

# St. Anthony Church

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - C**

**December 11, 2022**

*The spirit of the Lord now upon me has sent me to bring good news to the poor.*

The Liturgy of Advent gives us the courage, to strengthen our feeble hands and make firm our weak knees. Our hearts can easily become frightened and weighed down by the hardships we face. We can lose patience in our sufferings as we await the coming of the Lord. John knew that life was more than food, the body more than clothing. He sought the kingdom of God first, confident that God would provide. John did not complain. He did not lose faith. Even in chains in his prison cell, he was still sending his disciples—and us—to our Savior. We come to Him again now in the Eucharist.

## **III DOMENICA DI AVVENTO**

In questa gioiosa domenica di Avvento Gesù domanda ai discepoli di Giovanni che cosa di fatto sono venuti a vedere. Ma se lui è un profeta che volevano vedere, l'hanno visto! Hanno avuto ragione di andare a trovare Giovanni Battista, poiché la legge e i profeti lo avevano designato. Eppure, la gente lo ha seguito ma senza sapere veramente chi lui era. Il Vangelo dà una risposta che ci illumina: di fatto anche noi molte volte non sappiamo quello che vogliono. Colui che celebriamo nel Santo Natale è la risposta a tutte le nostre domande.



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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## DO WE KNOW WHAT WE WANT?

The answer to the question posed by John's disciples is not without equivocation. Yet a glance at the earlier chapters of St. Matthew's Gospel shows well that the long list of healings and miracles was not drawn up at random. Jesus' words recall the words of a prophet. It must become manifest that in Jesus' past hopes are fulfilled even though many things remain unfulfilled. Not all the sick have been healed, not everything has become good. Jesus asks what the disciples who came to see want. Well-dressed people are found everywhere. Yet people followed Jesus as they would children dancing in the marketplace not caring who plays the flute. Men often do not know what they want. They run after anyone who promises them sensationalism.



## ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.

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

**BRUNCH WITH ST. NICK:** at St. Andrew's Church Saunders Hall. 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.

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

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

**JOIN ST. JOSEPH'S CARE GROUP VOLUNTEER TEAM:** This is a Catholic organization that identifies and responds to the unmet needs of the people of Northwestern Ontario. They are currently seeking volunteers to spend time with our residents and clients or to help bring them to recreation activities and church services within our facilities. If you are interested in sharing your time with our clients, call 625-1117 or [volunteers@tbh.net](mailto:volunteers@tbh.net) [www.sjcg.net/careers/volunteers](http://www.sjcg.net/careers/volunteers)

**ST. PAT'S NEEDS A HAT:** St. Patrick's Cathedral is in need of extensive roof repairs. You may either donate to the project or partake in the 50/50 Raffle. All donations are tax deductible and any significant donations will be acknowledged on a Donor Recognition Wall. Please visit [www.stpatshat.ca](http://www.stpatshat.ca)

## BISHOP'S ANNUAL DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN:

Our goal this year is \$28,000.00

**To date we have raised \$24,798.39 - 89%**

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 interested in becoming Catholic? If you are interested in joining this group, please contact our office or Deacon Pasquale.

**BEST YOUTH ON HILLS:** Youth Meeting **Sun., Dec. 11th from 6:30pm-8:00pm.** During this meeting, we will have a short discussion about Advent, make Christmas cards and the caroling video for Bethammi Nursing Home. Please RSVP to [cccolist@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:cccolist@lakeheadu.ca) if you are able to attend. This meeting will also count towards your volunteer hours. We hope to see you all there! If you'd like to be added to the email list for reminders, please email [cccolist@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:cccolist@lakeheadu.ca)

**MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS:** thank you to all who purchased a memorial poinsettia. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**GIVING TREE:** We thank everyone who provided gifts for our Giving Tree for the children less fortunate in our community. This year, primary students of St. Ann's School will receive gifts. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**THE ALPINI CHOIR OF THUNDER BAY:** is looking for singing members, male & female, to keep the traditions of the Alpini alive! If you are interested in joining, please call John Marchese 767-2802.

