

55th Anniversary From the Committee

Dear friends and devotees of St Anthony,

It is my privilege, together with my dedicated and passionate St Anthony Committee to invite you all to the 55th anniversary of the celebration for the Feast of St Anthony of Padova in June this year at the Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Parish Payneham.

This year's celebration holds great significance and meaning as we celebrate the 800th Anniversary of St Francis of Assisi, one of two extraordinary figures in the history of Christianity. The other is our beloved St Anthony of Padova. It was St Francis who authorised and invested St Anthony as a preacher and teacher of theology.



Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Payneham is 'LITTLE PADOVA' and a beacon of faith drawing pilgrims to the veneration of the dear and beloved St Anthony of Padova. While this cherished tradition has strong Italian origins it attracts pilgrims from broader South Australian communities with a devotion to St Anthony. We are grateful for the opportunity to share this devotion with other cultures.

We are honoured to welcome back Fr Bortolino Maistrello OFM Conv who together with our Parish Priest Fr Michael Romeo will lead us along our spiritual journey of renewal and hope during the Triduum and the Festa day Masses.

This year our preparation will once again begin with the Triduum of spiritual preparation commencing on Wednesday 10 June and concluding with the Festa on Sunday 14 June.

Thank you to the Payneham Catholic Parish, St Joseph's School and the generous sponsors. We sincerely appreciate their continued support for our feast.

My heartfelt thanks to Fr Michael, to all our dedicated volunteers and Committee members for their dedication and commitment to our Festa and devotions to St Anthony.

I also thank all to the families, parishioners, the entire community and the religious associations who participate to the keep the devotion and tradition alive

Saint Anthony said, "We must not speak only in words but also in deeds." No matter what language you speak, the Solemn Feast of St Anthony reaches many.

I look forward to welcoming you to celebration and devotion of St Anthony during the Triduum and on Sunday 14 June 2026.

Buona Festa
Lou Fantasia – President

Siete tutti benvenuti - You're all welcome

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We would like thank all those who have made the Feast possible again. Fr Michael Romeo, our Parish Priest, Payneham Parish community, our sponsors, volunteers, members of our committee and all of you.

We acknowledge all the work and dedication of deceased committee members.

Il parroco di Payneham e il comitato di Sant`Antonio di Padova ringraziano anticipatamente tutti quelli che daranno la loro offerta per il successo di questa celebrazione tradizionale.

Il comitato di Sant'Antonio di Padova desidera ringraziare NorthEast Auto Group e la famiglia Emanuele per aver patrocinato questo programma e il pane di Sant' Antonio.

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Feast of Saint Anthony of Padova

Wednesday 10 June - Sunday 14 June 2026

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church
Corner Portrush and Marian Roads, Payneham

Saint Anthony of Padova

From the Parish



Dear parishioners and friends of St Anthony, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this year to be a Franciscan Jubilee Year to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi in 1226 AD. Earlier this year, for the first time in 800 years, his bones were displayed for public veneration in Assisi to mark this significant occasion.

St Anthony of Padova was one of the early followers of St Francis. Originally an Augustinian Friar, St Anthony was inspired to join the Franciscans after his encounter with poor Franciscan brothers who

were begging in his native Portugal. His talent as a preacher was noted by St Francis by which he was commissioned by the Seraphic Father to teach theology to the friars hence laying the foundations of Franciscan theology. Like St Francis, St Anthony's preaching was noted for being 'Christocentric'. This means that he always put our Lord Jesus Christ at the centre of his preaching and consequently this was reflected in his thinking and manner of life.

Almost every year at Payneham, we are blessed to have a Franciscan Friar visit from Italy to preach our Triduum and Feast Day. People will travel from all over the Archdiocese to hear the Gospel preached by one of the sons of St Francis in the hope to bring about personal conversion to Christ. In recent years, Fr Bortolino Maestrello OFM Conv has been our visiting preacher and I have appreciated the practicality of his preaching by which he applies the eternal truths of the Gospel to the reality of our world today.

Together with the St Anthony Committee, I look forward to welcoming once again Fr Bortolino who will preach our Triduum of preparation for the feast from 10-14 June 2026 and I invite you and your family to join us.

In Christ.

Rev. Fr Michael Romeo - Parish Priest, Our Lady Queen of Peace, Payneham

Fr. Bortolino Maestrello was born in Thiene, Vicenza, on 30th April, 1954. He entered the minor seminary of Camposampiero and after completing the secondary school in Brescia he entered the novitiate in Padua making his simple profession in 1975 and taking the final vows in 1979. He completed his theological studies in 1985 and after his priestly ordination he went to Ghana (Africa) until 2016. In Ghana he worked both in the parish and also with a printing press taking care of catholic production. After his coming back to Italy is now working in the community of Sanzeno (Trentino alto Adige). He is vice parish priest and helping in the shrine of St. Romedio.



Prayers to St Anthony

Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of saints, your love for God and charity for his creatures made you worthy to possess miraculous powers. Miracles await your word which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (mention your request) The answer to my prayers may require a miracle. Even so, you are the Saint of Miracles. Gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus who loved to be folded in your arms, and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours.

