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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

Deacons: Rev. Dave Cattani & Rev. Pasquale Coccimiglio

Office Admin: Mary Stefanile - Custodian: Raffaele Stefanile

Rite Christian Initiation Adults — R.C.I.A. call office

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – C

December 16, 2018

TERZA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.



The joy which stems from our faith means that whether playing or praying, laughing or weeping, walking or dancing, Christ shines forth from us. No one who has ever experienced this joy would exchange it for all the pleasures and comforts of this world. If the gospel is Good News, could this conclusion be reached from the expression on our faces? We should be a joyful people constantly experiencing an abiding feeling of happiness because things of great value have been promised to us. The test of Christianity in troubled waters is not to be over-alarmed at what is happening but to face the world with hope and confidence. The purpose of our whole being is happiness.

Siamo alla terza Domenica dell'Avvento, contrassegnata con il colore rosaceo, che indica la gioia speciale dell'attesa e la bellissima prospettiva della prossimità del Signore che viene. Giovanni Battista, ancora oggi protagonista nella pagina evangelica odierna, "Ogni uomo vedrà la salvezza di Dio" con una promessa di futura gioia e di liberazione dai vincoli del male e l'instaurazione della giustizia universale. Accanto alla promessa ci chiede però anche un impegno: "convertitevi; preparate la via del Signore, raddrizzate i vostri sentieri. Se da una parte Dio promette e si adopera per l'uomo, dall'altra l'uomo dev'essere altrettanto sollecito nei riguardi di Dio, al cambiamento e alla conversione optando definitivamente per la giustizia e per la pace, prerogative del Regno di Dio.



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

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. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each 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 & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368



BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

It's time to close our campaign. Thank you for your generosity. Any monies received over our goal will come back to our parish for Special Projects like our Heating & Cooling System.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Mass Sunday, December 16 at 9:00am followed by monthly meeting in our church hall.

CELEBRATE THE ADVENT SEASON: Enjoy an evening of spiritual awakening on Wednesdays at St. Anthony's Parish during Advent: Our December 19 movie is **BY GOD'S GRACE**—a beautiful family movie. Everyone welcome, bring a friend!

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: Caroling at Bethammi Nursing Home in St. Joseph's Heritage on Tuesday, December 18 at 6:30pm. Please arrive at 6:10pm. A practice will take place at the next youth meeting on December 16, 7:00pm-8:30pm. Youth gr. 7 and up and Confirmation candidates are welcome.

GIVING TREE: Many thanks to the parishioners that are purchasing gifts for children in need. **Please return the gifts wrapped with the ornaments attached by December 16** to ensure that each student will receive a gift.



SENIORS GROUP: Elections for New Executive will be Tuesday, December 18. There will be no Exercise class on these days. Exercise class resumes Tuesday, January 8.

CWL 2019 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 8th. We wish all our members and their families a blessed and healthy Christmas. Membership fee is \$25.00

PROFESSION OF FAITH—THE CREED

The Creed is to be sung or said by the Priest together with the people on Sundays and Solemnities. If it is sung, it is intoned by the Priest or, if appropriate, by a cantor or by the choir. It is then sung either by everybody together or by the people alternating with the choir. If it is not sung, it is to be recited by everybody together.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2018 – 2019



Individual Confessions will be 1 hour before every Mass.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Monday, December 24th, 2018
9:00am (English) – Regular Mass
5:00pm Mass (English) – Vigil
8:00pm Mass (English) - Vigil
11:00pm Mass (Italian & English)



CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday, December 25th, 2018
9:00am Mass (Italian & English)
11:00am Mass (English)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES

Monday, December 31st, 2018
9:00am (English - Regular Mass)
5:00pm (English) - Vigil

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, January 1st, 2019
9:00am (Ital. & Eng.)
11:00am (English)



CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, December 24—office open until 11:00am
Tuesday, December 25—office closed
Wednesday, December 26—office closed

11:00AM MASS-CHOIR: Practice Mon., Dec. 17, 7:00pm in church.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR: Practice Wed., Dec. 19, 7:30pm in church.

YOUTH CHOIR: practice Thurs., Dec. 20, 7:30pm-8:30pm. Ages 7 & up. For more info email: alanavalente87@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION: Preparation for Candidates, Sundays at 10:00am in parish hall followed by Mass at 11:00am. Dates: Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 24.

FIRST COMMUNION: is Sunday, June 23 at 11:00am & 2:00pm. Please remember to attend Mass every Sunday at 11:00am, with your child.

THANK YOU to the Ladies of Italian Society of P.A. who have donated \$250 to our Special Projects.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$3,867.00

Thank you to all Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. God Bless!

