

# St. Anthony Church

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**St. Anthony's Parish is a Catholic Faith community rich in cultural diversity with a strong flavor of identity.**

**Our mission is to foster a strong spiritual growth of life and faith in our families, community and society by sharing the gift of our time, treasures and talents.**

**We hope to do this with a Spirit of Christian generosity that brings us closer to the blessing of unity, peace and reconciliation.**

**Like St. Anthony called to love and to serve - we try our best in following Christ on the road of this world using God-given gifts for his glory and for the good of our brothers and sisters.**

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**St. Anthony Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm**

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**For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside**

**SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)      SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)**

**Registration:** Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.  
**Baptism:** Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.  
**Marriage:** Parish Membership & Preparation required. Contact Office 6 months in advance.  
**Reconciliation - Confession:** Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Daily Mass or on request.  
**Anointing of the sick:** Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.  
**Church & Hall at one level:** Wheelchair Access & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368



*I will get up and go to my father and say to him:  
Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.*



The star of the show is the father who welcomes his son home without a word of reproach or recrimination. Irrespective of what has happened, he cannot change the one basic fact of the case. His son is still his son and he will always be received with open arms. The father in the story is someone whose love never changes and is present all the time as much when the son goes off as when he returns. That's

where the gospel story tells us something about the gracious goodness of God – his warmth with sinners and the length of his merciful arm. God never changes. His love for us remains; he is always willing to forgive. Lent and this Jubilee Year of Mercy is a time for growing in an appreciation of the beautiful and comforting truth that every person has a place in the heart of God. This story is drawn from real life with existing situations and if we are honest we can see shades of the elder and younger sons in ourselves. We often forget our ever-loving Father who even after our most stupid mistakes and tragic sins is always ready to welcome us with open arms. The gospel tells us what coming home to God is really like.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent, all parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross every Friday following the 7:00pm Mass. The Stations of the Cross will be bilingual so that we may be united as a parish community.

**DVD PRESENTATION:** *The Bible and the Virgin Mary, Journey Through Scripture.* While Catholics know Mary is important, many never fully grasp how essential she really is. This DVD series unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is connected with the Sacred Scripture and comes alive in a powerful new way. Wednesdays 7:30pm-8:30pm in our church hall. Everyone is welcome to this special Spiritual Lenten Journey to Easter.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Mass on Sunday March 13 at 9:00am, followed by meeting in church hall.

**BEST YOUTH ON HILLS:** Next youth meeting will be held on March 13 from 7:00pm—8:30pm. in the church meeting room.

**CONFIRMATION:** We remind our Confirmation Candidates, Sponsors & parents to attend Sunday Mass. Next meeting is Thursday, March 10 at 7:30pm in our church hall.

**ITALIAN CHOIR PRACTICE:** Thursday, March 10 & 17 at 7:30pm in the church.

**CHRISM MASS:** Thursday, March 17, 7:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Everyone is invited. St. Anthony's Parish will have the regular Italian Mass at 9:00am that day.

**CHOIR PRACTICE FOR CHRISM MASS:** If you are interested in singing with St. Patrick's Choir for this special Chrism Mass, there will be practice at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Wednesday, March 9 & 16 at 7:00pm. If you have any questions, you may email Laurie at [laurieclara@gmail.com](mailto:laurieclara@gmail.com)

**SHARE LENT - Create A Climate of Change** In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, remember the Holy Father's words, "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Let us continue to reflect on our pilgrimage to Create a Climate of Change. Remember our Share Lent collection will take place on March 20th, Palm Sunday.

**FIRST COMMUNION:** We encourage parents to bring their children to Sunday Mass. Participation in the Sunday Liturgy is the best preparation for the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Next meeting is Thurs., April 21 at 7:30pm in the church hall.

**BIG BIKE:** **Best Youth on Hills** will participate in the **Big Bike Event** on May 14, in support of the Heart & Stroke Foundation in memory of our beloved Fr. Lino Santi. Interested youth 14 years of age & older & adults are invited to join the team that will be fundraising & enjoying a ride on the Big Bike on May 14. Contact Sandra or Gabriela at 767-9228 to inquire, or contact Gabriela through email or Facebook, visiting Best Youth On Hills.



Thank you for your generosity and support.

