

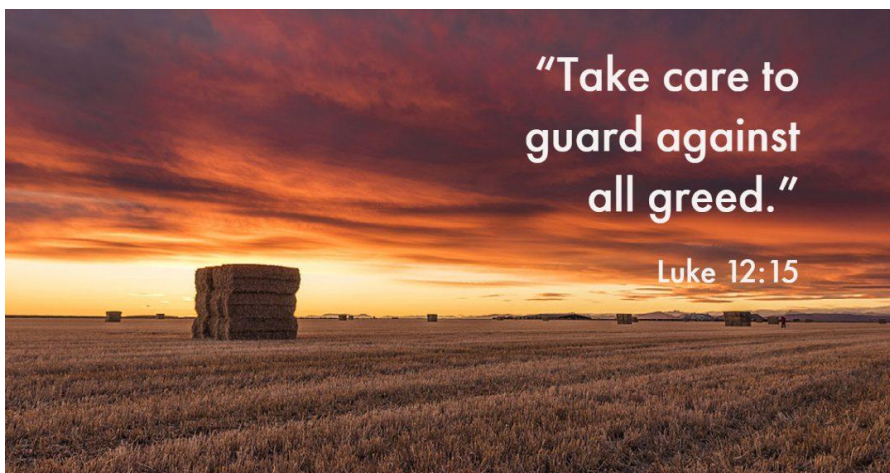


# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 3, 2025



### August 3 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

***“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” (Luke 12:15)***

The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our “invisible” gifts like love, mercy, and forgiveness. True joy comes from “emptying” ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more “God-centred” and less “self-centred.”

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### LAST SUNDAY’S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$1475.00
Loose	\$921.00
Other	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,371.00</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, Rudy  
Leon, Prudence Donfack, Clayton  
Jimmie

***Please pray for the most recently deceased:***

### 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.

<b>SAT</b>	August 2	5 pm	Jerry Ruczko (thanksgiving)
<b>SUN</b>	August 3	10:00 AM	Lopez Family
		1:00 PM	Raymund & Colleen De los Reyes (anniversary)
<b>MON</b>	August 4	9 AM	Tamondong Family (thanksgiving)
<b>TUE</b>	August 5	7 PM	Joanne Toop (healing)
<b>WED</b>	August 6	9 AM	LITURGY OF THE WORD
<b>THU</b>	August 7	9 AM	Cristina De los Reyes (birthday)
<b>FRI</b>	August 8	9 AM	Maria Flores (birthday)
<b>SAT</b>	August 9	5 PM	+Eutropio Sabejon +Callie Blackmore



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

**Are you interested in learning more about the faith and practices of the Catholic Church? Would you like to be part of journeying with the RCIA team?**

**Please call the Parish Office for more information, or speak to S. Olive, RVM.**

**Registration for Upper Room 2025 is officially open!**

This two-day gathering is designed to inspire and equip parish leaders and missionary disciples like the ones in your pews—so the work of evangelization doesn't rest solely on your shoulders.

**Saturday, September 20 – Archdiocesan Inspiration Day**  
Held at Pacific Academy in Surrey, this full-day event includes:

- Mass with Archbishop Smith and his thoughts for missionary renewal
- Keynote from Peter Andrastek (Evangelical Catholic)
- Hosted by Jake and Heather Khym (Life Restoration Ministries)
- 8 hands-on workshops for parish leaders and volunteers

**Saturday, September 27 – Local Parish-Based Gatherings**

Small regional gatherings to reflect, collaborate, and discern next steps in mission, tailored to the local context.

**Learn more about this year's Upper Room by visiting [upperroomvancouver.com](http://upperroomvancouver.com). Don't delay – registration closes on Friday, September 5!**

**Calling all PREP Parents!!!**

**Please enroll your children for the 2025-2026 upcoming PREP year, for both new and returning students.**

**This will help us to make sure that we get the right number of materials for our classes.**

**Registration Fee is \$50 per child**



## 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.



Hope is what moves you to dream of a more vibrant parish.

It's the hope that your Church can be a place of welcome, renewal, and growth. It is the desire to see your community thrive, not just for today but for generations to come.

