

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 4, 2020 – Twenty seventh 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 4 to October 10, 2020

Saturday	Oct 3	5 pm	Jechonas Luisito+
Sunday	Oct 4	9 am	St. Anthony's Parish
		11 am	Naalie Aurelia Rocheleau+
		5 pm	Your Own Intentions
Monday	Oct 5	9 am	Beth Guliker+
Tuesday	Oct 6	7 pm	Jackson Claggett
Wednesday	Oct 7	9 am	Josefina & Macario Jr. Castro+
Thursday	Oct 8	9 am	Jsephina & Macario Jr. Castro+
Friday	Oct 9	9 am To 5 pm	Gerardo & Anita Abe-Abe+, your own intentions, for meek & humble souls and the souls of little children Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	Oct 10	9 am	Gerardo & Anita Abe-Abe+

Last Sunday's Collection

Loose	\$242.05
Envelopes	\$1675
Other	\$372
Total Collections	\$2289.05

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, Helen MacPherson

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

Stewardship Reflection

October 4, 2020 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." - Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is sign that God is alive and well!

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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

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**th, **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.



Notice from the Knights of Columbus

Because of the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, all regular monthly meetings of the local Knights of Columbus Council will be suspended until further notice. Please contact Grand Knight Anthony Pavick if you have any inquiries.

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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.

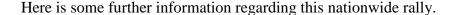
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ST ANN'S DAYCARE HIRING ASSISTANT ECE OR RESPONSIBLE ADULT

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

Canada Needs our Lady

Please come to the Rosary Rally which will be held at the Marion Grotto here at 12 noon, October 10th.



Canada Needs Our Lady is a special campaign of the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization to win the hearts and minds of Canadians for Mary.

The Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization was incorporated on June 25, 2013 as a federal nonprofit organization "to advance religion by the promotion of the religious teachings, tenets, doctrines, morals, and observances of the Roman Catholic faith and their application to individuals, families, and society in Christian culture and civilization." From our main office in Saint Hubert, Quebec, Society members and volunteers reach out to concerned Christian families and individuals across Canada. We promote and defend the principles and values of Christian civilization and spread the Gospel message far and wide.

REGISTERED CHARITY By letter dated March 13, 2015, Canada Revenue Agency recognized the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization as a "registered charity," effective January 1, 2015. Our charity number is **807291737RR0001**.

TAX RECEIPT POLICY We mail official tax receipts every January to all donors whose combined donations in the preceding calendar year totaled \$30 or more.

OUR CREST The M at the centre of our crest stands for Mary, our Queen and Mother. The crown symbolizes the Kingship of Christ and Our Lady's queenship over the hearts of men, and the golden lily represents the ideal of Christian Civilization. Blue is Our Lady's traditional colour, and Our Lord's is red. The white of the Latin Crusader's cross symbolizes purity of doctrine and orthodoxy in the one true Catholic faith. The shield symbolizes the heroism we are called to show in being faithful to our baptismal vows and the Sacrament of Confirmation, while the gold of its frame symbolizes the nobility of this fortitude in the faith. The M's position at the centre of the white cross symbolizes St. Louis de Montfort's famous phrase: "To Jesus, through Mary."

National Catholic Health Care Week 2020

October 4 to 10, we celebrate National Catholic Health Care Week across Canada. The week recognizes the inspiring work of Catholic health care organizations in our province and across Canada. At the heart of Catholic health care is a deep respect for the intrinsic value and dignity of every human being and an unwavering commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths—especially society's most vulnerable.

This year the COVID-19 pandemic transformed our health care landscape and society. In Canada, the pandemic has shone a public light on many important social and ethical issues calling us all to reflect on the importance of human connection, quality of life, and the meaning of wellbeing—body, mind and spirit. The pandemic has also highlighted the timeless relevance of Catholic social teaching and our collective role in building a Canadian society that reaches out to every person who is suffering from illness, stigma, poverty, or loneliness.

During National Catholic Health Care Week, we give thanks for the courageous gift of Catholic health care during these challenging times—in hospitals, community health centers, or seniors care homes.

The pandemic calls us all to live the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. Holding all those impacted by COVID-19 in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of Catholic health care and we offer our prayers, support, and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health organizations who care for all in need with compassion and courage.

For more information about Catholic health care in Canada or the week, please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website atwww.chac.ca