



ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30am – 3:30pm
Saturday 1:00pm – 4:00pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 24, 2023

Merry
CHRISTMAS

At this holy time of Christmas, we think of you and the wonderful work you do in your ministry. You are the hands and feet of Christ. In the midst of the Pastoral Renewal, please know that you are valued and appreciated; you are called, and you matter.

May the Joy, Peace and Hope of Christ be upon you and your family this Christmas and New Year.

YOU ARE CALLED.
YOU matter
YOU BELONG.
catholicyyc.ca/RENEWAL

Sunday & Christmas Schedule

Saturday Dec 23	Confessions English Mass	3:45pm 5:00pm
Sunday Dec 24	Latin Mass English Mass English Mass Latin Mass	7:15am 9:00am 10:30am 12:30pm
Nativity of the Lord	English Mass English Mass Latin Mass	6:00pm 8:30pm midnight
Monday Dec 25	Latin Mass English Mass English Mass Latin Mass Filipino Mass	7:15am 9:00am 10:30am 12:30pm 4:00pm

Weekday Schedule

Tuesday	Confessions Latin Mass Confessions, Rosary Novena St. Anthony English Mass	6:30am 7:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm
Wednesday	Confessions Latin Mass Confessions, Rosary Novena Mother of Perpetual Help English Mass	11:30am Noon 6:30pm 7:00pm
Thursday	Confessions English Mass Confessions Latin Mass	8:30am 9:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm
Friday	Confessions English Mass Rosary Confessions Latin Mass	8:30am 9:00am 9:30am 6:30pm 7:00pm
Saturday	Confessions Latin Mass	8:30am 9:00am

Pastor Fr. Nathan Siray ext 224
Emergencies only: 587-349-9615
FSSP Priest Fr. Massimo Botta, FSSP & Fr. Ralph Oballo, FSSP
ext 226 or 403-255-2727
In Residence Fr. Anthony Pudota

Music Director John Morgan
Parish Secretary Heather Schilling ext 222
Bookkeeper Magda Aguillon ext 223
Office Assistant Dianne McKay ext 221
Janitorial Service Polmax Ecology Cleaning Ltd

Pastoral Notes

Gifts of the Infant

People in the time of Christ knew that if you were to approach the court of the newborn king, then one must have some gift to offer in homage. The court of the Infant Christ was far from the grandiose palaces of Herod but was instead a humble stable and as such was a welcoming place where people of all walks of life could bring their gifts in homage. For example, the shepherds might have brought milk or curds from their mother goats and sheep, the townsfolk of Bethlehem might have offered gifts of food or some warm clothing, and those who had nothing to give materially may have offered a kiss or embrace to the newborn Messiah after The Virgin Mary had carefully placed the Infant in their arms to allow them to feel the beat of the Sacred Heart that was drawing them close to the wellspring of salvation.

So too we should consider what gift we will offer to the Infant Christ this Christmas. It could be a resolution to pray more often, celebrate the sacraments with greater devotion or offer more of our precious time to the manifold good works going on in our parish and community. It could be a resolution to be more intentional and make a greater effort with God's grace to remove sinful vices from our lives. It could be that we spend more time bringing our concerns, sufferings and disappointment to the Infant Christ and feel confident we can pour out our hearts to the sleeping babe who listens attentively.

But that little one also wants to give us gifts this Christmas! Christmas is a day of extraordinary grace when we get to contemplate God in the Flesh, and more specific, God in the divine form of an infant. What a mystery that God would come down to be among us as a little child that one can imagine taking in their arms and asking for many graces to be poured into our lives. Each of us knows in the depth of our hearts those graces which we want God to bestow upon us. My friends, please be bold this Christmas in asking the Infant Christ to grant the graces you desire in accord with His most holy will.

A blessed Christmas and New Year to one and all.
Puer natus est, Deo gratias!



CCCB Daily Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7
Psalm: 96
Second Reading: Titus 2.11-14
Gospel: Luke 2.1-16

St. Anthony's Updates

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The parish office will be closed as of
December 24 and reopen on January 2.

