



ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2021



We continue to hope and
pray for health, healing,
and holiness for all.

Weekend Schedule

Saturday	Confessions	4:00 pm
	English Mass	5:00 pm
	Confessions	5:45 pm
	Filipino Mass	6:30 pm
Sunday	Confessions	6:45 am
	Latin Mass	7:15 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	English Mass	10:30 am
	Confessions	Noon
	Latin Mass	12:30 pm
	English Mass	2:30 pm
	English Mass	5:00 pm

Weekday Schedule

Monday	Confessions	6:30 am
	Latin Mass	7:00 am
	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
Tuesday	Confessions	6:30 am
	Latin Mass	7:00 am
	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
Wednesday	Confession	11:30 am
	Latin Mass	Noon
	Confession	6:30 pm
	English Mass	7:00 pm
Thursday & Friday	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	Adoration	10:00 am
	Benediction	6:00 pm
	Confession	6:00 pm
	Latin Mass	7:00 pm
Saturday	Confessions	8:00 am
	Latin Mass	9:00 am

Pastor Fr. Edmund Vargas ext 224 or **587-349-9615**
Associate Pastor Fr. John Shannon, FSSP ext 226 or 403-714-7361
In Residence Fr. John Petravicius, Fr. Anthony Pudota
Deacon Ron Nowell
Bookkeeper Magda Aguillon ext 223
Janitorial Service Polmax Ecology Cleaning Ltd.

On Temporary Leave:
 John Morgan Music Director
 Heather Schilling Parish Secretary
 Dorothy Loucks Sacramental Preparation
 Maria Teresa Valez Accountant
 Dianne McKay Office Assistant

Pastoral Notes

Motherhood for all

Mary's distinctive role in the Christmas story is capsulized in the phrase born of a woman.

Theologians are quite right when they refer to Mary as the first follower of Christ, being with from Bethlehem to Calvary. Her challenge to understand the mystery of her Son's life reaches a high point when she listens to the story of the shepherds, narrated in today's gospel. Her response is acceptance. She does not ask for explanations. She decides to look forward to the fulfillment of the promise of God's messenger during the Annunciation. Her attitude is summarized in today's gospel: "But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart."

To celebrate the Solemnity of Mary as Mother of God on the first day of every year is an approach to see each year with the Marian sense of struggling for meaning in life's troubles and tribulations.

We are not to portray the motherhood of Mary and of all mothers as idealized in the Hallmark cards for Mother's Day. Behind the sweetness and serenity of most Marian portraits are the bitter moments and turbulent experiences she has to go through as a mother and as a believer.

As we focus on the admirable qualities of motherhood, we should see these virtues as something we all can develop and share with others. The responsibility of nurturing those around us is not exclusive to mothers. It is a responsibility which we can all assume as individuals and as community.

This does not diminish the unique role of motherhood. This avoids the trap of putting the burden on mothers of perpetuating long-held stereo-types that these are mother's special roles and excuse ourselves from the responsibility of sharing in the life-giving, nurturing, reconciling functions that we have come to expect from mothers. To truly respect the qualities of mother, we must maintain that they are equally valid for all of us.

The Church is oftentimes referred to as Mother Church. Becoming Church, as the Sacrament of Christ, is beyond gender or roles. As Church, we are called upon to acquire and exercise the qualities of God's love in our daily relationships, particularly in the family. To be Church is to combine all our gifts and talents in the pursuit of our common vision of a better world.

HEALING CORNER As Jesus and his family had to flee from Herod, so too do many flee from danger every day. From distant countries people flee to Canada to escape war, abuse and torture. In our city and parish people flee from abuse and violence in their homes. As we begin a New Year, let's not forget those who need our support and understanding when we met them in our communities or sit next to them in Church. Reach out with love and compassion. Happy New Year.



CCCB Daily Readings

First Reading: Numbers 6.22-27, Psalm: 67

Second Reading: Galatians 4.4-7

Gospel: Luke 2.16-21

Fr Edmund's Updates...

As we start the new year, we will try to organize our celebration and events year by year, that is, the full schedule for 2021 will be available soon on our website and if possible, in a printed booklet. This will help our families in planning participation in their preferred celebrations and events. Like every member of our Pastoral Team, every volunteer will end up with a yearly written agreement on the terms and conditions of the respective volunteer positions. All current volunteers will be covered by this new arrangement, including the required police clearances, code of conduct agreements, volunteer training and periodic evaluation.

Christmas Hampers 2020 concludes with additional hampers to a dozen families on December 29th. Our next hamper-style deliveries in the new year will be on January 23. This will be a monthly delivery (every fourth Saturday) to families or individuals by screened volunteers or those willing to be screened and trained to get this outreach program going. Outreach Saturday will be preceded by a prayer & reflection at 9am, followed by packing and delivery. If interested to participate, please contact the office or Fr Edmund directly. The support of our parishioners for our outreach program has been tremendous, especially in contributing to the financial requirements of this endeavor. Our volunteers have been more than willing to help. Outreach should be at the heart of our Church's mission and personal spirituality.

