



## Roots and Wings

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**“T here are two things we should give our children: one is roots and the other is wings.”** So goes the adage. It is in

knowing our roots that we know who we are. It is with wings that we then shape the future—a future sprouting from those roots but also blossoming into something new. If there were only the roots, we would never know life’s richness. Without wings, never would we come to beauty.

The solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul honors both of these dynamics in the Church. It was Peter who was the Rock, who was able to recognize God’s presence made flesh among us, who would say to Jesus, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (Matthew 16:16).

It was Paul who pushed the envelope, who proclaimed that God’s saving love was for Jews and Gentiles—both members of the household of God—without distinction. It was Paul who argued that circumcision was not necessary for a believer. It was Paul who recognized that the Law was indeed a blessing, yet also that obeying the Law does not save us—it is the love of Christ Jesus that saves us.

Many are rooted through faith in Christ Jesus. Some live out that faith as Catholics, others as Lutherans or Methodists, still others as Orthodox or Anglicans. All of us rooted in Christ, all of us living out faith, each blossoming in our own fruitfulness as guided by the Spirit, for the purpose of tradition is to pass on the flame and not to preserve the ashes. ●

### Reflect

***Am I more comfortable with roots or wings?***

***Am I more like St. Peter or St. Paul, and why?***



**[Jesus said,] “You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.”**

**MATTHEW 16:18**





## St. Anthony's Church

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**Baptisms:** By Appointment – One month in advance

**Weddings:** By Appointment –A year in advance

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### Mass Schedule at St. Anthony's

June 28	6:15 pm	Parishioners of St. Anthony
June 29	11:30 am	Maria de Lourdes Furtado & Herminio Soares Furtado++
July 1	8:30 am	
July 2	8:30 am	
July 3	8:30 am	
July 4	8:30 am	
July 5	6:15 pm	Rudi Victor & Manuel Rodrigues++
July 6	11:30 am	Parishioners of St. Anthony

### Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, collection counters, etc. If you can assist, kindly let Father Joe know.

### WORDS OF LIFE - June 29<sup>th</sup>

"O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith."

USCCB, ["Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty"](#)

### Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's Pence collection will take place this weekend June 28 and 29. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please be as generous as possible.

### Bulletin for June 28/June 29, 2025

#### Weekly Collections at St. Anthony's

June 14/June 15	\$ 1,882.00
June 21/ June 22	\$ 742.00

**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 i.e., Gen collection; Maintenance; Mission Sunday, etc. Multiple payments can be made for those times that 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 – next weekend

#### Counting Schedule:

This week: Annette and Gabby  
Next week: Annette and Steve

### Pastoral Point

Dear Parishioners,

It should also be recognized that, recently, the definition of palliative care has sometimes taken on a misleading connotation. In some countries, laws regulating palliative care provide Medical Assistance to the Dying (MAiD), which can include euthanasia and assisted suicide. Such legal provisions cause grave confusion by implying that it would be morally lawful to request euthanasia or assisted suicide as part of palliative care.

Inappropriate palliative interventions in these regulatory contexts can also involve medications that intend to hasten death, as well as the suspension of hydration and nutrition, even when death is not imminent. Such practices are equivalent to a *direct action or omission to bring about death and are therefore unlawful*. The growth of such legislation constitutes a threat to many vulnerable people who need only to be better cared for, but are instead being led to choose euthanasia.

### 5 The role of family and hospice

The role of the family is central to the care of terminally ill patients. In the family a person is valued in themselves. It is essential that the sick do not feel themselves to be a burden, and families need help to fulfil this mission. Recognizing the primary, fundamental and irreplaceable

role of the family, governments should provide the necessary resources and structures to support it. Christian-inspired health care facilities should integrate the family's accompaniment in a unified program of care for the sick person.

Hospice centers, which welcome the terminally sick and ensure their care until the last moment of life, likewise provide an important and valuable service. After all, "the Christian response to the mystery of death and suffering is to provide not an explanation but a Presence"<sup>18</sup> that shoulders the pain and opens it to a trusting hope. These centers are an example of genuine humanity, sanctuaries where suffering is full of meaning. They must be staffed by qualified personnel, possess the proper resources, and always be open to families. In these settings, healthcare workers and pastoral staff, in addition to being clinically competent, should also be practicing an authentic life of faith and hope that is directed towards God.

Fr. Joe Morley, Pastor & Vicar General  
Diocese of Hamilton, Bermuda

**SOURCE:** Letter of The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, *SAMARITANUS BONUS*, On the Care of Persons in the Critical and Terminal Phases of Life. *Compendium*, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2021, page 10.

