

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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 1, 2023



Stewardship Reflection

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

Prayer Requests

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

Dan McIntyre, 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,

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 30th - 4:00 pm

+Fructuoso L. Mendoza

Sunday: October 1st - 10:30 am

+Gary Graf

Germaine McPhee (healing)

Monday: October 2nd - 9:00 am
Andrew R. Catambing (healing)

Rose de los Reyes (birthday)

Tuesday: October 3rd - 7:00 pm

+John Dumas

Wednesday: October 4th - 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Word

Thursday: October 5th - 9:00 am

+Eugene Golen

Friday: October 6th- 9:00 am

Maria Theresa Go (healing)
Souls detained in purgatory

and your intentions

Saturday: October 7th - 4:00 pm

+Fructuoso L. Mendoza



For a synodal Church

communion | participation | mission

The synodal journey is a process of discernment and search for the will of God, not only on a personal basis but also as a Christian community. The term "synodal" is derived from the Greek word "synodos," which means the path that members of the People of God walk together 1. It involves the participation, listening, and discernment of all members of the Church 2. Pope Francis has emphasized the concept of synodality as the key to his vision of the ministry of the Bishop of Rome and the foundation of his ecclesiological perspective 2. It represents a new phase of reception of Vatican II and introduces a dynamic of innovation into the Church 2. The synodal journey is an opportunity for the Church to engage in dialogue, foster communion, and promote participation and mission 2. It encourages a discovery of how the Spirit is active in the life of the community, inviting new ways of understanding and interaction beyond established norms

After an ecumenical prayer vigil in St. Peter's Square Sept. 30, all the members of the synod -- which include lay women and men for the first time -- will spend three days together on retreat outside Rome. They will return to the Vatican for the opening Mass of the synod Oct. 4 and will celebrate Mass together before beginning work on each main synod theme: synodality, communion, mission and participation.

Pope Francis told reporters in early September the synod would be very open with regular updates from the synods communication commission, but it is necessary to safeguard the religiosity and safeguard the freedom of those who speak, so apparently synod members will be asked not to share with reporters the contents of their own or other members remarks to the synod.

The notoriously stuffy atmosphere characterized by hours of speeches in the Vatican Synod Hall will disappear. The synod assembly will be held in the much larger Vatican audience hall with its rows of seats removed to make way for round tables to promote constant interactions.

More of the work will be conducted in small groups, organized by language and by the themes of interest to participants. The plenary sessions are designed for a general introduction of the various themes and for reporting the results of the small group discussions. Members will not stay in the same small groups throughout the assembly but change when the themes they are working on change. According to the working document, "the last segment of the work of the assembly will be dedicated to gathering the fruits of the process, that is, discerning the paths we will continue to walk together. The assembly will consider ways to continue reading the experience of the people of God, including through promoting the necessary in-depth theological and canonical studies in preparation for the second session of the synodal assembly in October 2024.

Please pray for all of the participants that they will be led by the Holy Spirit in their discernment as they search for the will of God during this Synod.



The Twelfth Annual Archbishop's Dinner

The Archbishop's Dinner has become a way for the faithful of the Archdiocese of Vancouver to gather and to hear updates from our Archbishop on the activities of the past year and where we are headed in the next. Your support of the twelfth annual dinner will provide funding to the Caring for Our Clergy Fund, St. Joseph's Society, and for furnishing a new convent for the Sisters.

On Thursday, November 9, 6:00 p.m. at Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. Sponsorship opportunities are also available! Learn more and register at rcav.org/dinner2023.

St. Mark's College is having its 23rd Annual Fundraising Breakfast. Saturday, November 18, 2023. Held at St. Thomas More Collegiate. Featuring Archbishop J. Michael Miller as our keynote speaker.

When: Saturday, November 18, 2023

8:45am (doors open) | 9:30am (breakfast served)

Where: St. Thomas More Collegiate

7450 12th Ave, Burnaby

Parking at STMC and Our Lady of Mercy Parish

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Pastoral Council:

Tuesday, October 3rd : 7:30 pm

PREP:

Thursday, October 5th : 3:15 pm

Knights of Columbus:

Thursday, October 5th: 7:00 pm

CATHOLIC LADIES LEAGUE



CWL Word of the Week CONNECTION

My Catholic Women's League council is parishbased yet connected to Canada's largest women's organization. How connected are you? You will meet women from your region, diocese, province and country by becoming involved in your parish Catholic Women's League council! Your place is among us!

OFFERING COLLECTIONS

Sunday, Sept 24, 2023

Loose: \$324 Envelope: \$1605 Other: \$160 **Total: \$2,089**



Jonah's wife listening to him explain that he's been inside a whale for three days.