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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT—A

March 15, 2026

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

The blind man in today's gospel stands for all humanity. "Born totally in sin" he is made a new creation. As God fashioned the first man from the clay of the earth, Jesus gives the blind man new life by anointing his eyes with clay. As God breathed the spirit of life into the first man, the blind man is not healed until he washes in the waters of Siloam, a name that means "Sent." In the sacrament of Baptism Jesus has refreshed our souls. He has anointed our heads with the oil of Confirmation and spread the Eucharistic table before us. With the once-blind man, we enter His house "We do believe!"

IV DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA

Il cieco dalla nascita, insieme alla luce degli occhi, acquista anche la luce della fede: ha chiesto una luce e ne riceve due. Il cieco imbocca decisamente la strada verso la luce della fede: "l'uomo che si chiama Gesù mi ha guarito... è un profeta!... io credo, Signore, che sei il Figlio di Dio". La buona notizia è che nel Regno di Dio sono invitati i ciechi e i poveri. La fede, molto prima di essere una conquista è un dono da accogliere. Per guarire il cieco Gesù usa fango e saliva, una strana medicina che ci ricorda il tempo della nostra creazione. Abbiamo bisogno di nuovi occhi di fede per vedere bene.



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



How & when to receive Communion – Tips

Ensure you are not under ecclesiastical censure. Those who are under ecclesiastical censure, meaning they have been excommunicated from the church and are in grave sins, cannot receive Communion. If you're not sure whether you're under censure, you're probably not. It's a big deal, and there's no way you wouldn't be told directly by the Church. **Communion was started by Christ at the Last Supper.** Before he was crucified, Jesus assembled his apostles for a meal, where he shared with them bread and wine. He said, "Take and eat; this is my body," and "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Jesus instituted the Eucharist, or Communion, to share his grace, offer forgiveness for sins, and remain physically with us on earth. These words are echoed by the priest during the transubstantiation at Mass. Do you know that receiving communion often helps us to keep our life in communion with the Lord and with his Body that is the Church? This is also a great help to keep us clean from venial sins. (*More to follow next Sunday ...*)



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COLUMBUS CENTRE: Thursday Spaghetti Take Out Dates: March 19, April 2, 16, 30, May 14 & 28, June 11 & 25, July 9 & 23, August 6 & 20. Take Out Pick up 2:00pm-5:30pm

ITALIAN SOC. OF P.A.: SPAGHETTI TAKE OUT: from 12:00-5:00pm, March 22

LET'S DO LUNCH St. Andrew's Parish invites you to join them for a tasty lunch on Sunday, March 22nd from 11:00am to 1:00pm in Saunders Hall. The lunch menu consists of the soup du jour, porchetta on a bun, potato spears and coleslaw. The cost is \$20 for Adults, \$10 for Students, and Children age 6 years and under eat for free. Can't stay for lunch?...take out is also available. Proceeds from this event are in support of the church's **Boiler Replacement Project**. All are welcome.

ST. AGNESS PARISH: is seeking a dependable and detail-oriented Administrative Assistant to support the daily operations of the parish. This role serves as a welcoming first point of contact and provides essential administrative support. This paid position has flexible hours between 25-28 hours per week. Please submit a resume and cover letter to sltleadershelpline@gmail.com by March 18th, 2026

PARISH NEWS VIA EMAIL: Would you like a weekly parish update sent to your email? Subscribe by sending an email to communications@stanthonyparish.ca

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE LENTEN CAMPAIGN: "***On Track for a Justice***" information materials are available on the table display in the church vestibule. Please stop by and take or read the information to learn more about the work of Development and Peace.

ST. ANTHONY'S C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$35 can be paid for at rectory office, after mass or by putting funds in the envelopes labelled "***CWL Membership***" with your name & address and place in collection box.

DURING LENT: What can we do to bring ourselves closer to Jesus during Lent? One way is by meditating on His suffering through the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross will be prayed (in English & Italian) right after the 7:00pm mass on every Friday evenings during Lent.

LIGHT FROM THE TOMB **LUCE DAL SEPOLCRO**: During Lent at St. Anthony Church Hall on Tuesday: March 17th at 7:30pm will be video presentation as a short reflection for Easter. Everyone welcome.



GENERAL ABSOLUTION: Monday, March 23 at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to this reconciliation (confession) in preparation for Easter. Priests will also be available after for individual confessions.

MASS CANCELLATION: There will be **no Mass** on Wednesday, March 25th & Thursday, March 26th.

ANNUAL MASS OF SACRED CHRISM: Will take place on **Thursday, March 26th** at St. Patrick's Cathedral. All are invited to participate in this solemn Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Alan E. Campeau and the Priests of the Diocese, for the blessing of the Oils to be used for celebration of the sacraments.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 2,415.00
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Rose & James Ward
Franca Donato
9:00am
Pastor
Family
R. Furioso
T. & D. Donato & L. Covino

Tuesday, March 17
Arturo Scarcello
Luigi Petricig
7:00pm
Family
Family

Wednesday, March 18
Pina Ferrari
Frank Jollimore
Genevieve Mastroangelo
7:00pm
Children
R. Furioso
R. Furioso

Thursday, March 19
Ida Farno
Leda Vallela
7:00pm
E. & T. Caputo
M. Frattaroli

Friday, March 20
Salvatore Scali
Angela Guidolin
7:00pm
M. Frattaroli
Toffanin Family

Saturday, March 21
5:00pm
Salvatore Sanzo
Ron & Fay Allen
Deceased of Zanandrea Family
Deacon John Myers
Giovanna Chiarelli
Raffaele Stefanile
Nicola Tucci
Carol Furioso
P. Magisano
Family
Dino & Family
Deacon Pasquale & Sandra Coccimiglio
G. Benincasa
N. Ferrari
Family
R. Furioso

Sunday, March 22 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
9:00am
Jose Cabral
Carmine & Antonietta DeGrazia
Susan Quarrell
Emilia Francella
Nella Badolato
Maria
P & F Bloskie & M DeGrazia
E. & M. Santin
Family
Family

11:00am
Eva Sacchetti
Giulio Scocchia
Giannino LaSelva
Giuseppe Leonetti
Bruno & Concetta Nardi
Giovanni & Immacolata Nerino
husband Ermando
Family
C. Squartecchia
Family
Figlio Nicola & Family
S. & I. Vetere

*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 soul of Assunta Maletta.
May God bless her and welcome her into his Kingdom.*

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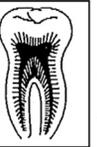
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