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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Tues 9:30am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 8:00pm

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

9:30am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Saturday 9:30am - 12:00pm, 3:00 pm - 6:30pm

Sunday 7:30am - 2:30pm

MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm

Weekday Mass

Monday to Friday: 9:00am Mass. Followed by All Day Adoration

Tuesday: 7:00pm Mass. Followed by the Novena to St. Anthony

First Friday of the Month:

7:00pm Mass. Followed by Adoration until midnight

Saturdays: 9:00am Mass & Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00-4:45pm

Or another time by **appointment only**

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Must be registered in the parish for at least three months

QR code available in the parish office or online baptism registration on our website

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Arrangements should begin one year in advance

QR code available in the parish office or online marriage registration available on our website

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

At home or hospital by appointment

Please visit our website www.stanthonyofpadua.ca for more information on each Sacrament.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024



ADVENT

FORTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



SUN DEC 22nd 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM	PEOPLE OF ST. ANTHONY ✠ JOSEPH & MARGARET LOUGHRANE ✠ NEVILLE WILLIAMS ✠ MARGHERITA JOHN
MON DEC 23rd 9:00 AM	✠ T.P & THRESSIA LONAPPAN
TUE DEC 24th 9:00 AM	
ADORATION LAMPS 7:00 PM	NO INTENTIONS NO INTENTIONS
WED DEC 25th 9:00 AM	NO INTENTIONS
THU DEC 26th 9:00 AM	SUZANA HWANG
FRI DEC 27th 9:00 AM	AM MARY THUY VU (BIRTHDAY)
SAT DEC 28th 9:00 AM	✠ LIDIO DALLOSTO ✠ JOHN COUTINHO ✠ RONALD SOUTHWELL ✠ ROQUE MANRIQUE JUNIOR THANKSGIVING
5:00PM	✠ ERROL CARVLHO



A BIG THANK YOU!!!

The **Catholic Women's League** would like to thank all our parishioners for their continued support at our bake sale and the Christmas Basket raffle. The funds raised allowed us to continue support Charities in our community and to buy gift cards for the Families on the Giving Tree.

Raffle ticket #8373759 was the winner.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. God's Blessings for prosperity and Good Health.

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24th

Morning: No 9:00am mass

5:00pm

7:00pm

9:00pm

12:00am – midnight

- No St Anthony Novena
- There will not be all day Adoration

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25th

8:00am

10:30am

12:30pm

New Year's Eve – Tuesday, December 31st

5:00pm

Holy hour: 6pm – 7pm

All day adoration will be until 12:00PM

New Year's Day – Wednesday, January 1st, 2025

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:00am

9:30am

11:00am

12:30pm



HOLIDAY OFFICE SCHEDULE

24th December 2024

9:00AM – 12 Noon

25th December 2024

Closed

26th December 2024

Closed

31st December 2024

9:00AM – 12 Noon

1st January 2025

Closed

The Parish Administration team wishes you all a wonderful Christmas – New Year Season!



CHRISTMAS WISHES



Wishing you and your family a Christmas filled with love, laughter, and joy! May the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ bring you peace, happiness and all the blessings of the season.

“For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

*St Anthony of Padua Parish
Pastoral Team*



A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Loving Father,
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and worship of the wise men.
Close the door of hate
and open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift
and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing
which Christ brings,
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.
May the Christmas morning
make us happy to be thy children,
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds
with grateful thoughts,
forgiving and forgiven,
for Jesus' sake.

Amen.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

LESSONS FROM OUR MOTHER

Mother Mary becomes the focal point of the Gospel on this fourth Sunday of Advent. Our Lady, shortly after discovering that she will conceive the Son of God, goes in haste to assist her cousin Elizabeth. After Jesus, Mary is the perfect model and example of how to live a life of deep stewardship. Let us take some time to reflect on this episode and glean insights on how we can better imitate her.

Firstly, we can learn a great lesson from how Mary “went with haste” to help Elizabeth. As stewards, we should not sit idle by and be half-hearted in our attempts to serve our neighbor. Whenever we see a need in our parish community, let us strive to utilize our gifts to readily offer our help and support.

Secondly, we should try to imitate Mary in her role of bringing Jesus to others. It wasn't so much Mary who brought help and comfort to Elizabeth, but rather, it was the presence of Jesus dwelling within her. As stewards, we need to constantly remind ourselves that it is not our own merits that bring about good and conversion in our parish. Rather, we must realize that everything is a result of the grace of God that is working through us. Let us conclude with the beautiful words of St. Teresa of Calcutta who says, “I'm a little pencil in the hand of a writing God, who is sending a love letter to the world.”

Summary - After Jesus, Mary is the perfect model and example of how to live a life of deep stewardship and we can learn a great deal by reflecting on her visitation. Firstly, we should imitate Mary's “haste” in her visitation so that whenever we see a need in our parish community, we can readily use our gifts to help. Secondly, just as Mary brought the Child Jesus with her in her womb, we too need to constantly remind ourselves that it is not our own merits that bring about good, but Christ dwelling within us.



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

DECEMBER 28TH & 29TH

On this occasion, the **Knights of Columbus** are inviting every family of our Parish to participate in the Consecration to the Holy Family seeking the protection of **Jesus, Mary and Joseph**. At the conclusion of Mass on this weekend; we will pray a special prayer for our family in preparation for the **New Year, 2025**. Thanks be to God!

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