

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

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We, the Catholic community of St. Anthony of Padua, relying on the wisdom and the grace of God, unite ourselves to the call for renewal and transformation of our spiritual, social and economic life.



October 18, 2020 - Twenty ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday Mass Times: 9 am and 11 am

Weekday Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,

Friday & Saturday – 9 am; Tuesday – 7 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 20 minutes prior to Mass

Important Notice regarding Mass Registration

Please make sure that you register by phone or email for the Mass that you and your family would like to attend. There are 4 Sunday Masses in our parish. All of the Masses are full with the exception of the newly instituted Mass of 5 PM on Sundays. Please attend the Mass that you have registered for and avoid jumping from one Mass to another.

If you have any questions, please speak to Fr. Dennis or call the parish office. Let's keep our place of worship a safe place.times and/or by appointment

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of each month 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Mass Intentions October 18 to October 24, 2020

Saturday	Oct 17	5 pm	Peter Fless+
Sunday	Oct 18	9 am	Irene Hughes
		11 am	Helen MacPherson+
		5 pm	Helen MacPherson+
Monday	Oct 19	9 am	Antonio, Mary Sharma & Nika & Jngjng Ortega Thanksgiving
Tuesday	Oct 20	7 pm	Matthew Jungwirth
Wednesday	Oct 21	9 am	Thanksgiving special intention
Thursday	Oct 22	9 am	Thanksgiving special intention
Friday	Oct 23	9 am To 5 pm	Souls detained in purgatory & your own intentions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	Oct 24	9 am	Kevin Hughes

Last Sunday's Collection

Loose	\$191.00
Envelopes	\$1145.00
Other	\$500.00
Total Collections	\$1836.00

Please pray for those who are ill or housebound in our

Parish family: Peggy Turner, Cheryl Yaretz, Lyn Milburn, Ralph and Jeanette Watson, Janet Quinn, Paul Van Scheyndel, Wayne Turner, Pat Donegan, Darcy Kohuch, Sr. Celine Graf, Elizabeth Ryan, Jane Van Laerhoven, Beryl Sheard, Joan Vowles, Jean Van Tryp

Please pray for the most recently deceased: Helen MacPherson

Stewardship Reflection

October 18, 2020 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." - Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money.

We are very pleased to welcome Pam Williams and Crystal Kelly to our faith community during the 5 pm Mass on Sunday night. Pam & Crystal have been undergoing the RCIA since last year under the instruction of Karen & John Dumas, whom we are so grateful to for their ministry.

Victoria O'Brien will, also, be confirmed at the 5 pm Mass. We are grateful to her mom, Val, who has been instructing her at home throughout the course of this pandemic!

And finally, Ledger Reaume & Lydia-Grace Reaume will be baptized at the 5 pm Mass as well! Congratulations to all of the families, and welcome to all!

Parish Religious Education Notice (PREP)

Calling all PREP Students!!! Is your child in Grade 2 or older and is ready for classes to receive First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation? Please see Fr. Dennis or call the Parish Office as soon as possible to register.

Please mark your calendars: The RCIA candidates (Crystal Kelly and Pam Williams) who have been preparing with their classes, will be received into the Church on October 18th at 5 pm Mass. Victoria Brooks will, also, be confirmed that night. Congratulations to all of them.

Our daily weekday Masses and Sunday Mass are live on Facebook for you to see each day. Please find us on our Facebook page: St Anthony of Padua - Agassiz

Project Advance has some key changes this year. Archdiocesan funding priorities from this year's Appeal will be directed to a newly established Crisis Response Fund, to help vulnerable individuals and families during this time of pandemic,

alongside other ministries of evangelization and outreach. The Archdiocesan goal has been reduced to \$1.625 million and St. Anthony of Padua - Agassiz's target has been reduced from \$9,500 to \$4,750.

Congratulations! We have reached our goal, with your generosity!

All gifts will now be rebated to our parish for our own needs. Your support and generosity has been so appreciated throughout the pandemic. This year, given that we have been offered a 'reprieve' from the Archdiocese in the reduction of the expected goal, is a wonderful opportunity for our parish to raise funds for our parish needs. Thank you again for your generosity!

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Dear Parishioners:

What can we do to pray for the end of the COVID pandemic?

On all Fridays, after the 9 am Mass, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 5 pm. You are invited and encouraged to come out to pray and to spend time with our Lord.

Consider if you could spend one hour together as a family, praying for this urgent need in our world.

A schedule will be placed in the Gathering Area of the Church for you to sign up on, and it is hoped that you will be able to commit regularly for this. You may, also, call the parish office or respond to this email if that is more convenient, and your name will be included on the schedule for the hour that you request. This will also be live-streamed each Friday for those of you who are unable to attend in person.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Dennis



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Please help sanitize the church pews and other surfaces following each of the Masses. This continues to be a <u>requirement</u>, and will be for some time. Thank you for your consideration.

REQUEST TO PARISHES - NET Canada Missionaries

NET Canada has partnered with RCAV and CISVA to bring 10 Catholic Missionaries into the Archdiocese to share the Gospel message with 1500 high school students located in the North Shore, Coquitlam, Abbotsford and Chilliwack areas. To make this a reality, we need your help in 2 essential ways: The NET missionaries need:

- 1. A place to stay: Because of COVID, and safety precautions, we are looking for empty basement suites, apartments, rectories or retreat centers that can house the NET Missionaries from Oct 16th, 2020 May, 30th 2021.
- 2. Food: Provide a meal or two, or financially contribute towards their meal budget.

