

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.

November 1, 2020 – All Saints Day

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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 November 1 to 7, 2020

Saturday	Oct 31	5 pm	Quinn Mebesius+
Sunday	Nov 1	9 am	Special Intention
		11 am	Ted & Aronka Meszaros (healing)
		5 pm	Special Intention
Monday	Nov 2	9 am	Mike, Rebecca & new baby
Tuesday	Nov 3	7 pm	Leclair Family+
Wednesday	Nov 4	9 am	Quinn Mebesius+
Thursday	Nov 5	9 am	Belinda Wood+
Friday	Nov 6	9 am To 5 pm	Gerry Fisher+ All Mankind, especially sinners & your own intentions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	Nov 7	9 am	Ted & Aronka Meszaros (healing)

Loose	\$391.85
Envelopes	\$1450.00
Total Collections	\$1841.85

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: Adam Jastrzebski, Matthew Jungwirth, Francis Feefey

Stewardship Reflection

November 1, 2020 - All Saints' Day

"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you (falsely) because of me." -Matthew 5:11

We are all at different points on the path to holiness, on getting to Heaven and becoming a saint. Part of the journey is being mocked and ridiculed by others. When this happens, how do you respond? Do you become silent? Do you react in anger or do you react with love? Fortunately, as one Body of Christ, we are united with the saints already in Heaven. Ask your favorite saint for guidance in defending the Faith.

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All Souls Day - November 2nd, 2020

But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him (Romans 6:8)

Catholics have a custom of remembering all the faithful departed during the month of November.

The Catholic Church teaches that Purgatory is an expression of God's love and desire to cleanse our souls of all that might keep us from experiencing the fullness of joy in Heaven. It is a comforting thought that our loved ones are on their way, with the help of God's unending forgiveness and our prayers, to joining the company of the saints in heaven.

The Book of Life has been placed in the Gathering area where you may enter the names of your departed loved ones. This book will be taken to the altar on All Souls Day, Monday, November 2 and for the entire month of November, where our loved ones will be remembered and prayed for. Following Mass, we will have a visit to our Valley View cemetery.

November is also an ideal time to request a "Mass Intention" for your loved one. You may use one of the envelopes that are displayed in the Gathering Area and place them in the receptacle The celebration of Mass is the highest means the Church can provide for charity for the dead, but we can also relieve their sufferings and strengthen our connection with them through our prayers. When we pray for the dead, celebrating their life and death into Christ, we are strengthening our communion with them. This communion is an anticipation of the perfect unity we will have when are all face to face with Father for eternity.

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.

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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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

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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.