# St. Anthony of Padua Cathedral Parish

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## Passion of Our Lord (Palm Sunday) April 13, 2025

Monday	14	12:10 P.M.	Special Intentions of the Legion of Mary
Tuesday	15	10:00 A.M.	Chrism Mass (New Liskeard)
Wednesday	16	11:00 A.M.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
		12:10 P.M.	Rod Villeneuve by Andrea & Family
Thursday	17		Holy Thursday
		7:00 P.M.	Joseph & Doreen Drysdale by Ken & Helen Ryan
Friday	18		Good Friday
		9:00 A.M.	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
		3:00 P.M.	Service of the Word & Veneration of the Cross
		7:00 P.M.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	19		Holy Saturday
		8:00 P.M.	For the needs of our parishioners
Sunday	20		Easter Sunday
		9:00 A.M.	For the needs of our parishioners

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Please contact Fr. John for any office needs. The office email is st.anthonys@fibreop.ca

PERMANENT DEACONS: Deacon Jacob Gregorcic and Deacon David Smith

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Fr. John or Fr. Jijimon is usually available thirty minutes before weekday Mass to celebrate reconciliation or by appointment.

**BAPTISM:** Call the Parish Office for further info. Preparation course for parents takes place at St. Anthony's Cathedral. The next course will take place on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**PRIESTHOOD:** If you would like further information about becoming a priest, brother, or sister contact Fr. John or visit www.vocations.ca

**MARRIAGE:** Contact Fr. John at least six months before your anticipated date of marriage.

**SICK CALLS:** If you know of a parishioner who is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion please call the Parish Office.



**SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION:** For the special intentions by a parishioner.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE:** Each week we invite you to light the sanctuary lamp in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The cost is \$20.00 and you may drop the donation off at the rectory or place it in the collection with the information enclosed.

**VOTIVE CANDLES** are available to be lit at the entrance of the Church. Please see the minister of hospitality for one. Cost is \$5.00 per candle.

**SUPPORTING THE FOOD BANK:** Please continue to remember to bring your can goods each week to Mass to help support the Timmins Food Bank. Your generosity will help make the difference in the lives of others who do not have as much as we do.

**COLLECTION UPDATE:** \$4832.00. Weekly Budget: \$3730.00. Difference: +\$1102.00 Month to Date: \$4832.00. Monthly Budget: \$16166.00. Difference:-\$11334.00.



**HOW TO E-TRANSFER:** For those who wish to donate to the Parish by e-transfer, use the email "st.anthonys@fibreop.ca" No password is required. Thank you for your support.

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION:** "... I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34) How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others. (Saint Louis Archdiocese Stewardship Office)

**CLERGY APPRECIATION SUPPER:** The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree of the Knights of Columbus are hosting a clergy appreciation supper on **Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** with cocktails at 5:00 P.M. and dinner at 6:00 P.M. at Notre-Dame-de-la-Paix Parish (288 Commercial Ave.) Tickets are \$35.00 per person and can be obtain from Claude Pronovost at 705-266-4687 before April 28<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** Last call for donations in memory of loved ones for Easter Flowers. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. Deadline for donations is this Monday.

#### LIVING HOLY WEEK WITH THE CHURCH

**PALM SUNDAY (April 13<sup>th</sup>):** During the Masses we recall the messianic entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem, coming to complete His paschal mystery on earth. This Sunday is the sixth and last Sunday of Lent and it begins the most solemn of all weeks in the entire liturgical year. Two special features set this Mass apart from others: the blessing of palms at the beginning of Mass and the proclamation of the passion story from one of the synoptic gospels. This year we will hear St. Luke's passion narrative.





CHRISM MASS (April 15<sup>th</sup>) at Sacre Coeur Parish in New Liskeard. The Chrism Mass is a gathering of the Diocesan Church around its Bishop. During this Mass, Bishop Poitras will invite the priests to renew their priestly commitment. He will do the same for the deacons. He will also bless the oils and consecrated Chrism that will be used in Parishes throughout the Diocese this coming year to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation as well as the Sacrament of the Anointing

of the Sick. We are looking for a volunteer to receive the newly blessed oils at this Mass on behalf of the Parish. See Fr. John if you plan on attending this Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: The last opportunities to celebrate this wonderful Sacrament of God's healing and peace will be Wednesday from 11:15 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the Cathedral with Fr. Jijimon and 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. at Sacred Heart with Fr. John. The Church strongly encourages us to use the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter as a way to cleanse ourselves from our "old ways" so that we may receive a new heart and a new spirit with the gift of Easter.

#### CELEBRATING THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Through His Paschal Mystery, Jesus redeemed the human race and gave perfect glory to the Father. By dying, Jesus destroyed our death; by rising He restored our life. For this reason, the Easter Triduum celebrates the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the high point of our liturgical life. The Easter solemnity is to the year, what Sunday is to the week.

The celebration of the Easter Triduum opens in the evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper and reaches its climax in the Easter Vigil and closes with Easter Sunday evening. These are the three most holy and sacred days of the Church Year. Let us make every effort to live each of these days and celebrate them. The following guide may be helpful to you.

Perhaps we could use the words of the entrance antiphon on Holy Thursday to guide us through these sacred days. They sum up for us and highlight the meaning of our sacred journey:

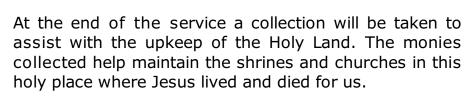
"We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection; through him we are saved and made free." (Galatians 6:14)

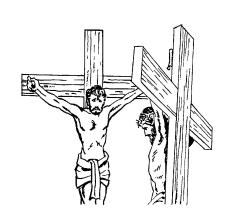


**HOLY THURSDAY (April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.):** The Universal Church gathers to celebrate Jesus' institution of the ministerial priesthood, the Eucharist, and the command to serve our brothers and sisters. During this Mass we remember Jesus' example of washing the feet of His apostles.

Mass will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession through the Church. Afterwards you are welcome to spend time in prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 P.M.

**GOOD FRIDAY (April 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 P.M.):** In our service we remember Jesus' last hours on earth and venerate the wood of the cross as a gesture of love and recognition for the great gift that Jesus gave to us. To venerate a simple wooden cross is one of the most ancient gestures of the Church which dates back to the fourth century. There are many ways to venerate the cross: to kiss a piece of the wood, to touch it with one's hand or to bow before it -- all are acceptable and meaningful ways to enter into the sacred rite.





The Church reminds us that Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. We are encouraged to continue this fast as much as possible until our participation at the Easter Vigil.

At 7:00 P.M. there will be the Stations of the Cross. This traditional devotion gives us an opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus during His last hours upon the earth with us.



**EASTER VIGIL (April 19**<sup>th</sup> **at 8:00 P.M.):** During this day we are invited to remain in recollection at the tomb of Jesus. At night fall, the Church gathers to celebrate the Lord's resurrection. This night is the holiest of all vigils. The new fire and Easter Candle is lit, the stories of salvation history are proclaimed, our Baptismal promises are renewed, and the Eucharist is shared for the first time as an Easter people. It is an awesome and life-giving celebration! No 6:00 P.M. Mass tonight.

**EASTER SUNDAY (April 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.):** During this day we continue the joy of being an Easter People. The collection at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday goes to the Parish unless you mark it otherwise.

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