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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2025

John said: One more powerful than I is coming; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Today's feast reminds us of our baptism and presents us with an opportunity to reflect on the implications of leading the life of a Christian. It's a time of special importance because it marks our spiritual birth. Through baptism, Jesus introduces himself into our lives with the message that we are free from the debt of original sin and restored and reconciled with God, whose love is for us. We are now part of his family and can call God our Father. As followers of Christ, we will lead a worthy life and make the world a better place for his glory.

BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE

La festa del Battesimo di Gesù, in questa seconda domenica del nuovo anno, ci invita a riflettere sul tema della nostra rinascita spirituale, attraverso il sacramento del Battesimo che abbiamo ricevuto. La nostra meta è nel cielo, ma si costruisce sulla terra, impegnandosi a vivere secondo gli insegnamenti del Vangelo. Nella festa del Battesimo di Gesù, tutto questo è confermato dalla voce celeste che indica in Gesù Cristo il Figlio di Dio, l'Eletto, nel quale il Padre si è compiaciuto. Il battesimo ci fa entrare ufficialmente nella famiglia di Dio. Il battesimo e' il dono piu' bello che possiamo ricevere nella nostra vita.



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)

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office. **Registration:**

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: (807) 768-9368



Baptized for freedom

The Holy Spirit solemnly attests to Jesus' divinity when he performed the penitential gesture as an ordinary man, having submitted himself to John's baptism. During his earthly life, Jesus would never show



himself as great as in the humility of his gestures and words. Important lesson this, for us who see things so differently. Following Christ means embarking on this path of humility, that is, of truth. Christ, true God and man, teaches us the truth of our being. Wounded by sin, cleansed by baptism, we oscillate between the two extremes, both attractive, of evil and holiness. And this is lived out in the humblest everydayness. At every step, we can choose God and his love, or, conversely, reject him. Following Jesus's footsteps means securing a path that, despite being narrow and stony, leads to eternal life, to true bliss.

MEN'S SPIRITUAL FITNESS BIBLE STUDY **GROUP:** All men are welcome to join us for Bible Study, prayer, & faith sharing every Saturday morning from 9:00am-10:30am in our meeting room.

RIGHT TO LIFE NEWSLETTER: donation forms are available in the lobby. The Right to Life Association's mission is to promote a greater respect for the dignity and worth of all human life, from conception to natural death. You can also view the newsletter or become a member through their website www.thunderbay.life

LADIES OF ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.: next general meeting is February 10, 2025 at 7:30pm at the Italian Cultural Centre in the Galileo Room. As of this date, we have no president for our society. Please give some thought to stepping up and filling this important and rewarding position.

ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.

SPAGHETTI SUPPERS: January 12 & 26 take out from 12noon to 5:00pm

COLUMBUS CENTRE TAKE-OUT: Spaghetti, meatballs, tomato sauce, chicken, perogies, salad January 23rd. Pick up from 2-5:30pm. Your containers are appreciated but not mandatory. Call 807-623-3252 for more info

FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS & PARENTS **MEETING**; There will be a meeting for the parents and students that have registered to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion on Monday, January 20th at 7:00pm. The First Communion date and all the preparation dates will be shared at this important meeting.

CWL NEWS:

CWL COLLECTING: hats, mitts, socks & underwear to be donated to the Underwear Program **2025 CWL MEMBERSHIP**: \$35.00 may be paid for at the office, meetings, at weekend masses. Remember to mark your envelope as CWL Membership & include name, phone # & address & email

HOLY NAME SOCIETY (meeting): Sunday, Januarv 19th. Breakfast will be served after the 9:00am Mass. All members are urged to attend. We are always welcoming new members.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM: Our Marriage Preparation Course for all couples who have registered for the Sacrament of Marriage will be held on Friday, February 21st from 7:00pm-10:00pm and Saturday, February 22 from 9:00am-6:00pm. Registered couples will be contacted by email to register for the course. Any other couples wishing to participate should contact our office. This is the only course offered at St. Anthony's this year.

BULLETIN ADVERTIZERS REMINDER: to those who have not made payment yet for your advertising year of October 2024 to September 2025. Payments are past due. All invoices have been faxed, mailed, emailed out.

DONATION ENVELOPE BOXES FOR 2025: PLEASE DO NOT USE OLD ENVELOPES. If you do not have envelopes & would like to have them, please contact the office. Thank you.

SENIORS BINGO: is cancelled for Tuesday, January 14 due to Funeral but will be held on Wednesday January 15 at regular time.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 7.625.00

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MASS INTENTIONS January 13—19, 2025

Monday, January 13
All Parishioners
Pastor

Tuesday, January 147:00pmFrank BarcaFamily

Wednesday, January 157:00pmGiorgio MilanoFamilyVincenzo & Assunta VetereMariaFr. Mario SpadaC.W.L.

Thursday, January 16
Amelia & Crawford Greer

7:00pm
R. Furioso

Friday, January 17
Olga Massei
R. & E. Massei

Chiara Sanzo & Toto Maida Lucy

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, January 18

<u>5:00pm</u>

Riccardo Colosimo & Loredana Ristagno

Sandra Buffone

Deceased of Zanandrea Family

Beniamina Tesolin

Bruno & Caterina Lacaria

Alma Menegon Raffaela Tassone

Silvio, Lucia & Ivana Rea Raffaele Stefanile Giovanna Chiarelli

Vittorio Augruso

Teresa

Desilets Family

Family

Victor, Laura & Famlies

Lacaria Family

M. Bradizza & Family

F. & G. Ceci T. Colosimo C. & R. Marino G. & F. Ceci

Wife Angela & family

Sunday, January 19 9:00am

Annina DeProphetis

Eva Sacchetti

Stefano Frattaroli

Benito Sacchetti

Albert & Leda Villella

C. & D. Tremblay

Ermando & Family

E. D'Angelo

Family

Family

Maria Bitonte L. Colistro & Family
Carmine & Antonietta DeGrazia P & F Bloskie & M. DeGrazia

Lisetta Nucci I. Kolic Salvatore Ambesi F. Iorianni

11:00am

Vittorio Cacciatore R. Furioso
Beatrice Cacciatore M. & S. Frattaroli
John Mauracher wife Maria
Raffaela Tassone A. Rizzo
Giuseppe, Francesco & Maria Magisano Pina

Agostino & Assunta Mauro & Deceased of Mauro Family Family

Ettore Izzo T. Izzo

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

† Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Frank Micieli, Michelle Ann Nadeau & Aquila Slobbe, who have passed away recently. **Canada Trust**

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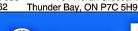
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