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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.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - C

April 3, 2022



Return to me with all your heart, says the Lord, for I am gracious and merciful.

Jesus, after writing on the ground with his finger, addresses those who stand before him and suggests that the one without sin cast the first stone. Jesus then returns to his writing. This Scripture reading, by the way, is the only evidence we have of Jesus' writing. Yet there are no specific details about what he wrote. For example, we can easily imagine the scene where the Pharisees and the elders disperse. Left alone with the woman, Jesus (the one who truly is without sin) sends the woman on her way, refusing to pass judgment on her and encouraging her to avoid future sin. Redeemed by Jesus' compassion, we are sent to sin no more and live in God's love and peace.

QUINTA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO

Nel vangelo di questa settimana di Quaresima Gesù mette in evidenza l'ipocrisia dei farisei: "Chi di voi è senza peccato scagli per primo la pietra. Gesù toglie qualsiasi argomentazione ai Farisei e mette in evidenza la loro ignoranza colpevole della legge che insegna che Dio, essendo potente sovrano, giudica con moderazione e governa con indulgenza, perché egli opera tutto ciò che vuole ma con amore di Padre. Gesù insegna alle folle che non esiste più grande manifestazione di potere che il perdono. In effetti, solo il potere di Cristo, che muore crocifisso per amore, è capace di dare la vita. Soltanto nel perdono di Dio l'uomo trova la vera vita - un perdono che sa di vita eterna.



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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Something New



The Liturgy this Lent has shown us is the God of the Exodus. He is a mighty and gracious God, Who, out of faithfulness to His covenant, has done “great things” for His people, as today’s Psalm puts it. The readings look forward to a still greater Exodus when God gathers in the exiled tribes of Israel that had been scattered to the four winds, the ends of the earth. The new Exodus that Israel waited and hoped for has come in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Like the adulterous woman in today’s Gospel, all have been spared by the Lord’s compassion. All have heard His words of forgiveness, His urging to repentance, to be sinners no more. In the Church, God has formed a people for Himself to announce His praise, just as Isaiah said He would. And as Isaiah promised, He has given His “chosen people” living waters to drink in the desert wastelands of the world. But our God is ever a God of the future, not the past. We are to live with hopeful hearts, “forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead,” as Paul tells us. His salvation, Paul says, is power in the present, “the power of His resurrection.” - Scott Hahn

GENERAL ABSOLUTION: at St. Anthony’s on Wednesday, April 6 at 7:00pm with Mass.

MASS OF CHRISM: Bishop Colli will celebrate the Mass of Chrism with the blessing of the holy oils used in our sacraments and the renewing of priestly promises by our priests on Thursday, April 7 at St. Patrick’s Cathedral at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be no social gathering after the Mass. Our Thursday, April 7th mass will be celebrated only in the morning at 9:00am as Fr. Luigi will be at the Cathedral in the evening.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace’s *People and Planet First Campaign* invites you to give from the heart & thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters & brothers across the world. In Cambodia, your solidarity helped our partner DPA establish a community fishery in Srey Packly’s village. She said, “Thank you very much to DPA & donors for supporting my family & fellow villagers to have fresh & healthy fish to eat & to improve our livelihoods.” Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give
Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

Julia Maria Tozzo was baptized in the Lord. Congratulations & blessings to the family.



Covid-Omicron Update - March 21, 2022

With the government of Ontario lifting the Mandatory Masking Policy, the policy direction for the Diocese of Thunder Bay will be that wearing a Mask in our churches for Mass/services or at other parish meetings or gatherings will be **OPTIONAL**. We respect whatever decisions are taken & recognize everyone’s right to wear or not to wear a mask. However, we encourage some social distancing to continue. During Sunday or weekday Masses, priests, deacons or other ministers of Holy Communion, must continue to sanitize their hands beforehand, continue to wear a mask while distributing Holy Communion at Mass or in other places. Communion from the cup is still not allowed at this time. We encourage those who can, to once again attend Mass at their parish church, especially as we approach the celebrations of Holy Week and Easter.
Sincerely, Bishop Fred J. Colli

MARRIAGE PREPARATION is taking place this weekend for 11 couples being married at St. Anthony’s and other parishes. Let us remember them in our prayers as they journey towards marriage.

SENIORS GROUP: regular bingo will resume every Tuesday. New Executives are:
President—Mary Connie Marino
Vice President—Lucina Zussino
Treasurer—Lina Bruno
Secretary—Nella Ambrose
Memberships—Lillian Niemi

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: meeting Sun., April 3. Youth gr. 7 & older are welcome.

CWL MEMBERSHIP DUES: can be paid at the office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to operate the projector during Masses. Interested youth & adults are invited to speak with a music minister.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Schedules for April & May available in church lobby. Sign Up sheet for Holy Week posted in the sacristy.

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

CONFIRMATION DATE: May 28th & 29th.

FIRST COMMUNION DATE: June 18th & 19th.
Regular attendance at Sunday Mass is really the best way to prepare your child for the Sacraments.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$2,870.00
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MASS INTENTIONS April 4-10, 2022

Monday, April 4

All Parishioners
Domenico & Marcello Donato

9:00am English

Pastor
Family

Tuesday, April 5

Vincenzo Romeo
Vincenzo DiGiacinto
Fr. Umberto Rizzi
Bruno Larizza
Santo & Bruno Bitonte
Franca Costantino
Lina Bonaddio

7:00pm Italian

Family
Family
C.W.L.
Moglie & Famiglia
M. Bitonte
Family

fratello T. Costantino & Sorella R. Tallari

Wednesday, April 6

Salvatore Tassone
Mike Ferrari
Saveria Rizzo

7:00pm English

F. Mimose
wife & children
V. Rizzo

Thursday, April 7

Lino & Giovanna Tombolan
Elmerinda Fata

9:00am Italian

Family
F. Fata & Family

Friday, April 8

Jose Cabral
Elisabetta Abbantonato
Lina Gazzola

7:00pm English

Maria & Family
B. & E. Melchiorre
MC & A. Marino

Saturday, April 9

Deceased of Zanandrea Family
Mario & Antonella Felice
Concetta Costanzo Rizzo
Rocco & Leta D'Angelo
Fiore Coccimiglio
Pasquale Mauro
Alessandro & Paolina Iacino & Adolfo Medaglia

5:00pm

Family
Carmela
Family
B. & E. Melchiorre
F. & L. Coccimiglio
wife & children
A. & J. Potestio & Fam.

Sunday, April 10

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9:00am

Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia
Mary Zanni
Cesare Biancospino
Elena D'Angelo

Family
C.W.L.
M. & S. Frattaroli
R. & G. DiGiuseppe

11:00am

Irene Botelho Paulo Raposo
Jose Pacheco
Maria Pacheco
Ottorino & Ida Farno
Giuseppe, Maria, Antonietta & Angela Magisano
Pina Fioravante Coccimiglio
Amelia & Crawford Greer

I. & A. Freitas
Maria & Family
E. Dias
Family
Pina
J.P. & L. Federico
R. Furioso

Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed by livestream
with the link being found on the church website:
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† Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Graziano DeGiorgio
Manuel Fernandes Covas who recently passed away.



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