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

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THIRTYFIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 31, 2021

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone!"



Religion is about going up to God and out to our neighbors at the same time. Love of God is so interwoven with the love of our neighbor that it is a difficult balance to achieve. Saying our prayers and attending Sunday Mass while ignoring our neighbor is a mere half-hearted response to God's love, which presents no challenge. Likewise, love of our neighbor, which has no reference to and does not proceed from the love of God, comes to nothing more than a form of refined self-love. Christian love is about getting out of ourselves and reaching towards the other. Love is "to will the good of the other."

XXXI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

L'amore di Dio e l'amore del prossimo vengono strettamente connessi da Gesù che li presenta essenzialmente uniti e secondo la loro intrinseca successione: l'amore di Dio che ci ama, ci rende capaci di amare lui e il prossimo; e nell'amore del prossimo si manifesta l'amore che Dio ha per noi e che noi esprimiamo verso di lui. La vera novità del messaggio di Gesù è aver messo insieme l'amore per Dio e l'amore per il prossimo, aver creato un legame così stretto tra l'amore di Dio e l'amore del prossimo che non possiamo più pensare di tenere gli occhi rivolti al cielo distogliendoli dalla terra. Buona domenica e buona settimana.



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



The Law of Love

The unity of God—the truth that He is one God, Father, Son, and Spirit—means that we must love Him with one love, a love that serves Him with all our hearts and minds, souls and strength. We love Him because He has loved us first. We love our neighbor because we can't love the God we



haven't seen unless we love those made in His image and likeness whom we have seen. There is no greater love than to lay down your life. This is perhaps why Jesus tells the scribe in today's Gospel that he is not far from the kingdom of God. The scribe recognizes that the burnt offerings and sacrifices of the old Law were meant to teach Israel that it is love that God desires. The animals offered in sacrifice were symbols of the self-sacrifice, the total gift of ourselves, that God truly wants. Let us tell the Lord we love Him, as we do in today's Psalm. And let us take His Word to heart, that we might prosper and have life eternal in His kingdom, the heavenly homeland flowing with milk and honey. - Scott Hahn.

COVID-19 UPDATE: With the Province of Ontario lifting some capacity limits to certain establishments this week, this change does not affect our parish churches. We still remain at our capacity limits, depending or social distancing. To move to full capacity with no distancing would mean that only fully vaccinated people may attend Mass. We cannot move to that situation at this time. We encourage everyone to be vaccinated for their safety and the safety of their families and those around them. Masks are still required to be worn at Mass and hand sanitizing is recommended. There is no congregational singing and Communion is to be received in the hand. Social distancing must take place outside of the church also. Small meetings of up to 25 people may take place in parish halls, as long as everyone is fully vaccinated. We ask you to continue to follow these safety norms as we move slowly out of this pandemic time. Thank you

Bishop Fred Colli

<u>DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE's:</u> Let's listen to the voices of our brothers and sisters fighting for their right to a healthy environment. World leaders have gathered for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26). Although these powerful decision-makers are debating the future of the planet, they are probably too far removed from the realities of its most vulnerable people. It is up to us to hear and amplify the voices of those who are defending their rights and the environment against economic ravage.

Medarda Hernandez, whose community in Honduras has been repeatedly harmed by large industrial projects, including supposedly "green" projects, says, "if other extractivist projects start in our community, we are not going to let them pass. I ask the international community to come to our aid because we are really suffering from this situation." So that people like Medarda do not go unheard, let's make Canadian companies operating abroad responsible for protecting human and environmental rights. Join Development and Peace's *People and Planet First* Campaign to make this happen. Visit https://devp.org/en for more information.

Bishop's Annual Diocesan Ministry Campaign

Our needs grow more and more each year and your response in past years has been most appreciated & has enabled me, as the Bishop, to serve the needs of our parishes and communities in our Diocese. Please be generous again this year and I ask God's blessing upon you and your families. Bishop F. Colli

Our Goal this year is \$29,000.00 To date we have raised 18,337.38

9:00am.

