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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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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

October 4, 2020



In the Old Testament, the symbol of the vineyard teaches about Israel and the kingdom of God. God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading. Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls. In a dark foreshadowing of His crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls. For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants who will produce its fruit.

XXVII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Gesù è il Verbo incarnato, Dio fatto uomo che si occupa egli stesso con sollecitudine della sua vigna, condividendo ogni cosa con i membri di questa piantagione mostrando l'amore e la misericordia del Padre attraverso le parole e le opere del Regno e accettando di farsi anche uccidere per noi. In Gesu' la "pietra scartata dai costruttori e tuttavia divenuta pietra angolare": proprio la morte e il disprezzo da parte degli uomini sono per lui un motivo di vita, visto che vincerà la morte uscendo vittorioso dal sepolcro per la Risurrezione gloriosa e per il rinnovamento del mondo, ossia della "vigna". Il "Nuovo Israele", cioè la Chiesa e attraverso di essa Gesu' guiderà definitivamente la sua vigna, così come aveva affermato: "Io sono la vite, voi i tralci"; "chi rimane in me, porta molto frutto poiché senza di me non potete far nulla." Il sacrificio della croce esprimerà definitivamente l'Amore incondizionato di Dio per la sua vigna di cui noi facciamo parte.



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.

<u>Baptism:</u> 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





In today's Gospel Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God. And the symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood. God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine, Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially spaded and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading.

Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls. In a dark foreshadowing of His crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls.

For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants—the leaders of the Church, who will produce its fruit. We are each a vine in the Lord's vineyard, grafted onto the true vine of Christ, called to bear fruits of the righteousness in Him, and to be the "first fruits" of a new creation.

We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briers of worldly anxiety. As today's Epistle advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near. - Scott Hahn

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 42% of our goal having raised \$12,188.50

Thank you for your continued generosity.

May God bless us all on our journey
as a community of believers.

OCTOBER, MONTH OF THE ROSARY: in honour of Our Lady, the Rosary will be said every day before weekday Masses.



THANKSGIVING MASS:

Monday, October 12 at 10:00am
Please join us
in prayer
& thanksgiving.
There will be no 9:00am Mass for that day.
Office will be closed.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2020-2021: available in the church lobby. Cost is \$6.00. Please use available envelope located in the lobby by the missals.

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!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

LADIES OF ITAL. SOC. OF P.A.: monthly meeting cancelled until further notice due to COVID restrictions. For any members in good standing who's child is entering University or College & has both high academic achievements & demonstrated strong community involvement, please apply for a **Bursary**-given to 1 male and 1 female student. Bursary is \$500 each. Application must be received by October 31, 2020 or will not qualify. For more information please contact Michele Love 344-6893

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MASS INTENTIONS October 5— 11, 2020

Monday, October 5

All Parishioners Carmine & Elvira Pascuzzo Franca Costantino Maria & Rosario Gigliotti

Tuesday, October 6

Mike Ferrari Fr. Lino Santi Santina Cacciatore Vincenzo Ruberto

Wednesday, October 7

Lina Talarico Giulia Daniele Michael Vita Erik Sereda Giulia, Nicola & Salvatore Sanzo

Elmerinda Fata (Coccimiglio)

Thursday, October 8

Nicola Carchidi Giuseppe Magisano Giovanni, Antonio & Giuseppina Scalzo Carlo & Elvira Ristangno

Friday, October 9

Alberto, Ernesto, Esterina Romito, & Defunti Conforti Lina Talarico Luigi Gallo Rosina Rosso

5:00pm

Settimio Arella Antigio, Giuseppe & Albina Veneruz Francesco DiGiuseppe Filip Ivanetic Pasquale Bossio Monica Bon Faustina Biscardi

9:00am English

Pastor Frank & Anna Costantino Family Gigliotti Family

7:00pm Italian

Wife & Children C.W.L. E. Sacchetti Francesca & Family

7:00pm English

Family Amendola Family Family Mom, Dad & Nicole Lucy

7:00pm Italian

husband F. Fata & children A. Tucci Wife & Family Riccardo, Teresa & Angelina Riccardo & Teresa

7:00pm English

Esterina Gigliotti Family Mario & Angela & Family C Rosso

Saturday, October 10

Francesco, Rosina, Mario Fabiano G. Fabiano G. Fabiano Veneruz Family R. & G. DiGiuseppe Giovina & Family M. & R. Stefanile T. Bon E. Bonazza

Sunday, October 11 XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am

Eva Sacchetti Natalina Quinn Giuseppe Arella & Defunti Famiglia Esterina Romito Iolanda Conforti Willis Brown

G. & M. Scocchia Mom & Dad Arella & Perri Fam. G. & F. Biancospino G. DeVuono Family

E. & M. Novo

11:00am

Manuel & Maria Arruda

Jose Cabral M. Cabral Virgilio, Lucrezia & Tony Paola & Natalina & Joseph Baratta A. DeGrazia Carmine DeGrazia, Luisa & Frank Paola & Antonio Rubino A. DeGrazia Maria Rosa Consolata Tino J. Tino & Family Nicola Bava Seniors Luigina Pugliese Family



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