

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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 Call office 768-1878

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

Church Groups & Ministries - Contact the office at 768-1878

Funerals	Contact the office	Altar Servers	Sandra Coccimiglio
Hospitality Ministry	Jerry Sottile	Communion to the Sick	Contact the office
Music Ministry	Laura Daniele	Children's Liturgy	Sandi Krasowski
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Seniors	Maria Floreancig	Youth Ministry	Pasquale & Sandra Coccimiglio

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



Second Sunday of Advent Dec. 4, 2016

*Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation of God.*



Each Advent is an opportunity for us to come closer to Christ and deepen our relationship with him through prayer and repentance. His power is at work in our lives when we make peace with the family member we have rejected, the relations we don't speak to, the neighbors we have fallen out with, the poor we have no time for and whose plight we don't want to know about. Breaking down these barriers will open the way for Christ to come to

us and be born in our hearts at Christmas.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: meeting December 4, 7:00pm-8:30pm in church meeting room. Youth gr. 7 and up are welcome.

GIVING TREE: The Best Youth are pleased to provide the Giving Tree during this Advent Season, sponsoring *Our Kids Count* and *Boys & Girls Club*. Parishioners are invited to take ornaments to purchase Christmas gifts for less fortunate children & youth. Kindly return the gifts to church by the date specified on your ornament, remembering to attach the ornament to your gift. We are asked not to provide gifts of money.

MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS: The Best Youth will be taking orders for memorial poinsettias December 3 / 4 at all masses. Cost \$12 each. The poinsettias will be used to decorate the church during the Christmas season.

CELEBRATE THE ADVENT SEASON: Come & enjoy an evening of spiritual awakening every Wednesday during Advent: Dec. 7, 14 & 21 in our parish hall, after the 7:00pm Mass. Join us in watching and discussing some enlightening spiritual movies to celebrate the Advent Season. Movies include: *Mother Teresa*, *October Baby* and *The Young Messiah*.

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING: for Parents & Children will be Thursday, December 8 at 7:30pm in our church hall. 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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING: Sunday, December 11 after the 9:00am Mass.

Christmas Schedule

Individual confessions are 1 hour before every Mass.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES:

Saturday, December 24th, 2016
5:00pm Mass (English)
8:00pm Mass (English)
11:00pm Mass (Italian & English)



NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES:

Saturday, December 31st, 2016
5:00pm (English)

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES:

Sunday, January 1st, 2017
9:00am (Italian & English)
11:00am (English)



CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES:

Sunday, December 25th, 2016
9:00am Mass (Italian & English)
11:00am Mass (English)

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES: Wednesday, December 14 at 7:00pm at St. Dominic's Church.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL MASS: Thursday, December 15th at 9:15am in our church.

C.W.L. HATS & MITTS PROJECT: hats & mitts for children ages JK—Gr. 6. Please place new items in the basket in the lobby (no scarves please). Thank you.

USED STAMPS: The C.W.L. are reminding all parishioners to save their stamps affixed to envelopes & drop them off in the container on the wall by the meeting room.

SUNDAY MISSALS: available in the lobby. Cost is \$5.00. Please leave money in the envelope available.

2017 SUNDAY ENVELOPES are available in the church lobby. **PLEASE DO NOT USE THESE ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1st.** Please call the office (during office hours) if you would like to have a box of envelopes. You must be registered with our parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.



II DOMENICA DI AVVENTO / A



Questa seconda domenica di Avvento ci invita a fare tesoro della lezione che Giovanni Battista ci offre. Dobbiamo far nostro il triplice invito che ci rivolge Giovanni il battezzatore e che è il punto di partenza di ogni autentico cammino d'Avvento in vista del Natale: preparare la via al Signore, convertirci nel profondo del nostro cuore e svolgere una vita degna di essere definita cristiana nella sostanza e nella forza di questo tempo speciale. Costruire ponti di pace e di accoglienza e aprire la porta del nostro cuore al giubileo perenne del perdono e della misericordia, che è amore e tenerezza verso tutti.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Sun., Dec. 4 at St. Peter's Church Hall (700 McIntosh St.) 11:00am-1:30pm. Bake sale, penny auction, raffles, deli take outs, coffee/tea.

