

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
Deacon	Rev. Dave Cattani
Office Admin	Mary Stefanile
Custodian	Raffaele Stefanile

Rite Christian Initiation Adults R.C.I.A.
 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
Knights of Columbus	Vic Augruso	Eucharistic Ministers	Helen Iorianni
Catholic Women's League	Virginia Butorac	Finance Council	Tom Mihaljevic
Holy Name Society	Tom Mihaljevic	R.C.I.A.	Deacon Dave & Suzanne 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 at least 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 - C December 20, 2015

*Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.*



On this fourth Sunday the scripture readings are alive with excitement about the Savior who is coming very soon. It is no surprise that the spotlight is focused on Mary because no one can help us to understand the meaning of Christmas better than Mary.

Mary reveals in living color how all Christians are to await Christ. She was carrying him as a gift to a world in need and we are to do likewise. We are signs of his presence when we give ourselves to others – and what better time than at Christmas, when we meet family and friends with warmth and added feeling. It’s a social celebration of family, food and fun and its joy should not be spoiled by somebody being left out because they are not grand enough to take part in our festivities. At Christmas everybody ought to feel an insider ... Let’s not forget the humble origins of Jesus, born into our world of pain and sorrow, in a stable on the very bottom rung of the social ladder.

THANK YOU to **St. Anthony Holy Name Society** for their contribution this past year of approximately \$10,000.00 used for Church maintenance projects.

HOLY NAME - FISH AND WILD GAME FEAST:

Come out and support the Holy Name Society’s annual “Fish and Wild Game Feast”. The event is scheduled for: Sunday, February 21, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., in the Church hall. Tickets can be purchased for \$50.00 by contacting Barry Quarrell at 767-7795, or by e-mail at quarrellb@tbaytel.net. Thank you.

C.W.L. MEMBERSHIPS: available and can also be paid for at the office during office hours. Membership fee is \$25.

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

CONFIRMATION: We remind our Confirmation Candidates along with Sponsors & Parents to attend Sunday Mass.

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.

The Nativity of the Lord: Christmas December 25

The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.

Christmas Schedule

Individual Confessions are 1 hour before every Mass.

Christmas Eve, December 24th, 2015

5:00pm (English)

8:00pm (English)

11:00pm (Ital. & Eng.)

Christmas Day, December 25th 2015

9:00am (Ital. & Eng.)

11:00am (English)

New Year’s Eve, December 31, 2015

5:00pm (English)

New Year’s Day, January 1, 2016

9:00am (Eng. & Ital.)

11:00am (English)



*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
to all of our Parishioners and their families.
May God bless you all during this season and in the
New Year.*

SUNDAY MISSALS: \$5.00, available in the lobby. Please leave your money in the envelope available.

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

2016 SUNDAY ENVELOPES are available in the lobby. **DO NOT USE THESE ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1st**. If you would like a box of envelopes, please call the office during office hours.

ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTORS: Please do not fold bills that go into your Sunday collection envelopes as they clog the counting machines at the bank. Thank you.

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Thank you for your generosity & continued support.

IV DOMENICA DI AVVENTO



Il Natale e la misericordia: della misericordia, che è un altro nome dell'amore, la festa ormai imminente è una dimostrazione; celebra infatti l'infinita misericordia di Dio, che per amor nostro si è fatto uno di noi. E la festa è anche un invito: a rispondere a tanto amore, nel modo che Egli si aspetta, vale a dire ricambiando la misericordia ricevuta, praticandola verso coloro che Dio ama.

NATALE DEL SIGNORE – DIO SI È FATTO UNO DI NOI

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GIVE THE GIFT OF CHANGE: support John Howard Society's Rehabilitative Residential Programs. Help to foster safer communities in Thunder & District. Donations can be sent to:

John Howard Society of Thunder Bay & District
315 Syndicate Ave. S.
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For more info visit www.johnhowardtbay.on.ca

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT ST. JOSEPH'S

HOSPITAL: to assist patients in attending Mass in the chapel on Thursday afternoons. Participants bring patients down to the chapel for the 4:15 Mass and then return them to their rooms. If you are interested please contact Loretta Turpin, Volunteer Coordinator at St. Joseph's Hospital 343-2428

CHRISTMAS GIFT ITEMS & RELIGIOUS ARTICLES:

available at the Pastoral Centre (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, ornaments, rosaries, bracelets and gift sets. Also available are religious Christmas cards, scapulars, a selection of Prayer Cards, DDs and Bibles, including children's bibles. The Adult Faith Formation Library has expanded its selection of new books available starting at \$5 each. Come and browse. For more info call 343-9313.

