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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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Office Admin.: Mary Stefanile

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - C

December 4, 2022

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.

Each Advent is an opportunity for us to come closer to Christ and deepen our relationship with him through prayer and repentance. His power is at work in our lives when we make peace with the family member we have rejected, the relations we don't speak to, the neighbors we have fallen out with, the poor we have no time for and whose plight we don't want to know about. Breaking down these barriers will open the way for Christ to come to us and be born in our hearts at Christmas.



II DOMENICA DI AVVENTO

La Chiesa ha il compito di continuare nel mondo la missione materna di Maria, quella di comunicare il Salvatore al mondo. Il cristiano di oggi deve fare proprio il piano di Dio "il quale vuole che tutti gli uomini siano salvati". Questa seconda domenica di Avvento ci invita a fare tesoro della lezione che Giovanni Battista ci offre. Dobbiamo preparare la via al Signore, convertirci nel profondo del nostro cuore e svolgere una vita degna di essere definita cristiana nella sostanza e nella forza di questo tempo speciale.

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:

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HE IS THE EMMANUEL – THE GOD WITH US.

In St. Matthew and St. Mark, the preaching of John the Baptist signals the beginning of Jesus' public action. With his speech calling for conversion, the near presence becomes Jesus' message, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand!" In St. Matthew's words, we read the conviction that Israel is in a dead-end situation. There is no longer the collective security that came from belonging to the descendants of Abraham. Everyone's future depends on one's actions, "Bear fruit worthy of conversion!" John calls for conversion. Although John the Baptist does not yet have a clear idea of the one who will come after him, he knows one thing: he is the strongest because he is the "Emmanuel" - The God with us.



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: People and Planet First. A major focus of this campaign is advocating for a law that compels Canadian companies to respect the human and environmental rights of people in the Global South. Development and Peace—Caritas Canada, thanks you for your ongoing commitment by joining the campaign or signing the petition at <https://devp.org/en>.

ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A. Men's monthly meeting Monday, December 5 at 7:00pm at the Italian Cultural Centre. This is the final nomination meeting for the Executive Board. All members are asked to please attend.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER TAKE OUT:

Sun., Dec. 11 12noon—5:00pm at the **Italian Cultural Centre**

THE ALPINI CHOIR OF THUNDER BAY: is looking for singing members, male & female to keep the traditions of the Alpini alive! Call John Marchese 767-2802

LADIES OF ITAL. SOC. OF P.A.: Christmas Party: Mon., Dec. 12 at 6:00pm. Tickets \$30.

COLUMBUS CENTRE TAKE OUT:

December 15, pick up 2:00pm-5:30pm.
Christmas Lunch Buffet Fri., Dec. 16
For more info call 623-3252

ADVENT RETREAT: Dec. 6, 7 & 8 at 7:00pm with Msgr. Pat Stilla at St. Andrew's Church (Baxter Hall) To register, please call the parish office 345-5202

BRUNCH WITH ST. NICK: at St. Andrew's Church Saunders Hall (292 Red River Rd.)
Sun., Dec. 11th - 10:30am-1pm Cost \$10, children under 5yrs. FREE. Brunch includes pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, coffee/tea/juice & other Santa favourites.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN:

Our goal this year is \$28,000.00

To date we have raised \$23,773.39 - 85%

You may bring your donations to the office or mail to the Pastoral Centre. Thank you.

2023 SUNDAY ENVELOPES: are ready for pick up. Please use starting January 1, 2023

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation will be Sat., May 6, 2023

First Communion will be Sun., June 11, 2023

R.C.I.A. Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? If you are interested in joining this group, please contact our office or Deacon Pasquale.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: Future meetings will be Dec. 11, Jan. 15, 2023, Feb. 12, March 5, Apr. 16, May 7, June 11. If you'd like to be added to the email list for reminders, please email cccolist@lakeheadu.ca

MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS: The Best Youth on Hills will be taking orders for Memorial Poinsettias. They can be purchased for \$20 in memory of your deceased beloved and will be displayed on the altar during the Christmas season. Orders will be taken at all the masses on the weekend of December 3 & 4. We are very grateful for your generous support.

