

23rd SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY TIME



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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$ \$1,600.00
Loose	408.00
Others	
TOTAL	\$ 2,008.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Stewardship Reflection

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love Him?" —James 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are ill, or housebound, in our Parish Family:

Barry Bembridge, Baby Anthony Vu, Joanna Black, Stella Hildebrandt, Paul McKenzie, Rutelle Bembridge, Rudy Leon, S. Olive Kingsbury, RVM, Marianne Pelletier and Family

Please pray for the souls of:

+Mark Waight, +Larry Shaw

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

- MISSION STATEMENT -

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekends SATURDAY 04:00 PM

(Anticipated Mass)

SUNDAY 10:30 AM

('Missa pro Popolo')

(In the Shrine) 1:00 PM

Weekdays MONDAY 09:00 AM

TUESDAY 07:00 PM WEDNESDAY 09:00 AM

(Liturgy of the Word)

THURSDAY 09:00 AM FRIDAY 09:00 AM

(In the Shrine)

Our Parish prays the Holy Rosary before each Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 20 minutes before Mass or by appointment. Please approach the parish secretary.

We have an **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** each Friday at the Archdiocesan Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebu immediately after the 9 AM Mass. The benediction follows at 10:15 AM.

Welcome to our PARISH PICNIC DAY!



Don't forget to enjoy the company of our parish community. Bring a salad or dessert

Meat and drinks will be provided

Let us share the food, fun, and fellowship as one whole ecclesial family here in Agassiz!

All are invited to come to our Annual Parish Picnic immediately following the 10:30 am Mass!

See you there!!

K of C Golf Tournament
Saturday, September 28th
beginning at 9 am
Everyone is invited
including
women and kids.
Contact: Gerald
Struys or Tad Seymour
to register
\$40 per person
Power cart is extra
Includes lunch
Chili Lunch Only
by donation

Weekly PREP Classes

Thursday at 3:15 pm

To register, please call S. Olive at the parish office



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	Sept	4:00 PM	+Mario A. Cruz
SUN	Sept 8	10:30 AM	+John Dumas
		1:00 PM	Pelletier Family
MON	Sept 9	9:00 AM	Paul McKenzie
TUE	Sept 10	7:00 PM	Paul McKenzie
WED	Sept 11	9:00 AM	Gloria McKenzie Baby Anthony Vu (surgery)
THU	Sept 12	9:00 AM	Stella Hildebrandt
FRI	Sept 13	9:00 AM	Arleigh Samson (healing)
SAT	Sept 14	4:00 PM	Pelletier Family

RITES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Would you like to know more about our faith and becoming a Catholic? **Our classes will commence in September.** For more information, please see Fr. Dennis or inquire at the Parish Office.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Please spread the word to friends and relatives that we are now accepting students for the school year 2024-2025. Registration fee is \$50.00 for both returning and new students. Make cheques payable to St. Anthony of Padua. For more information, call the Parish Office.

The need for healing; the need to be healers

But I am like the deaf who cannot hear, like the mute, I cannot open my mouth. I am like the one who hears nothing, in whose mouth is no defense. I count on you O, Lord, it is you who will answer. I pray:

"Do not let them mock me, those who would triumph if my food should slip." For I am at the point of falling, and my pain is always before me. My God, do not stay far off! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my God and Savior



PROJECT ADVANCE

Our Parish Goal for this year is \$8,6000.00. This means that all funds over this amount are returned to us, without assessment. As of date, we have received \$5,150.00. Thank you very much!

This Sunday, 8th September 2024, there will be a SECOND COLLECTION for **Healing and Reconciliation**.

This is an **EXCERPT FROM THE LETTER OF ARCHBISHOP MILLER**, which will be read at all Masses this weekend.]

"As we enter September, I want to share some updates on the progress we have made. Three years ago, the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund was established to support local initiatives focused on healing, education, and cultural revitalization. This fund prioritizes projects determined locally in collaboration with our Indigenous partners.

"Your support over the past year has made a significant impact, launching over 20 local and Indigenous-led projects. These include new cultural wellness practices at the Dr. Peter Centre in Vancouver, which provides care that honours Indigenous traditions for those living with HIV and other complex health needs. Additionally, "The Cost of Silence," a film addressing the trauma of sexual abuse, has been shown in 35 communities, empowering survivors to share their stories and seek healing.

"One of the most significant milestones this past year has been the signing of a "Sacred Covenant" with the First Nations in Kamloops. This Covenant formalizes our ongoing relationship, ensuring that our journey together is grounded in truth, mutual respect, and justice."

¥ J. MICHAEL MILLER, CSB

Archbishop of Vancouver 31 August 2024

Save 20% on Sacred Burial Space - Fall Open House

Gardens of Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery is hosting its Fall Open House. Attendees who are parishioners of the Archdiocese can take advantage of a 20% discount on burial space. If you already have burial space, this is an opportunity to plan your services, vault, and memorial with 0% financing for one year.

On Friday, September 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., OR Saturday, September 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Learn more at rccav.org/events.

Making Sense of Anxiety in Children and Youth

The escalating level of anxiety in our children begs for an explanation as well as a solution. Dr. Gordon Neufeld sheds light on this age-old problem, paving the way for natural interventions that can actually get to the root causes instead of just managing symptoms. Although the focus is on children, this enlightening material will benefit anyone suffering from anxiety.

Dr. Neufeld's revolutionary yet science-specific approach turns parenting right-side-up, restoring natural intuition to parenting and putting parents back in the driver's seat. This video course takes the best that science offers and renders it readily accessible to parents of children of all ages.

Every Tuesday, from September 17 until October 15, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. via Zoom. The cost is \$25. Learn more at **beholdvancouver.org/events**.

Save the Date: The Men's Retreat

Join Life Restoration Ministries for the 2024 Men's Retreat at Rockridge Canyon on September 20-24! The experience offers something for everyone–powerful presentations, prayer time, break-out sessions, sacraments, fellowship, adventure, music, rest, quiet, hiking, and the stunning beauty of Rockridge Canyon. This is the retreat you don't want to miss!

More details soon via **beholdvancouver.org/events**.

"Like a Stone"

I wait like a stone and the waters have no answer; though I must be carried over mountains through deserts and fear though I must drop through ceilings

Still the freedom of the Lord will find me waiting on the movement of His spirit.

And those waters stir silently: they bring to breath long wishes and desires that have lain stagnant by this pool.

Move me, Lord, as the moon does the sea; I ebb, I flow, I sink and fill in response only to you.

I wait like a stone: touch me and even this stone shall have voice, shall sing.

—Ed Ingebretsen, S.J., from Psalms of the Still Country