When you support Project Advance, you turn that hope into action. You help create spaces where families gather, where faith is nurtured, and where those in need find comfort. You make it possible for ministries to grow, for schools to thrive, and for your parish to be a place where everyone feels at home.

Your generosity to Project Advance builds a future where faith is strong, communities are connected, and the Church continues to be a source of hope for all.

**Our Goal is \$10,500 this year.**

**To date: \$3,160**

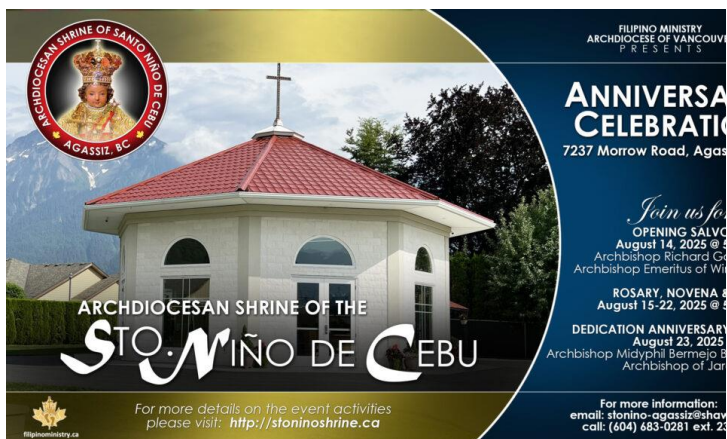
Thank you for your continued support  
As always, when our goal has been met,  
All funds are returned to our parish without assessment.

We were honored to host approximately 300 people from the parishes of St. John the Apostle and Canadian Martyrs, and the Handmaids of the Lord. What a privilege to have you in our parish! Thank you to Jezelyn, Eme and Natasha for opening the Thrift Store on Monday to accommodate these groups!!!



**St Joseph's Parish, mission invites you to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at historic Fraser River Heritage Park to celebrate the Holy Eucharist in honour of Our Lady, on Saturday, August 16 at 1 pm. Main Celebrant will be Most Rev. Richard W. Smith, Archbishop of Vancouver. Confessions will be heard on site between 10 am and 1 pm. Following Mass, procession to the Grotto where the Rosary will be prayed, and then Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please bring your own picnic & chairs**





This is a picture of the pilgrimage group from  
St. Francis Xavier Parish of Vancouver.  
There were over 300 people here that day



## Anniversary Celebration of the Shrine of Santo Niño

The devotion to the Santo Niño (the Holy Child Jesus) is one of the most prominent in the Philippines. It symbolizes the Filipino people's deep faith and is celebrated with great fervor. The Anniversary Celebration will include daily rosary, novena and Masses at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Agassiz:

- **Opening Salvo Mass with Archbishop Richard Gagnon, Archbishop Emeritus of Winnipeg**

- Thursday, August 14, 5:15 p.m.

- **Rosary, Novena, and Mass**  
August 15-22, 5:15 p.m.

- **Dedication Anniversary Mass with Archbishop Midyphil Bermejo Billones, Archbishop of Jaro, Ilo-Ilo, Philippines**  
Wednesday, August 23, 4 p.m.

Learn more at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).



### Congratulations **Gabriel Allan Bates**

who was baptized in our parish this weekend. May the blessings on this wonderful day fill your life with joy and peace as you continue in your faith journey. Congratulations to your parents,

**Allan & Alexandra** and **Grandma Joanna Bates**



You are invited to the **GRAND FEAST** on **August 30, Saturday 10:00 AM** at the **Bell Performing Arts Centre**, in Surrey. A powerful day of faith, worship, and inspiration with the theme - **"Let There Be Light."** With renowned inspirational speakers - Bo Sanchez, Arun Gogna, and Monching Bueno. And with a special Mass to be celebrated by **Archbishop Richard Smith**. Don't miss this life-changing encounter. Purchase your tickets on the website at [grandfeastbc.com](http://grandfeastbc.com) or check out the bulletin for details. Alternatively, you can call Arnel at (778) 321-8134, Rita at (778) 996-6194, or Marilou at (778) 772-1592.