GIVING TREE: The Best Youth on Hills have set up the Giving Tree for the duration of the Advent season to provide gifts from our parish for children less fortunate in our community. This year, primary students of St. Ann's School will receive gifts. Those wishing to participate are asked to return gifts to the tree with the ornaments attached. **All gifts are due Friday, December 9th** to ensure that each student will receive a gift. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated.

SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY: Tues., Dec. 6 at the church hall. Lunch at 12:00noon, prizes and Bingo to follow. Cost \$20. Baking for coffee is appreciated. Call 767-8157 for more information.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING: Sun., Dec. 18 following the 9:00am Mass

GENERAL ABSOLUTION: at **Corpus Christi Parish** on Thursday, December 15 at 7:30pm Everyone is welcome.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: **\$ 2,310.00**

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MASS INTENTIONS December 5 – 11, 2022

Monday, December 5

All Parishioners

9:00am English

Pastor

Tuesday, December 6

Salvatore Tassone
Mike Ferrari
Antonio Calleri
Colleen Valente
Fr. Bortignon

7:00pm Italian

G. DeVuono
Wife & Children
Teresa & Family
Joe & Family
C.W.L.

Wednesday, December 7

Marietta Larizza
Ida Spina

7:00pm English

S. & M. Federico
L. Nucci & Family

Thursday, December 8

Immacolata Belluso
Maria & Angelo Barfi & Carlo Iorio

7:00pm Italian

daughters
S. & F. Roccatani

Friday, December 9

Pietro Bernardo

7:00pm English

F. & L. Coccimiglio

Saturday, December 10

Gianna DiGiacinto
Arcangelo Santin
Filippo Arella
Gilda D'Angelo
Deceased of Zanandrea Family
Mary Zuliani
Virginia Kassa

5:00pm English
B. & E. Melchiorre
Santin Family
M. Arella-Storki & Families
B. & E. Melchiorre
Dino
R. & A. Uvanile
Jojo O'Flaherty

Sunday, December 11 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am (Ital - Eng.)

Vincenzo Rosso
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia
Giuseppina Rizzo Papa
Gaetano & Concetta & Luigino
Vincenzo Biancospino
Giobatta Menis
Franca Donato
Deceased of Ianni Family
Deceased of Mollame & Filice Family
Alessandro Aiello

daughter
Family
G. & B. Papa
R. Felice
R. & G. DiGiuseppe
Family
S. & I. Vetere
C. & J. Ianni
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11:00am (Eng.)

Jose Pacheco
Ettore Izzo
Nicola Squartecchia
Antonio Arruda
Giulio Scocchia
Deceased of Foresta Family
Salvatore Larizza
Deceased of Mauro & Marrello Families
Bruno Marino & Pasquale & Concetta Tassone
In honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe & All Saints
Maria Eduarda & Francisco Tavares

Maria & Family
M. Chies
wife & children
Wife & Family
C. Marino
L. Colla
G. & B. Frattaroli
N. & E. Marrello
Family
M. Chies
M. & W. Kolinski

† Let us pray for the repose of soul of Franca Donato,
Gloria Sdao, Gina Malench & Giovanna Costanzo who have
recently passed away.

Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed by live stream
With the link being found on the church website:
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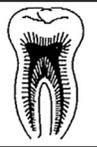
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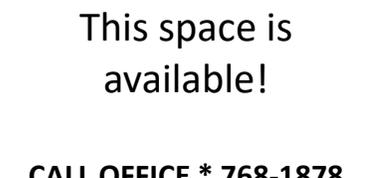
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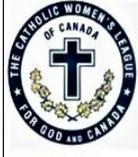
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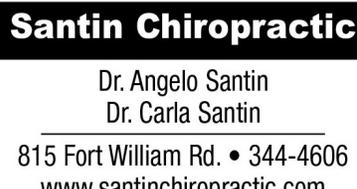
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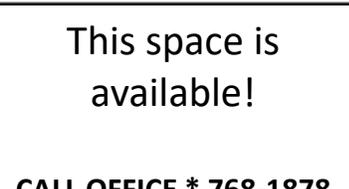
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