



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.

May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Fr. Dennis O. Flores

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Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday Thursday, Friday: 9 am

Tuesday: 7 pm

Wednesday: 9 am LITURGY OF THE WORD

Saturday: 4 pm (Anticipated Sunday Mass)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 20 minutes prior to Mass times and/or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament each Friday at the Shrine immediately following the 9 am Mass. Benediction at 10:15 am

Please pray for those who are ill or housebound in our Parish family: Barry Bembridge, Baby Anthony Vu, Joanna Black, Stella Hildebrandt, Paul McKenzie

Mass Intentions May 4 to 11, 2024

Saturday	May 4	4 pm	Dean Phillips (healing)
Sunday	May 5	10:30 am	Gloria McKenzie (healing)
Monday	May 6	9 am	St. Anthony's Parish
Tuesday	May 7	7 pm	+John Dumas
Wednesday	May 8	9 am	Liturgy of the Word
Thursday	May 9	9 am	+Alec Thompson
Friday	May 10	9 am	+Florencio Santos
Saturday	May 11	4 pm	+Rick Marusyk

Last Sunday's Collection

Loose	\$261.10
Envelopes	\$1180.00
Other	\$175.00
Total Collections	\$1616.10

Our Parish Goal this year is \$8600. This means that all funds over this amount are returned to us, without assessment.

This year, we are again trying to collect money to pave our parking lot, so all surplus funds will be designated towards this much needed project. Your generous support for this project is so appreciated!

Stewardship Reflection

May 5, 2024 - 6th Sunday of Easter

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." -John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

May is the Month of Mary



May, the month in which the earth springs into bloom (at least in the Northern Hemisphere) and we start thinking about planting gardens, family picnics and making vacation plans. It's also the Month of Mary.

Why is May Mary's month?

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day *in* May, mind you, but the entire month.

The ways Mary is honored in May is as varied as the people who honor her.

In our parish, we have a daily recitation of the Rosary 30 minutes before all Masses. [During the month](#)

of May, will you consider coming to pray with us?

Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives.

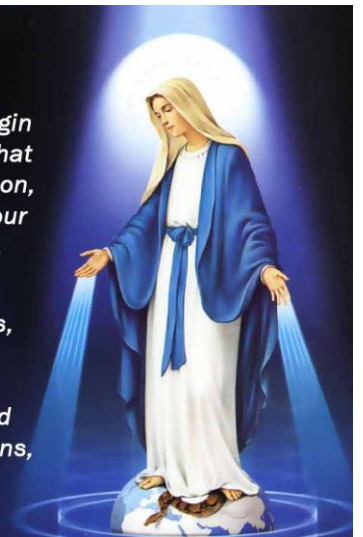
You are, also, encouraged to bring flowers to place at the Images of Mary in our parish throughout the month of May to honor our Mother.

Mary is Mother – your mother, our mother, everyone's mother – she cares for all of us day-in-and-day-out without fail, interceding for us in even the tiniest matters.

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother; to you do I come, before you I stand sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



Simply log into [Formed.org](https://www.formed.org) and search for St. Anthony's Agassiz.

Livestreamed Masses

All Masses are livestreamed.
You may find us on our
Facebook page:
St. Anthony of Padua-Agassiz



Upcoming at St. Anthony's

Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 7th

7:30 pm

Catholic Women's League:

Tuesday, May 7th at 2:30 pm

Confirmation

May 19th 10:30 am

Please sign up on the sheet in the gathering area if you wish to attend the luncheon following the Mass. Everyone is welcome.

[Formed.org](https://www.formed.org) is available to you, our parishioners, free of charge.

FORMED offers faith formation programs that meet your parishioners and all people...exactly where they are, with beautiful presentations, approachable instruction and enriched theology.

Welcome to St. Anthony's!

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome!
We want to know you! Parish Registration Forms are available on the brochure table in the Gathering Area of the Church. You may also speak with the Parish Secretary for more information

St. Anthony of Padua Ministry Contacts

Pastoral Council: Fr. Dennis Flores

Finance Council: Fr. Dennis Flores

Catholic Women's League: Kate Seymour

Knights of Columbus: Tad Seymour

Pro Life: Aaron & Jen Sask

Project Advance: Leonne Beebe

Children's Liturgy: (Ages 3 to 6) Sunday Mass at 10:30 am S. Olive Kingsbury, RVM

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)

S. Olive Kingsbury, RVM

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Karen Dumas

Altar Servers: Simon Carton

Hospitality: Metro Huculak

Gardening: Karen Dumas

Rescue Live: Gina Ryan

Marriage Inquiries: Please contact the parish office 6 months prior to the desired date for your wedding.

Baptism Inquiries: Please contact the parish office to schedule a baptism. This Sacrament is celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of the month at the 10:30 am Mass. Preparation is required and is

scheduled on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 am. Please contact S. Olive Kingsbury, RVM for further information.



Shrine of Sto. Niño de Cebu

Thank you so much to the volunteers of Our Lady of Good Counsel Tax Clinic for the generous donation of the umbrellas for the picnic tables on the Shrine property.



"Love isn't easy. No. But the most beautiful thing that a man and a woman can give each other is true love, for a lifetime." - Pope Francis

On Sunday, May 12, Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB will be honouring couples celebrating milestone marriage anniversaries: five-year increments from 5 to 60 years, and every year beyond 60 years. The Marriage Anniversary Mass will be at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Port Coquitlam at 1:30 p.m. Certificates will be mailed to those who register after April 19. Learn more and register at family.rcav.org/mam.



Food Bank Sunday is the Last Sunday of the month in our parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our local community each month. Many, many families and individuals in our community rely on this assistance!

By the way.... Did you know that our Thrift Store donates \$3,000 each quarter to help support this need in our community.

We'd also like to thank Frank Van Scheyndel for his many years of service in delivering the donations to Community Services. Frank has now given up his driver's license and is unable to fulfill this task anymore. Is there anyone who could help out with this, please?

PREP

(Parish Religious Education Program)

Please spread the word to friends and relatives that we are in the process of registering students for the school year 2024 – 2025. Registration Fee is \$50 returning and new students. Cheques are payable to St. Anthony of Padua

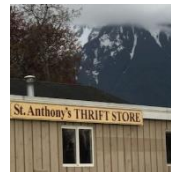
For more information, call the Parish Office.

Please pray for our Confirmands:

Paul Lawrence de Castro

Miguel Espiritu

Alessia Hatch



St. Anthony's Thrift Store

Tuesday through Saturday

10 am to 2 pm daily.

The Last Friday of the month, the hours are extended:
10 am to 7 pm.

Donations are accepted on Wednesdays.

**New Volunteers are always welcome.
Please contact the Parish Office**