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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024



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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	855.00
Loose	209.00
Other	
TOTAL	1064.00

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, Rudy Leon, David Lim

Please pray for the most recently deceased:
Pat Donegan

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"For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (Luke 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

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 -

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	Dec 21	5 PM	Lucy Redmond Intentions
SUN	Dec 22	10:00 AM	+Marianne Soth
		1:00 PM	Abe & Joy Cabauang
		6:00 PM	Presca & Raul Bineya
MON	Dec 23	6 PM	Elaine C. Costa (thanksgiving)
TUE	Dec 24	Midnight	+Allan Bates
WED	Dec 25	10 AM	De los Reyes Family Frank & Lynda Van Scheyndel
THU	Dec 26	9 AM	+Celedina Montoya-Lugo
FRI	Dec 27	9 PM	+Tony & Johanna Struys
SAT	Dec 28	5 PM	+Jenny Graham



Thank you for your response! We have met our parish goal and the funds given in excess of this amount will be returned to our parish for our projects. We will apply that to paying for the pavement in our parking lot!!!

THANK YOU!!!!

gathering area of the church for you to use to bring your generous donations into the church.

Thank you!

Upcoming at St. Anthony's

PREP: On Christmas Break

RCIA: On Christmas Break_{nd}

SIMBANG GABI: 22 and 23: 6 pm

Penitential Service: Dec. 22: 4 pm

CWL News

CWL Dues are due now. You may submit them at the parish office \$45.00



Would you like to honor a loved one, family member, or friend in our Christmas Altar Display. If you wish to do this, simply drop a donation of your choice into the offering basket or leave it at the Parish Office! Remember to include the name(s) of the people you wish to have honored Along with your name.

Food Bank Sunday is the last Sunday of each month in our parish.

Please remember that many people in our community rely on this assistance and your donations are gratefully accepted and badly needed. There are red bags in the

**Jubilee Year 2025 Opening Mass
Join Archbishop Miller at Holy Rosary
Cathedral on Sunday, December 29, 2024, at**

11:00 a.m. for the Solemn Opening Mass of the Jubilee Year 2025. This Holy Year, celebrated every 25 years, invites the faithful to embrace pilgrimage, deepen prayer, and renew relationships under the theme “Pilgrims of Hope.”

**St. Anthony’s Advent Penitential Service:
Dec. 22 at 4 pm**

God’s Word has enlightened us: “That he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths”

- Do I believe in God’s word and in its power to change my heart?
- Do I take seriously my relationship with God? - Do I cherish my participation at the Eucharist every Sunday? “They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks”
 - Have I taken advantage of other peoples’ weaknesses? - Have I led others stray by my bad example?
- Am I willing to forgive and ask for forgiveness? Am I grateful to others? “One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again”
- Am I violent toward others? Am I short of patience and respect toward others?
- Have I been sexually abusive?
- Do I respect the property of others? “He shall govern your people with justice... shall rescue the poor and the afflicted... in him all the tribes of the earth be blessed”
- Am I sensitive to other peoples’ pain and suffering?
- Do I work to overcome injustice or do I choose not to implicate myself against it?
- Do I speak out against lies and injustices? - Do I embrace prejudice or work against it? “Go tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them”
- Do I willingly minister to others?
- Are my God-given talents at the service of the common good?

- Have I tried to truly live out my vocation in life? “I am sending my messenger ahead of you: he will prepare your way before you”
- Have I sought the truth, defended it, and communicated it to others?
- Am I a sign of hope and joy for others?
- Do I value the goodness of others?
- Do I believe in and value my own goodness?

Christmas & New Years Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24th: Midnight

Wednesday, December 25th: 10 AM

Tuesday, December 31st: 7 PM

Wednesday, January 1st: 10 AM

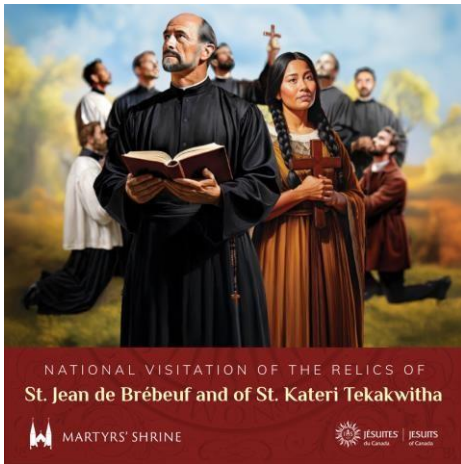
JUBILEE 2025



St. Anthony of Padua has been honored to be given the distinction of being named an Archdiocesan Pilgrimage Site during the Jubilee Year of 2025

**The first event will be the National Visitation of the Relics of
St. Jean de Brébeuf and
St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Saturday, January 11, 2025**

**Veneration of Relics: 10 am to 5 pm
Confessions throughout the Day
beginning at 10 am
Mass: 5:00 PM**



**WE HONOR OUR THRIFT STORE
VOLUNTEERS**

**We are extremely grateful to the regular
volunteers of our Thrift Store.
This past Friday, we celebrated Christmas
with the staff! Thank you Emee, Metro &
Monique for your organization!!!**



OUR VOLUNTEERS

**Harvey Andrew
Shirley Bach
Alice Burnett
Natasha Beitzkreuz
Rose Dennison Ken
Elphick**

**Monique Gratrix
Maureen Harrison
Sharon Horvath
Metro Huculak
Sandra Kos
Robin McCulloch
Joan Postnikoff
Lucy Redmond
Pat Schmid
Ed Schmid
Kate Seymour
Tad Seymour
Seth Seymour
Grace Smiley
Wilma Struys
Gerald Struys
Michelle Stuyt
Claire Turenne
Lynda Van Scheyndel
Ria Vantol
Brenda Vervoort
Ria Visser
Emee Wenk
Leo Wenk
Lynne Whitehead
Neil Whitehead**

We also want to thank Fr. Dennis for all of his heavy lifting! Weekly, he's in the city picking up load after load of furniture and other things to sell in our store! We just couldn't be doing this without all of your hard work!!!!

Thanks!!!

***Our Thrift Store will be closed
December 22nd and will
reopen on January 7th,
2025***