# 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

Deacons: Rev. Dave Cattani & Rev. Pasquale Coccimiglio
Office Admin.: Mary Stefanile Custodian: Raffaele Stefanile

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

July 26, 2020



The kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field ...

To say that to find your treasure, the treasure in your heart, the treasure you hope to find someday — whether you go to the Mark 6, or whether you go to the Jockey Club, or whether you go in a sophisticated way into business — but your treasure, as Jesus says, "Where your treasure is, there is your heart." What is the thing that you treasure most, that you would never give up, that brings out in you, not eagerness for money and success, but love? What do you love? What do you sacrifice for? What do you care about?

#### XVII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Dobbiamo imparare a diventare discepoli di quel Regno che, come un folle mercante, dà tutto, ma proprio tutto, pur di riuscire a ottenere la perla preziosa. E pensateci... Perla preziosa è ognuno di noi. Il mercante è Dio. E ancora, dobbiamo imparare a diventare discepoli di quel Regno simile a una rete che raccoglie, raccoglie sempre, raccoglie tutti. Una rete che non esclude, ma tira a sé. Diventare discepoli di questo Regno visibile in Gesù e' essere capaci di condividere il tesoro. Il Regno dei cieli e' speciale arricchisce ogni storia: la nostra storia personale e la storia del mondo.



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



## Time Treasures of the Kingdom



What is your new life in Christ worth to you?

Do you love His words more than gold and silver, as we sing in today's Psalm? Would you, like the characters in the Gospel today, sell all that you

have to possess the kingdom He promises to us? If God were to grant any wish, would you follow Solomon's example in to-day's First Reading—asking not for long life or riches, but for wisdom to know God's ways and to desire His will? The background for today's Gospel, as it has been for the past several weeks, is the rejection of Jesus' preaching by Israel. The kingdom of heaven has come into their midst, yet many cannot see that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promises, a gift of divine compassion given that they—and we—might live.

We too must ever discover the kingdom anew, to find it as a treasure—a pearl of great price. By comparison with the kingdom, we must count all else as rubbish. And we must be willing to give up all that we have—all our priorities and plans—to gain it. Jesus' Gospel discloses what Paul, in today's Epistle, calls the purpose of God's plan. That purpose is that Jesus would be the firstborn of many brothers.

His words give understanding to the simple, childlike. As Solomon does today, we must humble ourselves before God, giving ourselves to His service. Let our prayer be for an understanding heart, one that desires only to do His will.

We are called to love God, to delight in His law, and to forsake every false way. And we are to conform ourselves daily ever more closely to the image of His Son. If we do this, we can approach His altar as a pleasing sacrifice, confident that all things work for the good—that we whom He has justified will also one day be glorified. - Scott Hahn

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Congratulations to the following children who have received their First Communion:

Sophia Arena Keenan Begin Owen Fata Braden Fenton Kaius Gauley Tezni Gauley Evan Harp Maxime Kemp **Bryton Oracz** Camren Pradissitto Oliver Cattani Chiara Corsini Tyson Mann Dalia Papa Luca Tucci Carter Oster Arianna Shorrock Henry Siskorski Nico Tassone

**Brody Scott** 

<u>UPDATE ON CHURCH REOPENING:</u> Our church can only allow 30% capacity, that is equal to 150 people at each Mass. We remind you that if we do reach capacity at the mass you are planning to attend, there are other mass times available. Thank you for your patience & support.

<u>MASKS:</u> This is a reminder that masks are required in the church.

FR. LUIGI ON WHEELS: Sponsor Fr. Luigi & Team for a 100 km bike ride to Kakabeka Falls & back to our church on Sunday, August 9, 2020. Starting time is 1:00pm in the Church Parking lot. Pledge Sheets for Fr. Luigi's ride are available at www.stanthonysparish.ca or at the church entrance and at the office, 768-1878. When making your donation, please complete your complete name and address for tax receipt purposes. Thank you.

WEEKDAY SUMMER MASS TIMES: for July and August will be at 9:00am, Monday to Friday. Regular times will commence again in September.

**BAPTISMS**: Please call the office for more information as there will be instructions due to the new restrictions in our parish. We will be allowing for only 1 Baptism per Sunday following the 11:00am Mass or if preferred during the weekday. We thank everyone for their patience.

CONFIRMATION:cancelled.Please visit our updates.WEBSITEfor updates.www.stanthonysparish.ca

Electronic donations can be made online. Onetime or automatic monthly donations by credit card <u>www.stanthonysparish.ca</u>



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



Please continue to pray
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by the coronavirus.
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### MASS INTENTIONS July 27— August 2, 2020

Monday, July 27 All Parishioners **Dorothy Spooner** 

Pastor Rick & Family

9:00am English

9:00am Italian

S. & F. Roccatani

Tuesday, July 28 Maria, Lidia & Anna Barti

Wednesday, July 29

Cecil Mechis

9:00am English L. Fragale & Fam.

Thursday, July 30 9:00am Italian Leo Catanzaro M. & V. Buragina

Friday, July 31 9:00am English Vincenzo Catanzaro Piccinin Family

Saturday, August 1 5:00pm All Souls Parishioner Reino Niemi **Smilovic Family** Joseph Furioso Rick

#### Sunday, August 2 Eightteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am

Rosario, Rosina & Battista Filice Carmine DeVuono Franco & Tony DeVuono

Giuseppe Arella, Battista, Rosina & Rosario Filice Nazzareno Larizza Esterina Romito

R. Filice wife & children Gilda M. Arella M. Larizza

S. & I. Vetere

11:00am

Moses Arruda Maso Family Frank Joseph Cappello Pasquale Bossio **Beatrice Bosch** Antonetta DeGrazia

† Let us pray

Costanzo who

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