



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.

July 11, 2021 – Fifteenth 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

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: All Fridays 9:30 am until Benediction at 12 noon

Confession: 20 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Mass Intentions July 10 to 17, 2021

Novena & Rosary begins 30 minutes prior to Mass

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| Saturday | July 10 | 9 am 5 pm | Peter & Tran Can+ Jean Van Tryp+ |
| Sunday | July 11 | 9 am | Joseph Sac Din Vu+ |
| | | 11 am | Peter Tuan Nguyen+ Josephine (Josie) Saddleman+ |
| Monday | July 12 | 9 am | Joseph Sac Dinh Vu+ Maria Nguoan Vu+ |
| Tuesday | July 13 | 7 pm | Feeney family+ |
| Wednesday | July 14 | 9 am | Jean Wauthy+ |
| Thursday | July 15 | 9 am | Nillas Mendiola+ |
| Friday | July 16 | 9 am 12 noon Benediction | Nora Wauthy+ Souls of those separated from My Church & your own intentions |
| Saturday | July 17 | 9 am 5 pm | Gregorio Urbiztando+ Kirby Claggett+ |

Last Sunday Collections

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| Loose Collection | \$172.25 |
| Envelope | \$2210.00 |
| Other | |
| Total | \$2382.25 |

Please pray for those who are ill or housebound in our

Parish family: Cheryl Yaretz, Lyn Milburn, Ralph and Jeanette Watson, Janet Quinn, Paul Van Scheyndel, Joan Vowles, Helene Juzda, Kolt Bradley Klaassen, Loise Duke, Stella Hildebrandt, Adriana Striker, Leo Vantol

Please pray for the most recently deceased: Jean Van Tryp (Wilma Struys' mother)

Stewardship Reflection

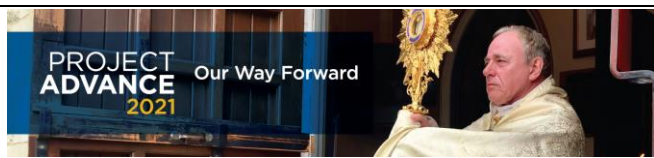
July 11, 2021 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts.” Mark 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things “we can't live without” in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become “slaves” to wanting to acquire more things.

Our daily & Sunday Masses are
livestreamed on Facebook. You can find
us at

St. Anthony of Padua-Agassiz

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Project Advance Update

To date, our parish has contributed \$6,201 to
Project Advance! Thank you so much.

This year our goal is \$7,500.

We're almost there! Any funds over and above
this amount remain in our parish for our projects.

Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

AS OF JULY 1st:

1. **Is the Sunday obligation reinstated?**
 - Not for this weekend, however it will be reinstated for the following weekend and details will be provided next week.
2. **Is there no limit now on the number of people attending Mass?**
 - There is no limit.
3. **Are masks optional now?**
 - Yes. We strongly recommend, however, that you follow the guidance of the Public Health Officer: "Masks are recommended in public indoor settings for all people 12 and

older who are not yet fully
vaccinated."

4. **No more pre-registration for contact tracing purposes?**
 - No, there should be no registration or taking of people's information at the church entrance.
5. **Will singing by the congregation be permitted now?**
 - Yes.
6. **Can we ask our choirs to come back?**
 - Yes, choirs can return to normal.
7. **Can we now put out hymnals, missals, envelopes, etc. in the church pews?**
 - Yes.
8. **For weddings, funerals and baptisms – is it still 50 people or 50% of capacity whichever is greater?**
 - No, because they take place within the liturgy (worship). For all weddings, funerals and baptisms there are no limitations for attendance.
9. **Does this mean that there is no more necessity for social distancing?**
 - Correct, there is no social distancing required.
10. **Can we re-open the bathrooms?**
 - Yes, bathroom facilities should be fully reopened.
11. **Do we still need to allow an hour between services, so that people leaving the last mass don't cross paths with people arriving for the next mass?**
 - No, Mass times can return to normal.
12. **Can we return to people taking a missal when they arrive for a weekday mass, and putting it back in the box when they leave?**
 - Yes.
13. **What about groups using the Church?**
 - Any groups using the Church are subject to the health orders regarding Organized Gatherings: "Indoor organized gatherings 50

people or 50% capacity,
whichever is greater.”

