# St. Anthony Shrine

The Church on Arch Street

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A prophetic, Franciscan, Catholic community welcoming all people through prayer and outreach.

We extend a special welcome to everyone visiting the Shrine for the first time.

# May 2025



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Sunday, May 5, 2025

Greetings of Peace,

I hope you are enjoying this Easter season of hope and renewal.

The winners of the Marathon Raffle Drawing on Sunday, April 27 were:

- First prize, Marilyn Sheeran, Belmont MA, \$10,000.
- Second prize, Grace Orfanello, West Apollo Beach FL, \$4,000.
- Third prize, Maureen Rubano, Union ME, \$3,000.
- Fourth prize, Susan Sullivan, Belmont MA, \$1,000.

A big "thank you" goes out to Fr. Brian Cullinane, OFM who manages these raffles four times per year. Our next raffle will be in July.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> annual gala took place on Tuesday, April 29 at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. This event is our single largest fundraiser of the year and it was a great success. A huge "thank you" to our Chief Development Officer, Laura LeTourneau, and her team, as well as the Gala Committee, the Friars and those of you who offered sponsorships and made other contributions to this annual fundraising event. We are grateful for your support.

This past Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, we had a **record-breaking 507 people** come to the Franciscan Food Center for groceries. "Thank you" to our staff members: Antoine, Alejandro, Felipe and Paul for all of their hard work; and also to our wonderful volunteers George, Pam, Terrie and Donna for your unbelievable assistance! We simply could not help so many in need without your continued support.

May 1<sup>st</sup> is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker and a celebration of all Religious Brothers. Religious Brothers Day is a time to publicly recognize and thank religious brothers for their contributions to the Church and society. It is also a time to pray for vocations.

In May, we celebrate our Holy Mother. On Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> we acknowledge and remember all of the women in our lives who serve as a symbol of motherhood. This can be a difficult day for some and we pray that your grief may be lessened through the love and support of our eternal Mother, Mary.

Also in May, we celebrate the Ascension of our Risen Christ. Ascension Thursday, May 29, is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have our regular Thursday Mass schedule: 6am, 7am, 12:05pm and 5:15pm.

Fr. Thomas Conway, OFM Executive Director

# Shrine Schedule for Memorial Day - Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>



Shrine open 10am to 1pm Mass at 12:05pm Confessions 11am to 1pm Lobby Booth Closed

## Centering Prayer on Thursdays at 12:30pm

**Centering Prayer** is a form of Christian contemplative prayer, to center awareness on the presence of God.

## **Important Upcoming Dates:**

Ascension Thursday, **May 29** *Holy Day of Obligation* 

Pentecost Sunday, **June 8**Feast of St. Anthony, Friday, **June 13** 

Please join us for a

<u>Coffee Social</u>

after the 10am Mass on
Sunday, May 11





Please follow the City of Boston on-street parking signs. It has come to our attention that worshippers and other visitors to the Shrine have recently been ticketed for parking in places where there is restricted or no parking allowed.

The Shrine is pleased to offer discounted parking for our worshippers and volunteers at the **33 Arch Street** self-park facility (entrance on Hawley Street, underneath the 33 Arch Street tunnel; 0.3mi walk to the Shrine entrance.)

#### **Discounted rates:**

- Saturday and Sundays all day = \$7
- Weekdays up to 3 hours = \$17
- Weekday Evenings (entry after 3.30pm) = \$7

For instructions and to receive a ticket for discounted parking please visit the info booth or security desk.

The Greater Boston LGBTQIA Catholic Collective invites you to

# My Beloved Child

Monthly Zoom Meeting



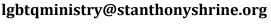
Our group provides support and resources for Catholics whose loved ones identify as members of the LGBTQIA community.

Please email for the Zoom Link: <u>GreaterBostonLGBTQIACatholics@gmail.com</u>

The Greater Boston LGBTQIA Catholic Collective is sponsored by St. Anthony Shrine, The Paulist Center, The Rainbow Ministry at St. Cecilia's (Boston); St. Susanna Parish (Dedham); Blessed Trinity Parish (Westford & Littleton); St. Ignatius Parish (Chestnut Hill) and Dignity Boston.

