



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026



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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$1,035.00
Loose	573.00
Other	\$260.00
TOTAL	\$1868.00

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"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 Peter 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom of earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember that no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are ill, or housebound, in our Parish

Family:

Barry Bembridge, Joanna Black, Stella Hildebrandt, Clayton Jimmie, Metro Huculak. Marguerite Rocheleau, Russ C, Elowyn Lyftogt, Cheryl Yaretz, Dennis Freimark

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.

SAT	May 2	5 pm	Cora Robles
SUN	May 3	10:30 AM	Birthdays of: Josephine & family Eutiqiano Jr. Faith
		1:00 PM	+Cecilia Sequeira
MON	May 4	9 AM	Bunda Intentions
TUE	May 5	7 pm	+Mary Francis Patenio Adriana Striker (birthday); Steve & Ellen Cadiz 50 th Anniversary
WED	May 6	9 am	Liturgy of the Word
THU	May 7	9 am	Adoracion C. Rojales (93rd birthay)
FRI	May 8	9 am	+Aleksandra Chromy
SAT	May 9	5 pm	+Wladyslav Chromy

Significance of May in Catholic Tradition

May is celebrated as the Month of Mary, a practice dating back to the Middle Ages and formalized in the 18th century by Jesuits in Italy, who encouraged students to dedicate this month to Mary through prayer and virtuous acts. Popes Pius VII, Pius IX, and Leo XIII further promoted this devotion, linking it to the recitation of the Rosary and granting indulgences for those who prayed during May. The month symbolizes purity, tenderness, and spiritual fertility, reflecting Mary's qualities as the Mother of God.



THIS WEEK AT ST. ANTHONY'S

Pastoral Council Meeting

7:30 pm Tuesday

PREP

3:30 pm Thursday

Upcoming in our Parish

Confirmation: May 24th at 10:30 am

First Communion: June 7th at 10:30 am

St. Anthony of Padua Feast Day

June 13th

(watch upcoming bulletins for further details)



Formation for Lay Ministry Scholarship

Are you serving in your parish or a Catholic ministry and feel called to grow deeper in your faith and leadership? The Formation for Lay Ministry Scholarship is for lay leaders already involved in ministry who want to be better equipped to serve. Through graduate-level courses in theology and pastoral ministry, you will grow in understanding, confidence, and effectiveness in your mission. The scholarship covers tuition for three courses, with online classes held one evening per week, allowing you to study from anywhere.

Applications close May 15, 2026, with courses beginning in September (or as early as July). Learn more and apply at stmarkscollege.ca/scholarships-and-financial-aid/#GraduateScholarships

Help Not Harm Canada

You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act), which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in

March 2027. Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable.

Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

COME AND WALK THROUGH THE MASS!

A video film presentation by Dr. Edward Sri from Ascension Press

This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Sessions will start on April 25th and continue for the next four Saturdays until Mday 23rd. 10 am to 11 am in the parish meeting room.

See you there!

The Chosen is coming to Salt + Light TV
The Chosen is coming to Salt + Light TV beginning Sunday, May 3! The internationally acclaimed series starring Jonathan Roumie brings the life of Jesus from the pages of Scripture to the TV screen. Encounter Christ in this deeply moving historical drama that follows the experiences of those who met and journeyed with him during his three-year ministry. The Chosen will air on Salt + Light TV in Canada on Sundays and Fridays in English and Mondays and Thursdays in French. See slmedia.org/blog/about-the-chosen for specific air times. Each episode will then be available to stream on-demand for a limited time on Salt + Light Plus.

Stronger Together - Project Advance 2026

For over 45 years, Project Advance has been an important part in the life of our Archdiocese. Through your generosity, new churches and Catholic schools have been built, parish communities have grown, and the message of God's love continues to touch hearts. Because of you, the mission of the Church extends far beyond the walls of your parish. The sick are comforted and cared for. Students and young people are discovering faith and purpose. Families are supported in marriage, healing, and times of loss. And those who are struggling are met with compassion and hope. Through these ministries, people are encountering Jesus Christ. All of this is possible when we work together – and our parishes and communities are stronger together.

Learn more and give at projectadvance.ca



THIS YEAR, THE ARCHDIOCESE HAS GIVEN OUR PARISH A GOAL OF

\$10,500.

All funds that are collected over that amount will be returned to us, without assessment.

Thank you for your support in helping to achieve this goal!

Oblates of Mary Immaculate Bicentennial: Living Mission in Community

The Oblates of Mary Immaculate are grateful to have served several parishes in the Archdiocese of Vancouver for many years, including St. Augustine's, St. Peter's, and St. Paul's (Squamish Nation). In 2026, the Oblates celebrate their Bicentennial (1826–2026). On the feast of St. Eugene, May 21, this milestone will be marked with a festive "Living Mission in Community" Gala Event in Edmonton.

While many may not be able to attend in person, you are warmly invited to take part by supporting this important work.

Proceeds from the event will support the ministry of the Star of the North Retreat Centre and assist in the construction of a new retreat centre in Kenya. Those who have been touched by the Oblates' ministry are encouraged to consider a special gift of \$200 in honour of their 200th anniversary.

Donate online

at starofthenorth.ca/fundraising/donate Donations can also be made by cheque (payable to "The Star of the North Retreat Centre," 3A St. Vital Ave, St. Albert, AB, T8N 1K1) or by e-transfer to accounting@starofthenorth.ca

National Family and Life Week, May 10-17

Take time this week to celebrate your family, express gratitude, offer forgiveness, or share meaningful moments with loved ones across generations. This week is an opportunity to uphold the value of life and to live out our calling to love one another within our homes, communities, and the world.