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St. Anthony's Parish is a Catholic Faith community rich in cultural diversity with a strong flavor of identity.

Our mission is to foster a strong spiritual growth of life and faith in our families, community and society by sharing the gift of our time, treasures and talents.

We hope to do this with a Spirit of Christian generosity that brings us closer to the blessing of unity, peace and reconciliation.

Like St. Anthony called to love and to serve - we try our best in following Christ on the road of this world using God-given gifts for his glory and for the good of our brothers and sisters.

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

September 6, 2020

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. - Happy Labour Day.



The power of forgiveness that Jesus gave the apostles and their successors depends on their communion with Him. As Ezekiel in the first reading is only to teach what he hears. Today's readings also suggest how we're to deal with those who trespass against us, a theme that we'll hear in next week's readings as well. To love our neighbors as ourselves is to be vitally concerned for their salvation. We must make every effort, as Jesus says, to win our brothers and sisters back, to turn them from the false paths. We should never correct out of anger, or a desire to punish. Instead our message must be that of today's Psalm—urging sinner to hear God's voice, not to harden their hearts, and to remember that He is the one who made us, and the rock of our salvation.

XXIII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Nelle letture di oggi troviamo un altro aspetto del vivere insieme nella Chiesa, la preghiera comunitaria. "Se due di voi sulla terra si metteranno d'accordo per chiedere qualunque cosa, il Padre mio che è nei cieli gliela concederà. Perché dove sono due o tre riuniti nel mio nome, lì sono io in mezzo a loro". Senza negare il valore della preghiera individuale, quella fatta insieme è più importante, perché comporta il "valore aggiunto" della presenza di Gesù. Peraltro, anche pregando da solo il cristiano non dimentica mai di appartenere a una comunità; anche pregando da solo egli non dice "Padre mio che sei nei cieli...", ma sempre "Padre nostro", come Gesù ci ha insegnato.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English) SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration: Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism: Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage: Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession: Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

Anointing of the sick: Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

Church & Hall at one level: Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368





Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

To Win Them Back:

As Ezekiel is appointed watchman over the house of Israel in today's first

Reading, so Jesus in the Gospel today establishes His disciples as guardians of the new Israel of God, the Church.

He also puts in place procedures for dealing with sin and breaches of the faith, building on rules of discipline prescribed by Moses for Israel. The heads of the new Israel, however, receive extraordinary powers—similar to those given to Peter. They have the power to bind and loose, to forgive sins and to reconcile sinners in His name.

But the powers He gives the Apostles and their successors depends on their communion with Him. As Ezekiel is only to teach what he hears God saying, the disciples are to gather in His name and to pray and seek the will of our heavenly Father.

But today's readings are more than a lesson in Church order. They also suggest how we're to deal with those who trespass against us, a theme that we'll hear in next week's readings as well. Notice that both the Gospel and the First Reading presume that believers have a duty to correct sinners in our midst. Ezekiel is even told that he will be held accountable for their souls if he fails to speak out and try to correct them.

This is the love that Paul in today's Epistle says we owe to our neighbors. To love our neighbors as ourselves is to be vitally concerned for their salvation. We must make every effort, as Jesus says, to win our brothers and sisters back, to turn them from the false paths.

We should never correct out of anger or a desire to punish. Instead, our message must be that of to-day's Psalm—urging the sinner to hear God's voice, not to harden their hearts, and to remember that He is the one who made us, and the rock of our salvation.

<u>UPDATE ON CHURCH REOPENING:</u> Our church can only allow 30% capacity, that is equal to 150 people at each Mass. We remind you that if we do reach capacity at the mass you are planning to attend, there are other mass times available. Thank you for your patience & support.

MASKS: This is a reminder that masks are required in the church.

FR. LUIGI ON WHEELS: This year this fundraiser is for the painting of lines in our parking lot. The pledge sheets & donation envelopes are still available in the church lobby and at the office. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or greater. Please include your complete address if you require a receipt. All receipts will be sent out in the new year. Those with Sunday envelopes: please include your envelope number as your donations will be added to your Sunday donations. To date we have raised \$2,600.00 thank you to all who have donated!

MASS TIME CHANGE: For the month of September, all masses will be said at 9:00am. Thank you.

BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN:

"He's not heavy...he's my brother!"

Our goal this year is \$29,000.00.
This Campaign will run until mid December. Cheques can be made out to St. Anthony's Church or the Diocese of Thunder Bay.

All donations are tax-deductible.

To date, we have reached 10% of our goal having raised \$2,820.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

May God bless us all on our journey
as a community of believers.

BAPTISMS: Please call the office for more information as there will be instructions due to the new restrictions in our parish. We will be allowing for only 1 Baptism per Sunday following the 11:00am Mass or if preferred during the weekday. We thank everyone for their patience.

<u>CONFIRMATION:</u> We are pleased to announce that the 2020 Confirmation will be going ahead the week of September 21-25. The group will be split into 4 separate groups in order to ensure social distancing is maintained at each of the 4 services. The families of the candidates will be contacted by email/phone of the week of August 17th.

Electronic donations can be made online. One-time or automatic monthly donations by credit card www.stanthonysparish.ca

Thank you to all Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. God Bless!

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Please continue to pray for all those affected by the coronavirus. Stay safe, we will get through this difficult time with the help of our Blessed Mother.

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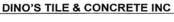
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MASS INTENTIONS September 7— September 13, 2020

Monday, September 7

All Parishioners

Tuesday, September 8 Fr. Peter Truffa

Colleen Valente

Wednesday, September 9

Costantino Costanzo Paulo DaCosta

Thursday, September 10 Ermelinda Fata (Coccimiglio)

Friday, September 11

Caterina & Fortunato Valela Francisco Ferreira & Jose Sousa

Saturday, September 12

Mary & George Sisco & Deceased Bruni Family Luigi Fabiano

Tullio & Maria Cenedese Pietro & Esterina Foresto

Maria Rosa Consolata Tino Faustina Biscardi

Mario Nucci

9:00am English

Pastor

9:00am Italian

CWL

C. & I. Tassone

9:00am English

wife Giovanna I. DaCosta

9:00am Italian

husband F. Fata & children

9:00am English

figlio Antonio Family

5:00pm

M. Pascuzzo G. Fabiano

Veneruz Family Family

J. Tino & Fam.

M. & G. Scocchia

Lisetta & Famiglia

Mario Iazzolino & Veliana Veliana 2:00pm Wedding

Sunday, September 13 Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am

Assunta & Ferdinando Rigato

A. & J. Geravelis Filip Ivanetic Giovina & Fam.

11:00am

Jose Cabral M. Cabral Ida Pucci S. M. & D. DeCicco

E. Tucci Frank Joseph Cappello

Giuseppe Marino Figli Manuel Jose Family

† Let us pray for Gina Benincasa who recently passed away.

Olivia Elaine Restoule was baptized in the Congratulations Lord. blessings to the family.



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