



# 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.*

## August 9, 2020 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Pastor:** Fr. Dennis O. Flores

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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 August 9 to 15, 2020

Saturday	Aug 8	5 pm	
Sunday	Aug 9	9 am	Pat Schmid
		11 am	Adriana & Barb (healing)
		5 pm	
Monday	Aug 10	9 am	Phil & Opal Limbert+
Tuesday	Aug 11	7 pm	Sean Paul Claggett+
Wednesday	Aug 12	9 am	Ortega/Abe-Abe families+
Thursday	Aug 13	9 am	Lynne Whitehead
Friday	Aug 14	9 am	Souls who especially venerate & glorify my mercy & your own intentions
Saturday	Aug 16	9 am	Ortega/Abe-Abe families+

### Last Sunday's Collection

Loose	\$359.00
Envelopes	\$2455.00
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$2814.00</b>

You are encouraged to wear a face mask at Mass, and one will be provided at the door if you need one.

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, Christopher Waight, Jane Van Laerhoven, Susan Pergel, Beryl Sheard

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

**Happy Birthday to Leo Vantol, who celebrated his 87<sup>th</sup> Birthday this week!!!**

## Stewardship Reflection

August 9, 2020 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus." (Matthew 14:29)*

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water!

When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

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# AGASSIZ FAMILY

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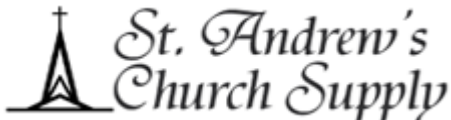
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Project Advance has some key changes this year. Archdiocesan funding priorities from this year's Appeal will be directed to a newly established Crisis Response Fund, to help vulnerable individuals and families during this time of pandemic, alongside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

Thank you for your response so far! \$1,775. We only have to raise \$2975 more to reach our assessed goal of \$4,750, and the remainder stays in our parish for our own needs.

Thank you again

## **Update from Ndikumana family (This is a letter sent to John Zuidhof, who is on the Refugee Committee)**

Dear Church sponsors:

On behalf of my family, I, Gilbert Ndikumana would like to say thanks to you, Agassiz churches (All Saints Anglican Church, Riverside Christian Reformed Church, St. Anthony of Padua Church), MCC, Agassiz Community and those involved in sponsoring us.

We were strangers, but you welcomed us in this beautiful, peaceful country with people of hospitality, we are grateful.

We would love to inform you that in [August 2020](#), we will move from BC to Hamilton Ontario. My daughter Julie will be the first to depart Abbotsford Airport on 6 August at 12:15pm, but she will leave home at 10:30am, while the rest of the family will depart from Abbotsford Airport on 24 August at 12:15pm, we will leave home at 10:00am.

Due to the situation of covid19, we could not say goodbye in person, may GOD bless each and everyone, your hard work and ask you to keep us in prayer.

Thank you once again for bringing us in this wonderful and incredible country, we will forever be grateful to you all, thank you so much for changing our lives.

### **Refugee Fundraising Drive:**

The Agassiz Refugee Committee, which includes three local churches, including our St. Anthony of Padua parish, is holding a fundraising drive. This drive is to help with the support of the two families we presently sponsor, plus another family, a Catholic family from Pakistan, who should arrive within a year or so. Pakistani Christians are arrested needlessly, and suffer great trials. Father Dennis will look after and accept the offerings in the name of the Refugee Committee. Checks should be marked, "For Refugee Program". Please include your church envelop number as well. Thank you for your kindness.

### **Sponsorship Drive... for Refugee Program**

- Three local churches, make up our local Refugee Committee. We are the
  - a. Agassiz Christian Reform Church
  - b. All Saints Anglican Church, and
  - c. St. Anthony of Padua parish
- We work under the umbrella of the Mennonite Central Committee, which holds a refugee sponsorship agreement with the federal government.
- The Committee's mandate is to help new families settle in Agassiz.
- In October of 2019 we welcomed, from Burundi, Gilbert and Amina and their 4 children.





- In December, 2019, we welcomed, from Pakistan, Melvin and Nusrat, and their three adult children.



- In about a year, we will be welcoming, also from Pakistan, a Catholic family, Parvez and Yasmin, and their 3 children. Many dioceses across Canada, including our own, are pledging to sponsor Pakistan refugees who, because of Pakistan's Blasphemy Law are treated harshly. (See attachment)



- The committee normally helps sponsor families for one year with English, schooling and job training.
- After a year of sponsorship, it is hoped that the family will be able to be self-sufficient.

# Prevent the spread of COVID-19

## HEALTH CHECK REMINDER

- Are you feeling healthy and well?
- Have you been with anyone who is now showing symptoms?
- Do you practice these skills to stop the spread of COVID-19?

- frequent hand washing



- physical distancing outside of your household

- avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth

- cover your cough using the bend of your elbow



- wear a mask when unable to maintain physical distance



- avoid crowded places & close contact with anyone who is sick

- use disinfectant on surfaces



- Are you expanding your bubble slowly and with caution?

We encourage everyone to be kind, be calm, and be safe!