

St. Anthony Parish

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Worship Schedule

Masses: Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 9:30AM

11:30AM in Vietnamese

Tuesday — Friday 8:00 AM

Holy Hour: Tuesdays 8:30AM-9:30AM

Confessions: Tuesdays at 8:30-9:30AM and 6-7pm

Baptism & Holy Marriage: Parents seeking Baptism for their child and couples seeking marriage should contact the parish office at least six months before desired dates for preparation. It is expected that you are registered and have been active in the parish for at least six months, be a regular contributor financially to the parish, and be taking part in the liturgical life of the Church—which includes attendance at Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation.

Parish Pastoral Council: President—Cindy Ecklund
The (parish council) mission is to provide consultation and support to the Pastor concerning pastoral activity and initiatives.

Janet Murphy Abbi Spilker Rene Heidt

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The Parish Council meets Third Wednesday of the month at 6pm in Wilson Hall, except July & August

Finance Council: President—Luke Anderson

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul

President — Kathy Loe

Monthly meeting:

Second Saturday, 8am in Wilson Hall 509-216-1093.

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Contact Jan Russell to add a name to the prayer chain

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Betty Lease, Kerry Williston, Janice Stripes, Patrick Byrnes, Christopher, Beth, Van Doughty, Sr. Madonna, Cindy, Angela Morbeck, Tina Lesser, Ashley & Family, Shaw & Family, Marc Stokes & Family



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY — We trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom. Our St Vincent de Paul conference primarily serves our neighbors living in the St Anthony and St Joseph parish boundaries, as well as Trinity families. Please pray each day for our conference members and for our neighbors-in-need.

Welcome to Our Parish Family!

We are delighted that you are here. Whether you are new to the parish or have been worshipping with us for some time, we invite you to officially register as a parishioner. Registration helps us stay connected and ensures you receive important updates about parish events, ministries, faith formation opportunities, and ways to grow in our community of faith. Registration forms are at the back of the church or call the office.

Parish Mass Intentions & Events †

Saturday, 7/18 St. Camillus de Lellis

4:30PM Mass: Victor & Anne Mandy †

Sunday, 7/19 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30AM Mass:

11:30AM Mass in Vietnamese

Monday, 7/20 St Apollinaris

1-4PM Mahjong

TUESDAY, 7/21 ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

8AM Mass:

8:30AM Adoration & Confession

6PM-7PM Confession

WEDNESDAY, 7/22 ST. MARY MAGDALENE

8AM MASS:

THURSDAY, 7/23 ST. BRIDGET

8AM Mass:

FRIDAY, 7/24 ST. SHARBEL MAKHLUF

8AM Mass:

Saturday, 7/25 St. James

3:45PM Lectio Divina in Wilson Hall

4:30PM Mass:



JULY 19, 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Corner — My brothers and sisters in Christ, May the Lord continue to bless our families and our parish community!

As we step into the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus presents us with a parable that hits incredibly close to home for anyone trying to live a faithful life today: the Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds.

The story is simple yet profound. A farmer sows good seed, but under the cover of darkness, an enemy slips into the field and scatters weeds. When the sprouts emerge, the servants are shocked to see both growing side by side. Their immediate instinct is to take matters into their own hands, rushing out to rip the weeds right out of the ground. But the master stops them with words of deep wisdom: "No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest."

This gospel speaks directly to the reality of the world we live in, and quite frankly, the reality within our own hearts.

We look around our culture, our neighborhoods, and even our global community, and we see an confusing mixture of profound goodness and troubling brokenness. It can be incredibly tempting to assume the role of the judge—to want to instantly separate the "good people" from the "bad people," or to ruthlessly tear out anything we deem imperfect. But our first reading from the Book of Wisdom gives us a breathtaking reminder of how God operates. It reminds us that while God is the absolute "master of might," He chooses to judge with supreme clemency and governs us with great leniency. God's power is not a weapon used to obliterate, but a patient force used to redeem.

By letting the wheat and the weeds grow together, God gives us time. He gives us the ground for hope and the space to repent. What an incredibly beautiful truth: in God's economy of grace, a weed can be transformed into wheat. If God were as impatient with us as we often are with the world, none of us would be standing here today.

St. Paul takes this comfort a step further in our second reading from Romans. He acknowledges that living in this complex, "mixed-field" world can leave us feeling exhausted and spiritually weak. He writes, "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings." When you feel overwhelmed by the weeds of life—whether they are toxic situations around you or the personal faults you struggle to overcome—you do not have to have the perfect words. You simply have to open your heart, let the Holy Spirit groan on your behalf, and trust that God knows your deepest intentions.

Brothers and sisters, our call this week is not to become weed-pullers; our call is to be the best wheat we can possibly be.



OUR GIFT TO GOD

We thank God for you! Your gifts throughout the year are gratefully acknowledged.

July 4 & 5

4:30 Mass: \$508

9:30 Mass: \$505

11:30 Mass: \$521

Total: \$1,534

July 11 & 12

4:30 Mass: \$325

9:30 Mass: \$989

11:30 Mass: \$816

Total: \$2,130

A Peaceful Place to Pray and Ponder

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ANNUAL FALL LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY

Sponsored by the IHRC Auxiliary

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 pm

\$15.00 per person for Lunch, Bridge and other card games,

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The Auxiliary supports Immaculate Heart Retreat Center with various Fund Raisers to purchase vestments, drapes, carpets, and other items. New members are always WELCOME!!
For more information contact Barb Boling 509-993-7855.

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We are called to let our roots grow deep into Christ's mercy, drawing nourishment from the sacraments so that our lives yield a rich harvest of kindness and justice.

As we look at the fields of our own lives here at St. Joseph's and St. Anthony's, let us cultivate patience with one another. Let us mimic the leniency of our Heavenly Father, trusting that He is in full control of the final harvest. May we have the courage to grow tall, to shine like the sun, and to bring Christ's gentle peace to a world that so desperately longs for it.

May God bless our Parish! May the Lord continue to provide us with deeper faith and love in the Eucharist!

God bless you!

Fr. Gus Ruiz



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Planning for Your Spiritual & Corporal Needs

Saturday, July 25 • 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Mass at 8:30 (optional)

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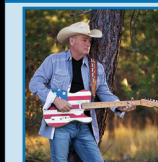


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Christian Concert**

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