Amen.

Sant'Antonio Di Padova – 55th Anniversario

Programma

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Sant'Antonio di Padova e San Francesco d'Assisi: due modi diversi di testimoniare lo stesso Vangelo

St. Anthony of Padua and St. Francis of Assisi: Two Different Ways of Witnessing the Same Gospel

Mercoledì 10 Giugno 2026

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 10:00 am **Santa Messa** (Italiano e Inglese)
- 6:00 to 6.50 pm **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 6:30 pm **Devozione a Sant'Antonio** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 7:00 pm **Santa Messa** (Inglese)

Wednesday 10 June 2026

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 10:00 am **Mass** (Italian & English)
- 6:00 to 6.50 pm **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 6:30 pm **Devotions to St Anthony** (English & Italian)
- 7:00 pm **Mass** (English)

Giovedì 11 Giugno 2026 - Messa per i defunti

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 10:00 am **Santa Messa** (Italiano e Inglese)
- 6:00 to 6.50 pm **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 6:30 pm **Devozione a Sant'Antonio** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 7:00 pm **Santa Messa** (Inglese)
- 7:30 to 8.30 pm **Adorazione Eucaristica**
- 7:30 to 8.30 pm **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)

Thursday 11 June 2026 - Mass for Deceased

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 10:00 am **Mass** (Italian & English)
- 6:00 to 6.50 pm **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 6:30 pm **Devotions to St Anthony** (English & Italian)
- 7:00 pm **Mass** (English)
- 7:30 to 8.30 pm **Eucharistic Adoration** concluding with Benediction
- 7:30 to 8.30 pm **Confessions** (English & Italian)

Venerdì 12 Giugno 2026 - Festa del Sacro Cuore

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 10:00 am **Santa Messa** (Italiano e Inglese)
- 6:00 to 6:50 pm **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 6:30 pm **Devozione a Sant'Antonio** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 7:00 pm **Santa Messa** (Inglese)

Friday 12 June 2026 - Feast of the Sacred Heart

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 10:00 am **Mass** (Italian & English)
- 6:00 to 6:50 pm **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 6:30 pm **Devotions to St Anthony** (English & Italian)
- 7:00 pm **Mass** (English)

Sabato 13 Giugno 2026 - Festa da Sant'Antonio

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 10:00 am **Santa Messa** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 11:30 am **Santa Messa** (Croatian) - padre Luka Poljak con la comunità Croata
- 5:00 to 5:50 pm **Confessioni** (Inglese e Italiano)
- 6:00 pm **Santa Messa di Veglia** (Inglese)

Saturday 13 June 2026 - Feast of St Anthony of Padua

- 9:30 to 9.50 am **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 10:00 am **Mass** (English & Italian)
- 11:30 am **Mass** (Croatian) - Fr Luka Poljak with the Croatian Community
- 5:00 to 5:50 pm **Confessions** (English & Italian)
- 6:00 pm **Vigil Mass** (English)

Domenica 14 June 2026 - 11 Domenica in tempo ordinario

- 8:00 am **Santa Messa** (Inglese) - padre Michael Romeo PP
- 9:15 am **Santa Messa** (Inglese) - Messa concelebrata da padre Michael Romeo PP e padre Bortolino Maestrello OFM Conv
- 11:00 am **Santa Messa** (Italiano) - Messa concelebrata da padre Michael Romeo PP e padre Bortolino Maestrello OFM Conv
- 2:00 pm **Santa Messa** (Tagalog) - padre Vivencio Besa Jr con la comunità Filipino
- 4:00pm **Santa Messa** (Inglese) - padre Francis Bulipe con la comunità Indiana con il Coro Tamil

Sunday 14 June 2026 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00am **Mass** (English) - Fr Michael Romeo
- 9:15 am **Mass** (English) - Concelebrated by Fr Michael Romeo PP and Fr Bortolino Maestrello OFM Conv
- 11:00 am **Mass** (Italian) - Concelebrated by Fr Michael Romeo PP and Fr Bortolino Maestrello OFM Conv
- 2:00 pm **Mass** (Tagalog) - Fr Vivencio Besa Jr with the Filipino Community
- 4:00 pm **Mass** (English) - Fr Francis Bulipe with the Indian Community with Tamil Choir

Alla fine di tutte le messe del giorno Sabato 13 Giugno & Domenica 14 Giugno sarà la benedizione dei bambini, e la distribuzione del pane di Sant'Antonio.

The blessing of children and distribution of St Anthony's bread will occur at the end of each mass on Saturday 13 June & Sunday 14 June.

Dopo tutte le messe di Domenica siete invitati a gustare cibi, bevande e intrattenimento della Little Tony, Band Vision fino alle 6:00 pm.

On Sunday you are invited to enjoy food, refreshments & entertainment by Little Tony, Band Vision until 6:00 pm.

Il parcheggio sarà disponibile nei parcheggi della scuola in Tarcoma Avenue. Vietato il parcheggio nel centro medico di fronte alla chiesa (in Marian Road).

Parking will be available in the school's carparks in Tarcoma Avenue. No parking in the Medical Centre opposite the Church (in Marian Road).