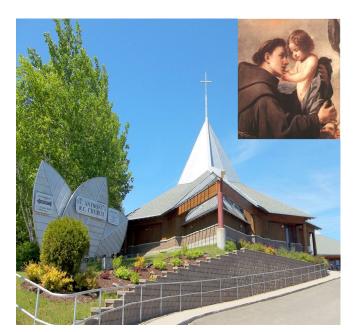
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St. Anthony's Parish is a Catholic Faith community rich in cultural diversity with a strong flavor of identity.

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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#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

March 28, 2021



Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are you who have come to us so rich in love and mercy .

Welcome to Holy Week. Today we received a palm branch - little cross in memory of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Then, in terrible contrast, we heard about the betrayal of Jesus, his humiliation by public scourging and then the cross. Those standing near the cross listened to these words, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" How could Jesus - who is God - feel abandoned by God? Jesus took upon himself our sins, and he experienced the worst consequence of sin: separation from God. When we feel desolate, left, defeated - when we wonder where God is - that is the moment to come to Jesus, come to the cross. Jesus' loud cry is a shout of victory, a loud cry of Jesus' Resurrection.

### **DOMENICA DELLE PALME: PASSIONE DEL SIGNORE**

Oggi, domenica delle Palme, dov'è possibile la Messa è preceduta da un rito che rievoca l'ingresso trionfale di Gesù a Gerusalemme, pochi giorni prima della sua Pasqua di morte e risurrezione. E' l'inizio della Settimana Santa della quale oggi abbiamo il compendio nella visione di queste singole tappe che i vengono descritte dalla lettura speciale del brano evangelico, nel quale ritroviamo anche noi stessi nel continuo connubio fra morte e vita, fra umiliazione ed esaltazione, dolore e gioia; nel continuo avvicendarsi insomma della morte e della risurrezione di Cristo nella nostra stessa vita



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.

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Anointing of the sick: Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

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# Passion Sunday

Crowned with thorns, our Lord is lifted on the Cross, where He dies as "King of the Jews." Notice how many times He is called "king" in today's

Gospel—mostly in scorn and mockery.

He is the Suffering Servant foretold by Isaiah in today's First Reading. His hands and feet are pierced; as His enemies gamble for His clothes, wagging their heads, mocking His faith in God's love, His faith that God will deliver Him. In the dark noon of Calvary, the veil in Jerusalem's temple was torn. It was a sign that by His death, Jesus destroyed forever the barrier separating us from the presence of God.

He was God and yet humbled Himself to come among us, we're reminded in today's Epistle. And despite our repeated failures, our frailty, Jesus still humbles Himself to come to us, offering us His body and blood in the Eucharist. His enemies never understood: His kingship isn't of this world. He wants to write His law, His rule of life on our hearts and minds.

As we enter Holy Week, let us once more resolve to give Him dominion in our lives. Let us take up the cross He gives to us—and confess with all our hearts, minds, and strength that truly this is the Son of God. - Scott Hahn

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**: During Lent, parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross and pray for all our beloved.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Thank you to the leaders who have prepared our couples for the sacrament of Marriage. We ask our congregation to pray for the engaged couples as they prepare themselves for marriage.

Wyatt Andrew Alexander Barnes was baptized in the Lord. Congratulations to their families.

FIRST COMMUNION 2021: The dates for this year's First Communion are June 5 & 6, 2021, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. A reminder to parents to support their children with the preparation program, posted on the church website, stanthonysparish.ca Attending mass is most important in preparing for First Communion. Mass can be attended by livestream with the link being found on the church website, and in person now that the church has re-opened.

CONFIRMATION 2021: The dates for this year's Confirmation are May 1 & 2, 2021. A reminder to the candidates to complete the preparation program with the support of their sponsors & parents. The program has been emailed to the families & is also available on the church website at stanthonysparish.ca Attending mass is also an important part of sacramental preparation. Mass can be attended by livestream with the link being found on the church website, and in person now that the church has reopened.

**BEST YOUTH ON HILLS:** All youth are invited are to our virtual meetings. Stay connected with your parish. Please watch for a **Zoom** invitation by email and on Facebook at Best Youth on Hills. Any new youth who wish to participate can email: cocci5@tbaytel.net to request the Zoom invitation.

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



#### A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP COLLI:

"My Dear Friends:

With the change in the policy of the Grey Zone allowing 15% capacity for churches, we will be celebrating our Sunday Masses again in Thunder Bay and the surrounding areas. In the Grey Zone, the capacity number is limited to 15% for your local church, which is not very high and we must continue to follow all the safety protocols. Please use careful discretion about attending Mass at this time. With the number of Covid-19 cases growing, people should be extra careful about gathering together and coming to Mass. If you have a cold, sniffles, fever, or are feeling in any way unwell, please do not attend Mass in your parish church at this time. Please follow Mass on social media through your parish live-stream or on our diocesan website at www.dotb.ca. If numbers go down, then things will be much safer. Thank you and stay safe." Bishop Fred Colli



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## MASS INTENTIONS March 29—April 4, 2021

### Monday, March 29

All Parishioners Francesco Naccarato Maria Sacchetti

## Tuesday, March 30

All Souls

Wednesday, March 31

Francesco DiBiagio

**HOLY THURSDAY, April 1** 7:00pm (English & Italian)

Mass of the Lord's Supper

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 2** 3:00pm (English) 7:00pm (Italian)

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord followed by the stations of the Cross

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 3** 

8:00pm

SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF EASTER VIGIL

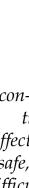
**EASTER MASS** Sunday, April 4 9:00am (English & Italian)

All Parishioners

# 11:00am (English)

All Parishioners

Mass can also be viewed by livestream with the link being found on the church website.



Please con-

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

*Let us pray for the repose of the soul of* Rosina Tropea, Michele Turco & Elio Bisignano who recently passed away.



9:00am English

Parishioner

7:00pm English DiBiagio & Charlton Families

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