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Our Mission is  
to foster spiritual growth in our community  
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## THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 14, 2025

The Feast of the Holy Cross, or Feast of the Cross, commemorates the cross used in the crucifixion of Jesus. In the Christian liturgical calendar, there are several different celebrations which honor and celebrate the cross used in the crucifixion. Unlike Good Friday, which is dedicated to the passion of Christ and the crucifixion, these feast days celebrate the Cross itself, as the sign of salvation. "Being Christian", Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event".



## ESALTAZIONE DELLA SANTA CROCE

Con questa festa la Chiesa ci invita a ricevere questa sapienza divina, che Maria ha vissuto pienamente presso la Croce: la sofferenza del mondo, follia e scandalo, diventa, nel sangue di Cristo, grido d'amore e seme di gloria per ciascuno di noi. L'esaltazione della Santa Croce ci fa conoscere un aspetto del cuore di Dio che solo lui stesso poteva rivelarci.

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.

### Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

### Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

### Reconciliation - Confession:

Only Saturday 4:15pm & 30 min. before each Mass during the week 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



## **The Cross as a New Creation**

The exaltation of the Holy Cross reveals to us an aspect of God's heart that only God himself could reveal to us: the wound caused by sin and human ingratitude also becomes the source of a new creation in glory. Through the folly of the Cross, the scandal of suffering can become wisdom, and the glory promised to Jesus can be shared by all those who desired to follow him. Death, illness, the many wounds that man receives in his flesh and in his heart, all this becomes an opportunity to let ourselves be taken more intensely by the very life of God. With this feast, the Church invites us to receive this divine wisdom, which Mary lived fully at the Cross: the suffering of the world, folly and scandal, becomes, in the blood of Christ, a cry of love and a seed of glory for each of us.



## **ITALIAN HALL NEWS: SPAGHETTI TAKE OUT:**

Sept. 21st from 12:00pm to 5:00pm.

**SENIORS BANQUET:** Wed., October 15th. Open to members 65 & over and their guest, it is also open to new members. Tickets go on sale starting Sept 21st from 12pm to 3pm. After that date, tickets can be purchased from the office until Oct 8th. Tickets are \$15 a person.

**2025 Dues:** If you are not a 30 year member your 2025 dues are payable by Feb 28, 2025, please contact the office at 345-5511.

## **COLUMBUS CENTRE SPAGHETTI & MEAT-**

**BALL TAKE OUT:** Thurs., Sept. 25, pick up from 2:00-5:30pm For more info call 807-623-3252.

## **ST. ANTHONY'S CHILI FEST & CORN ROAST**

was a huge success thanks to the generosity of this parish family and the many hours of preparation from your fellowship team. We had a variety of 8 chilis, 125 corn, 10 dozen perogies and many salads, pastries and contributions from all of you. Rocky Rizzo was unbeatable and took home the first place trophy, in the people's choice award while Emma and (nonna) Maria Rucchin took second prize. Sandi Krasowski took third. We collected \$161 in donations and watched as this amazing parish family came together to celebrate the start of a new season. Up next is a coffee social in October, a Christmas coffee and baking event on November 30th and another coffee social in December to close out this amazing year. Stay tuned!

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** regular meeting, Sun. Sept. 14th in the church hall after the 9:00am Mass

**C.W.L. NEWS:** Thank you to all the ladies that joined us for the pilgrimage / picnic. It was informative and socially amazing. **Next meeting is Wednesday, October 1st** with Police speaker on Senior scams. Everyone welcome. We will feature the colour orange and October Birthday girls.

## **JUBILEE YEAR—A TIME OF FORGIVENESS**

**AND RESTORATION:** Are you having a hard time offering forgiveness to someone? Do you need to ask someone for forgiveness? Join us in a presentation on how some of our Saints modelled forgiveness for us to follow and be motivated by. Deacon Pasquale will be hosting the presentation on Monday, September 29th at 7:00pm at St. Anthony's Parish. Come and experience the purpose, power and prayer of forgiveness. Refreshments will follow.

## **RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF**

**ADULTS:** Are you thinking of joining the Catholic faith? Are you missing one or more of your Sacraments of initiation (Holy Communion, Confirmation)? There will be an information session on Wednesday, September 17th at 7:00pm at St. Anthony's Church. Registrations will be available. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 24th.

## **BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN:**

Donations can be brought to our Rectory office or mailed to the Pastoral Office. Please remember to include pink & yellow pledge slips with donation.

**VOCATIONS:** Men, do you feel a special call to serve the Church? The vocation to the Permanent Diaconate is a call from God and enriches the Church's ability to carry out her ministries of the Word, Liturgy, Charity and Justice. This ordained ministry is open to men between the ages of 35-65 at time of ordination. A new 4 year formation program is scheduled to begin in early 2026 in our Diocese. For additional information, please call 807-343-9313 or email [diaconate@dotb.ca](mailto:diaconate@dotb.ca)

## **SUNDAY COLLECTION:** \$ 3,605.00

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## MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 15-21, 2025

### Monday, September 15

All Parishioners  
Giorgio Milano  
Teresa Noce in Bertucci  
Raffaele Stefanile  
Raffaella Tassone

**9:00am**

Pastor  
Family  
J. & L. Tassone  
Milano Family  
P. & L. Micieli

### Tuesday, September 16

All Souls

**7:00pm**

Parishioner

### Wednesday, September 17

Giuseppe Magisano

**7:00pm**

Family

### Thursday, September 18

Carmela & Giovanni Guerico, Filippo & Giovanni Arella Family

**7:00pm**

### Friday, September 19

Kody Furioso

**7:00pm**

R. Furioso

### Saturday, September 20

**5:00pm**

Sandra Buffone  
Fortunato & Caterina Valela  
Carmelina & Giovanni Berardi  
Raffaele Stefanile  
Giovanna Chiarelli  
Filippo Princi  
Marko Butorac

M. Scocchia  
figlio Antonio  
Pelissier Family  
M. & R. Sacco  
P. & I. Cava  
F. & M. Romeo  
Family

### Sunday, September 21 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am**

Eva Sacchetti  
Carmine & Antonietta DeGrazia  
In onore di San Padre Pio  
Luigi Francella

Ermando & Family  
P & F Bloskie & M. DeGrazia  
R. Filice  
Family

**11:00am**

Bobby Carvalho, Anna & Jose Rodriguez Dina  
Nazzareno & Marietta Larizza Family  
Grazia & Angelo Nardi M. Agostino  
Giulietta & Ugo Miceli M. Agostino  
Bianca & Rino Cibinel M. Agostino  
Bill Wedgerfield Family  
Giannino Vetere G. & F. Ceci  
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Our 11:00 am Mass can be viewed by live stream  
With the link being found on the church website:  
[www.stanthonyssparish.ca](http://www.stanthonyssparish.ca)



**Amara Sophia Talarico** was baptized in the Lord.  
Congratulations & blessings to the family



Congratulations to Victoria Caruso & Frank Benincasa on their marriage. May God continue to bless them in their journey of family life.



Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Julie Tavares.  
May God bless her and welcome her into His kingdom.





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