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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2025



The Lord is kind
and merciful.

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“But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back...” (Luke 6:35)

Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.

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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	1230.00
Loose	539.25
Other	1000.00
TOTAL	2769.25

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, Bev Sargent

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

Octave LeClair

Mission Statement

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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	Feb 22	5 PM	Carina Tan
SUN	Feb 23	10:00 AM	+David Southgate
		1:00 PM	Cabahug Family
MON	Feb 24	9 AM	Millard Lechuga
TUE	Feb 25	7 PM	Guillermo Lechuga
WED	Feb 26	9 AM	+Catalina Adlawan
THU	Feb 27	9 AM	+Roberto Adlawan
FRI	Feb 28	9 AM	+Beebe Family
SAT	March 1	5 PM	+Susan Pergel



2025 Jubilee of Hope

How will our parish be celebrating this special year? As you know, we have been designated as one of three Pilgrimage Sites in the Archdiocese of Vancouver! What a privilege. Many pilgrims are coming each day from all over, and several group pilgrimages have been planned already.

Our Pastoral Council has agreed to have monthly events to mark this event.

Please watch your weekly bulletin to see what will be upcoming so that we can all participate.

Karen Dumas & Beccie Bokenfohr accepted the responsibility to record and display our Parish Archives. They need your help! If you have anything in your collection(s) that you feel are of significance to our parish history, they would appreciate hearing from you. Please share your stories with them. They expect to have this completed by our **Feast Day on June 13th.**

“RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS”
is **SYMBOLIC!**

We invite couples in our parish community to celebrate and bless the ongoing commitment of marriage in the sense of revitalizing or reinvigorating it. This is a powerful reminder for the couple and for all present of the significance of the sacrament and how the power of God has brought the couple to such a milestone.

If you are celebrating a milestone this year such as: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 ... 50 years of togetherness, please inform the parish office. This will be held during Mass on **May 4th at 10:00 a.m.**

Upcoming at St. Anthony's

PREP: Thursdays 3:30 pm

RCIA: Thursdays 6 pm

Coffee after Mass: This Sunday

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Is this Sunday in our parish. There are many in our community who truly rely on our contributions. Thank you as always for your generosity.



Coffee Time after the 10 AM Mass this Sunday. Please bring a snack along to share with everyone!



PARKING LOT CONSTRUCTION

We are so happy to be once again be using the front entrance of the church and walking on the newly constructed sidewalks! Thank you Spaeti Construction!!!



We are continually grateful to all of the volunteers in our parish who so quietly go about their work. Today we are grateful to **Rick McArthur** who is so faithful to help with whatever is needed in our daily cleanup! Thank you!!!

Ash Wednesday is on March 5th
(That's only 1 and half week away!)

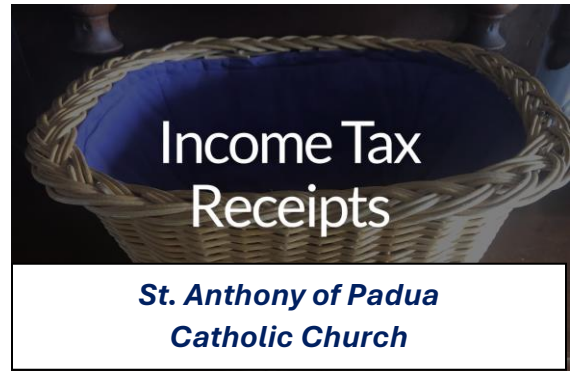
Please bring the blessed palms from previous years and place them in the basket in the church so that they can be burned for Ash Wednesday.



**Congratulations
Jolene Grace Phair who was
baptized at
Our Lady of Fatima in Chehalis**



**on Thursday of
this past week.
Congratulations
to her parents
Jennielyn &
Travis Phair**



Have you picked up your 2024 Income tax Receipt yet?

They are in the Gathering area of the church on the brochure table.



Jubilee Year 2025

A Jubilee Year is celebrated by the universal Church every 25 years, dedicated to encouraging the faithful to embark on pilgrimages, repent of their sins, forgive others, and renew their focus on spiritual life. Learn more about this special year, stay updated with the latest news, and explore how you can participate at rcav.org/jubilee.

Prayer for the Holy Father

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
I ask you to join me in prayer for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, as he faces challenges with his health. May the Lord grant him strength, healing, and the comfort of our prayers. (Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB)



*Almighty ever-living God,
eternal health of believers,
Who willed that our infirmities
be borne by your Only-Begotten Son
for our salvation,
listen in kindness to our prayers
for your servant Francis,
our Pope and Shepherd:
grant him, we implore you,
your merciful help,
so that he may be restored to your Church
in good health,
ever ready to serve the flock you have
entrusted to his care.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen*

Local Pilgrimage Sites - Obtain the Jubilee 2025 Indulgence

The Archbishop's decree designates three sacred locations in the Archdiocese where pilgrims may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

- Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver, which the Archbishop said should be in a special way among the "sacred places of welcome and privileged spaces for the rebirth of hope" like the other Marian Shrines Pope Francis mentions in his proclamation of the Jubilee Year;
- St. Jude's Parish and Shrine in Vancouver;
- **St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Agassiz, along with the adjacent Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebu.**

The faithful can obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by visiting one of the designated sites and devoutly participating in Holy Mass or other sacred acts, such as the celebration of the Word of God, the Liturgy of the Hours, the Way of the Cross, or the Rosary. You must also go to Confession, receive Holy Communion at any church and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, within a few days of visiting the pilgrimage site.

