



Believing Is Seeing

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We celebrate Easter on the first Sunday after the first full moon of spring, which is also the first Sunday after Passover. The whole history of the world comes to this point, and today's gospel catches the eternal thrill of that day. A desperate Mary Magdalen cannot find her Lord in the tomb. Thinking that his body has been stolen, she alerts the apostles. Peter and John go running, and a moment of unforgettable suspense follows as first Peter and then John enter the tomb. The details are significant. They saw the burial cloths there and “the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place” (John 20:7). Thieves would not have taken

the time to unwrap the body and fold the face cloth. These details are intended to point to the truth of the resurrection. They saw and believed!

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles follows the story of the centurion Cornelius, the first prominent pagan convert. (His story is fascinating—take time to read it this week.) Peter gives a speech including a kind of catechism that had been standardized in a formula repeated at least six times in Acts. This proclamation, or *kerygma*, incorporates the message and the motivation for a change of life. God anointed Jesus, raised him from the dead, and promised that all who believe in him will be forgiven their sins and rise with him. Happy Easter! ●

Reflect

Why do I believe in the resurrection, and how does my belief impact my life?

Then the other disciple also went in,
the one who had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.

JOHN 20:8





St. Anthony's Church

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Mass Schedule at St. Anthony's

April 4	6:15 pm	Manuel Moura+ and family
April 5	11:30 am	Easter Memorial Service
April 7	8:30 am	Rosamaria Carvalho+
April 8	8:30 am	
April 9	8:30 am	
April 10	8:30 am	
April 11	8:30 am	
April 12	6:15 pm	Easter Memorials
April 13	11:30 am	Easter Memorials

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, collection counters, etc. If you can assist kindly let a member of the Parish Council know or call Pat Rodrigues at 524-1026.

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box Donations

Please use: BDA # 2000 6060 4767 11100 or

US # 8400 7847 30010

Cash donation - please use the SVDP envelopes and place in the collection baskets at the weekend Masses.

Any amount goes a long way to support those in need.

Holy Rosary

Please note that the Holy Rosary is recited every Wednesday morning at St Patrick's Church at 10:00 am. Please join.

Bulletin -April 4/April 5, 2026

Weekly Collections at St. Anthony's

Mar 21/Mar 22 \$ 1,680.00

Mar 28/Mar 29 \$ 1,008.00

**Online payments can be made directly into the Bank account of St. Anthony's - Butterfield Bank -
BD \$ Current A/c - 20006060061567100 and
US \$ Current A/c - 20006840061567100.**

Please make sure to indicate what the donation is for in the memo field when making the payment online - i.e., General collection; Maintenance; Mission Sunday, etc. Multiple payments can be made for those times when you are away or on vacation. Please note that we are charged \$20 for US checks drawn on a US Bank. Kindly **do not** place Canadian or British currency or any old Bermuda currency in the collection baskets.

Maintenance Collection - this weekend

St. Anthony's Ministry Schedules

April 4 and April 5

Counting April 5: Annette and Pat

Kindly check the bulletin board at the back of the church for the list of ministers for Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. If you can assist, please write your name on the list.

April 11 and April 12

6:15 pm Mass

Counting: Annette Boyle and Anna Daniel

Lector: Pat Rodrigues

Eucharistic Ministers: Levy Rodrigues

Collection: Alice Astwood-Smith, Pat Rodrigues

Hospitality Ministers: Pat Rodrigues

11:30 am Mass

Lector: Denis Thornhill

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Saunders & J. Looby

Collection: Sylvester Augustine

Hospitality Minister: Denis Thornhill

Pastor's Note

Dear Brethren of St. Anthony's Church,

During this Easter season I want to express my gratitude and deep appreciation for all your prayers and support for me in my ministry at St. Anthony's. I fervently request that you all keep the message of Christ during this Easter season. Keep praying for me and all the priests of the Diocese of Hamilton, Bermuda and the whole world.

I will continue to keep you and all your family members in my masses and services during this Easter season. Let us pray for world peace and harmony inspired by the Divine Faith, Hope, and Love in the Risen Lord.

Have a Happy Easter in the Lord of Compassion and Mercy.
Father Jacob Gomes

Bishop's Corner

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Christ is risen, Alleluia!
Alleluia, He is truly risen!