14. What about other kinds of gatherings in the basement, hall or meeting rooms?

- Any other gathering is subject to the health orders regarding Organized Gatherings: “Indoor organized gatherings 50 people or 50% capacity, whichever is greater.” People in such gatherings are also expected to maintain social distancing measures at this time.

15. Do attendance restrictions still apply to adoration, holy hours or other prayer services in the Church?

- No. The Public Health Order states “No capacity limits or restrictions on religious gatherings and worship services.”

16. What about coffee after Mass - social time in the basement/outside/hall?

- Outdoor social gatherings after Mass can have 5,000 people or 50% capacity of the space, whichever is greater.
- Indoor social gatherings after Mass can have 50 people or 50% capacity, whichever is greater.

17. Do we have to open up fully to all?

- Yes.

18. What restrictions are there for those who are not vaccinated?

- There are none, although “masks are recommended in public indoor settings for all people 12 and older who are not yet fully vaccinated.”

19. Do we still have to sanitize pews and contact services after each Mass?

- No.

20. What about Communion on the tongue?

- We will continue the current practice in place. (The priest should ask those receiving on the tongue to receive last or he might designate a specific minister for them. Moreover, it is recommended that the minister

purify his fingers and use hand sanitizer after each person who receives on the tongue).

21. What about Communion under both species?

- We will not reintroduce this practice at this time.

22. Can we shake hands at the kiss of peace? Should we?

- The kiss of peace is to be restored according to the custom of the parish.
- Those who are uncomfortable with shaking hands may bow or make a similar gesture to their neighbour.

23. Can priests and deacons share from the same cup?

- Yes, they may.

24. Can Deacons return to their normal activities at Mass?

- Yes, they may.

25. Are there any special instructions regarding altar servers, lectors or extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist?

- They can return to their normal practice.

26. Should we retain our plastic or plexiglass barriers?

- They are no longer necessary.

27. Should Holy fonts be refilled and used?

- Holy Water fonts should be available for those who wish to use them.

28. If a priest does not want to share his chalice with another priest or deacon, is this acceptable?

- Yes, the sharing of the chalice is up to the comfort level of the priest and deacon.

29. Should the distribution of Holy Communion be given out outside of Mass?

- No, not in the way it has been happening due to Covid. There is no reason now to have a separate point of Communion distribution outside of Mass.

30. **Can a priest still wear a mask when giving out Holy Communion at Mass?**
- He may if he wishes.
31. **Can a parish designate a "mask Mass" time to accommodate people uncomfortable with attending a mask less event? Or an area?**
- At this time there should be no services that restrict attendance based on the wearing or not wearing of masks. *It's important to note that given the lifting of mandatory mask orders for indoor spaces, it might soon be difficult for anyone to go to any indoor location where people are exclusively wearing masks.*
 - More clarity will be given this point next week.
32. **In re-opening bathrooms, is it recommended to place bottles of hand sanitizer there in addition to ordinary soap? Likewise, sanitizing bathroom sprays for individual use?**
- Yes, that is a good recommendation to follow.
33. **Can the KC council, the CWL, the PEC and other parish ministry teams meet in person without social distancing?**
- No, they must still use social distancing as the June 22 health order on social distancing has not yet been lifted.

Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis announced a Year of St. Joseph, beginning Dec. 8, 2020 and ending Dec. 8, 2021, in honour of the 150th anniversary of the saint's proclamation as patron of the Universal Church. The Pope established a Year of St. Joseph, who with the Canadian Martyrs is one of Canada's patron saints, so that "every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God's will."

Visit rcav.org/stjoseph to learn more.



Ethical Concerns Related to Vaccines

Catholics are invited to be vaccinated, both in keeping with the dictates of their conscience and in contributing to the common good by promoting the health and safety of others. All COVID-19 vaccines that are medically approved by the relevant health authorities may be licitly received by Catholics. Since there is currently no choice of vaccine being offered, Catholics in good conscience, may receive the vaccine that is available and offered to them. Read more at rcav.org/coronavirus.

Year of the Family

On March 19, the church celebrates five years since the publication of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* on the beauty and joy of love in the family. Pope Francis announced that a special year dedicated to the family will launch on the same day, which will conclude on June 26, 2022 on the occasion of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father.

"This special Year will be an opportunity to deepen further the content of the document *Amoris laetitia*, through proposals and pastoral tools. These will be made available to ecclesial communities and families, to accompany them on their journey." Learn more and view resources at rcav.org/year-of-the-family.