#### St. Anthony Shrine LGBTQ+ Ministry

Immediately following 11:30am Sunday Mass in the Lower Auditorium Stage **on May 4**. For more information, email:





### **Men's Spirituality Group**

A gathering off men who frequent St. Anthony Shrine and are looking to those aspects of their lives that really matter: their values, their purpose in life, their relationships, their spirituality. In an atmosphere of trust, confidentiality and prayer, this group meets twice a month on the  $2^{\rm nd}$  and  $4^{\rm th}$  Thursdays, 5pm to 6:15pm.

Upcoming meeting dates: May 8 and May 22.

### St. Anthony Arch Street Book Club

First Selection: <u>The Time is Now</u> by Joan Chittister Discussion Date: May 31 at 2:30pm

Second Selection: <u>The Tears of Things</u> by Richard Rohr Discussion Date: June 21at 2:30pm

Attendees are responsible for obtaining the books (available on Amazon) and reading them prior to the discussion.

We will meet in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Clare Room at the Shrine.

If you are interested please contact **Br. Tony LoGalbo** at 617 542 6440 ext 215 or tlogalbo@stanthonyshrine.org

#### AA Meeting Schedule at St. Anthony Shrine

Monday – Friday 7:30am – 8:30am. Tuesdays 12pm – 1pm AA Open Discussion Thursdays 5:45pm – 6:45pm AA Big Book

All meetings are held in the Auditorium (Basement) Foyer unless otherwise noted. Questions, please call **Anthony Andreottola** at 781-526-3679.

# Please consider setting up a recurring gift online.

Setting up a recurring gift is the best way to make your regular donation without having to think about it.

You can select a monthly donation and the gift will be automatically and securely processed on the  $1^{\rm st}$  of the month.

Please scan the code or visit stanthonyshrine.org/gift

Thank you for your generosity.



#### **Remembering Pope Francis**

As the global Church mourns the passing of Pope Francis, we at St. Anthony Shrine join in deep prayer and gratitude for a pontiff who walked with humility, led with mercy, and never lost sight of those on the margins.

From the beginning of his papacy, Pope Francis chose a path of simplicity and pastoral closeness. He stepped into his role not with grandeur, but as a fellow pilgrim, calling all of us into a Church that listens more than it speaks, serves more than it instructs, and welcomes all without exception. His words were powerful, but his witness was even more so.



He called the Church to be a "field hospital" for the wounded, a place where healing and hope are offered without condition. At St. Anthony Shrine, we see that vision reflected in our daily mission, serving the poor, comforting the suffering, and walking alongside those in spiritual need. Pope Francis helped the world rediscover that the heart of the Gospel is found not in judgment, but in compassion.

His teachings elevated a Church deeply engaged with the challenges of the modern world. Through Laudato Si', he called for ecological conversion and stewardship of creation. Through Fratelli Tutti, he reminded us that fraternity must extend beyond borders, cultures, and ideologies. Through the synodal process, he invited the faithful into genuine discernment and dialogue, redefining leadership as shared listening.

Pope Francis once reflected, "Go to meet the Lord... In the end, we will meet God face to face." As we remember his life and legacy, we take comfort in these words, trusting that he now dwells in the eternal peace of the God he served with joy, courage, and love.

His legacy will continue not only in Church documents or official declarations, but in the lives of those he uplifted, the poor, the lonely, the displaced, the forgotten. His voice echoed for them. His ministry dignified them. His memory will live on through every act of mercy carried out in Christ's name.

May we honor his life by continuing the work he began: to build a Church that reflects the radical love of the Gospel, a Church that heals, includes, listens, and walks humbly with the people of God.

- By Maria Gosling, Marketing Coordinator

# **SHRINE SCHEDULE**

## **MASSES**

# Monday through Friday:

6am, 7am and 12:05pm

Thursday 5:15pm

Saturday: 4pm 🎜

## **Sunday:**

7am, 10am 🎝, 11:30am 🎝, 4pm 🎜

■ Music with The Arch Street Band

10AM Sunday Mass is Streamed Live on YouTube www.youtube.com/shrineboston



#### SHRINE OPEN HOURS \*Effective May 7, 2025

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 5:30am to 5pm Tuesday and Thursday: 5:30am to 6:45pm Saturday: 1:30pm to 5pm Sunday: 6:30am to 5pm

#### LOBBY INFORMATION BOOTH HOURS

Monday through Friday: 9:30am to 1pm Saturday: Closed. Sunday: 9am to 1pm

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Monday through Friday: 10am to 1pm Thursday: 4:30pm to 5:30pm Saturday: 1:30pm to 3:30pm Sunday: 3pm to 4pm