



# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2024



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*“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” (Philippians 4:6)*

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God’s image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

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### LAST SUNDAY’S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	1240.00
Loose	454.25
Other	860.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2554.25</b>

### 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

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

<b>SAT</b>	Dec 14	5 PM	+Briccio & Consolacion Cadiz Colleen de los Reyes (birthday)
<b>SUN</b>	Dec 15	10:00 AM	+Patrick Donegan
		1:00 PM	+Joseph Dumont
		6:00 PM	+Dorothy Dumont
<b>MON</b>	Dec 16	6 PM	+Patrick Donegan
<b>TUE</b>	Dec 17	6 PM	+Marjorie Dumont
<b>WED</b>	Dec 18	6 PM	Eric Jr. & Cristina de los Reyes (Anniversary)
<b>THU</b>	Dec 19	6 PM	+Violet Dumont
<b>FRI</b>	Dec 20	6 PM	Edgar & Evelyn Lomantas
<b>SAT</b>	Dec 21	5 PM	Lucy Redmond Intentions



*Thank you for your response! We have met our parish goal of \$8600 All funds given in excess of this amount will be returned to our parish for our projects and we can directly apply that to paying for the pavement in our parking lot!!!!*

**To date: \$10,800!!!!**

**THANK YOU!!!!**



### *Upcoming at St. Anthony's*

**PREP: Thursdays 3:30 pm**

**RCIA: Thursdays 6 pm**

**SIMBANG GABI: December 15-23 at 6 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 gathering area of the church for you to use to bring your generous donations into the church.**

**Thank you!**

**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."**



**PATRICK GEORGE DONEGAN**

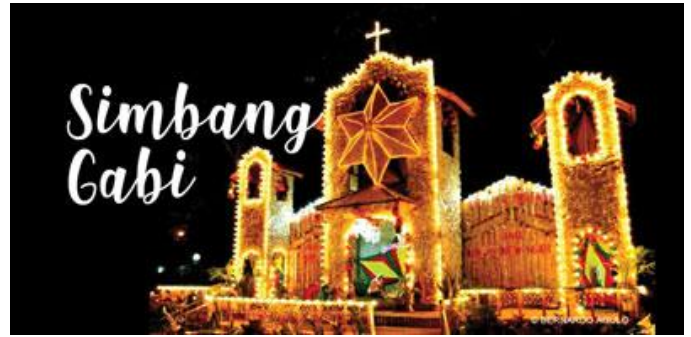
Patrick, the quiet man softly spoken,  
sedate and serene,  
Immaculately dressed,  
shoes so polished and clean.  
Renowned for his ties,  
of which he had quite a few,  
"A Perfect Gentleman"  
this title absolutely true.  
Consideration for Bridget,  
a brother oh so kind,  
Living together in harmony,  
a rare quality to find.

Without a doubt his smile was a disarmer,  
Pleasing personality, definitely a charmer.  
So obviously a man of very deep emotion  
For Elizabeth, his late wife,  
everlasting devotion.  
As Sacristan he demonstrated  
complete dedication  
Working for St. Anthony's  
his main occupation.

Serving at Mass and each event,  
to Priests "Heaven sent".  
Assisting in ceremonies and traditions for  
Advent and Lent  
Plus Baptisms, Weddings,  
Funerals and such,  
Anointings, appointments,  
he helped oh so much.

He probably knew more of church Doctrine  
Than a Doctor knows of human Doctoring.  
Considered by us all as a Holy Man,  
Surely one of the CHOSEN in God's plan.  
God Bless you Patrick,  
He watched too and like us  
saw all the good in you.  
While we are sad and left to grieve,  
your Heavenly reward we pray for  
and believe.

Written by Francesca Waight



December 15<sup>th</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup>  
5:30 PM Rosary 6:00 PM Mass

Following the Masses, there will be refreshments in the parish hall. If you plan to attend, will you please call the parish office or Emee Wenk to let us know if you can help out with food donations! It is most appreciated!!!

Simbang Gabi is a devotional Filipino tradition that involves a nine-day series of novena Masses in anticipation of Christmas and in honour of Mother Mary.



St. Anthony's Penitential Service  
Sunday, December 22: 4 PM



**Mass Schedule**  
Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>: Midnight  
Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>: 10 AM  
  
Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>: 7 PM  
Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>: 10 AM



## Fraser Valley East Deanery

1. Dec. 12: St. Joseph's, Langley – 7:00 pm
2. Dec. 13: St. Mary's, Chilliwack – 7:00 pm
3. Dec. 16: St. Ann's, Abbotsford – 7:00 pm
4. Dec. 17: St. Nicholas, Langley – 6:30 pm
5. Dec. 18, 19, 20: St. Joseph's, Mission – 6:00 pm
6. Dec. 20: Sts. Joachim & Ann, Aldergrove – 7:00 pm
7. Dec. 21: Our Lady of Good Hope, Hope – 10:00 am
8. Dec. 22: St. Anthony's, Agassiz – 4:00 pm
9. Dec. 23: St. James, Abbotsford – 7:00 pm



**Our Parish Christmas Dinner was a resounding success and so much fun! We are so grateful to The Broken Whisk Restaurant for cooking the delicious food for us! We are also grateful to Owen Manila and his friends for cleaning up the dishes after! It was a wonderful night to start the Christmas celebrations in our parish. Here are some pictures for you to enjoy!**



**Our Singers!!!!**



**So Much Laughter!!!**



**Our Chef!!!**