12:30pm mass on the first Sunday of each month. There is no fee to participate.

**HOME FAITH FORMATION 2025-2026**

As part of our annual parish tradition, we provide one copy of *At Home with the Word* to each family/household in the parish. This fantastic resource guides you to a deeper understanding of the Sunday Scriptures, providing the readings for this liturgical year, insights from Scripture scholars, and action steps along with additional reflection questions and action steps for families. Copies will be available in October for use beginning when the new liturgical year begins November 30<sup>th</sup> with the first Sunday in Advent.

**LECTOR WORKBOOKS NOW AVAILABLE**

All readers can now begin picking up their copy of the newest workbook for lectors. These books will be stored in the sacristy and you can pick up your copy any time. This resource will be needed for any readings on or after November 30, 2025 with the new liturgical year.

**JOIN THE READING ROTATION!**

As we return to our parish routines after a lovely summer break, we invite you to join the rotation of readers who help proclaim the Word during mass. All materials will be provided and you can select your preferred frequency. If you would like your name added to the list, please let us know!

**FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**

Our next gathering for Fellowship will be after mass on **September 28<sup>th</sup>**. 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! Donations can be dropped into the baskets in the back of the church. Thank you, in advance, for your support of our brothers and sisters in need - an act of mercy and compassion.

**CALL TO MINISTRY!**

God never stops asking, so neither will we! Fresh off summer vacation, we are extending the invitation to join our parish ministries as an Altar Server, a Lector, support us with Hospitality, or Music. Let the gifts of the Spirit flow through you to give honor and glory to God through these ministries.

**Talk To Us...**

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