As Jesus greeted his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you," may that same divine peace dwell richly in your home, your family, and all your relationships. May it guide your thoughts, soften your heart, and inspire you to be an instrument of peace in the world.

May the light of the Risen Lord fill your heart with his perfect peace. In this holy season of Easter, may the victory of Christ over sin and death renew your spirit, calm every fear, and bring reconciliation where there is division.

Through the grace of the Resurrection, may you find hope in every trial, serenity in every storm, and joy that no darkness can overcome.

Let us carry the peace of Christ to others, especially those who are suffering, forgotten, or burdened, so that his love may shine through us.

Praying for a blessed and peaceful Easter for you and for our troubled world!

Bishop Wes

Easter Cemetery Mass

Saturday, 11th April 2026 at 11:00am
Holy Calvary Cemetery, Devonshire

**There will be NO 9:00am Portuguese Mass on this day.*

The Feast of Divine Mercy

Sunday, 12th April 2026 at 3:00pm
St. Patrick's Church, Smith's

MSA Information Session

MSA will host its next information session on Wednesday, April 15th at 9 am. This session will focus on the Early Learning Program and Kindergarten. You can register at www.msa.bm

ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP

Can you help volunteer?

Our Gift Shop needs at least one volunteer that can assist for 2 hours per week on Saturdays from 12-2PM, or as a fill-in for any absences.

If you can assist, please contact the Gift Shop at 292-0416 or drop by in person. Many thanks in advance!!!

St. Anthony's Children's Club (CCD)

Good morning!

Are you passionate about helping children grow in faith, character, and confidence?

Do you hope to make a meaningful difference in their lives?

We invite you to join a wonderful team of volunteers where you can nurture young hearts *and* deepen your own faith through teaching and fellowship.

We are seeking caring, reliable volunteers to help run our St. Anthony Children's Club next year. Our program offers engaging Bible lessons, hands-on activities, and fun games in a safe, welcoming, and joyful environment.

We would love to hear from you! Without our volunteers, unfortunately we will be unable to run it next year.

Please send me an email stanthonycdd@yahoo.com or call Anna Daniel at 236-2438. I would love to hear from you!

Anna Daniel

Parish Catechetical Leader

Dear Padre,

I'm marrying my girlfriend! Although she grew up Catholic, she doesn't practice the faith. Is it still OK to marry her?

Will you enter marriage with your fiancée because of a mutual love for each other? Do you both understand that this love will be strengthened by the sacramental grace of your matrimonial union, a grace you will receive because of baptism, not practice? Will you both try to create a loving family and, together as a family, try to be open each day to the grace of God already at work in your lives? Do you both realize that this grace calls you to create, in the name of Jesus, a witness to the truth of the gospel, which is even more powerful than the love you share?

If you hesitate to answer any of these questions with a wholehearted “yes,” then consider exploring these questions together with your pastor or another person helping to prepare you for marriage. Perfect faith is not required for a good, sacramental marriage. Openness to faith is believing that the Lord who has brought you together is not yet finished with either of you. You both have more to learn, and, with God’s grace, you will respond to his love. Jesus will work through both of you in ways that you may not even be able to imagine. In that spirit, marry her, build a life together, and know that God’s plan for you will always be there. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Holy Saturday...is the day in which heaven visits earth most deeply. It is the time in which every corner of human history is touched by the light of Easter.... Nothing can be excluded from [Christ's] redemption. Not even our nights, not even our oldest faults, not even our broken bonds. There is no past so ruined, no history so compromised

that it cannot be touched by mercy.

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MARCO IACOBUCCI EPP / SHUTTERSTOCK

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

Monday

April 6
Octave of Easter
Acts 2:14, 22–33
Mt 28:8–15

Tuesday

April 7
Octave of Easter
Acts 2:36–41
Jn 20:11–18

Wednesday

April 8
Octave of Easter
Acts 3:1–10
Lk 24:13–35

Thursday

April 9
Octave of Easter
Acts 3:11–26
Lk 24:35–48

Friday

April 10
Octave of Easter
Acts 4:1–12
Jn 21:1–14

Saturday

April 11
Octave of Easter
Acts 4:13–21
Mk 16:9–15

Sunday

April 12
Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)
Acts 2:42–47
1 Pt 1:3–9
Jn 20:19–31