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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – C

September 15, 2019

In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.



In our world today there are a lot of lost souls, people who are adrift morally, spiritually and in need of healing like in the story of the prodigal son in today's gospel. They are bewildered and confused because, in their plight, they have not experienced God as a loving Father. The closer we feel to the elder son, who neither appreciated the Father's pain of loss or joy of reunion, the more we are an obstacle to their return. The older son needed a change of heart every bit as much as his younger brother. God the Father expects his love and forgiveness to be imitated by us. How else can he seek and save the lost except through our co-operation? His pardon is brought into the world by the love and mercy we show sinners. Our ability to welcome home the lost shows how much we treasure our own friendship with God. What we receive from him we must pass on to others.

"Si avvicinarono a lui tutti i pubblicani e i peccatori per ascoltarlo. I farisei e gli scribi mormoravano: Costui riceve i peccatori e mangia con loro. Allora egli disse loro una parabola" - Gesù racconta le tre parabole dei perduti ritrovati. Tra tutte le parabole sono indubbiamente le più sconvolgenti perché ci insegnano anzitutto che Dio si interessa di ciò che è perduto e che prova grande gioia per il ritrovamento di ciò che è perduto. Dio si interessa anche di un solo perduto. Le parabole della pecorella perduta e della donna che fatica tanto per una sola dramma perduta, hanno del paradossale per indicare il mistero di Dio che si interessa anche di uno solo perduto, insignificante, privo di valore, da cui non c'è niente di buono da ricavare. Ciò non significa evidentemente che dobbiamo trascurare tutti gli altri. L'etica cristiana arriva a vertici molto esigenti, che non sempre comprendiamo perché non riusciamo a farci un'idea precisa della dignità assoluta dell'uomo e il profondo amore di Dio in ogni fase e condizione della nostra vita.



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



BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

Our goal this year is **\$29, 000.00**.

This Campaign will run from September until mid December.

Cheques can be made out to **St. Anthony's Church.**

All donations are tax-deductible.

A letter with a pamphlet and pledge card will be available in the church lobby. Please pick up your assigned envelope in **September**.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

May God bless us all on our journey as a community of believers.

If you are a new donor, please contact the office.

YOUTH CHOIR: Do you love music? Do you love to sing or play an instrument? Come & join our youth choir as we begin our new season under the direction of Alana Valente. Everyone welcome ages 7 & up. For more info contact alanavalente@gmail.com.

HELP NEEDED: with putting overheads on the projector for our Saturday, 5:00pm Mass. High school students may use this time towards volunteer hours.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS: children who received First Communion & older children are eligible to serve at Mass. This is a meaningful way for children in our parish to actively participate in the Mass. Anyone interested is asked to contact the Rectory 768-1878. A training session will be arranged in the fall.

BLESSING OF THE PETS IN HONOUR OF ST. FRANCIS:

Saturday, October 5 at 11:00am outside the front doors of our church.



WHY WE DRINK FROM THE CUP?

Holy Communion may be distributed under both kinds to the faithful in order to emphasize the full meaning of the Eucharistic banquet. At the Last Supper, of course, Jesus asked all of those present to drink from the cup. The Church therefore never eliminated the possibility of administering Holy Communion under both forms to the faithful.

The Second Vatican Council permitted the broader reception of the Holy Communion from the cup, and the practice has spread with enthusiasm and appreciation from the faithful in many parts of the world.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Starts Sunday, September 15th during the 11:00am Mass. Children 4yrs & 5yrs must be accompanied by an adult.

YOUTH GROUP: The first meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 15th** from **7:00pm-8:30pm** in the church meeting room. All youth Gr. 7 and up are welcome. We hope to see everyone there!

R.C.I.A. PROGRAM: The Rite of Christian Initiation Program for Adults is for those who have never been baptized or belong to another faith. For more information call Fr. Luigi at the rectory.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30pm in the church meeting room. If you are planning to baptize your child in the month of October, please call the office to register for this class.

MASS CARDS: please remember to book Mass Cards that you may have received in memory of your deceased loved ones. If you do not schedule the dates, we will be happy to schedule them for you. Please call the office for more information.

PLEASE REGISTER: Please remember to register with us if you are new to our parish or have been recently married. Contact the office during office hours 768-1878. If you have moved please **call** the office with any changes.

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Thank you to all Parishioners & visiting friends

for your continued generosity & support.

God Bless!



COMMUNITY EVENTS:

HARVEST OPEN HOUSE—CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE: Bishop Colli & his staff invite you to their Harvest Open House at the 4 Seasons Shop, located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, on Wednesday, September 18 from 4:00pm-8:00pm. Browse through an ever growing selection of books and gift items. Enjoy snacks and a beverage and enter to win one of several door prizes. Bring a friend.

EXPERIENCE TAIZE': Taize', an ecumenical service of prayer, song, silence & contemplation. Taize' prayer services are being held on the 3rd Friday of the month (next one is Sept. 20) at 7pm at Corpus Christi Parish. For more info email taizetbay@gmail.com or visit Facebook: Taize' Thunder Bay.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Sun., Sept. 29 at the Italian Cultural Centre. In support of the Victorian Order of Nurses.

MASS INTENTIONS September 16 –22, 2019

Monday, September 16

All Parishioners
Saverio & Tony Marozzo

9:00am English

Pastor
Marta & Family

Tuesday, September 17

Giacinto & Lidia Berardi
Natalina, Luigi & Onelia Coren
Giuseppe Magisano
Filomena Bernardo
Maria Campese, Giuseppe Papa & Giuliano Marino
Rocco Vita & Defunti Caratozzolo
Carmela DeFazio
Rosa Mauro

7:00pm Italian

M. Berardi
Oriecuia Family
A. Caputo
V. & P. Bossio
N. & S. Marino
Family
Family
Family

Wednesday, September 18

Junior Mackinnon

7:00pm English

R. Johnson

Thursday, September 19

Raffaele & Sergio Iachetta & Lidia & Orlando
Chris Hacio
Giuseppe Magisano

7:00pm Italian

Maio Family
Silvana, Franco & Fam.
C. & R. Marino

Friday, September 20

Giuseppe Rizzo
Eva Sacchetti

7:00pm English

J. Coda
husband & Family

Saturday, September 21

5:00pm

Antonio Chiarelli
Luigi & Emilia Francella
Pasquale Casoria
Emilio Colla
Rosa Coltellaro
Emilio & Marietta Pucci & All Deceased
Vitali Family
Albert Cava
Giuseppe Pienig

Amendola Family
Family
Wife & Family
N. Gambaretto & fam.
F. & S. Roccatani
M. & A. Berardi
M. & P. Buso
L. & M. Fragale
Gina & Family

Sunday, September 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am

Maria Nardi
Rita & Quinto Bordignon
Maria & Dennis Graca
Maria Cava
Carmine DeGrazia
Oreste & Disma Massei
Saverio Tucci

Ladies of Ital. Soc. of P.A.
Family
H. Alves
S. Nucci & Family
E. Arella & Family
Lucia
Gina & Immacolata

11:00am

Giuseppeantonio Rosso
Adelina DaSilva
Pina Valente
Manuel Jose
Domenica Mancuso
Maria Cava
Dennis Menean
Jose Pacheco
Frank Joseph Cappello

Rosina
Freitas & Raposo Fam.
M. & M. Berardi
Family
A. Fidalic
E. & B. Probizanski
Christine & Menean Fam.
wife S. Pacheco
G. & F. Biancospino

† Let us pray for Riccardo Lazzari & Jose Sousa who recently passed away.

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