COMMUNITY EVENTS:



DEW DROP INN: Soup Kitchen is currently seeking applications for the position of **KITCHEN OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR**. For more info please visit their website at www.dewdropinnthunderbay.ca The application deadline is Friday, December 21, 2018.

PENITENTIAL SERVICES: South Ward on Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00pm at St. Patrick Cathedral.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION accepting applications for 2019 Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For more info visit cwlfcanada.ca

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Takeout Spaghetti & Meatballs in support of community projects. Thursday, December 20 at the Columbus Centre. Take out from 3:00-6:00pm. Bring your own containers.

ADVERTISING IN OUR CHURCH BULLETIN: Parish Council is currently looking at our advertising spots in our weekly bulletin. If you would like to be added to the Bulletin Advertising please call the office 768-1878 for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS December 17-23, 2018

Monday, December 17

All Parishioners
Rosa, Carmela, Maria & Lisa Donato
Carmine & Elvira Pascuzzo, Mario Filice & Mario Margarit
Giuseppe DeDomenicis
Dorothy Furioso
Umberto Chies & Defunti Scarpis & Marcon
Gino Gardiman

9:00am English
Pastor
Family
Frank & Anna
Charlton & DiBiagio Families
Steve & Penny
M. Chies
R. Furioso

Tuesday, December 18

Giacinto & Lidia Berardi
Attilio Brognia
Livia Massei
Santo & Bruno Bitonte
Maria Gerace
Deceased of DeLuca, Ferrise & Ceci Families

7:00pm Italian
son M. Berardi
Amendola Family
T. Leonetti
M. Bitonte
F. & H. Iorianni
G. & F. Ceci

Wednesday, December 19

Francesco Bruni
Alfredo Gama
Eugenio Serravalle
Angelo Nardi
Angela & Vincenzo Clasadonte

7:00pm English
M. & F. Bennardo
Wife & Family
L. Iachetta
Raffaella & Cosmo
Son

Thursday, December 20

Antonio Figueira
Raffaele & Sergio Iachetta & Orlando, Lidia & Mario Maio
Giuseppe Rizzo
Valeriano & Pina Valente

7:00pm Italian
Family & Friends
Family
G. Tucci
Family

Friday, December 21

Ernesto, Luigi & Natalina Romito & Famiglia Conforti
Maria Nardi
Mike Caruso
Aldo Fata
Deceased of Macri Family

7:00pm English
E. Romito
D. & A. Castellani & Fam.
O. & N. Coccimiglio
M. & E. Caputo
N. & B. Laselva

Saturday, December 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Jose Cabral
Mario Filice & Lauretta Pascuzzo
Francesco Tassone
Nicola Tucci
Erik Sereda
Pasquale Casoria
Francesca DiSimone
Milvia Santin
Lino Tempesta
Bruno Iannantuono & LanFranco Bresolin
Deceased of Galle Family
Maria Celisia DaRosa
Manuel Pacheco Sousa

5:00pm
Maria & Family
Family
Wife
Wife
Mom, Dad & Nicole
Family
I. D'Angelo
Family
Maria & Family
Families
Family
V. Freitas & L. Arella
Eusebio & Family

Sunday, December 23

Marcello Donato & Vincenzo & Giuseppe Donato
Bobby Carvalho & Ron Percy
Maria Perrier & Giuseppina & Pasquale DiMarco
Paolo & Antonietta Coccimiglio & Emilia & Rosario Fadelbene
Natalina Quinn
Antonio Berti
Gaetano, Concetta & Luigino Mollame
Eva Sacchetti
Vincenzo Maletta

9:00am
Family
Family
Bernardi Family
Franco & Lina
Family
Family
Rosaria
B. & M. Love
moglie Assunta & figli

Sunday, December 23

Peter & Lucia Sandri
Giovanni Malench
Vincenzo Romeo & Defunti Romeo & Bruzzese
Cosmo, Michele & Brunina Ariganello
Ilidio DaSilva
Frank Tropea
Settimio Fata
Giuseppe & Raffaella Marino & Maria Rosa Consolata Tino
Eva Sacchetti
Filomena & Rocco Tarsitano & Natalina & Rocco Lopez

11:00am
Gina
Family
Family
Family
Family
J. & L. Tassone
Wife
R. Forte
Ermando & Family
Family

Atteo Thomas Castellani & Milo R.J. Claudio Ferris were baptized in the Lord. Congratulations & blessings to the families.



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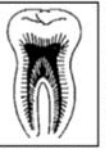
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