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St. Anthony's Parish is a Catholic Faith Community rich in Cultural Diversity. Our Mission is to foster spiritual growth in our community by actively living our Faith throughout our daily lives. We do this through celebrating the Liturgy and following the example of Christ by serving others using our God—given gifts.

Pastor:Rev. Luigi FilippiniDeacons:Rev. Dave Cattani & Rev. Pasquale CoccimiglioOffice Admin.:Mary Stefanile

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Like the first Adam, Jesus isn't just alive, but life-giving, a source of life for others. He teaches values that aren't earthbound –indeed, that can't even be understood when seen only in the context of this life. It's only through sharing in the risen, glorified life of Christ, the prime image of God, that we're renewed according to the idea of the Creator. In today's Gospel, the Golden Rule to love is made the base of all our Christian journey of life. Jesus advises difficult practices like turning the other cheek, loving our enemies, and nobly forgiving others when the natural response might demand vengeance and self–protection. So let's think about how we may follow this difficult advice in our lives.

VII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Il brano del vangelo di oggi richiama in modo particolare il tema dell'amore del prossimo. Dio è il punto di riferimento dell'agire cristiano. In Christo si vede e si sente la vicinanza del Padre con l'uomo. Più che un Signore, un sovrano, un giudice, egli è un Padre e un Padre buono. Non si lascia guidare dal rigore della giustizia, ma dalla compassione; non sta a far valere la sua autorita', ma guarda soprattutto alla debolezza e fragilità dei suoi figli. Ne viene di conseguenza che anche noi come il Padre non dobbiamo condannare o usare la vendetta nei confronti di coloro che sono dentro o fuori della comunità. I termini giudicare e condannare appartengono al vocabolario giudiziario e non del cristiano. Gesù ci offre l'alternativa di un modo di vivere piu' interessante.



Parish Office H	lours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:30pm For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside
SATURDAY: 5:00 PM	
Registration:	Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.
Baptism:	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: (807) 768-9368

February 23, 2025

Overcoming evil with good

Anything can be said about Jesus except that he did not know wickedness. He knew well what it meant to be detested, stripped, beaten, and killed. In fact, he is the only man who can say what we have just heard without the slightest levity,



because in him, and in him alone, these words were truth. He loved those who hated him, he gave more than was taken from them, he blessed those who cursed him. Only thus is this conduct justified. It is not the product of secular wisdom. Jesus is not a politician or sociologist of this world speaking. The one who speaks has overcome evil through suffering. And that is why the only possible justification of these commandments of Jesus is his cross. Only the one who says "yes" to the cross of Christ can obey these precepts and find in obedience the fulfillment of the promise contained in them: good triumphs over evil through love.

MASS, PRAISE, WORSHIP & ADORATION:

at St. Agnes Church on Tuesday, February 25th from 7:00pm-9:00pm. The Prayer Ministry will be available for personal prayer.

BISHOP ELECT ALAN CAMPEAU: will be consecrated Bishop and installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Thunder Bay on Thursday, February 27th at 7:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

LADIES OF ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.:

General Meeting on Monday, March 10th at 7:30pm.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT

<u>CAMPAIGN</u>: join the launch webinar on March 1st at 1:30pm. ET More information at https:// devp.org/en/evenement/debt-launch-webinarlent25/

LIFE TEEN YOUTH MINISTRY: This program is designed to lead teens & their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus through prayer, worship & fellowship. Grades 9 to 12. <u>Our</u> <u>next meeting is Friday, February 28th</u> and all other meetings will follow for every second Friday of each month. **2025 CWL MEMBERSHIP**: \$35.00 may be paid for at the office, meetings or weekend masses.

CWL MEETING: Wed., March 5th at 7:00pm.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Let us remember in our prayers the engaged couples participating in this weekend's marriage preparation program and for all the couples in our parish preparing for marriage. Special thanks to the team preparing the engaged couples: Frank & Maria Quaresima, Rocky & Jenessa Rizzo, Tony & Rosa Carina, Deacon Pasquale and Sandra Coccimiglio. Appreciation to the CWL for the keepsake marriage crosses and prayer cards gifted to the couples this weekend.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY: Pancake breakfast, Sunday, March 2nd after 11:00am Mass only.

PARISH COUNCIL: next meeting will be Thurs., March 6th at 7:35pm.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: meeting, Sun., March 16th following the 9:00am Mass



CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN:

Thank you to all who have participated in our Valentine's Chocolate Sale. We raised \$2,168.10.

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

\$ 2,530.00

Thank you Parishioners & visiting friends for continued generosity & support. Donations can also be made online. One-time or automatic monthly donations

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