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### The Bishop's Corner

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I have been already asked several times what I think about our new Pope Leo. I do not know him personally, but I am trying to attentively follow his teaching from the beginning of his pontificate. I would like to share with you one observation that seems to be returning in his speeches.

Pope Leo XIV has quoted St. Augustine a number of times, including in his first address when he walked out on the balcony in front of St. Peter's Square after being elected pope. During that first address he said, "*I am an Augustinian, a son of St. Augustine, who once said, 'With you I am a Christian, and for you I am a bishop'.*" This quote that Pope Leo has become fond of is from a sermon St. Augustine gave to his faithful on the anniversary of his episcopal ordination: "*While I am frightened by what I am for you, I am consoled by what I am with you. For you, in fact, I am a bishop, with you I am a Christian. The former is the name of an office, the latter of grace; the former is a name of danger, the latter of salvation.*"

Pope Leo has returned to this quote often, sometimes rephrasing it, such as during his visit with the mayor of the city of Rome, "*I am Roman for you and with you*".

When taking possession of the Cathedral of St. John Lateran, reiterating this central spiritual theme, Pope Leo said, "*I assure you that I love you, that I desire only to enter into your service and to place my own poor abilities, the little I have and am, at the service of all.*"

It seems to me that Pope Leo does not want to seem distant or removed from the flock entrusted to his care, but close and united with them. This is for me a very good and very promising sign for this pontificate.

May your weekend be serene and your week be good!  
Bishop Wes

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### Chancery Office – Change of Email Address

The Chancery Office will be migrating to a new Email address. The new address is [orcc.bermuda@gmail.com](mailto:orcc.bermuda@gmail.com)

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### A Huge Thank You

On behalf of the seniors who attended the Bingo for Seniors on Saturday June 28, I would like to extend a huge thank you to all those who donated prizes. Helped to set up the tables and chairs, or attended the bingo luncheon. Everyone enjoyed themselves tremendously and we were able to contribute \$ to the church.

Annette Boyle

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### Request from Louise Vizien (St. Anthony's Parish):

Louise is looking for a female walking partner to join her on a beautiful scenic and fun walk across northern Spain in September/October of this year. She would like to do part of the Camino Frances, leading up to Santiago, over approximately three weeks, with days off along the way. She would also like to work with her walking partner to decide on all the particulars leading up to the walk. If you would like to join her, please contact her for further information at: [louisevizien@hotmail.com](mailto:louisevizien@hotmail.com)

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### Masses at St. Theresa's

Starting from the 28th of June 2025, there will be no 9:00 am Portuguese Mass followed by adoration on Saturdays at St. Theresa's. There will be no 12:10 pm Mass on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at St. Theresa's and finally, there will be no evening Portuguese Mass on Wednesdays at St. Patrick's. Masses will resume in September.

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# Dear Padre,

***What does the Church say about free will and predestination? I am confused and wonder if there is any fundamental difference?***

The Church can be viewed as the champion of free will, for it is descriptive of God's grace at work in his creation. On the other hand, the Church does not champion predestination. The Church understands that this concept is in direct opposition and contradicts the creative act of God. It is understandable how someone might confuse these two different perspectives. In fact, some Christian belief systems have historically confused them; for example, those who follow the thought of John Calvin (1509–1564), including various Congregational, Reformed, and Presbyterian churches. But, regardless of the confusion, the two positions are not complementary, and someone cannot hold both positions because they are incompatible with each other. Catholics believe that we have been created by God with free will. In response to this wonderful gift, we are invited to form our consciences and live our lives lovingly and deliberately as people who choose to respond, in total freedom, to the Way, the Truth, and the Life that is found in Jesus. ●

**Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)**



## Do you have a question for the Padre?

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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***What can I do for the Church? Not complaining about the Church, but committing myself to the Church. Participating with passion and humility.... That is what a synodal Church means: everyone has a part to play, no individual in the place of others or above others. There are no first- or second-class Christians; everyone has been called.***

**HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 29, 2022**

#### Monday

June 30  
Weekday  
Gn 18:16–33  
Mt 8:18–22

#### Tuesday

July 1  
Weekday  
Gn 19:15–29  
Mt 8:23–27

#### Wednesday

July 2  
Weekday  
Gn 21:5, 8–20a  
Mt 8:28–34

#### Thursday

July 3  
St. Thomas, Apostle  
Eph 2:19–22  
Jn 20:24–29

#### Friday

July 4  
Weekday  
Gn 23:1–4, 19;  
24:1–8, 62–67  
Mt 9:9–13

#### Saturday

July 5  
Weekday  
Gn 27:1–5, 15–29  
Mt 9:14–17

#### Sunday

July 6  
Fourteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Is 66:10–14c  
Gal 6:14–18  
Lk 10:1–12, 17–20  
or 10:1–9