ST. ANTHONY CHURCH OF VIOLET

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Office Hours

Monday	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Holy Mass Schedule

Sunday:

Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
Spanish	11:00 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday, Thursday, Friday	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday (no Holy Mass)	

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass	6:00 p.m.
Mass	8:00 a.m.

Adoration/Divine Mercy

Wednesday	5:00 p.m.
First Saturday of the month	8:00 a.m.
First Sunday of the month	3:00 p.m.

Rosary

Monday, Thursday, Friday	7:25 a.m.
Wednesday	4:25 p.m.



October 25, 2026
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
30 minutes before each Mass.

Sacrament of Baptism:
Contact Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage: Six months prior to wedding notice. Obligatory preparation program.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:
By appointment.

RCIA - Contact the Pastor if you would like to join the RCIA program to receive your sacraments in the Catholic faith.

Visiting Homebound: Once a month on First Friday. Please call the parish office to request a visit.

Sacraments will be offered in English or Spanish.

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers

Music Ministry	Carolyn Snapka
Organist	Mary Helpert
Women's Circle	Carol Kocurek
Violet Historical Society	Sam Morris
St. Anthony's Cemetery Association	Sam Morris

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	**OCTOBER 24, 2026**
6:00 p.m.	**+HERBERT & +REGINA HOELSCHER, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** By Bruce & Penny Hoelscher
SUNDAY	**OCTOBER 25, 2026**
9:00 a.m.	**+JOHN JACOBS & +RAYMOND HOELSCHER** By Judi Hoelscher **+JAKE SNAPKA** - By Alfred & Lucille Snapka
11:00 a.m.	**PRO POPULO**
MONDAY	**OCTOBER 26, 2026**
8:00 a.m.	**+SARAPHINE SKORUPPA** - By Family & Friends
TUESDAY	**OCTOBER 27, 2026 - No Holy Mass**
WEDNESDAY	**OCTOBER 28, 2026**
6:00 p.m.	**+ YVONNE BURKHARDT** - By Judi Hoelscher
THURSDAY	**OCTOBER 29, 2026**
8:00 a.m.	**+ JAN HOELSCHER** - By St. Anthony's Church Parishioners
FRIDAY	**OCTOBER 30, 2026**
8:00 a.m.	**+ ROMAN SNAPKA** - By Alfred & Lucille Snapka
SATURDAY	**OCTOBER 31, 2026**
6:00 p.m.	**PRO POPULO**
SUNDAY	**NOVEMBER 1, 2026**
9:00 a.m.	**Vicki Cantu Torres, Mass of Thanksgiving, Birthday** By Ben & Norma Cantu
11:00 a.m.	**+ANTON SCHROEDER** - By Family

Sanctuary Candle

October 24 – October 31, 2026

+Pete & +Gloria Gonzalez

Requested by: Annette Gonzalez

News in Our Parish

ANNUAL FALL & WINTER FUNDRAISER

The annual fundraiser will begin on October 17, 2026, through December 31, 2026. All funds received will be sent to the Diocese to pay for our annual Assessment and Property Insurance.

We are asking for a donation of $200.00 or more from every family. We understand that every household is mindful of their living expenses and appreciate your donation for these expenses the parish.

All Souls Novena - *in the coming weeks envelopes for the all Souls Novena will be placed in the foyer of the church. Please complete the envelope and placed in the collection basket.*

Blessing of Graves: Monday, *November 2, 2026 at 5pm, blessing of new graves only. The All Souls Novena will begin on November 1 – 12, 2026*

ONLINE GIVING

If you would like to start making your donations online donations through OSV, please visit the

parish website: www.stanthonyviolet.org or scan the QR code below from your phone to start. Thank you for your donations and supporting your parish.

Sunday Collection
Oct 18 & 19, 2026

Envelopes	$ 570.00
Loose	$ 763.00
Hall Fund	$ 400.00
Fundraiser	$ 700.00
Total	**$2,433.00**

Online Donations $610.00 (4)
Total Envelopes Used: **12**

St. Anthony's Cemetery Association Annual Meeting, November 1, 2026

The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, November 1, 2026, after 9:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend the annual meeting.



