



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

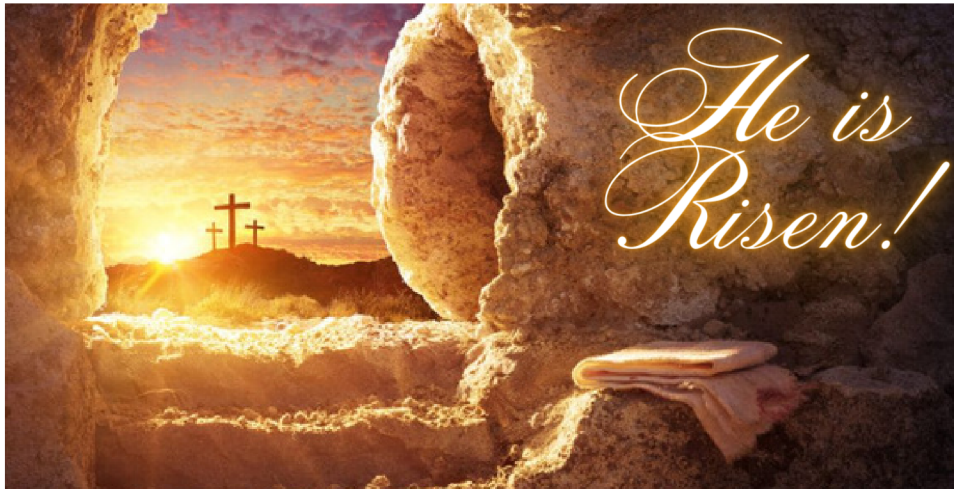
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We, the Catholic community of St. Anthony of Padua, relying on the wisdom and the grace of God, unite ourselves to the call for renewal and transformation of our spiritual, social and economic life.

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024



He is Risen!

DEATH COULD NOT HOLD HIM.
REJOICE IN THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST.

Stewardship Reflection

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."
- COLOSSIANS 3:2*

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

Prayer Requests

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

Baby Anthony, Bridget Ridgers, Patrick Donegan, 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,

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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: March 30 - 9:00 pm
+Marilyn Struys

Sunday: March 31 - 10:30 am
+Erwin Belgardt

Monday: April 1 - 9:00 am
+S. Ma. Elpidia Albores, RVM

Tuesday: April 2 - 7:00 pm
Paul McKenzie (healing)
Cherry Edmilao (birthday)

Wednesday: April 3 - 9:00 am
Liturgy of the Word

Thursday: April 4 - 9:00 am
+Elizabeth Donegan
+Anna Valeriano

Pat Donegan & Nida Barnes (birthdays)

Friday: April 5 - 9:00 am
+Sofia Sta. Roman Cruz
De Los Reyes Family

Saturday: March 30 - 4:00 pm
Paul McKenzie (healing)

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Please bring non perishable food items for the last Sunday of the month.

Archbishop Miller's Easter Message 2024

From time immemorial, people have asked whether there really is life after death and, if so, what kind of life it would be. Some have suggested that life simply ends in nothingness. For them, the world is just a war-torn and violent waiting room where death has the last word.

We Christians, on the other hand, today shout "Alleluia" because Jesus Christ has been raised from the dead. His Resurrection is neither a myth nor a dream. It wasn't a vision. Nor is it a fairy tale. It is a singular and unrepeatable event in the history of the cosmos.

At Easter we celebrate that He conquered sin and death, opening us to a future of hope. Thanks to Him, evil has been robbed of its power; failure can no longer hold us back from starting anew; and death has become a passage to eternal life.

This Easter the Church invites us to relive the thrilling experience of the disciples who encountered Jesus as a living Person. Today we too can encounter Him.

He might be right there before us: in a troubled son or daughter; a difficult spouse or family situation; a neglected person clamouring for our attention. He is waiting to be encountered as Risen Lord, but He wears many disguises. He is found in the poor, the sick, the trafficked, the addicted, the imprisoned, the abandoned, the homeless, and the marginalized in our midst.

As Bishop Robert Barron has written: "It all comes down finally to this: if Jesus was not raised from death, Christianity is a joke. But if he did rise from death, then Christianity is the fullness of God's revelation, and Jesus must be the absolute center of our lives. There is no third option."

If you sincerely seek the Lord, rest assured that you will find Him. Indeed, He will come to find you, to meet you. Calling you by name, He will take you into the intimacy of His love and ask you, in return, to share your experience with others.

+ J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver

Thank you to everyone who has been involved with the Liturgies during Holy Week. Altar Servers, Musicians, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, all who participated with the Foot Washing.

Also, thank you to those who helped with the Reception after the Easter Vigil in setup as well as food preparation and donations. Thank you, thank you!

Thank you to Rechelle and Mimi for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt for Easter Sunday morning!

**May God bless each and everyone of you!
Fr. Dennis**

Thank You

CHILLIWACK PRO-LIFE

With Gratitude

With gratitude in my heart, I write to you, our faithful supporters and friends.

The sunshine has been giving us a little glimpse of the hope we have. In this world we certainly do have sorrow, we see this every day in the lives of so many who we are blessed to support. We are humbled by God's grace and faithfulness to us and those we long to help.

We would not be able to reach the hurting without the help of our supporters and volunteers. Over the years I have seen staff, volunteers and members work together, stand together and fight together. I see the sweat, the tears and the strength that so many in this fight with us have displayed. I am more than grateful and feel so very honored to stand with them. The smiles, the hope and the life they bring are seen and valued.

Our nation is very unwell, the world is promoting a culture of death, throwing away those who need love the most. May the Lord continue to provide for us that we may be His hands and feet in this broken world. I thank you all from my heart, for all that you do for life.

- By Laura Kingma

Pro-Life Scholarship

ChilliWack Pro-Life is excited to announce the return of its annual Pro-Life Scholarship program for 2024. This initiative aims to support pro-life students in the Chilliwack area who are graduating from Grade 12 or are first-year university students.

Applicants will submit an essay that reflects their pro-life stance. This year's application deadline is Friday, May 10. The reward for the two most compelling essays? A generous scholarship grant of \$1,500 each.

Application forms are available at many local schools or you may reach out to the Chilliwack Pro-Life office for further details. So why wait? Start penning your thoughts and ideas and make a difference through your words.

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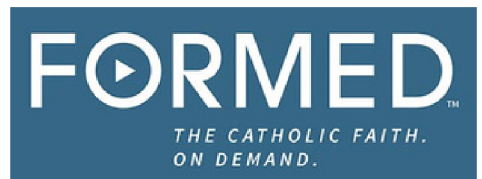
Divine Mercy Novena begins on Friday March 29th at 11 am. The Rosary will begin 45 minutes prior to the Masses each day and the Novena will follow. **Please note that there will not be a Rosary or Novena prayers prior to the Vigil on Saturday night.**

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CWL Word of the Week POWER

Power is the ability to influence the course of events. Catholic Women's League resolutions have changed lives. **By joining us you will be part of the power of resolutions.**

Next CWL meeting & Spring Tea
April 2nd @ 2:30pm
Dress floral and bring snacks for tea!



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OFFERING COLLECTIONS

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Loose: \$475.51

Envelope: \$2097.00

Share Lent/other: \$390

Total: \$2962.51

