



# 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.

## 2nd Sunday of Lent February 25, 2024



### Stewardship Reflection

*"Here I am!" he answered."- Genesis 22:11*

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, or when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

### Prayer Requests

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

Baby Anthony, Bridget Ridgers, Patrick Donegan, Sandra Kos, Dan McIntyre, Louie Yaretz, 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,

*Please pray for those who are deceased*

Marilyn Struys, Ted Westlin, Fr. Vincent LaPlante, OMI

#### 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:** February 24 - 4:00 pm

+Virgilio Torres

**Sunday:** February 25 - 10:30 am

+Anne Freimark

**Monday:** February 26 - 9:00 am

+Frank Boesterd

**Tuesday:** February 27 - 7:00 pm

+John Guliker

**Wednesday:** February 28 - 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Word

**Wednesday:** February 28 - 6:00 pm

Soup & Buns

**Thursday:** February 29 - 9:00 am

+Janessa Guliker

**Friday:** March 1 - 9:00 am

De Los Reyes Family (thanksgiving)

**Saturday:** March 2 - 4:00 pm

+Dale Milton Hughes

This Sunday we witness our RCIA elect, Susan and Kyle, under the care of the Church and the community, receive prayers of blessing and protection which purify them little by little and strengthen them with God's blessing. The minor exorcism is a petition directly addressed to God, drawing attention to the our unending need for God's help. The prayers of blessing are a sign of God's love and of the Church's tender care for them. Please join us as we pray for Susan and Kyle as they continue their journey of faith.



Soup and Buns is being held in our parish from Wednesday, February 21st until March 20th at 6 pm. This is a joint effort of all of the churches in Agassiz, and we are so proud that we can host this annual event in our parish, welcoming many of our local friends and neighbors. Please put this on your calendar and plan to join in each week. It begins with a short prayer service, followed by homemade soups & buns in the parish hall!

### **News from Parish Social Committee:**

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME PLEASE**

1. Lenten Soup and Buns on Wednesdays, 6 pm, Feb 21-March 20
2. 5 - 6 pm Set up
3. 6:30 - 7:30 pm Clean up
4. Four parishioners needed to prepare soup for March 20
5. Fellowship Coffee after Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month
6. 9 - 10 am Set up
7. 12 - 1 pm Clean up
8. More parishioners needed to bring snacks to share with others!

Please review above, and maybe we need a sign up sheet for tonight or Sunday! In March, 4th Sunday falls on Palm Sunday, so we may only have March 10th for coffee!



Please join us every Friday during lent at 5 pm to pray the stations of the cross. Praying these prayers can offer strength in times of suffering, they can instill in us a compassion for those who suffer, they can remind us of the vast love of God, they can give us a sign of great hope, and they can enable us to feel Jesus' suffering.

**CHERISH  
GALA**  
*choosing life:*  
BE PART OF THE  
STORY  
THE ANNUAL CHILLIWACK PRO-LIFE FUNDRAISING DINNER

Marian Neels is looking for someone to fill the role of prolife liaison for our Parish. She has a couple of tickets to give away to the Cherish Gala on Friday, March 1st. The Guest speaker is Lorie Hartshorn, a Canadian Christian TV Host. Please contact the Parish office if you're interested. Additional information available at [https://cbo.io/tickets/cherishgala/tix\\_1](https://cbo.io/tickets/cherishgala/tix_1)

### **COFFEE**

Coffee after Mass this Sunday. Please bring a snack to share with everyone!

### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

#### **CWL Word of the Week**

#### **LOVE**

Love is more than a feeling, it's a decision. It requires practice, focus, patience and faith. Come join the Catholic Women's League and share the love.

CWL executive meeting: Mon, Feb 26 @ 2:30

CWL general meeting: Tue, Feb 27 @ 2:30



Our Parish is subscribed to formed.org, a website with Catholic videos, audiobooks, and e-books. Every parishioner has 24/7 access to the best Catholic content from home. To access this website go to [formed.org](https://formed.org) and sign up with St Anthony of Padua. For any questions please contact Adriana Striker at [adriana.striker1@gmail.com](mailto:adriana.striker1@gmail.com)



Sister Olive is hosting a weekly presentation through Lent on the Mass. It will start on Thursday the 15th after Mass and continue every Thursday. There will be a discussion period with Sr Olive and Fr Dennis after the video portion, along with coffee and tea provided by the CWL.

### **OFFERING COLLECTIONS**

#### **Sunday, January 28, 2024**

Loose: \$254.10  
Envelope: \$1480.00  
Other: \$175.00  
Total: \$1909.10

