

A Letter and Appeal from Our Pastor

I hope and pray that this letter finds you and your family safe and healthy in these very trying times. It is times such as these that we rely on our Faith to get us through the challenges of our day.

Needless to say, the suspension of Mass for three months was a spiritually traumatic experience for many; myself included. But, we continue to do our best to meet the Spiritual needs of all our Parishioners.

It does go without saying, that the Pandemic has created a tremendous strain on our families and finances. We all know that while life may come to a standstill, utility bills, insurance premiums and salaries need to be paid.

Needless to say, I have had many sleepless nights figuring out how to make ends meet. In order to move forward, we need to close the gap left by the very large decline in weekly contributions and the huge loss of revenue from the annual St. Anthony's Feast, our biggest fundraiser.

Unfortunately, rescheduling the Feast to the Fall proved not to be an option, given the current State and Local mandates for large group activities.

There are some things we can do in the spirit of the Feast: We'll hold our very successful **St. Anthony's PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT Parish Raffle**. And, we'll continue the "Angels" program that is normally a part of our Feast celebrations.

Here are the details:

ALL NEW THIS YEAR

MORE CASH PRIZES

Progressive Jackpot Grand Prize

(Based on Ticket Sales As Of 10/19)

Now Approaching

\$6,500

2nd Prize \$1,000 3rd Prize \$750

4th Prize \$500 5th Prize \$250

MONEY SAVING

BUY TWO TICKETS and get a THIRD TICKET FREE

I fully understand that these are difficult financial times for many families. Therefore I am asking that parishioners participate to the best of their ability. .

If you can see your way to buying 2 Raffle Tickets, the 3rd will be free. If you can only afford to purchase 1 ticket, then please try to sell the other 2 to a friend, coworker or family member.

In closing, please know that the parish staff and I are here should a need arise. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

In Christ,

Rev. James T. Donovan, S.J.

Fr. James T. Donovan, S.J.
Pastor

Please complete the form to the right and return it with your donation **NO LATER THAN Sunday, November 15th.**

IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE OUR MAILING, AND YOU'D LIKE TO ENTER THE DRAWING, YOU CAN PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE PARISH CENTER. OR, CALL AT 516-764-0048. OR EMAIL BOB PAUL AT ROBPAULY@VERIZON.NET

Saint Anthony's Oceanside

2020 PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT

Drawing on Thanksgiving Weekend

Please accept the following donation to help support our Parish
Please Print CLEARLY, Thank you!

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email: _____

RAFFLES

--Please return your filled-out ticket stub(s) with payment--

1 Raffle Ticket @ \$50 each= \$ _____

2 Raffle Tickets + 3rd Ticket FREE @ \$100...= \$ _____

ANGEL DONATION

Archangel Donation(\$125) = \$ _____

Special Angel Donation (\$85) = \$ _____

Angel Donation (\$60) = \$ _____

I am adding an extra Donation for the good of our Parish
= \$ _____

PLEASE PRINT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR ANGEL DONATION LISTINGS TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE PARISH BULLETIN:

Please accept my Donation in the following name(s):

Or, Please publish the following:

"In Celebration of... or In Memory of..."

Or,

Please list my donation as ANONYMOUS

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Payment by: Cash _____ Check _____ Charge _____

Please charge my credit card #

Expiration date ____ / ____ Security code ____

DRAWING WILL BE HELD THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

MAIL OR DELIVER TO:
St. Anthony's R.C. Church
110 Anchor Avenue
Oceanside, NY 11572