ADVENT PREPARATION:

If you are aspiring to slow down and enjoy this time of preparation by giving more time to the spiritual things, please visit the following website for inspiration: <https://ascensionpress.clickfunnels.com/encounter> and <http://rcspirituality.org/the-hidden-treasure-of-christmas-a-retreat-guide-for-advent>



Mass Intentions for December 21 - 27, 2015

Monday, December 21

Carmine & Elvira Pascuzzo
Raffaele Colosimo
Natalina Quinn
All Deceased Parishioners
Nazzena Pelaia
Deceased of Veltri Family
Umberto Chies & All Saints

9:00am English

Frank & Anna
V. & A. Maletta
Family
Pastor
F. Pelaia
A. & J. Veltri
M. Chies

Tuesday, December 22

Mario & Laretta Filice
Salvatore Marinaro
Maria Rosa Consolata Tino
Tony Morozzo
Ottorino Farno
Agostino, Assunta, Pasquale & Emilia Mauro
Settimio Fata
Dina Piccolo & Joe Venturo
Giuseppe Arella
Maria Francesca & Rocco Larizza
Guido Spina
Mario Nucci

7:00pm ITALIAN

Family
V. Scocchia
L. Garieri & Family
A. Cupelli & L. Vecchio
Family
A. & F. Ruberto
Wife
V. Rizzo
E. Perri & A. Rizzo & Fam.
figlio Bruno
L. Nucci & Family
S. Conci

Wednesday, December 23

Marcello Donato
Bobby Carvalho
Anna Kowalchuk Pucci
Cosmo, Michele & Brunina Ariganello
Sam Larizza
Ernesto, Luigi & Natalina Romito & Famiglia
Ildio DaSilva
Antonio Fiorido
Robert Mayer
Rosaria & Bruno Donato
Giuseppe DeLuca
Giuseppe Marasco
Francesco Garofalo

7:00pm English

Family
Family
C. & G. Salerno
Family
Rocco, Pina & Bruna
Conforti E. Romito
DaSilva Family
Prochilo Family
Family
Family
Mom, Dad & Family
A. Scalzo
Family

Thursday, December 24th Christmas Vigil

Intentions for All Parishioners

5:00pm (English)

8:00pm (English)

11:00pm (Italian & English)

Friday, December 25th Nativity of the Lord

Intentions for All Parishioners

9:00am (Italian & English)

11:00am (English)

Saturday, December 26

Maria & Nicola Sacchetti
Tarcisco Guidolin

5:00pm

late A. Marconi
Angela & Family

Vincenzo Romeo & Deceased Romeo & Bruzzese
Alberto Grillo
Luigi Cuconato
Milvia Santin
Rocco Vita
Peter Vasanelli

Family
B. & D. Sacchetti
M. Marozzo
E. Santin & Family
S. & I. Miceli
Family

Sunday, December 27 Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00am

Angelo Nardari
Assunta, Santa & Nicola Ferruccio
Gina, Francesca & Pasquale Coccimiglio
Maria, Angelina & Raffaele Tassone
Adalgisa Marconi
Giuseppe Marino
Brandino Rubino
Dolly Sabatini
Paolo Galle
Antonietta Fiorito

Wife & Family
F. & D. Donato
O. & N. Coccimiglio
G. Tassone & Fam.
E. & M. Santin
E. Rucchetto
R. & G. DiGiuseppe
Frank & Family
V. Longo
Family

11:00am

Mariana Eistacio & Joao Freitas
Henry DaRosa
Deceased of Zanadrea Family
Settimio Arella
Gina, Pasquale & Francesca Coccimiglio
Salvatore Sanzo
All Souls
Jimmy Conci & Mario Arella
Maria Edoarda & Francisco Tavares

A. Freitas
Wife & Family
Dino & Family
G. & C. Salerno
F. & L. Coccimiglio
Family
M. Pacheco
L. Nucci & Family
M. & W. Kolinski

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