CHRISTMAS CAFÉ: Sun., Dec. 4 from 1:00pm-4:00pm at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church (651 Beverly St.) Coffee/tea, sandwiches, bake sale, raffles & door prizes. Tickets \$4 & available at the church office or at the door. Money raised will go to local charities.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH BAZAAR: Sun., Dec. 4 from 12:00noon-4:00pm. Silent auction, elephant table, tea room with baking & sandwiches, bake sale, money tree, children's craft table and more. Bring non-perishable goods in exchange for tickets to a draw for \$25 gift certificates to various restaurants. Donations go to St. Vincent de Paul.

HELP! IT'S GETTING COLDER...The Catholic Action Centre is looking for men's winter jackets, towels and sheet sets (double & queen size). Donations can be dropped off at 129 Miles St. E. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00am—4:00pm.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POSTER CONTEST: children ages 8 - 14 are invited to participate in the 2016 Knights of Columbus Poster Contest. They are encouraged to develop an original 11 x 17 poster with a slogan designed to discourage peers from experimenting with drugs and alcohol. Prizes are provided for the top three entries in each category for each age group (8-11 & 12-14). The deadline for entries is Fri., Dec. 30, 2016. All entrants are recognized with a certificate of participation. For entry forms & details, contact Denis Gilmore at 345-3964 or dengil@tbaytel.net.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Catholic Family Development Centre is a non-profit family service agency & is looking for volunteers for their bingos every month at various times of the day or evening. For more info, call Debbie 345—7323.

MASS INTENTIONS December 5 - 11, 2016

Monday, December 5

All Parishioners
Caterina Voci
Bruno Bitonte
Nicola & Rosaria Pucci
Robert Debesys

9:00am English

Pastor
sorella F. Donato
M. Bitonte
Family
R. & D. Furioso

Tuesday, December 6

Antonio Calleri
Fr. Bortignon
Mario Nucci
Maria Teresa & Anna
Santo & Bruno Bitonte
Maria, Angelo & Carlo Iorio
Defunti Lombardo
† Maria Grazia Lombardo

7:00pm Italian

Teresa & Family
C.W.L.
A. & A. Arnone
L. Nucci
M. Bitonte
S. Roccatani
M. Medeiros
M. Medeiros

Wednesday, December 7

Jamie Costa
Joe Felix, and Joe & Gilda DaRosa
Nazzarena & Salvatore Pelaia
Michele Crupi
George Fonso
Amedeo Cassano

7:00pm English

Family
Alda & Family
M. Pelaia
B. & M. Love
D. Zulianello
Wife & Family

Thursday, December 8

Concetta & Pasquale Tassone, & Bruno Marino
Frank Iachetta
Biagio Ariganello
Deceased of Veltri Family
Tutti Defunti
Domenico, Carmela, Joe & Emilia Foresta

7:00pm Italian

Family
J. & L. Hagdu
C. Garcea
J. & A. Veltri
I. Socchia
Vanda & Pasquale

Friday, December 9

Filippo Arella, & Carmela & Giovanni Guercio
Raffaele Rino

7:00pm English

Family
Mirella & Family

Saturday, December 10

5:00pm

Donna Valente
Nicola Tucci
Luigi, Teresa & Pietro Fabiano
Tony Reda
Luigina Pugliese
Franco Daniele
Mario Felice
Louie Benincasa
Lanfranco Bresolin
Peter Provenzano
Rosa Stella
Rocco Vita

Bruno & Children
Family
G. Fabiano & Fam.
Hildegard
E. & T. Izzo
C. & S. Matani
Family
F. & A. Benincasa
Family
M. Pascuzzo
M. Pascuzzo
B. Larizza & Fam.

Sunday, December 11 *Third Sunday of Advent*

9:00am

Defunti Casoria & Gallo
Antonietta Carpino
Antonietta Fiorito
Concetta Costanzo Rizzo
Maria, Angelina & Raffaele Tassone
Nicola Squartecchia
Frank Sabatini
Defunti DeProphetis & Biancospino
Jorge DeSousa

C. & P. Casoria
Michele & Family
J. & P. Potestio
Family
G. Tassone & Fam
Wife & Family
T. & D. Cava
Gino & Filomena
Family

11:00am

Joao & Jose Pereira
Bruno Marino
Jamie Costa
Maria do Carmo & Manuel Pimentel
Primo DeCal
Paolo Galle
Luigina Pugliese
Deceased of Zanandrea Family

A. Pereira
Cathy & Renato
Family
I. Fretias
Olinda
G. & J. Turcarolo & Fam.
Ladies of Ital. Soc. of P.A.
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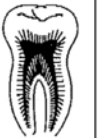
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