If you are able to help, please email Cecilia at bcschedule@netcanada.ca.

Many young people leave their Catholic faith by the time they graduate from High School. NET Canada is a Catholic not-for-profit missionary

organization that sends teams of missionary young adults into schools and parishes so that teenagers can have the opportunity to hear about, respond to and live for Christ. For more information, please email Cecilia at bcschedule@netcanada.ca.

Help Evangelize 1500 Teenagers in the Archdiocese of Vancouver

NET Canada is bringing 10 joy-filled Missionaries who have volunteered a year of their life to come to the Vancouver Archdiocese to evangelize 1500 high school students. Because of COVID, we are looking for basement suites, empty apartments, rectories, or retreat centers where they can live during their time here. They are also in need of assistance with their food budget.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact Cecilia at bcschedule@netcanada.ca

ST ANN'S DAYCARE HIRING ASSISTANT ECE OR RESPONSIBLE ADULT

St Ann's Daycare requires an Assistant ECE or Responsible Adult for part time hours. Previous experience required. Days of work are Monday to Friday preferably with some flexibility for hours of work. Please apply by emailing your resume to parishoffice@stannsabbotsford.ca Attention: Sister Suzana or mailing it to St. Ann's Daycare, 33333 Mayfair Ave., Abbotsford, BC V2S 1P4 Thank you

VIRTUAL WHITE MASS, Wednesday Oct 21 at 7 pm. Celebrated by Archbishop J Michael Miller, CSP in support of all Healthcare Workers and livestreamed from Holy Rosary Cathedral **RCAV.ORG/WHITEMASS.** Limited seating governed by Covid19 protocols. Inf: Dr. Jim Lane at 604-240-2725 or drtoniparsons@telus.net.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Ecumenical Faith Break 2 - Together in Thanksgiving

Join us for a morning of community, conversation, and reflection on the Eucharist. Saturday, October 17 from 10:00 am until 11:00 am on Zoom. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the BC Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. Online registration coming soon to beholdvancouver.org/events

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Mass with Archbishop Miller

Join us online as we honour our little ones who have gone too soon. A special Mass will be live streamed, and candles lit in honour of those we have lost. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB.

Join us on Saturday, Oct. 17 at 2:00 pm online or in-person in the Evangelist Chapel at Gardens of Gethsemani. If you cannot attend, you may still register and we will light a candle in remembrance of whom you have lost. Pre-registration required at rccav.org/events

* Celebrating Hallowtide as a Family Webinar

A webinar hosted by Gardens of Gethsemani with three special guests on how to engage our families (and especially children) in the Hallowtide and Holy Souls season. Jayme McKinnon is a homeschooling mother of 5 who will talk about creative and fun ways to engage children in the season. Tony Walters, a teacher, is going to share dynamic ideas on how to engage students in the richness of Hallowtide. Fr. Mark McGuckin will present some of the theological and pastoral aspects of this season: how to engage the current Halloween culture; the significance of the saints, of praying for holy souls, of coming face to face with our mortality and remembering that we are made for heaven. Join us on Monday, Oct. 19 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on Zoom. Register online at rccav.org/events

Ministry to Divorced and Separated

Join us for the online rosary over Zoom on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Register online at beholdvancouver.org/events

* Diaconate Ordination of Raffaele Salvino

We invite all of the faithful in the Archdiocese to the Diaconal Ordination of Raffaele Salvino on Friday, Oct. 23 from 10:00 am until 11:30 am. This is a wonderful opportunity to witness a young man further pursue his vocation to the priesthood. Register online at rebrand.ly/OrdinationOct2020

There will be a diocesan novena to St. John Paul II, Secondary Patron of the Archdiocese of Vancouver, for Raffaele starting on October 14. The novena will conclude on the feast of St. John Paul II on October 22, the day before the ordination. We will send you the novena prayer via email if you register online.

Please pray for Raffaele that he may imitate Christ, who made himself a servant for all, and that the Archdiocese of Vancouver may be united by this moment of hope in this challenging season.

* Hallowtide Prayer Vigil at Gardens of Gethsemani

Join us at Gardens of Gethsemani on Saturday, Oct. 31 for a Hallowtide candlelight procession on the vigil of All Saints' Day. Bring your kids dressed up as saints as we honor the saints and our departed loved ones. There will be singing, candles and candy for the children!

This year due to the gathering restrictions we will have two different processions starting at 6:00 pm. One at the Evangelist Chapel and one at the Holy Angels buildings. Please register in advance to attend in-person at rccav.org/events

* All Souls Day Mass with Archbishop Miller

Join Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB for All Souls' Day Mass on Monday, Nov. 2 at 6:00 pm live from the Evangelist Chapel at Gardens of Gethsemani. Register to attend in-person or by livestream at rccav.org/events

* Estate & Memorial Planning Webinar

This free presentation provides general information for preparing or updating your will and learning about the beauty of the funeral rite, and formulating pre-need arrangements. You'll be pointed to complementary guides, tools and practical resources. Join us on Thursday, Nov. 5 at 10:00 am on Zoom. Register online at rccav.org/events. Hosted by Gardens of Gethsemani, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

The Catholic Faith in Plain English Free Course

Learn about the rich teachings and practices of our Catholic Faith from Father Vincent Hawkswell and Maureen Creelman in their course "The Catholic Faith in Plain English". This free, 36 week-long course will be offered online this year and is suitable for all adult learners including Catholics and non-Catholics. Register for free at beholdvancouver.org/catholic-faith-course