

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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Holy Name Society	Tom Mihaljevic	R.C.I.A.	Deacon Dave Cattani
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



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



John the Baptist was a prophet – a chosen messenger whose role in life was to prepare the way for God’s entry among his people. The voice of John the Baptist speaks to us across the ages and urges us to prepare a place for the Lord in our hearts. Like John the Baptist we have the important task of announcing Christ to others. Our every-day life is a message telling everyone through acts of kindness, honesty and faithfulness that Christ is right here with us. We may be the only book about Christ which many people will ever read. His gospel of love is the answer to the problems of our troubled world. Let’s prepare for the coming of the One who is Lord.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS—UPCOMING DATES:

*Dec. 10—meeting at 7:00pm-8:30pm
Dec. 17—Caroling Practice at 6:00pm in church meeting room, with pizza.
Dec. 20-Christmas Caroling at Bethammi Nursing Home, 6:30pm at St. Joseph’s Heritage. Please be there for 6:10pm*

GIVING TREE: *In support of students in need at St. Vincent’s School. A heartfelt thanks to all for your generosity and participation. Kindly remember to return your gift with the ornament attached by Dec. 17.*

CELEBRATE THE ADVENT SEASON: **Come & enjoy an evening of spiritual awakening on Wednesdays at St. Anthony’s Parish during Advent: December 13, & 20 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: The 13th Day & Joseph of Nazareth. **Free Admittance. Bring a friend.**

BEST MEATBALL MACHINES ON HILLS



FIRST COMMUNION: A reminder to those who missed the December 7th meeting to please contact the office for program and more information.

FUNERAL CHOIR: Anyone interested in singing in our funeral choir is welcome to join us. Please call MaryAnn for more information -767-7470.

MUSIC MINISTRY: Join us in our music ministry at 11:00am Mass. We need voices & musicians to fill our church with song. Practices will be on Mondays at 7:00pm: December 11 & December 18.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES:
Our Lady of Loretto Church, Mon., Dec. 11 at 7pm
St. Casimir Church, Thurs., Dec. 14 at 7:00pm

HOLY FAMILY ICON will be touring our diocese for the next few months. The Holy Family Icon will be displayed Sat., Dec. 16 & Sun., Dec. 17 in our parish. Prayers hosted by the Knights of Columbus for the Unity of a Christian Family will be on Tues., Dec. 19th at 6:00pm in our church.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2017 – 2018



Individual will be

Confessions

1 hour before every Mass.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 24th, 2017
9:00am (English & Italian)
11:00am (English)

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES:

Sunday, December 24th, 2017
5:00pm Mass (English)
8:00pm Mass (English)
11:00pm Mass (Italian & English)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES:

Monday, December 25th, 2017
9:00am Mass (Italian & English)
11:00am Mass (English)

NEW YEAR’S EVE MASSES:

Sunday, December 31st, 2017
9:00am (English & Italian)
11:00am (English)

NEW YEAR’S DAY MASSES:

Monday, January 1st, 2018
9:00am (Italian & English) 11:00am (English)

Thank you to all our parishioners and visiting friends for your continued generosity and support.



II DOMENICA DI AVVENTO



E' vero, in Cristo già abbiamo la possibilità di incominciare a rispondere con amore a questo amore del Padre, abbiamo un cuore che può dialogare con il cuore di Dio. Ma la giustizia piena, la risposta piena a questo amore del Signore, potrà abitare - come dice Pietro - solo in questi cieli nuovi e in questa terra nuova che il Signore sta preparando per noi. La buona novella, la buona notizia, è che questi cieli nuovi,

questa terra nuova sono vicini, stanno venendo. Per quanto lunga possa sembrare la nostra attesa, per quanto a volte possiamo avere l'impressione di lentezza nell'agire del Signore, in realtà lo sguardo della fede riconosce costantemente i segni di questa venuta del Signore. Apriamoci dunque a questa consolazione che il Signore vuole darci. Egli vuole parlare al nostro cuore. Ascoltiamo allora cosa ci dice Dio, il Signore. Accogliamo la pace che vuole versare nel profondo dei nostri cuori.



COM-MUNITY EVENTS

LADIES OF ITAL. SOC. OF P.A.: CHRISTMAS PARTY: Mon., Dec. 11. Symposium 6:00pm. Dinner 6:30pm at the Italian Cultural Centre.

A CANDY KANE CHRISTMAS: performed by **St. Ignatius Senior Drama Class** on Tues., Dec. 19 & Wed., Dec. 20 at 7:00pm in school auditorium. Tickets \$8 available at the school office. A portion of the proceeds go to support The Salvation Army Thunder Bay.

