



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!

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Fellowship is Delicious!

Bring Your Best Cookies!

2nd (almost) Annual Cookie Exchange

January 25, 2026 (Fellowship Sunday)

info@MySaintAnthonys.org

Sign-Up by Email by sharing your
Name
Cookie Name
Recipe due 1/21/26



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.



Holy Family

ON THE Sunday after Christmas, the Catholic community gathers at church to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. If Christmas falls on a Sunday, the feast is transferred to Friday, December 30, because the following Sunday is January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Prior to the Second Vatican Council, the feast of the Holy Family fell on Sunday during the week after January 6. The revised calendar has moved the observance closer to the commemoration of the birth of Christ and therefore to the “birth” of his family.

The Scripture readings may change from year to year, but the Gospels tell episodes from the early days of Jesus’ family life: the flight into Egypt to escape the forces of Herod, the Presentation of the infant Jesus in the Temple, and the finding of the twelve-year-old Jesus in the Temple. All these events are human and hopeful. The other readings provide stories, psalms, and reflections on the beauty of family life.

For families reunited to celebrate Christmas, this feast provides a fitting opportunity to gather again in God’s house.

The *Book of Blessings* and the *Catholic Household Book of Blessings and Prayers* both contain blessings for families. These can be offered by a priest or a deacon, or by any layperson at home. This feast would be an appropriate day for any family to seek the blessings that come from God, who became like us by living with human parents.

The Collect for the Mass prays that we may imitate the Holy Family by practicing the virtues of family life and by the bonds of charity. In this way, we who share a house on earth may enter the household of God in heaven.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY - NEXT WEEK!

Join us after mass for a great opportunity to chew and chat with others, growing the kind of togetherness that nourishes our parish soul. The next Fellowship Sunday will be on **December 28th**.

CONFIRMATION & RCIA

Anyone interested in beginning preparation for Confirmation or any adult interested in receiving sacraments through the process of RCIA, classes will begin in January. Please contact Fr. Jason in person or via email to start the process or express interest.

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

We have updated the list of most needed items for our partners at WFCM. The next collection date will be **December 28th**.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION 2025-2026

This year’s theme is Journey with the Saints and Seasons. Classes are held during the 12:30pm mass on the first Sunday of each month. Our remaining schedule is as follows:

January 4th: Epiphany Sunday, No Class

February 1st: topic: St. Valentine of Rome

March 1st: topic: St. Patrick

April 5th: Easter Sunday, No Class

May 3rd: topic: St. Joan of Arc

June 7th: topic: The Eucharist



Talk To Us...

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