



# 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.

## 6th Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023

*Love One Another  
As I Have Loved You*

*John 13:31-35*

### Stewardship Reflection

*"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will,  
than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17*

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

### Prayer Requests

*Please pray for those who are ill or housebound  
in our Parish family*

Harley Martin, Kolt Klassen, Brian Lloyd, Ann Struys, Joanna Black, Debbie (Frank and Lynda's daughter), Cheryl Yaretz, Lyn Milburn, Janet Quinn, Paul Van Scheyndel, Stella Hildebrandt, Adriana Striker, Paul McKenzie, Marilyn Struys,

*Please pray for those who are deceased*

Florence Dumont & Irene Legacy

#### TALK TO US

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#### MASS TIMES

##### Sunday Mass:

Saturday Mass of Anticipation - 4:00 pm

Sunday Mass - 10:30 am

##### Weekday Mass:

Monday, Thursday & Friday - 9:00 am

Tuesday - 7:00 pm

##### Liturgy of the Word:

Wednesday - 9:00 am

##### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

20 minutes prior to Mass

or by appointment

##### Rosary:

Begins 30 minutes prior to Mass

##### Eucharistic Adoration:

All Fridays following Mass

Benediction at 10:15 am

#### PRIEST'S RETREAT

Please note that Fr. Dennis will be away for Priest's Retreat from May 15th to 19th. There will be no Mass during the week during this time.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday:** May 13th - 4:00 pm

+Rev. Larry Mackey, OMI

**Sunday:** May 14th - 10:30 am

+Rodger Kienzie

**Monday:** May 15th - 9:00 am

+Rick Christianson

**Tuesday:** May 16th - 7:00 pm

**NO MASS - CLERGY RETREAT**

**Wednesday:** May 17th - 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Word

**Thursday:** May 18th - 9:00 am

**NO MASS - CLERGY RETREAT**

**Friday:** May 19th - 9:00 am

**NO MASS - CLERGY RETREAT**

**Saturday:** May 20th - 4:00 pm

+Maria Secker



# Happy Mother's Day

"The Most Important Person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honour of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body..."

The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation... What on God's good earth is more glorious than this; to be a mother?"

-József Cardinal Mindszenty



**The Thrift Store will be donating all of the proceeds to the new Aquatic Centre in Town on the last Friday of the Month (May 26th). We will be selling Hamburgers & Hot Dogs to help raise funds for this community project too! Please come and help support this project!**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Friday, June 9th at 5:30 pm, and we are very pleased to welcome Archbishop Miller to preside at this special mass for our Confirmands, their families and our parish.**

**There will be a dinner to which you all are invited, but....you need to sign up. The sheet is in the Gathering Area of the Church. This dinner will be by donation, and all proceeds will be used to pay for the upgrade of the Grotto landscaping.**

## Project Advance begins next weekend in our parish:

Your tax-deductible donation will fund important works such as:

- Youth and young adults ministry in our parishes
- The construction of new Catholic schools
- Programs that support healthy families
- Feeding the homeless and vulnerable in the Downtown Eastside
- Pastoral ministry and support for the hospitalized

Once our parish goal is met, all additional funds raised will be directed back to our parish project. Thank you so much for your generosity.

## COFFEE

Coffee after Mass today. Please bring a snack to share with everyone who attends! See you there.

## THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

May is the month of the Rosary. Weather permitting we will be praying the Rosary at the Grotto before Mass.

## FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Our local Food Bank stock is very low, and they would appreciate our donations of food. This past week, our parish donated \$3,000 through Thrift Store sales.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CWL Meeting

*Tuesday May 16th @ 2:30 pm*

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

General Meeting

*Thursday May 25th @ 7:00 pm*

## STAFF POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Two staff positions coming available at St. Ann's, 33333 Mayfair Ave, Abbotsford.

1) St. Ann's Parish Office Administrator, Starting July 1st, 2023.

2) Administrator/Teacher for St. Ann's Preschool. Starting September 2023.

For more information please contact Frances McNeil at 604-852-5602

## OFFERING COLLECTIONS

**Sunday, May 7th, 2023**

Loose: \$230

Envelope: \$1242

Other: \$20

**Total: \$1492**