We thank you for your continuing support for our Church through your contributions online, in-person and by mail. Please consider supporting St Anthony's Church in the rather challenging new year. Please be assured that our pastoral team will serve your pastoral and spiritual needs in the best and safest possible way. We continue to hope and pray for health, healing and holiness for all.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Jan 3			
7:15am Latin	SI	special intention	
9am English	SI	Rosita Sangahin	
10:30am English	SI	All Parishioners	
12:30 pm Latin	SI	special intention	
Monday, Jan 4			
7am Latin	SI	special intention	
9am English	SI	Lerner Family	
	RIP	Lorenzo Reyes & Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday, Jan 5			
7am Latin	SI	special intention	
9am English	RIP	Margaret Perry	
Wednesday, Jan 6			
Noon Latin	SI	special intention	
7pm English	SI	Pat & Bruce MacDonald	
Thursday, Jan 7			
9am English	SI	Elizabeth Mont	
7pm Latin	SI	special intention	
Friday, Jan 8			
9am English	SI	Alice Nunes	
	SI	Tomiak Family	
7pm Latin	SI	Special Intention	
Saturday, Jan 9			
9am Latin	SI	special intention	
5pm English	SI	Cayetano & Fortunata Gelay	

LATIN MASS CALENDAR

Friday Jan 1	1 st CL	Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Sunday Jan 3	2 nd CL	Holy Name of Jesus
Wed Jan 6	1 st CL	Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday Jan 10	2 nd CL	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Liberatore D'Amico, Rose Dourado, Ken Foran,
Lois Goodfellow, Faye LaPaz, Johnson Mont,
Leanne Morgan, Charlene Munn, and Corazon Reyes

May the Lord grant them healing, comfort, and peace.

DONATIONS IN DECEMBER

	BUDGET	COLLECTION	DIFFERENCE
MTD	\$32,815	\$38,174.33	\$5,395.33
YTD	\$344,644	\$370,074.69	\$25,430.69

	GOAL	COLLECTION	DIFFERENCE
Christmas		\$6,040.00	
Christmas Hampers	\$20,000	\$18,694.89	(\$1,305.117)
TIA 2020	\$41,030	\$ 22,348.43	(\$18,681.57)

Mary, Holy Mother of God Masses:

December 31, 5pm,
January 1, 9am, 10:30am and 5pm [register here](#)
Livestream 10:30am [available here](#)

January Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 5pm,
Sunday, 9am, 10:30am and 5pm [register here](#)
Livestream 10:30am [available here](#)

Misang Pilipino (Filipino Mass)

Saturday, 6:30pm [register here](#)



WEEKLY ADORATION

If there is anything you need, pray for it. Philippians 4:6

[Red Altar Candle Offering](#)

Adoration resumes on Thursday, January 7

[Register in advance](#) or sign in.

A minimum of 2 people per hour are required.



YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING

Our parish relies on your regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. We offer many convenient ways for you to make your contributions including signing into your own banking institution and e-transfer the

amount to: isupport@stanthonyycc.ca. To donate by credit card, or register for pre-authorized debit withdrawal visit stanthonyycc.ca/donation. You may also mail your cheques to St. Anthony's Church 5340 4 St. SW Calgary, AB T2V 0Z5, or drop off your donation envelopes into our donation box in the church when you come to Mass. You are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time. Thank you for your generosity.



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SACRAMENT MATTERS

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Registration: Ongoing, please contact Fr. Edmund

In-Person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday 10:30 Mass: October 25, November 8, November 22 & December 6.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation: **December 15, 7pm** or by appointment.

FIRST EUCHARIST/COMMUNION

Registration Deadline: January 24

In-Person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday, 10:30am Mass: January 24, February 7, February 21 & March 7.

First Communion Mass: **March 14, 10:30am Mass** or by appointment.

CONFIRMATION

Registration Deadline: April 11

In-person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday 10:30am Mass: April 11, April 25, May 9 & May 23.

Confirmation Mass is on **Saturday, May 29, 5pm**.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Please arrange an interview with Fr Edmund at any time with your Registration Form. The home study program will be explained accordingly. The program culminates with the celebration at the Easter Vigil (April 3)

BAPTISM

Please submit a Registration for Baptism Form, together with a copy of the child's birth certificate. Upon receipt, Fr Edmund will contact you for an interview and scheduling of the celebration.

An online Baptism Class is scheduled every 4th Saturday of the month, 10am to 12noon, facilitated by Ferdie & Malou Gayos of the Missionary Families for Christ (MFC).

WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & ANNOINTING OF THE SICK SPIRITUAL DIRECTION or PASTORAL CONSULTATION

Contact Fr. Edmund to arrange.

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