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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.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10, 2023

For where two or three are
gathered in my name,
THERE AM I AMONG THEM
- Matthew 18:20

Stewardship Reflection

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." - Ezekiel 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.

Prayer Requests

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

Edith Hertwick, Louie Yaretz, Harley Martin, Kolt Klassen, 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

Janessa Guliker, Geneva Reynen & Brian Lloyd

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: September 9th - 4:00 pm

Gloria McKennie

Sunday: September 10th - 10:30 am

+Rita Oosterlaar

+Venerable Ignacia del Espiritu Santo
(RVM Founder)

Monday: September 11th - 9:00 am

Mary & Jim (healing)

Tuesday: September 12th - 7:00 pm

+Gary Graf

Wednesday: September 13th - 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Word

Thursday: September 14th - 9:00 am

+Maria A. Cruz

Friday: September 15th - 9:00 am

Mary & Jim (healing)

The souls of those who are separated
from My church. + your intentions

Saturday: September 16th - 4:00 pm

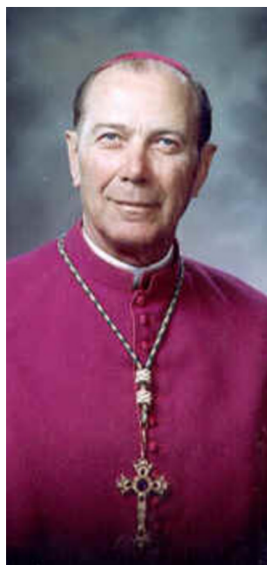
+S. Ma. Sotera Gaylou, RVM

Dear Parishioners: There will be a collection in our parish this weekend to support the Healing & Reconciliation Campaign. Our support of this second collection will contribute to:

- Healing and reconciliation initiatives for communities and families affected by past injustices
- Culture and language revitalization projects aimed at preserving and celebrating Indigenous heritage
- Education and community-building initiatives that empower individuals and promote unity

There are special envelopes in the pews for this collection if you wish to use them. You may however simply use an envelope of your own and designate the name of the collection and include your Envelope number so that you will be issued a tax receipt for this. Thank you for your support of this campaign.

We commemorate the 275th Death Anniversary of the Venerable Ignacia del Espiritu Santo, Foundress of the Congregation of the Religious of the Virgin Mary, popularly known as RVM today. This is the first native Filipino female Congregation with approved pontifical status in what is now known as the Republic of the Philippines. This valiant woman was the child of Maria Jeronima, a Filipina, and Josepe Iuco, a Christian Chinese migrant from Amoy, China. Expected by her parents to marry at age 21, she sought religious counsel from a Jesuit priest. She was then given the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, from which she spent a period of prayer and solitude after which she finally decided to pursue her religious calling. She left the comfort of her home with only a needle and a pair of scissors. All she wanted was to serve God in humble service. The RVM Sisters are today found throughout the Philippines and other countries in the world. They have more than 700 members and have missions in the United States, Canada, Sweden, Italy, Africa, Indonesia and Taiwan. They administer schools, dormitories, retreat houses and social action centers. Indeed, these are the fruits of Mother Ignacia's giving herself generously to God. We have in our midst Sister Ma. Alma Tayo, RVM and Sister Mary Olive Kingsbury, RVM.



Vancouver Archbishop J. Michael Miller said he was "deeply saddened" to learn of the death of Archbishop Adam Exner, OMI, who served as Archbishop of Vancouver from 1991 to 2004. Archbishop Exner died Tuesday morning at the age of 94 in his residence in Grayson, Sask. Archbishop Miller offered his condolences and prayers, saying his brother archbishop's life of dedication, compassion and service would be remembered. "We offer our prayers and support to his family, friends, and all those whose lives he touched." Archbishop Exner, who was Vancouver's ninth archbishop, was born on Christmas Eve in 1928 to Austrian immigrants in Killaly, Sask., a tiny village 150 kilometres east of Regina. His service to the Church spanned several decades and included roles as a professor, rector, and superior at St. Charles Scholasticate in Battleford, Sask., as well as professor of moral theology at Newman Theological College in Edmonton. In 1974, he was appointed as Bishop of Kamloops and, in 1982, as the archbishop of Winnipeg. His contributions extended beyond local dioceses, as he served as a member of the Congregation for Bishops. On a national level, Archbishop Exner was an active participant in various commissions and dialogues within the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), including the Permanent Council, the Social Communications Commission, Theology and Christian Education Commissions, and the National Catholic-Lutheran dialogue. Archbishop Exner was appointed as the Archbishop of Vancouver on May 25, 1991, where he served until his retirement in January of 2004, in accordance with the mandatory retirement age for archbishops. His funeral will be held in Saskatchewan, and a memorial Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver, likely next week. Details for the services will be announced.



Golf TOURNAMENT

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The KoC will be hosting a golf tournament **September 16th**. Starting at 10 am (arrive at 9:30) at Harrison Resort Golf Course. We will be doing 9 holes and playing best ball, with some prizes to win. Lunch will follow at St. Anthony's at 1 pm. Chili, beef on a bun and salad.

\$40 per person, or \$10 if you would just like to come for lunch. The golf is limited to 40 people. Starting next weekend one of the Knights will be around after mass for tickets. You can also contact Tad at 778-809-9631, or kocagassiz@gmail.com

Annual Parish Picnic !!

Come join us for some food, fellowship and fun after Mass this Sunday !

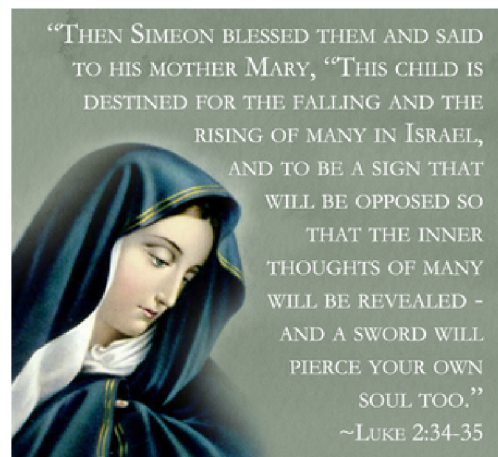
CATHOLIC LADIES LEAGUE



Our next general meeting is **Sept 11th at 2 pm**. Our Diocesan president will be coming to discuss The Three Pillars committees, and we will be filling executive positions, so please try to attend! Remember, new ladies are always welcome to join.

CWL Word of the Week CHARITY

Catholic Women's League councils provide an opportunity for others to contribute monetary aid through fundraising activities that create awareness and community building. Be part of this organization that gives to others.



The month of September is devoted to
Our Lady of Sorrows.

OFFERING COLLECTIONS

Sunday, Sept 3, 2023

Loose: \$310.15

Envelope: \$1670.00

Total: \$1980.15

