

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2025



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"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (Philippians 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$1480.00
Loose	\$728.00
Other	70.00
TOTAL	\$2278.00

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, Bev Sargent, Prudence Donfack

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

Sigmund Altenried

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.

SAT	April 5	5 PM	+Sofia Sta. Romana +Galen Borgonia
SUN April 6	April 6	10:00 AM	Nida Barnes (birthday) +Pat & Elizabeth Donegan
	1:00 PM	Paul McKenzie	
MON	April 7	9 AM	Gloria McKenzie
TUE	April 8	7 PM	Paul McKenzie
WED	April 9	9 AM	Gloria McKenzie
THU	April 10	9 AM	Stella Hildebrandt
FRI	April 11	9 AM	Zaylen De los Reyes Soriano (birthday) Bryan Strahl (birthday)
SAT	April 12	5 PM	Marguerite Rocheleau (birthday)

Upcoming at St. Anthony's Penitential Service: April 9: 7 pm

PREP April 10: 3:15 pm

Lenten Video Series: April 10th: 9:30 am

RCIA: April 10th: 6 pm

Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent

5:00 pm

Lenten Soup & Buns

This year, the Lenten Soup & Buns Services will be hosted by
All Saints Anglican Church
6 pm, April 9th



Marian Shrines & Rome Pilgrimage October 17-31, 2025 14 Days, 13 Nights

Accompanied by
Fr. Dennis O. Flores
\$6,799 per person, based on double occupancy
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"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.

Prayer for the Holy Father

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

Lenten Penitential Service April 9th at 7 pm



Lent is the time of year when God obligates us to prepare our hearts and to purify our souls so that we are ready to receive Our Lord in His glorious coming at Easter. There's no time to delay. The Bible says, "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2).

During this season, every day we should try to make a good examination of conscience by asking ourselves these questions:

- Is there something I can do to get closer to God?
- Is there something I can do to know God better and to love Him more?
- Is there some way I can increase my desire for prayer?
- Is there some way I can rekindle that fire of divine love that might have gone out in my life?
- Is there some way I can rid myself of the spiritual mediocrity, the spiritual indifference that I find myself in so much of the time?
- Is there something I can give up?
- Is there something in my life right now that is not pleasing to Almighty God?
- Is there some sin that I am holding on to?
- Is there some habitual sin that is separating my heart from God's loving grace?
- Is there something I need to confess?
- Am I crucifying Our Lord all over again by living in my sins?

Easter Egg Hunt



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for all of the children following the 10 AM Easter Sunday Mass

Please remember to bring your own basket to collect your eggs

Local Pilgrimage Sites

Clarification on Holy Doors during the Jubilee of Hope

The Archdiocese of Vancouver has received many inquiries regarding Holy Doors during the Jubilee Year of Hope.

This Jubilee Year, Pope Francis has designated Holy Doors exclusively at the four major papal basilicas in Rome to highlight the unity of the universal Church and to invite Catholics worldwide to make the traditional pilgrimage to Rome. There are no Holy Doors in Vancouver, though Catholics can still obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by following the instructions below.

How to receive Jubilee Indulgence
During the Jubilee Year 2025, you can receive a
plenary indulgence in the Archdiocese of
Vancouver (the complete remission of the
temporal punishment of sin), by completing the
following:

- 1. Detachment from sin (even venial)
- 2. Visit a Jubilee Pilgrimage site:
 - Holy Rosary Cathedral, Downtown Vancouver
 - St. Jude's Parish and Shrine, East Vancouver

- St. Anthony of Padua Parish and Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebu, Agassiz
- Or another site dedicated by Pope Francis or the local Bishop
- 3. Attend Holy Mass or any of the following, ideally at the pilgrimage site:
 - Celebration of the Word of God
 - Liturgy of the Hours
 - Way of the Cross
 - Rosary
 - Penitential Celebration with individual confession
 - Confession at the same time or at least within about 20 days of visiting a pilgrimage site
- 4. Pray for the Pope
 - Our Father, Hail Mary etc.

The plenary indulgence is available until December 28, 2025.



Share Lent Sunday: April 6, 2025

Please be generous

During the season of Lent, you are invited to a 4-part video series,

Forgiven: the Transforming Power of Confession



produced by the Augustine Institute, and featuring Dr. Edward Sri, from last years' series on the Mass, Forgiven explores the grace and healing offered in Confession. Thursday, April 10th at 9:30 am

Light refreshments served. Please join us in the meeting room.

Thid Rite of Scrutiny

The Third Rite of Scrutiny is the final of three rites celebrated during Lent for those preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil. It typically takes place on the Fifth Sunday of Lent and is meant to strengthen the catechumens in their journey toward full initiation into the Church. Like the previous scrutinies, this rite includes prayers of intercession and exorcism, calling on God to purify the elect from sin and strengthen them against evil.

Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday: 7 pm Good Friday: 3 pm Easter Vigil: 9 pm

Would you like to contribute for the flowers

for our Easter Altar
Display?
imply place your nan



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parish office! Thank you for your generosity! This donation is tax receiptable.

