

# St. Anthony Church

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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  
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We do this through  
celebrating the Liturgy  
and following the example of Christ by  
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## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

**December 28, 2025**

*May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the word of Christ dwell in you richly.*

The present age leaves no room for complacency when it comes to matters of faith. Religion begins at home, and parents are the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith. Handing on faith means handing on a way of life. It's no use forcing parents to pray if prayer is not part of their own adult lives. One of the significant challenges facing couples is making time and space for prayer in the modern family. This feast is a reminder that Jesus came on earth to make a place for each one of us in God's family.

## LA SANTA FAMIGLIA DI GESU', MARIA E GIUSEPPE

L'epoca attuale non lascia spazio all'autocompiacimento in materia di fede. La religione inizia a casa e i genitori sono i primi insegnanti dei propri figli nelle vie della fede. Trasmettere la fede significa trasmettere uno stile di vita. È inutile costringere i genitori a pregare se la preghiera non fa parte della loro vita adulta. Una delle grandi sfide che le coppie devono affrontare è quella di trovare il tempo e lo spazio per la preghiera nella famiglia moderna. Questa festa ci ricorda che Gesù è venuto sulla terra per creare un posto per ciascuno di noi nella famiglia di Dio.



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:

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## God saves in different ways.

God truly saves in different ways. This time, he saves the Holy Family thanks to the help of another "righteous man": St. Joseph, who was moved to obey the angel's words precisely because of his trust in God's plan and in the fulfillment of His will. "Joseph woke up, took the child and his mother during the night, and fled to Egypt," just as Bethlehem and its surroundings were about to resound with cries and lamentations caused by the massacre of the innocents. After Herod's death, still obeying the angel's words, Joseph returned from Egypt, bringing Jesus and Mary with him, to settle in Nazareth. Faith in God and obedience to his word can change the course of our lives. Thus, it is for our salvation that God saved the Holy Family.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** an opportunity to pray and reflect before the Blessed Sacrament and deepen our relationship with Christ in the Eucharist. Eucharistic Adoration is on the first Friday of every month at 6:00pm and will be held next on **January 2nd, 2026.**

**GIVING TREE:** is set up with donation envelopes in support of ***Children Helping Children.*** Donations can be enclosed in the envelopes and put in the collection box in the foyer. We have raised \$3,661.00. Thank you to all who have donated.

**ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?** Please remember to pick up a registration form in our church lobby and register with us.

**UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS:** If you have moved this past year, please call the office to update your new address.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** Thursday, January 8th at 7:35pm in our church meeting room.

**ST. ANTHONY'S C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP DUES:** \$35 & can be paid at the CWL Luncheon in January or by putting funds in the envelopes labelled "CWL Membership" and placed in collection box.

**C.W.L. NEWS: LUNCHEON** Sunday, January 18th, 2026 (doors open at noon) at the Italian Cultural Centre, Buffet Lunch. Tickets \$35. Open to C.W.L. members & friends. Tickets can be purchased after weekend Masses. Last day to purchase tickets is Sunday, January 11th. Baking is appreciated. Donations of new socks, mitts & hats for those in need are also graciously accepted.

**MARRIAGE PREP. PROGRAM:** for couples who have registered for the Sacrament of Marriage will be held on Fri., Jan. 23rd from 7:00pm-10:00pm and Sat., Jan. 24th 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.

**CONFIRMATION DATE:** has been set for Saturday, May 30th, 2026

**FIRST COMMUNION:** has been set for Saturday, June 6th, 2026

**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:** Monday, December 29th, 2025 & Friday, January 2nd, 2026.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** \$ 3,410.00

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### December 29, 2025 — January 4, 2026

#### Monday, December 29

All Parishioners

9:00am

Pastor

#### Tuesday, December 30

Joao Neves  
Angelina & Luigi Valente  
Nicola Pilat

7:00pm

Family  
Family  
Caterina Marino & Family

#### Wednesday, December 31, 2025

5:00pm

#### NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

For All Parishioners

#### Thursday, January 1st, 2026

11:00am

#### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

For all Parishioners

#### Friday, January 2

#### Eucharistic Adoration 6:00pm

#### Friday, January 2

All Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm

Parishioner

#### Saturday, January 3

5:00pm

Aquila Slobbe  
Gilda DeVuono  
Francesco Mollame  
Gilda Fabiano

Slobbe Family  
M. Stefanile & Family  
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T. & B. Guadagnuolo

#### Sunday, January 4

#### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00am

Joao & Fatima Borba  
Maria Teresa Iachetta  
Carmine & Antonietta DeGrazia  
For the protection of Life

Friend  
St. Anthony's Seniors Group  
P. & F. Bloskie & M. DeGrazia  
Bogdan

11:00am

Angelina Figliuzzi  
Primo DeCal  
Maria Teresa Iachetta  
Nicola, Giulia, Antonio & Chiara Sanzo

A. & C. Ferguson  
Olinda  
J. Rizzo & C. Ferguson  
Eva & Family

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

† Let us pray for the repose of souls of Rita Mei, Brandon Lee, Mario Costanzo 7 Jeannette Bougie. May God bless them and welcome them into His Kingdom.



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