STOCKING STUFFERS: Support the Knights of Columbus in your gift-giving this year. Visit the Columbus Centre for gift certificates, available for Rosie's Friday Lunch buffet, monthly spaghetti suppers, take-out meals, swimming passes & Centre events. For more info call 623-3252.

EXPLORING YOUR FAITH: An evening with Deacon Andre Nicol. Sessions will be every Monday at 7:30pm in Baxter hall. Bishop Robert Barron will bring us different topics to inspire conversation and a better involvement in our faith.

TEC (Teens Encounter Christ): next TEC retreat will take place Feb. 2-4 at Corpus Christi Church. TEC is for youth in Gr. 11 and 16 years to college/university and young adults. Application forms can be found at www.tec-thunderbay.org, in parishes and Catholic high schools. Cost: \$60 for students and \$70 for non-students. For info contact Debbie at 346-1266 or debdebruyne@tbaytel.net. TEC 40th Anniversary Special Newsletter is available in the lobby.

MASS INTENTIONS December 11- 17, 2017

Monday, December 11

All Parishioners
Bruno Marino, Concetta & Pasquale Tassone Family

9:00am English

Pastor
Family

Tuesday, December 12

Maria Rosa Consolata Tino
Sebastiano Augruso
Giovanni & Erminia Pucci
Deceased of Ianni Family

7:00pm Italian

Giuseppe & Fam.
Family
Family
C. & J. Ianni

Wednesday, December 13

In honour of St. Lucy
Giuseppe DeLuca
Giuseppe Marino
In honour of St. Lucy
Vincenza DiGiacinto & in honour of St. Lucy
Sandro Fragale
Vincenzo, Natasha & Angelina Ruberto
Franco Rizzo
Maria Gerace
Eugenio, Rosina, Giacinto, Lidia, Danny & Nicholas Berardi & Teresina Serravalle
† Rosina Bava

7:00pm English

E. Romito
mom, dad, & Fam.
figli
E. Rucchetto
Family
R. & D. Furioso
Ruberto Family
Giuseppe & Famiglia
F. Scopacasa & Fam.
EVA
figli R. Nardi & F. Bava & Families

Thursday, December 14

Raffaella Marino
Raffaele Mauro
Bruno Larizza
Teresina & Francesco Gigliotti
Defunti Berardi & Pucci

7:00pm Italian

figli
S. & I. Vetere
C. Magisano
Frank & Giovanna
M. & A. Berardi

Friday, December 15

Rachele Costanzo
Francesca & Pasquale Coccimiglio
Vincenzo & Angela Clasadonte

7:00pm English

Family
O. & N. Coccimiglio
son

Saturday, December 16

5:00pm
Mariannina Turco
Frank Ruberto
John Ruberto
Antonio & Giustina Marrello
Giovanni Curci
Mario Felice & Antonietta & Filippo Ceci
Antonio Furtado
Paolo & Alessandro Iacino
Rosa Potestio
Giuseppe Coppola
Katharine Scali
Marcello, Amalia & Luigi Piccinin & Maria Cerolin

S. & M. Cicchitano & Fam.
R. Mauro & Family
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Mario, Pam, & Justin
E. & M. Santin
Carmela
M. Cabral
Family
M. & V. Cacciatore
G. & M. Scocchia
Rocky & Glenna
Luigina & Son

Sunday, December 17

9:00am
Mario Nucci
Rosa Donato & Defunti Donato
Angelo Nardari
Rita & Quinto Bordignon
Francis DeAmicis
Vincenzo & Virginia Tarantino
Defunti Righetti & Maccadanza
Giuseppe DiDomenicis

III SUNDAY OF ADVENT

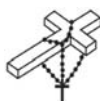
M. Bitonte
F. & D. Donato
wife & Family
Family
M. & E. Santin
Giuseppina
R. & M. Maccadanza
Charlton & DiBiagio Fam.

11:00am

Jose Cabral
Lucia & Peter Sandri
Giovanni Malench
In Honour of the Holy Family
Henry DaRosa
Vincenzo Maletta
Rocco & Filomena Tarsitano & Natalina & Rocco Lopez Family
Carlos & Norberto Medeiros
Deceased of Ferrise Family
Virgilio & Lucrezia Paola & Natalina & Joseph Baratta A. DeGrazia

Maria & Family
Gina
Family
R.G.
wife & Family
Assunta & Family
Family
M. Cabral
A. & A. Ferrise
A. DeGrazia

Let us pray for Antigio Veneruz who recently passed away.



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