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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

Deacons: Rev. Dave Cattani & Rev. Pasquale Coccimiglio

Office Admin.: Mary Stefanile

Rite Christian Initiation Adults - R.C.I.A. call office 768-1878

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 25, 2024

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

St. Peter saw Jesus transfigured on the mountain. He heard the Father's voice resounding from Heaven. He saw, he listened, he understood little. Then little by little that vision and listening began to become the pillar of his faith. That day remained indelible in his mind and heart. It is the foundation of his faith in Christ. The Father's voice on the mount of transfiguration is an invitation to all of us, "He is my beloved son, listen to him!" If we do not listen to the voice of Jesus what other voices do we hear? May this Lent for all of us be a time of listening and conversion.

II DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA

Church & Hall at one level:

San Pietro vide Gesù trasfigurato sul monte. Ascoltò la voce del Padre che risuonava dal Cielo. Vide, ascoltò, comprese poco. Poi a poco a poco quella visione e quell'ascolto iniziarono a divenire il pilastro della sua fede. Quel giorno rimase indelebile nella sua mente e nel suo cuore. È a fondamento della sua fede in Cristo. La voce del Padre sul monte della trasfigurazione e' un invito per tutti noi: "Lui e' il mio figlio prediletto - ascoltatelo!" Se non ascoltiamo la voce di Gesu' quali altre voci ascoltiamo? Sia questa Quaresima per tutti noi un tempo di ascolto e di conversione.



Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:30pm For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English) SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) 11:00 AM (English) & Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office. **Registration:** 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.

Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368

It is good to be here.

The transfiguration held an important place in the life and teaching of the early church. For the three apostles later, at Gethsemane, they witnessed our Lord's suffering and then his resurrection. Jesus is the Only



Begotten Son of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. The Christian life is a continuous contemplation of Jesus Christ. "It is good for us to be here," exclaims Peter, who "indeed did not know what to say, for they were seized with fear." Faith silences fear, especially the fear of opening our lives to Christ, unconditionally. Often fear can keep us from hearing the voice of Christ. This time of Lent is a time of release from our fears and growth in faith.

LENTEN RETREAT with Fr. Terry Sawchuk on Monday, March 4th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at St. Andrew's Church Baxter Hall. The theme for the retreat is "The Way of the Cross; 14 Principles for Personal Growth." All are welcome but seating is limited, so please call the Parish Office 807-345-5202 to register. Please bring a non-perishable food donation in support of the Dew Drop Inn soup kitchen.

ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A. SPAGHETTI TAKE-**OUT:** February 25th, from 12:00noon—5:00pm

COLUMBUS CENTRE UPCOMING EVENTS: SPAGHETTI & MEATBALL TAKE OUTS:

March 7, 21, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30 CORNED BEEF TAKE OUT: Thurs., March 14, preorder by Wed., March 13. \$22.00 For more information call the Columbus Centre: 807-623-3252

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: This Lent, start or increase your monthly donations to Development and Peace, any time until Pentecost (may 19) to have your total annual donation matched dollar for dollar. www.devp.com

2023 TAX RECEIPTS: can be picked up at the office during office hours (Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH: Friday March 1st. There will be adoration with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:00pm-7:00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday during Lent after the 7:00pm Mass (English & Italian)

FIRST COMMUNION:

Reconciliation Classes (in hall, during 11:00am Mass): Sunday, April 7 & Sunday, April 14 Prayer Service: Sunday, April 21 at 2:00pm First Communion Classes: Sundays, Apr. 28, May 5 & May 26 (in hall, during 11:00am Mass) FIRST COMMUNION DAY: Saturday, June 1st at 2:00pm & 5:00pm.

CONFIRMATION 2024: A special Confirmation ceremony for registered Candidates of Bishop E.Q. Jennings & Bishop Gallagher will be held on Fri., May 3rd at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

YOUTH CHOIR: Anyone ages 10+ are welcome to join. Next Youth Choir Practice is March 17th after the 11:00am Mass. Please contact Cassandra Col-(807-632-4499) istro or Shea Niemi (sciemi@lakeheadu.ca) for further information. Thank you

YOUTH GROUP: The next youth meeting will be February 25th from 7:00pm-8:30pm. We will be enjoying a pancake dinner for a late Shrove Tuesday. Please RSVP to cccolist@lakeheadu.ca . All Youth grade 7 & up are welcome. Bring your friends.

C.W.L. NEWS: 2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES: may be paid for at the office. (\$35.00)

WARM ARTICLES: CWL collecting NEW warm articles (hats, mitts, neck warmers, scarves & socks. All sized appreciated. Collection box is located in church lobby.

C.W.L.MEETING: There is no meeting in February but the next General Meeting is March 5, 2024 with a speaker from the Alzheimer Society.

CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN: Thank you to all who purchased chocolates for this special fundraiser. A special thank you goes out to our C.W.L. for their generous donation & to Mamma Chocolate who donated all of the chocolates. Total funds raised is \$3,012.00

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

\$2,315.00

Thank you Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. God Bless! Donations can also be made online. Onetime or automatic monthly donations by credit card www.stanthonysparish.ca





