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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.

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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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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 6, 2022



We do not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Lent is a time for us to get back to basics, to replenish the soil in which our Christian faith grows. The word of God and, in a special way, the gospel today states that there is more to life than the satisfaction of our appetites and material things. In the desert, our Lord turned his back on all that stood in the way of doing his Father's will. Lent is a time for reflection, and prayer may help us to discover the presence and will of God in our lives. Fasting and self-denial, backed up by alms-giving, keep us growing in friendship with God. Let us make this Lent a time for us to become better people. Our prayer should be, 'Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.'

PRIMA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO

E' iniziato, con il mercoledì delle ceneri, il tempo forte della Quaresima. Siamo chiamati a mettere in atto le tre pratiche della pietà cristiana: il digiuno, la preghiera e le opere di carità fraterna. Siamo chiamati in questo periodo a vivere scelte di vita cristiana e a crescere nella fede in Cristo Gesù. Questi 40 giorni di deserto del nostro mondo già prefigurato e presente nel racconto dell'Esodo nella Bibbia ci aiutino a diventare persone migliori. Nel nostro viaggio della vita verso la terra Promessa del Paradiso ci saranno sempre tentazioni e difficoltà. La Quaresima e' il tempo favorevole dell'incontro con Dio, ma anche della purificazione della nostra fede e nel migliorare i nostri rapporti con gli altri.



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.

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Forty Days



As Israel was tested for forty years in the wilderness, Jesus is led into the desert to be tested for forty days and nights. He faces the temptations put to Israel: He's tempted to grumble against God for food. As Israel quarrelled at Massah, He's tempted to doubt God's care. When the Devil asks for His homage, He's tempted to do what Israel did in creating the golden calf. Jesus fights the Devil with the Word of God, three times quoting from Moses' lecture about the lessons Israel was supposed to learn from its wilderness wanderings. Why do we read this story on the first Sunday of Lent? Because like the biblical sign of forty, the forty days of Lent are a time of trial and purification. Lent is to teach us what we repeatedly hear in today's readings. "Call upon me, and I will answer," the Lord promises in today's Psalm. Paul promises the same thing in today's Epistle. As the litany of remembrance Moses prescribes for Israel, we should see in the Mass a memorial of our salvation and "bow down in His presence," offering ourselves in thanksgiving for all He has given us.

- Scott Hahn

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: please contact Helen Iorianni to update your contact information. Email heleniorianni@hotmail.com

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross (English & Italian) every Friday following the 7:00pm Mass.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: We are pleased to return to in-person meetings, and will be holding a meeting on March 6, 2022 at 7:00pm. Youth gr. 7 & older are invited. Existing Covid protocols will be followed.

PARISH COUNCIL: meeting Wednesday, March 9 at 7:35pm. We will discuss the reopening of parish activities. Everyone welcome.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: St. Anthony's Parish will be having their Marriage Preparation Course on Friday, April 1st (7pm-10pm) & Saturday April 2nd (9am-6pm). Deacon Pasquale will email all registered couples.

LADIES OF ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.: General Meeting at the Italian Cultural Centre on Monday, March 14 at 7:30pm. **Executive meeting** at 6:00pm.

ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.: next general assembly meeting will be April 4th. There will not be a need to show proof of vaccination. Please join us for the meeting and fellowship afterwards.
Spaghetti Take Out—March 6 from 12-5pm
Chicken Parm Take Out—March 11- must preorder
Spaghetti Take Out—March 20 12-5pm
Chicken Parm Take Out—March 25—must preorder

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: St. Patrick's Day **CORN BEEK TAKE OUT \$22.00:** Pick up 4-5:30pm Thursday, March 17 at Columbus Centre. Preorders only, by Wednesday, March 16 call 623-3252.

Message from Bishop Colli:

- Churches will be at full capacity with no social distancing.
 - Masks must still be worn during Mass.
 - Congregational singing may begin with the wearing of masks.
 - Communion in the hand is still recommended at this time.
 - Kiss of Peace—no shaking of hands at this point.
 - Sanitizers are available at church doors.
 - Servers continue to serve with masks and some distancing.
 - Use of Holy Water stoups is allowed.
 - Choirs & cantors may resume with masks and distancing if unmasked.
 - Removal of pew dividers or floor markings may take place.
 - Priests/Deacons/ Eucharist ministers are still to wear a mask while distributing Holy Communion in church or anywhere.
 - Parishioners should monitor themselves, and if they have any symptoms of Covid or Omicron they should not attend Mass.
- Bishop F. Colli
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CONFIRMATION: A meeting for all candidates, their sponsors and ONE parent has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th at 7:30pm in the church hall. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early for check-in in order that the meeting can begin on time. Attendance is mandatory as the preparation program will be outlined and presented to the candidates, sponsors and parents. The Confirmation dates are May 28th & 29th.

FIRST COMMUNION: A meeting for the children & their parents has been scheduled for Monday, March 7th at 7:00pm in the church hall. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early for check-in in order that the meeting can begin on time. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory as the preparation program will be outlined and presented to the parents and students. The First Communion dates are June 18th & 19th.

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Monday, March 7

All Parishioners
Reg Legace

9:00am English

Pastor
Legace Family

Tuesday, March 8

Maria & Eugenio Sacchetti

7:00pm Italian

Family

Wednesday, March 9

Celeste Cordeiro
Giovanni Niccoli

7:00pm English

M. Brophy & C. DaRocha
Family

Thursday, March 10

Pamela Gaon & Erik Zapata
Filomena, Abraham, Lola & Ruben Rodriguez grandson
Rosa & Federico Vintimilla grandson
Special Intentions for Pina Ferrari Luisa & Rosie
Erik Sereda mom, dad, Nicole & Fam.

7:00pm Italian

Family

Friday, March 11

Riccardo Lazzari
Maria DaRosa
Mary Zanni

7:00pm English

R. Furioso
daughters
Bob & Family

Saturday, March 12

Deceased of Zanandrea Family
Consolata Maria Rosa Tino
Vittorio Augruso

5:00pm

Family
Family
M. & V. Cacciatore

Sunday, March 13

Second Sunday of Lent

9:00am

Vincenzo Rosso
Rachele Costanzo
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia
Cesare Biancospino
Giuseppina Rizzo

daughter
Family
Family
Ermando Sacchetti & Fam.
Papa Family

11:00am

Irene Botelho Paulo Raposo
Maria Pacheco
Maria Figueira

M. Pacheco
O. & R. Potter
M. Zugic

Our 11:00am Mass
livestream
with the link being
website: www.stanthonysparish.ca



can also be viewed by
found on the church

Sophie Avery Alvarez Diaz was baptized in the Lord.
Congratulations & blessings to the family.



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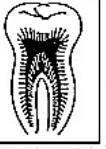
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