We are at 63%

ALL SAINTS MASS: Monday, November 1st, will be held at 7:00pm rather than at regular time of

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: If your child attends Public School, please pick up registration forms at the office or in church. This includes registration for children and youth whose sacraments were postponed.

Confirmation date: May 28 & 29, 2022
First Communion date: June 18 & 19, 2022
As we receive more information, we will update.

GRUPPO ALPINI: Mass for all deceased of the Alpini on Sunday, November 7th in our church for 9:00am Mass. We welcome the Alpini Group.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday, November 10th at 7:35pm.

LADIES OF ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.: All meetings are cancelled until March 14, 2022.

MEMORIAL MASS: Tuesday, November 16 at 7:00pm at St. Anthony's Parish. A mass remembering the deceased members of the Ladies of the Italian Society of Port Arthur and of St. Anthony's Catholic Women's League.

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

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MASS INTENTIONS November 1-7, 2021

Monday, November 1 7:00am English All Parishioners Pastor Santo & Bruno Bitonte M. Bitonte Emma Rucchetto M. Mazzaferro Liisa Zanandrea Family Special Intention Parishioner Angelo, Maria G., Pietro, Mario & Teresa Marasco T. & R. Marasco

7:00pm Italian

Tuesday, November 2 **ALL SOULS DAY**

Prayer Intentions For All Deceased

Wednesday, November 3 7:00pm English Esterina Romito late Esterina Ernesto Romito late Esterina

Maria DiBiagio DiBiagio & Charlton Fam. Francesca & Eugenio Desando & Deceased Family Family Antonio Calleri & Deceased Calleri & Stella Family Teresa & Fam. Pasquale Bossio Vanda & Family

Maria, Pasquale & Giuseppe Arella & Marta Marozzo M. Arella

Thursday, November 4 7:00pm Italian

Domenico & Marcello Donato & Defunti Famiglia Family A. D'Angelo Lucia Bucciarelli **Rob Winters** L. & L. Ferrari Deceased of Magisano & Giorgio P. Magisano Rocco & Maria Francesca Larizza B. Larizza Bruno Luigi & Maria Rosaria Tassone B. Larizza

7:00pm English Friday, November 5 Paolo & Manuel Ilda & Family Rosa Mihaljevic M. Zugic Fiore Coccimiglio Luigina & Family Mario Nucci L. Nucci Don & Tony DiGiacinto Friend

Saturday, November 6

5:00pm Mike Ferrari Wife & Children Umberto, Peter, Carmine & Elvira Pascuzzo Alba & Family Salvatore Tassone M. & R. Stefanile Nazzareno Larizza M. Larizza Dino DiGiuseppe E. & M. Santin Pasquale Bruno-Bossio V. Bossio Liisa Zanandrea R. & A. Uvanile Maria Prisco J. & L. Herman

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 7 9:00am

Defunti Cacciatore & Fiorito M. & V. Cacciatore Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia Family Donato D'Angelo Family Deceased of D'Angelo Family G. Ivanetic & Fam. Teresa Agostino Children Wife & Children Carmine DeVuono Defunti Filice T. & L. Filice Defunti Clemenza L. & T. Filice

David Filice Mom & Dad Fiorindo Deprophetis Family Oreste Massei, Disma Massei & Mario Puccella

L. Massei Tutti Defunti del Gruppo Alpini Gruppo Alpini

11:00am

Giovanni Malench & Peter & Lucia Sandri Antonio Arruda Teresa Agostino Maria DiCasmirro Nicola Squartecchia Maria Pacheco All Souls

Elio Bisignano Deceased Bradizza & Casali Maria Figueira

Friends Agostino Children E. Sanzo & Family Wife & Family M. Machado

R.G.

F. & L. Coccimialio M. Bradizza M. Cabral

Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed by livestream with the link being found on the church website: www.stanthonysparish.ca

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