## IV Domenica di Quaresima / C



I due figli protagonisti della parabola hanno una pessima idea di Dio. Entrambi. Il primo figlio, scapestrato, pensa che Dio sia un concorrente, un avversario: se lui c'è io non posso realizzarmi. Dio è un censore, un preside severo, uno che non mi aiuta. L'altro figlio torna dal lavoro stanco e si offende per la festa che il padre ha fatto in onore del figlio minore, suo fratello. Come dargli torto? Il suo cuore è piccolo ma la sua giustizia grande: sì, è vero, il Padre si comporta ingiustamente nei suoi confronti. Lui è uno mortificato, senza

grilli per la testa, lui è il bravo figlio che tutti vorrebbero: perché il padre si comporta in quel modo? Bene, fermatevi qui, ora. Niente bei finali, Luca si stoppa. Non dice se il primo figlio apprezzò il gesto del Padre e, finalmente, cambiò idea. Né dice se il fratello, inteneritosi, entrò a far festa. No: la parabola finisce aperta, senza scontate soluzioni, senza facili moralismi e finali da Principe Azzurro. Puoi stare col Padre senza vederlo, puoi lavorare con lui senza gioirne, puoi lasciare che la tua fede diventi ossequio rispettoso senza che ti faccia esplodere il cuore di gioia. Il vangelo ci dice ancora una volta che Dio ci considera suoi figli, che affida alle nostre mani le decisioni di fare delle buone shelte di vita.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS:

**THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY IN SONG:** hosted by St. Margaret Church CWL, will be every Wednesday during Lent at 7:00pm. Following the Chaplet, they will be celebrating the Relic of St. Faustina Kowalska. All welcome to join in song or sit back & enjoy.

**MARCH BREAK BORDOM-BREAKER:** Parents, are you looking for an opportunity for your child to experience having an attitude of gratitude? Encourage them to be a Diabetes Hero during the March Break. Your child can make a difference in the lives of those affected by diabetes by donating their used clothing, toys, games and books to Diabetes Clothesline. For more info call 623-0887 or see the Facebook page.

**ST. JOSEPH TABLE:** at St. Dominic Parish, March 12 & 13 after each Mass in the church hall. Help raise funds to sponsor a refugee family. For more info call Melina 577-3001.

**ST. ANDREW'S PARISH:** St. Patrick's Day Irish Dinner. Sun., March 13 in Saunders Hall at 5:30pm. Tickets \$15 each and available at the parish office during office hours. (345-5202)

**HOLY CROSS SCHOOL Kindergarten Registrations** are being accepted now for September 2016. An orientation session will be held on Wed., May 18 for those registered. Contact Holy Cross School (767-6811) for more info or pick up a registration form at the school.

## MASS INTENTIONS March 7 – 13, 2016

### Monday, March 7

All Parishioners  
Special Intention for Bill Wedgerfield Ruth Spadoni  
9:00am English  
Pastor R. & A. Uvanile  
Zwaresch Family

### Tuesday, March 8

Rocco Antonio Vita  
Mario Nucci  
Rosa & Piero Funari  
Maria Mauric  
7:00pm Italian  
J. & A. Potestio  
F. Nigro  
L. Nucci  
Lucina

### Wednesday, March 9

Lino Tombolan & Deceased Ruberto  
Ettore Benincasa  
Maria Perri  
7:00pm English  
G. Tombolan  
G. Benincasa & Family  
M. Arella

### Thursday, March 10

Giuseppe DiMarco  
Nazzarena Pelaia  
7:00pm Italian  
Bernardi Family  
P. & C. Casoria

### Friday, March 11

Franca & Franco Daniele  
7:00pm English  
Family

### Saturday, March 12

5:00pm  
Maria Rosa Consolata Tino  
Mihael & Olga Bon  
All Deceased of Wright & Harris Families  
Anton Smilovic  
Lorne Allard  
Angelo Tucci, Teresa Primerano & Giorgio & Filomena Comito  
Giuseppe & Family  
J. Bon  
M. & S. Harris  
P. & J. Piaskowski  
A. Scalzo & Family  
Tucci Fam.

### Sunday, March 13 Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### 9:00am

Adalgisa Marconi  
Palmina Castelli  
Antonio, Luisa & Maria & Emilio Bossio  
Antonietta Carpino  
Deceased of Zanandrea Family  
Nazzarena Pelaia  
Antonietta Fiorito  
Concetta Costanzo Rizzo  
Rita Garofalo  
M. Muraca  
C. Sacchetti  
Pasquale & Vanda  
Michele & Family  
Dino & Family  
N. & M. Larizza  
R. & D. Furioso  
J. & R. Rizzo  
Sam, James, Mark & Lisa

#### 11:00am

Bruno & Concetta Nardi  
Joao & Jose Pereira  
Jose Cabral  
Pasquale & Concetta Tassone & Bruno  
Maria do Carmo & Manuel Pimentel  
Allan McDevitt  
Jaime Costa  
Giuseppe Marino  
Saverio & Tony Marozzo  
Luigina Pugliese  
figlio Nicola & Family  
A. Pereira  
Friends  
Marino Family  
M. Pacheco  
wife AnnaMarie  
Family  
Figli  
Marta & Family  
B. & M. Venturini

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