Fr Nathan will be away on vacation December 26 –
30. We wish everyone a blessed Christmas.

2024 ENVELOPE BOXES are available in the breezeway. If you cannot find your name in alphabetical order, select an unlabelled box and write your contact information on your first envelope.



ST. ANTHONY'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Christmas Solemnity Masses

Nativity of the Lord

Sunday 6:00PM, 8:30PM English
December 24 Midnight Latin

Monday 7:15AM, 12:30PM Latin
December 25 9:00AM, 10:30AM English
4:00PM Filipino

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Sunday 5:00PM English
December 31 Vespers (Latin) 9pm - Adoration until Midnight

Monday 8:00AM, 12:30PM Latin
January 1 10:30AM English




Our parish relies on your regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth and outreach. Thank you for your generosity.

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donations stanthonysycc.ca/donation

Anthony of Padua



The creator of the heavens obeys a carpenter; the God of eternal glory listens to a poor virgin. Has anyone ever witnessed anything comparable to this? Let the philosopher no longer disdain from listening to the common laborer; the wise, to the simple; the educated, to the illiterate; a child of a prince, to a peasant.

AZ QUOTES

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Dec 24

9:00am English	RIP	Walter Sandusky
10:30am English	SI	All Parishioners
12:30pm Latin	SI	Greg Abernethy
6:00pm English	RIP	Suzanne Erickson Kelly
8:30pm English	RIP	Julius Sult

Monday, Dec 25

9:00am English	RIP	Theresa Martin
10:30am English	RIP	Eva Visky

Tuesday, Dec 26

7:00am Latin	SI	Fr. Oballo
7:00pm English	RIP	Gabe Cabral

Wednesday, Dec 27

Noon Latin	SI	Dwight Abernethy
7:00pm English	SI	Priests of the Diocese

Thursday, Dec 28

9:00am English	SI	Alissa Going
7:00pm Latin	SI	Katcharov Family

Friday, Dec 29

9:00am English	RIP	Bill & Barbara Saruga
7:00pm Latin	SI	Eugene Boceta

Saturday, Dec 30

9:00am Latin	SI	Karen Abernethy
5:00pm English	SI	Elizabeth Mont

Sunday, Dec 31

9:00am English	SI	Borras Family
10:30am English	SI	All Parishioners
5:00pm English	RIP	Andrew Szakony

Monday, Jan 1

10:30am English	SI	Marilyn, Mervin, Kimberly & Victoria
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Tuesday, Jan 2

7:00pm English	RIP	Jake Campbell
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Wednesday, Jan 3

7:00pm English	RIP	Jan Kolibas
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Thursday, Jan 4

9:00am English	RIP	Roland Medeira
11:00am Amica Eng	SI	Elaine Schnitzler

Friday, Jan 5

9:00am English	SI	Special Intention
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Saturday, Jan 6

11:00am English	RIP	Marlito Gene Licudine
5:00pm English	RIP	Anastacia & Jose Silvano & Saturnino Dela Cruz

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Rose Dourado, Msgr. Noel Farman, Ronel Gutierrez, Elizabeth Haines, Nancy Ann Hriskevich, Nicole Hussey, Paul MacDonald, Carter McLachalan, Johnson Mont, Jorge Obrador, Deacon Frank Peta, Fr. Julien Studden

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

LATIN MASS CALENDAR

Sunday, Dec 24	1 st CL	Vigil of the Nativity
Monday, Dec 25	1 st CL	Nativity of the Lord
Sunday, Dec 31	2 nd CL	Sunday in the Octave of Christmas
Monday, Jan 1	1 st CL	Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Latin Masses cancelled January 2-4.

Blessing of the Epiphany Water 6pm Friday, January 5.