Ss. Simon the Zealot & Jude Thaddeus October 28

Saints Simon the Zealot and Jude Thaddeus were two of the Twelve Apostles, celebrated together on October 28th. They are known for their missionary work-especially in Persia-and for their martyrdom, with Jude venerated as the patron of desperate causes and Simone associated with zeal for the Jewish law.

Early tradition holds that Simon and Jude met in Persia and evangelized together, converting many. Their lives illustrate Christ's choice of diverse apostles; showing that holiness is a gift of God rather than a human merit. Their relics are venerated in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

From the Pastor's Desk - October 17 & 18, 2026

Leo XIII's Condemnation of liberalism Part I. By Thomas V. Mirus

Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "Aeterni *Patris*," wrote on the restoration of Christian philosophy in modern time. Now it is time to get into the specific philosophical principles undergirding Leo's social magisterium, beginning with his 1888 encyclical *Libertas* ("On the Nature of Human Liberty"). Of all the Leonine encyclicals I've read, *Libertas* is perhaps the most sustained assault on the sacred cows of modern political philosophy. After explaining how we should understand true liberty and the nature of law, Leo spends the rest of the encyclical condemning liberalism (in the classical sense, not merely modern progressivism), as well as a few false liberties celebrated in modern times.

Quite a bit of this will be challenging to modern Catholics, perhaps especially to Americans, as the Church, through Leo, condemns absolute freedom of worship and speech. But these condemnations are essential to understand where the West has gone wrong.

It should be noted that *Libertas* is concerned entirely with matters of moral and theological principle, and therefore its teachings cannot be dismissed as time-bound and prudential, as might be the case with parts of some social encyclicals.

Freedom and law

Leo begins by explaining that **freedom** is a gift from God, that it is enhanced by grace, and therefore that true freedom is always supported by the Catholic Church. But he immediately punctures the modern pretension that we have only now discovered true liberty for the first time: "whatsoever is good in those [modern] liberties is as ancient as truth itself…but whatsoever has been added as new is, to tell the plain truth, of a vitiated kind, the fruit of the disorders of the age, and of an insatiate longing after novelties." However, "many cling so obstinately to their own opinion in this matter as to imagine these modern liberties, cankered as they are, to be the greatest glory of our age, and the very basis of civil life, without which no perfect government can be conceived".

He then explains the metaphysical basis of free will, which I will not recount in detail. The most important points, practically speaking, are:

The will follows what the intellect perceives as good, and therefore: "The end, or object, both of the rational will and of its liberty is that good only which is in conformity with reason."

Just as the possibility of taking something false for truth shows a defect in the intellect, the possibility of choosing something contrary to reason shows a defect in the will. This is proven when we consider that God, who is perfectly free, cannot choose evil, and that the angels and saints in paradise also cannot choose evil because there is no possibility of error in the beatific vision. Thus, we cannot identify freedom essentially with the possibility of choosing between good and evil. Rather, the possibility of choosing evil shows imperfect freedom.

PRAYER LIST: Bianca Apusen, Norine Bernsen, Rosie Blanchard, Elaine Cain, Sharon Cox, Jerry Cox, Conway Frost, Margaret Garza, Dylan Gill, Noah Gonzalez, Wilma Grupe, M Briana Gutierrez, Mary Helpert, Ava Henson, Marie Hoelscher, Gwendy Jacobi,, Kara Jacobi, Smokey Jacobi, Sarah Jalufka, Rees Korzekwa, Elijia Loa, Mrs. Leonard May, Frank McCumber, Rebecca Miller, Pat Ordner, Scott Ordner, Kohn Pittman, Lola Putvin, Grace Scheipe, Miller Schomburg, Elie Stone, Charmaine Stroh, Shannon Taylor, Lucy Terrones, Mark Tijerina, Dwayne Truesdale, Susan Umphres, Patricia Vaugh, Maya Vera, Donovon Villarreal, Joan Vinson, Ravi Walker, Holden Weaver, Milus Wright, Carolyn Yarborough.

