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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.

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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St. Anthony Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

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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. Contact Office 6 months in advance.
- Reconciliation - Confession:** Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Daily 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 Access & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 26, 2017

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.*



God's ways of seeing are not our ways, we hear in today's First Reading. Jesus illustrates this in the Gospel—as the blind man comes to see and the Pharisees are made blind. The blind man stands for all humanity. "Born totally in sin" he is made a new creation by the saving power of Christ. As God fashioned the first man from the clay of the earth, Jesus gives the blind man new life by anointing his eyes with clay. As God breathed the spirit of life into the first man, the blind man is not healed until he washes in the waters of Siloam, a name that means "Sent." Jesus is the One "sent" by the Father to do the Father's will. He is the new source of life-giving water—the Holy Spirit who rushes upon us in Baptism. In the restful waters of Baptism He has refreshed our souls. He has anointed our heads with the oil of Confirmation and spread the Eucharistic table before us, filling our cups to overflowing. With the once-blind man we enter His house to give God the praise, to renew our vow: "I do believe, Lord." "The Lord looks into the heart," we hear today. Let Him find us, as Paul advises in today's Epistle, living as "children of light"—trying always to learn what is pleasing to our Father.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE—SHARE LENT:

Next week is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection will take place. There are extra envelopes on the counter in the lobby of the church. Please be generous. Don't forget the Solidarity Calendar, which has activities and reflections to help us "be at the heart of change."

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, all parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross every Friday following the 7:00pm Mass. The Stations of the Cross will be bilingual so that we may be united as a parish community.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: Special thanks to the youth participating in today's liturgy. Please join us in prayerful meditation for the Stations of the Cross on Mar. 31 following the 7pm. mass. Next youth meeting is Apr.2, 7:00-8:30, in church meeting room.

BIG BIKE: The Best Youth On Hills are pleased to participate once again in the Big Bike event this year to help raise funds for the Heart & Stroke Foundation, in memory of Fr. Lino Santi. Our team will be riding on May 27 at 12:15pm. We are looking for interested participants, 14 & up, to join our team. Each team member is required to fundraise. Please consider joining us for great fun, fitness & friendship. For more info, contact Sandra or Gabriela at 767-9228 or message Gabriela at Best Youth On Hills.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES: for the Northward, here at St. Anthony's Parish on Monday, March 27 at 7:00pm and in the Southward on Friday, March 31 at St. Agnes Parish at 7:00pm.

C.W.L. EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, March 28, 7:00pm in the church meeting room.

MUSIC MINISTRY: Next practice is Thursday, March 30 at 7:30pm in the church.

CHRISM MASS CHOIR: Join in the choir for Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 7:00pm, Thursday, April 6. Everyone welcome. Practices are March 29 & April 5 at 7:00pm in the Cathedral Chapel. Call Laurie at 623-1373 or laurieclara@gmail.com

CHRISM MASS: Thurs., April 6, at 7:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Everyone is invited. St. Anthony's Parish will have our Mass at 9:00am for that day.

JOURNEY TO EASTER: An evening of spiritual awakening March 29, April 5 & 12. Everyone welcome to watch & discuss enlightening spiritual movies, celebrating the Lent season as a joyful journey! Movies are: ***St. Therese of Lisieux, Shadrach, & Risen.***

CATHOLIC-LUTHERAN WORKSHOPS: We invite you to the following ecumenical workshops. The purpose of these gatherings is to build bridges & relationships with our Lutheran brothers & sisters & to commemorate our common baptism & the 500 Anniversary of the Reformation, seeing this event in a new light. Everyone welcome. There is no fee & the info on the workshops is available at the Canadian Bishops website: www.cccb.ca. Please call the Pastoral Centre & notify Sheila of your attendance, 343-9313

Session 2: Mar. 30, 7:30pm-9pm-Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

Session 3: Apr. 20, 7:30-9pm at St. Dominic's Parish

Session 4: May 11 7:30-9pm, St. Anthony's Church

Session 5: May 18 7:30-9pm at Catholic Pastoral Centre

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING: for Parents & Children is Thursday, April 20 with Mass at 7:00pm & meeting at 7:30pm in the church hall. We encourage parents to bring their children to Sunday Mass. Participation in the Sunday Liturgy is the best preparation for the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

C.W.L. MEMBERSHIPS: \$25, pay for at the office.

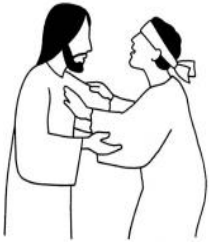
FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY: Everyone is invited to join in the celebration of the ***Feast of Divine Mercy*** at St. Anthony's Parish on Sun., Apr. 23 at 3:00pm. Veneration of the relic of St. Faustina will also take place.

MASS CARDS: If you receive a mass card for your beloved deceased, please remember to book the mass before 3 months pass. If they are not booked in this time, we will book for you. Thank you.

PLEASE RETURN PARISH KEYS: Anyone having a parish key must return it to the office. If you require a key you may sign it out when needed. Thank you.

Thank you to all our Parishioners and visitors
for your continued generosity and support.

