23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$2415.00
Loose	\$1409.81
Other	\$
TOTAL	\$3,824.81

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

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, Leo Vantol

Please pray for the most recently deceased: Margaret Bernt

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	September 6	5 pm	+Adelina Misa
	Contombor 7	10:00 AM	+Adelina Misa
SUN September 7	1:00 PM	+Margaret Bernt	
MON	September 8	9 AM	+Adelina Misa Triza & Gemma Arlan
TUE	September 9	7 PM	+Adelina Misa
WED	September 10	9 AM	LITURGY OF THE WORD
THU	September 11	11 AM	Funeral for Margaret Bernt
FRI	September 12	9 AM	+Adelina Misa
SAT	September 13	5 PM	+Margaret Bernt

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 <u>upperroomvancouver.com</u>. Don't delay – registration closes on Friday, September 5!



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.

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
- 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 pilgrimage
- 4. Pray for the Pope
 - Our Father, Hail Mary etc.

The plenary indulgence is available until December 28, 2025.

This weekend, we were happy to welcome Pilgrims from St. Ann's Parish in

Abbotsford.



Sunday, we warmly welcome the Gimilami Filipino Canadian **Christian Society!**



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.

PARISH PICNIC THIS SUNDAY

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!

Please come for our annual parish picnic immediately following the 10:30 am mass next Sunday!

Please bring a dessert or salad to share.

The meat and drinks will be provided by the parish.

Remember to bring a lawn chair

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament





September 20th 9:00 AM
Harrison Golf Club
\$45 per person (includes lunch)
Lunch Only \$15 per person

Please call Gerald Struys to sign up 604 796 8901

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Women & Men!! It'll be fun (and probably more fun) even if you're not a good golfer!

St. Anthony of Padua Archive Gallery

You likely have noticed some work being done in the Parish Meeting Room. It was decided by our Pastoral Council to feature our Parish



History as our Jubilee Year Project. With Fr. Dennis' direction, Karen Dumas and Beccie Bokenfohr have been gathering and preparing 'our parish history' for this display. Ed Schmid has also been actively involved in helping to create the area for this. This week, he installed the lighting for this, and we look forward to the completion of this project within the next month or so!

This Week at St. Anthony's

Parish Office Closed on Tuesday this week

Finance Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 9th at 7:30 PM

PREP: Thursday, September 11: 3:30 PM



It was decided at our monthly Pastoral
Council Meeting to have a new
Parish Photo Directory made to mark the
Jubilee Year 2025

The Dates for the Photo Appointments are

October 27: 4:00 to 8:30 PM
October 28: 1:00 to 8:00 PM
October 29: 1:00 to 8 PM
October 30: 1:00 to 8 PM
October 31: 1:00 to 7 PM
November 1: 10 AM to 5 PM

There will be a signup sheet in the Gathering Area of the Church next week, and you are invited to choose a time that would be convenient for you/your family.

Our Parish hasn't had a new directory made since 2016. There are so many changes in our parish since that time, and so many new faces! This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other better by face, so I hope that you will all participate.

There's no charge for the photography session, and you will receive a complimentary Parish Directory for your participation.

You may, however, wish to purchase additional photos for yourself

Simon Carton and Emee Wenk will be heading up the Team that will coordinate this project.