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

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

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** **\$2,795.00 .00**

Thank you to all Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. God Bless!

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## MASS INTENTIONS December 12 - 18, 2022

### Monday, December 12

All Parishioners  
Consolata Maria Rosa Tino

### 9:00am English

Pastor  
Family

### Tuesday, December 13

Giuseppe Marino  
Vincenzo Ruberto, Natacha Martinie Ruberto & Defunti Ruberto Family  
Lucia Bucciarelli  
Carmela Felice  
Vincenza DiGiacinto  
Angela Guidolin

### 7:00pm Italian

Figli  
Bucciarelli Family  
R. Filice  
Family  
Linda & Family

### Wednesday, December 14

Raffaella Marino  
Carmelina & Pasquale Casoria & Tony & Frank DeVuono Family  
Maria Iellina

### 7:00pm English

Figli  
Romilda

### Thursday, December 15

Emilia, Filippo & Giovanni Arella  
& Carmela & Giovanni Guerico

### 7:00pm Italian

M. Arella-Yorki & Family

### Friday, December 16

Franco Paladino  
Emilia, Filippo, Giovanni Arella  
& Carmela & Giovanni Guerico  
Lucia Bucciarelli  
Luigi Guidolin  
Vincenzo & Angela Clasadonte

### 7:00pm English

Family  
M. Arella-Yorki & Family  
Bucciarelli Family  
Linda & Family  
son

### Saturday, December 17

Giuseppe DeDomenicis  
All Saints  
Milvia Santin  
Leta, Elena & Rocco D'Angelo  
Maria Sousa  
Marietta Larizza  
Paolo & Antonietta Coccimiglio & Rosario & Emilia Fadelbene

### 5:00pm English

DiBiagio & Charlton Families  
B. & E. Melchiorre  
Santini Family  
Argentina  
Family & Friends  
M. Scocchia  
F. & L. Coccimiglio

Francesco, Rosina, Giuseppe & Mario Fabiano Antonio & Fam.  
Francisco Ferreira daughters  
Liisa Zanandrea  
Gino Scimeca Steve & Family

### Sunday, December 18 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### 9:00am (Ital - Eng.)

Lucia Bucciarelli  
Angelo Nardari  
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia  
Silvino Matani  
Ida & Ottorino Farno  
Gilda DiLorenzo  
Deceased of Mihaljevic & Martire Families

Bucciarelli Family  
Wife & Family  
Family  
M. & S. Frattaroli  
Family  
G. & R. DiGiuseppe  
Family

#### 11:00am (Eng.)

Ettore Izzo  
Eva Sacchetti  
Jose Cabral  
Ottorino & Ida Farno  
Giuseppe Magisano  
Salvatore Larizza  
Emilio Colla  
Tony & Manuel Jose  
Attilio DiCasmirro

T. Izzo & Family  
marito Ermando & Fam.  
Maria & Family  
Family  
Family  
G. & R. Rizzo  
Lina & Family  
Family  
Family



Vayda Maria Squier was baptized in the Lord.  
Congratulations & blessings to the family.

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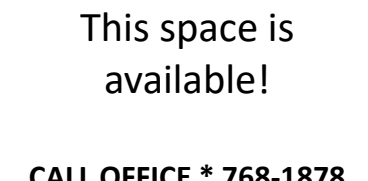
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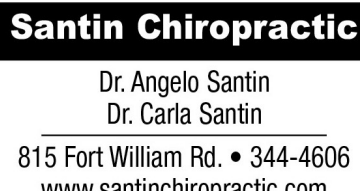
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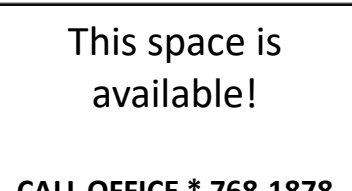
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