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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

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 2, 2024

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Eating of the Body of Christ every Sunday and as often as we find ourselves in the presence of a Eucharistic celebration is a source of consolation and spiritual strength that instills in us confidence and constancy in the ongoing pilgrimage of our lives. The Body and Blood of the Lord are the food that nourishes us for eternal life. The Eucharist is our strength and source of all energy. Pope Francis emphasized that it "is not a reward for the perfect, but a generous remedy and nourishment of the weak." Christ's presence in the bread and wine and his continual giving of himself makes us confident of the gratuitousness of God's love for us.

SANTISSIMO CORPO E SANGUE DI CRISTO

Mangiare del Corpo di Cristo ogni Domenica e tutte le volte che ci si trovi alla presenza di una celebrazione eucaristica è fonte di consolazione e di forza spirituale che ci incute fiducia e costanza nel continuo pellegrinaggio della nostra vita. Il Corpo e il Sangue del Signore sono il cibo che ci nutre per la vita eterna. L'Eucarestia è la nostra forza e fonte di ogni energia. Sottolineava papa Francesco che essa "non è un premio per i perfetti, ma un generoso rimedio e alimento dei deboli". La presenza di Cristo nel pane e nel vino e la sua continua donazione di se stesso ci rendono fiduciosi della gratuità dell'amore di Dio per noi.



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)

Registration:	Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.
<u>Baptism:</u>	Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.
<u>Marriage:</u>	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

Jesus is always with us.

Jesus is with us in his word, which is always a living and holy word, leading those who entrust themselves to it to the Father. Even more so, he is present in the sacrament of his body and blood. This



sacrament fills us because it brings to us the "incarnation" of the divine Word: God keeps coming to stay. He will never leave us again. Secondly, this sacrament nourishes us: it nourishes in us that divine life which is our true life, for it is eternal. Finally, this sacrament makes us see, in the form of bread and wine, the one whom the apostles saw and followed. This sacrament is the greatest of all signs, the sign that puts one in communion with Jesus himself. The believer is transfigured by it, his sin is forgiven, and he anticipates the promised banquet: that of the wedding of the Son of God.

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COLUMBUS CENTRE TAKE-OUT: June 13 & 27. 2pm-5:30pm call 623-3252

ITALIAN SOC. OF P.A. SPAGHETTI SUPPERS: June 2nd & 23rd from 12-5:00pm

FLAG RAISING at the Italian Cultural Centre on Monday, June 3rd at 6:30pm, to commemorate **ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH**.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING: Monday, June 3rd at 7:00pm. Please join for the meeting and fellowship afterwards.

<u>CHILDREN'S BIBLE CAMP</u>: Holy Family Church is holding Bible Camp this summer for children ages 4 to 9. Children will be learning about our Holy Mass, our Apostles and many traditions, using art & music. Weekly classes will start July 4th to August 29th, from 9:00am- noon. Registration fee is \$50. per family. Please contact the office at 807-475-9722 or holy. family@shaw.ca and you will be sent a registration package.

PILGRIMAGE: to Italy, San Marino, Turkey, Medjugorje & Greece: Under the Spiritual Guidance of Fr. Vargees Devas, Pastor of St. Elizabeth Church. Leaving September 29—October 12, 2024. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Catholic Pastoral Centre or St. Elizabeth Parish or call Fr. Devas at 807-622-1085

BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN: Our goal this year is \$27,000.00. With everyone's participation, we will reach our goal. Donations may be brought to Rectory office or mailed to the Pastoral Office. ***Remember to include the pink & yellow pledge slips with your donation.

FIRST COMMUNION: May God always bless and keep the 40 children who have received Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. A special thank you to the team who prepared the children and guided them during the First Communion masses. We thank our lead catechists Carly Colistro, Bryanna Fritshaw and their team, Victoria Gibson, Sofia Gagliardi, Sarah Shaw, Lia D'Angelo, Olivia Bisignano and Olivia Filice.

SPECIAL THANKS: to the C.W.L. for the prayer cards gifted to the First Communion children and to the C.W.L. and Best Youth on Hills for the rosaries given to the children to commemorate their First Communion.

ST. ANTHONY— UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 2: Hospitality Coffee following the 11:00 Mass June 9: **Feast of St. Anthony** 11:00am Mass June 23: Parish Family Barbecue July 7: Luigi on Wheels

FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY: Sunday, June 9th with Mass at 11:00am and **Procession to follow** in the church parking lot. **There will be a special performance by Le Stelle Alpine Dancers**. All Societies & groups are reminded to bring their banners and or wear their regional costumes. We invite our gracious volunteers to make bread for distribution and bring to the church hall the morning of June 9th before the 11:00am Mass. Everyone is invited to participate in the Annual Feast Day.

<u>C.W.L. NEWS: 2024:</u> Membership dues may be paid for at the office. (\$35.00)

NEXT C.W.L. MEETINGS: June 4th-Service awards, Pins.

FEAST OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: The Portuguese community will be celebrating the Feast of the Holy Spirito "Divino Espirito Santo" on Sunday, June 16 with Mass at 1:00pm in our parish. There will be a procession starting at 12:30pm in our church parking lot. Everyone is welcome!

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

\$ 2,290.50

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

Donations can also be made online. One-time or automatic monthly donations by credit card www.stanthonysparish.ca





