

Saints Anthony of Padua & Le Van Phung Parish

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Pastor: Rev. Peter Hieu Quang Nguyen

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Saturday 6:45 AM (Bilingual)
Eucharistic Adoration 7:30-8:00 AM After Daily Mass
Saturday Vigil: 6:00 PM (Vietnamese)
Sunday: 7:45 AM (Bilingual)
9:00 AM Adoration
10:00 AM (Vietnamese)
12:45 PM (CCD-Bilingual)

During Lent: Fridays (S.O.C) 7:00 PM (Vietnamese)

Confessions:

Daily before Mass
Saturday: By Appointment.

Baptism & Wedding:

Please contact the Parish Office during business hours: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

GOSPEL REFLECTION

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.

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10414 Mammoth Drive

Letting Go'

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225-272-9950**

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 14 – MARCH 15, 2026

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. (John 8; 12)

MASS MARCH 14th

TIME INTENTION .

Sat. 6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners'

MASS MARCH 21st

TIME INTENTION .

Sat. 6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners'

† Pray for the Sick and Shut-In †

<i>Alando Palmer</i>	<i>Coogan Ryan</i>
<i>Darren Singleton</i>	<i>Sharon Smith</i>
<i>Nishen Palmer</i>	<i>Claire Gremillion</i>
<i>Sr. Hoa Ngoc Nguyen</i>	<i>Alice Reine</i>
<i>Victoria Stewart</i>	<i>Jennifer Lawkins</i>
<i>Sr. Hoa Thanh Nguyen</i>	<i>Ollie Singleton</i>
<i>Beverly Harleaux</i>	<i>Tashekia Carter Richard</i>
<i>Linda Thuy Truong</i>	
<i>Clay Polk</i>	

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

TIME INTENTION .

Mon. 6:45 am	All Souls
Tues. 6:45 am	All Souls
Wed. 6:45 am	All Souls
Thur. 6:45am	All Souls
Fri. 6:45am	All Souls
Sat. 6:45am	All Souls

WEEKLY OFFERING

March 07 – Mar. 08, 2026

Budget for 2024-2025 - \$564,000.00

ST. ANTHONY ONLINE GIVING

Give online by first creating an account on <https://osvhub.com/stanthonybr/funds> – After creating your account, you can Text by using (225) 307-4296, type the amount, space and Code (Ex. \$25 GO20); or use a Credit Card or ACH to give online. Our website is – www.stanthonybr.com . Try us by giving online. Thank You!

Identified Givers	\$	6181.00
Unidentified Givers	\$	883.00
Maintenance	\$	449.00
Online Giving	\$	630.00
Donation for St. Therese P	\$	6,168.00

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, March 16.....Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent.

TUESDAY, March 17.....Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent. *The Optional Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop.*

WEDNESDAY, March 18..Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent. *The Optional Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church.*

THURSDAY, March 19..Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent. *The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

FRIDAY, March 20..... Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent.

SATURDAY, March 21... Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent.

SUNDAY, March 22..... **The Fifth Sunday of Lent.**



Vocation View: “Whoever lives the truth comes to the light.” Your vocation is your sanctification in this life to lead you to sainthood in the next. Are you called to belong to Christ alone as a priest or through consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: ablount@diobr.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA AND LE VAN PHUNG MISSION STATEMENT:



Motto: “Together We Worship” **“Our Mission Statement:** We pledge our lives to Christ and Covenant with each other to Demonstrate His Spirit through **Worship, Prayer, Evangelization, and Ministry** to the needs of our community.

Catholic Relief Service: This weekend there will be a collection for Catholic Relief Service. Please give generously.

One-Day Retreat for Men & Women: Guest Speaker Jesse Romero in March 28, 2026 at St. Agnes from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. \$40 per person/Lunch included. Register: stagnesbr.com

Tenebrae Service of Remembrance: In preparation of Holy Week Greenoaks Funeral Home will provide a reflective space for a Tenebrae Service of Remembrance prayer service to include scripture, meditations and reflective songs focusing on the Passion of Christ on Wednesday April 1, 2026 from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Registration required. Please call 225 – 925 – 5331 or register online at Eventbrite.com

Prison Ministry 4th Day of Fellowship & Formation: for current and interested prison ministry volunteers in May 9, 2026 from 8:00 A.M – 1:30 P.M. St. George Catholic Church (Kleinpeter Activity Center), 7808 St. George Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Lunch will be provided. Registration is required at <https://diobr.org/pm-event>

The Catholic Church and Marriage: The Diocese’s offices of Life, Peace & Justice and Marriage & Family Life invite you to a presentation by Dr. Brian Pedraza on: The Call to Holiness and Sexual Ethics. Thursday May 14, 2026 from 6-8 p.m. at St. George Catholic Church – Kleinpeter Activity Center (7808 St. George Dr. Baton Rouge).