IV DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA (ANNO A)



Il cieco dalla nascita, insieme alla luce degli occhi, acquista anche la luce della fede: ha chiesto una luce e ne riceve due. I farisei, al contrario, non accolgono la luce che è Gesù e, come i malati che ritenendosi sani rifiutano la guarigione, restano nelle tenebre. Ognuno sceglie la propria strada. I farisei persistono nel disconoscimento di Gesù ("non viene da Dio... non rispetta il sabato... è un peccatore... costui non sappiamo di dove sia"). Il cieco imbocca decisamente la strada verso la luce della fede ("l'uomo che si

chiama Gesù mi ha guarito... è un profeta!... io credo, Signore, che sei il Figlio di Dio"). La buona notizia è che la porta del Regno di Dio non è l'essere giusti, ma il riconoscersi ciechi, poveri, incapaci di camminare. La fede, molto prima di essere una conquista è un dono da accogliere. Per guarire il cieco Gesù usa fango e saliva, una strana medicina che ci ricorda il tempo della nostra creazione. E' lo Spirito di Dio che ci da' luce e vita. Abbiamo bisogno di nuovi occhi di fede per vedere bene.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

REFLECTION DAY at St. Peter's Church, Sunday, March 26, 1:30-3:30pm. "Responding to Our Call to be Faith Leaders" presented by Msgr. Stilla. Beginning in church for prayer then gathering in parish hall. Everyone welcome!

PRIMAVERA TEA: Sunday, March 26, 1:30-4pm at Da Vinci Centre. Held by the Principe Di Piemonte Society Ladies Auxiliary. Proceeds to the Alzheimer Society of Thunder Bay.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Sunday, April 2 at the Italian Cultural Centre in support of Helping Hands Auxiliary to Pioneer Ridge Home for the Aged.

NEEDED: The Catholic Action Centre is looking for used small appliances: toasters, kettles, phones, toaster ovens, coffee pots & cooking pots. Accepting donations- Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 10am—4pm at 129 Miles St. E.

HELP WANTED: Catholic volunteers needed to assist residents in attending Mass every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 11:00-11:45am at Pioneer Ridge Long Term Care Home. Call Lisa for more info #684-3932.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL proudly presents "We Will Rock You" school edition, May 9 - 13 in the school gym. Tickets \$20 available at school office. This production is in support of **Heart & Stroke Foundation, George Jeffrey Children's Centre & St. Andrew's Dew Drop Inn.** If you would like to Sponsor this production contact the school for more information (344-8433).

Congratulations to **Rocky Scali & Glenna Hunt** in their marriage. May God continue to bless them in their journey.



MASS INTENTIONS March 27 - April 2, 2017

Monday, March 27

All Parishioners
Doris Pomanti
Luisa & Rosario Larizza
Bruno Larizza
Raffaella Basilide
Vittoria Longo

9:00am English

Pastor
R. & D. Furioso
Figli
D. & B. Sacchetti Fam
Figlia Gina
Antonella & Fam

Tuesday, March 28

Brunina, Michele & Cosmo Ariganello
Antonietta D'Angelo
Giuseppe Stipcevich

7:00pm Italian

Family
Ercole & Family
M. Bradizza

Wednesday, March 29

Deceased of Filice Family
Casimiro DiCasmirro

7:00pm English

Family
Family

Thursday, March 30

Bruno Larizza
Rosina, Battista & Rosario Filice
Margaret Maronese
Giuseppe Foresta

7:00pm Italian

R. & M. Newfelt
M. Arella
S. & C. Maronese
Children & Families

Friday, March 31

Maria Pucci
Fernando Sousa

7:00pm English

F. & L. Coccimiglio
R. & S. Pavao

Saturday, April 1

5:00pm

Giovanni, Eleuterio Chiarelli
Luigi, Teresa & Pietro Fabiano
Frank Bresolin
Mariannina Turco
Saveria Porto
All Saints & All Souls
Mariannina Corsini Ballocchi
Deceased of Vitali Family
Pamela Gaon
Casimiro DiCasmirro
In honour of the Virgin Mary
Rosa Stella

E. Arella & Fam.
G. Fabiano & Fam
Family
E. & L. Colla
Figli
Tucci Family
A. Filice
P. & M. Buso
godfather & Fam.
O. Savioli
A. Arella
M. & V. Cacciatore

Sunday, April 2 Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00am

Paolo & Antonietta Coccimiglio & Rosario & Emilia Fadelbene F. & L. Coccimiglio
Frank Sabatini E. & A. Toivonen
Florenza Clemenza C. & I. Tassone
Francesco DiBiagio DiBiagio & Charlton Fam
Michele, Joe & Vince Macri Nella & Family
Jorge DeSousa M. & M. DiCarlo
Deceased of Savioli Family Family
Eddie Nowak H. Iorianni

11:00am

Paolo Galle
Maria Teves
Deceased of Foresta Family
Chiara Sanzo & Nella Badolato
Fernanda Sousa
Helen Martin
Carlos & Norberto Medeiros

Peter, Cathy & Fam.
D. & G. Camara
A. Fidalic
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