

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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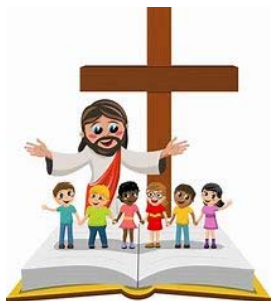
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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A

September 13, 2020

I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you.



What comes through with blinding clarity is that our ability to forgive is the measure of the depth of our Christianity. The forgiveness that we offer others is the indispensable condition that makes it possible for us to receive God's forgiveness and to meaningfully pray: 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.' It is in pardoning that we are pardoned. Our failure to offer pardon means that we have forgotten God's goodness or have not fully appreciated the unconditional forgiveness we have received from him

XXIV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Come cristiani, siamo chiamati ad agire alla maniera di Cristo che ci insegna un metodo nuovo dicendo: "Non opporti al malvagio", ed anche: "Amate i vostri nemici e pregate per quelli che vi perseguitano... Se infatti amate quelli che vi amano, che premio ne avete?... Voi dunque siate perfetti, com'è perfetto il Padre vostro celeste". Gesù ha realizzato pienamente queste parole nella sua vita, non solo perdonando un gran numero di peccatori, ma chiamando "amico" Giuda Iscariota, pur sapendo che stava per tradirlo. Le ultime parole di Gesù sulla croce: "Padre, perdona loro, perché non sanno quello che fanno".



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





Reflection on the Debt We Owe

Mercy and forgiveness should be at the heart of Christian life. Yet, as today's First Reading wisely reminds us, often we cherish our wrath, nourish our anger, refuse mercy to those who have done us wrong. Jesus, too, strikes close to home in today's Gospel with His realistic portrayal of the wicked servant who won't forgive a fellow servant's debt, even though his slate has just been wiped clean by their master. It can't be this way in the kingdom, the Church. In the Old Testament, seven is frequently a number associated with mercy and the forgiveness of sins. The just man sins seven times daily; there is a sevenfold sprinkling of blood for the atonement of sins. But Jesus tells Peter today that we must forgive not seven times, but seventy times seven times. That means every time. We are to be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful. But why? Why does Jesus repeatedly warn that we can't expect forgiveness for our trespasses unless we're willing to forgive others for their trespasses against us? Because, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, we are the Lord's. Each of us has been purchased by the blood of Christ shed for us on the Cross. As we sing in today's Psalm, though we deserved to die for our sins, He doesn't deal with us according to our crimes. The mercy and forgiveness we show to others should be the heartfelt expression of our gratitude for the mercy and forgiveness shown to us. This is why we should remember our last days, set our enmities aside, and stop judging others. We know that one day we will stand before the judgment seat and give account for what we've done with the new life given to us by Christ. So we forgive each other from the heart, overlook each other's faults, and await the crown of His kindness and compassion.

UPDATE ON CHURCH REOPENING: 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.

MASKS: This is a reminder that masks are required in the church.

FR. LUIGI ON WHEELS: This year this fundraiser is for the painting of lines in our parking lot. The pledge sheets & donation envelopes are still available in the church lobby and at the office. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or greater. **Please include your complete address if you require a receipt.** All receipts will be sent out in the new year. Those with Sunday envelopes: please include your envelope number as your donations will be added to your Sunday donations. **To date we have raised \$3,180.00 thank you to all who have donated!**

MASS TIME CHANGE: For the month of September, all masses will be said at 9:00am. Thank you.

BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN:

"He's not heavy...he's my brother!"

Our goal this year is **\$29,000.00.**

This Campaign will run until mid December. Cheques can be made out to **St. Anthony's Church or the Diocese of Thunder Bay.**

All donations are tax-deductible.

To date, we have reached 26% of our goal having raised \$7,640.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.
May God bless us all on our journey
as a community of believers.

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 week-day. We thank everyone for their patience.

CONFIRMATION: We are pleased to announce that the 2020 Confirmation will be going ahead the week of September 21-25. The group will be split into 4 separate groups in order to ensure social distancing is maintained at each of the 4 services. The families of the candidates will be contacted by email or phone.

Electronic donations can be made online. One-time or automatic monthly donations by credit card
www.stanthonysparish.ca

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



*Please continue to pray
for all those affected
by the coronavirus.
Stay safe, we will get through
this difficult time
with the help of our Blessed Mother.*

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ADULT FAITH & 4 SEASON'S: starting Saturday, September 12 they will be open from 10:00am—2:00pm. Drop by to see “What’s New” also open Monday—Friday 8:30am-4:30pm. #343-9313. located at 1222 Reaume St. (behind the Police Station)

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MASS INTENTIONS

September 14— September 20, 2020

Monday, September 14

All Parishioners
Raffaella Marino

9:00am English

Pastor
Figli

Tuesday, September 15

Querino Matani
Giovanni Borelli

9:00am Italian

Matani Family
Barone Family

Wednesday, September 16

Tutti Defunti

9:00am English

G. Mantello

Thursday, September 17

Giuseppe Magisano

9:00am Italian

O. & N. Coccimiglio

Friday, September 18

Nicola Bava
Mario Puccella
Gina Benincasa

9:00am English

C. & R. Marino
sorella L. Massei
M. Turco & Fam.

Saturday, September 19

Luigi & Rosina Carlesso
Raffaele & Sergio Iachetta & Orlando & Lidia Maio Fam.
Pasquale Casoria
Maria Marasco & Frank Marasco St. Anthony's Seniors
Antonietta, Luciano, Agnesa Comito & Rosa & Nicola Zaffino Tucci Fam.
Deceased of Buso Family C. & S. Maronese

5:00pm

Veneruz Family

Sunday, September 20 Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am

Rita & Quinto Bordignon
Eva Sacchetti
Luigi Francella
Gloria Jean Tennant
Domenico Foresta

Family
Husband & Fam.
Family
G.J. Bagley
A. Foresta

11:00am

Giovanni Malench & Peter & Lucia Sandri Gina
Pina Valente T. & R. Zafferano
Virgilio & Lucrezia Paola & Natalina & Joseph Baratta A. DeGrazia
Carmine DeGrazia, Luisa Paola, Antonio Rubino, Frank Paola A. DeGrazia
Pasquale Bossio P. Magisano
Antonio Arruda Wife & Family

Congratulations to Mario Iazzolino & Veliana on their marriage. May God continue to bless them in their journey of family life.



† Let us pray for Rosina Rosso & Vincenzo Ruberto who recently passed away.



Damian Giuseppe Douglas Thompson was baptized in the Lord. Congratulations & blessings to the family.



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