The Kid's Bulletin

<https://thekidsbulletin.com/>

Children's Liturgy of the Word with Miss Heidi (Catholic TV)

<https://www.catholicstv.org/childrens-liturgy.html>



Eucharistic Adoration at St. Anthony's

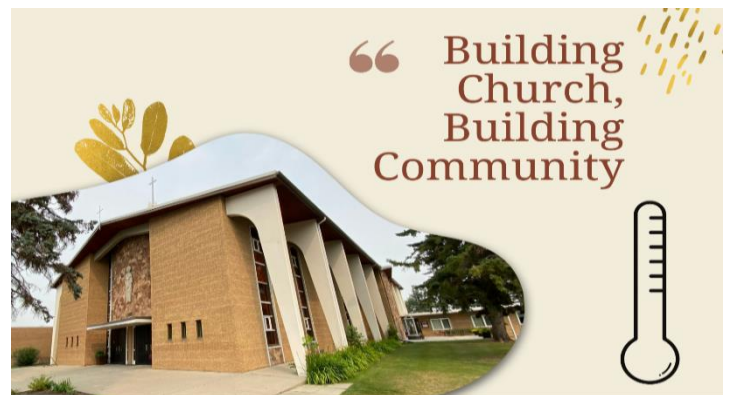
If there is anything you need, pray for it.
Philippians 4:6

Register for a Holy Hour at:

<https://stanthonysyc.weadorehim.com/signup/adoremus.>

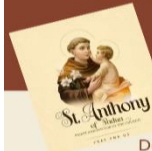
**Schedule Notice: No Eucharistic Adoration
December 23 – January 1**

**40 Hour Devotion for Priestly and Religious
Vocations January 5 - 7**



Contribute to St. Anthony's Building Fund

GOAL: \$500,000



Donate on our webpage, e-transfer to isupport@stanthonysyc.ca or use our Building Fund envelopes.

Your donation to our Building Fund will go towards the restoration of our church columns, replacement of our church boiler or our capital savings fund for future restoration projects.

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\$191,763 or 8 of 20 pillars

**St. Anthony's Parish Bottle Return Account
now open at the Chinook Bottle Depot
(108 61 Ave SE) to contribute to our Building
Fund. When donating your bottle returns to
our parish, please let the workers at Chinook
Bottle Depot know to assign the funds to
St. Anthony's Parish.**

Christmas Memorial



John Cornelesen
 Ashley Donaldson,
 Doreen and Jay Morgan,
 Bruce Morgan
 Dave Perkins
 Walter and Felicya Cheterbok
 Katarzyna & Stanislaw Pawlowski
 Annie Courney
 Fran Evans
 Stefania & Stefan Babik
 Billie & Woody Thompson
 Victoria, Stefan, Benita, Harry Kravic
 Hugh L. Smith
 Matilda Smith
 Jim Schnitzler Sr.
 Jim Schnitzler Jr.
 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Fiducia Supplicans on Pastoral Blessings

CCCB Statement on the Vatican's Document addressing pastoral blessings: [Read/download CCCB statement](#)

Nativity of the Lord - December 25, 2023



We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon.

If God is calling you, please contact the Office of Vocations at 403-218-5500 or email Fr. Cristino Bouvette at <mailto:vocations@calgarydiocese.ca> www.catholicyc.ca/vocations.html



Christmas Hampers 2023

Thank you St. Anthony's
100 Food Hampers & Gifts
270 People Served
More than 80 volunteers



Thank you Itverita Inc Matching grant of \$5000.

Thank you Knights of Columbus

\$1,515 received from the sale of rosaries

Thank you St. Augustine School

Food Drive for hampers received December 14.

Thank you Country Lane Farms LTD

Donation of 50 chickens for the food hampers.

Thank you Thomas Fresh

Donation of potatoes and onions for 100 hampers.

Thank you St. Anthony's Angels

274 gift cards and 100 chocolate gifts provided.

Thank you Westrock 700 Boxes

Thank you Home Depot 507 Boxes & 6 duck tape

Thank you U-Haul 75 Boxes & 1 duck tape

Thank you The Crisp Apple free delivery of produce