



# 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.*

## September 13, 2020 – Twenty Fourth 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 September 12 to 19, 2020

Saturday	Sept 12	5 pm	Joseph Yim+
Sunday	Sept 13	9 am	Ellie Anne Sask baptism
		11 am	Brian Gillespie+
		5 pm	St. Anthony's Parish
Monday	Sept 14	9 am	Paul Van Tryp+
Tuesday	Sept 15	7 pm	Joseph Yim+
Wednesday	Sept 16	9 am	Joseph Yim+
Thursday	Sept 17	9 am	Joseph Yim+
Friday	Sept 18	9 am To 5 pm	Joseph Yim+ & your own intentions <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Saturday	Sept 19	9 am	Joseph Yim+

### Last Sunday's Collection

Loose	\$299.55
Envelopes	\$1265.00
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$1564.55</b>

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

**Please pray for the most recently deceased:** Rita Oosterlaar, Mary Sparkes

**Welcome Ellie Anne Sask who will be baptized at the 9 am Mass this weekend. Congratulations to her parents, Aaron & Jennifer and her sister Audrina! May God continue to bless your family!**

## Stewardship Reflection

*September 13, 2020 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." (Romans 14:8)*

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm Mass. Victoria Brooks will, also, be confirmed that night. Congratulations to all of them.**

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### **Second Collection in Support of the Holy Land (Sept. 13)**

Today's Pontifical collection is taken for the support of the Holy Land - for the work of the Church, the support of Christian communities, the upkeep of the Holy Sites, and the formation of future priests. Let us give generously to support this Church of the Holy Land and to show our solidarity with the people of this struggling Church. You can support this second collection at your parish or give online at [rcav.org/holy-land-collection](http://rcav.org/holy-land-collection)

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**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.**

## 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



We are so grateful to everyone who has stepped forward to help and volunteer in our parish in so many ways. Today, we'd like to thank the people who daily and weekly take time to clean and sanitize the pews following the Masses in preparation for the next Mass. Thank YOU!!!!

Having said this, it would be so helpful, and appreciated too, if more people could also take a turn with this task. The pandemic will be with us for some time to come, so sanitizing and cleaning has become our new normal. Please call the parish office to offer your help so that we can set up a schedule so that it isn't reliant on a small group of people only.

## Diocesan Collection Update

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of churches to the general public, the **Share Lent national collection** was postponed earlier this year. It has now been replaced by the **Recovering Together national collection** and will take place on **October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.

Let us continue to pray, and pray fervently, that the virus will soon be defeated and that we can return to the joyful public celebration of Holy Mass in large gatherings.

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