

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.

Pastor Rev. Luigi Filippini
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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
Ministers of the Word	Louis Romito	Pastoral Council	Rory Cava
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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



Fourth Sunday of Advent **December 24, 2017**



*Here am I,
the servant of the Lord:
let it be done to me
according to your word.*

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
MERRY CHRISTMAS
December 25, 2017

*All the end of the earth
have seen the salvation
of our God.*

Christmas is almost upon us and, on this fourth Sunday of Advent, our thoughts turn to Mary our mother, who is the model of listening and waiting for the Lord to come. As she turned over in her mind what the angel's greeting could mean she came only gradually to understand the message and mystery of Christmas. God not only wants to become one of us, but his reason in doing so is that he wants us to become like him, children of the living God. In listening to the Word of God, Mary shows us an aspect of our Christian life which is of special importance. To be a Christian is to be a person able to listen to God's will and willing to answer that call with cheerful and loyal heart.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS

UPCOMING DATES:

Dec. 24-Youth Mass on Christmas Eve at 5:00pm

Dec. 31-Youth Mass at 11:00am

SENIORS CLUB: There will be **no seniors activities for Tuesday, December 26.** Seniors activities will resume Tuesday, January 2, 2018.

C.W.L. 2018 MEMBERSHIPS: can be paid for at the office during office hours. They will also be sold after Masses beginning in January as well as during the "Membership Wine & Cheese" meeting on Tuesday, January 9th. We wish all our members and their families a blessed and healthy Christmas. Membership fee is \$25.00

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, January 2 at 7:00pm.

C.W.L. MEETING: Tuesday, January 9 beginning with Mass at 7:00pm and meeting to follow in the church hall.

LECTORS SCHEDULE available in the church lobby.

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: January 15 & 29 at 7:00pm in church.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, December 25 office closed.

Tuesday, December 26 office closed.

Friday, December 29 office open until noon.

Monday, January 1 office closed

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2017 – 2018



*Confessions will be
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:
(Nativity of the Lord)

Monday, December 25th, 2017

9:00am Mass (Italian & English)

11:00am Mass (English)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES
(Feast of Holy Family)

Sunday, December 31st, 2017

9:00am (English & Italian)

11:00am (English)

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES
(Mary, Mother of God)

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.



IV DOMENICA DI AVVENTO



Questo viene a ricordarci il Natale. Questo è il segno che ci offre il Bambino in fasce posto nella mangiatoia. A questo dobbiamo pensare nel fare i presepi in ognuna delle nostre case: l'Emmanuele - il Dio con noi - che abbraccia tutti noi, è tutto e sempre presente in questo bambino che è nella mia casa, che vi ene a visitare me, personalmente. Non ci sono milioni di presepi. C'è un solo presepe perche' grande ed unico e' l'amore di Dio per tutti noi.

NATALE DEL SIGNORE - BUON NATALE

Dio si e' fatto uomo per amore come dono totale di sé e ha scelto la condivisione con la nostra condizione umana per farci strada e invitarci così a diventare, noi, figli del Padre.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:



FEAST OF ST. AGNES CHILI COOK—OFF

Sun., Jan. 21, 12noon—1:30pm. Would you like to be crowned the best chili cook? Contact Kim to enter your dish at 628-2724 or koconnor@tbcschools.ca Prizes awarded for the top chili bowl.

TEC (Teens Encounter Christ): next TEC retreat Feb. 2-4 at Corpus Christi Church. TEC is for youth in Gr. 11 & 16 years to college/university & young adults. Application available www.tec-thunderbay.org, parishes & Catholic high schools. Cost: \$60 for students/ \$70 for non-students. Contact Debbie at 346-1266.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO: Cursillo is a short weekend course that enhances your experience of Christianity and builds Christian community. The next women's Cursillo is scheduled for February 8-11, 2018 at Eagle's Nest Retreat Centre. It is not too late to apply. For applications forms, go to www.cursillo-thunderbay.org

PAINT NITE AT ST. AGNES: Looking for a gift that will make memories? Want to get creative with your date night? Help support Amped Youth Ministries during an evening of creativity, fun and friendship! Sign up for their first Paint Nite fundraiser to be held on Fri., Feb. 9, 2018. Tickets are \$45 & proceeds go to support their youth programs. For tickets contact Kim 628-2724 or koconnor@tbcschools.ca

Beau Joseph Nigro, James Gregory Sims & Alexander Lee Wikander were baptized in the Lord. Congratulations to their families.



MASS INTENTIONS December 25 – 31, 2017



day, December 25 Nativity of Lord

Mon-the

**Intentions for All Parishioners
9:00am (English & Italian)
11:00am (English)**



Tuesday, December 26

Tony & Saverio Marozzo & Defunti Arella & Marozzo
Giuseppe & Luisa Marino
Frank Tropea
Dennis Menean
Joe Jannie & All Souls

7:00pm Italian

Marta & Family
E. Ruchetto
A. & R. Uvanile
Family
B. Cong

Wednesday, December 27

Gina, Francesca & Pasquale Coccimiglio
Bruno Larizza
Peter Tucci & Deceased of Tucci Family
Nicodemo Albanese

7:00pm English

O. & N. Coccimiglio
Family
Eva
wife & Children

Thursday, December 28

Santa, Assunta & Nicola Ferrucci
50th Wedding Anniversary of Raffaella & Salvatore Tassone

7:00pm Italian

Franca

Friday, December 29

Michele Costanzo
Mario Arella
Joe Jannie & All Souls

7:00pm English

Fiorita & Family
Antoniotta & Family
B. Cong

Saturday, December 30

5:00pm
Angelina & Luigi Valente
Vincenzo Romeo & Defunti Bruzzese & Romeo
Albina & Giuseppe Veneruz & Antigio Veneruz
Maria & Bruno Mauro
Domenico Buragina
Maria Pucci
Milvia Santin
Pasquale Casoria
Theresa Chochla
Giuseppe Coppola
Anna Maria Kowalchuk

Family
Family
M. Veneruz & Fam.
Family
Peter & Maria
L. Nucci & Fam.
Family
wife & Fam.
Mike
Holy Name Society
E. Pucci

Sunday, December 31, 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**Intentions for All Parishioners
9:00am (English & Italian)
11:00am (English)**



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