St. Anthony of Padua Cathedral Parish

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3rd Sunday of Advent December 14, 2025

Monday	15	9:00 A.M.	Solange Cyr by Jacqueline Ferron
Tuesday	16	2:00 P.M.	Mass at St. Mary's Gardens
		5:00 P.M.	Mass at Sacred Heart Parish
Wednesday 17		12:10 P.M.	Steve Zuzic by his wife
		3:45 P.M.	Mass at Lasalle Residence
Thursday	18	4:00 P.M.	Mass at Sacred Heart Parish
Friday	19	9:00 A.M.	Intentions of the Legion of Mary
Saturday	20	6:00 P.M.	Jeff Stefanic by the Family
			Intentions of Des & Dale Quinn
Sunday	21		4 th Sunday of Advent
		9:00 A.M.	For the needs of all 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 in February 2026.

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 repose of the soul of Sally Martin by the Family.

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. **We are in need of new intentions.**

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 (December 7th): \$2621.00. Weekly Budget: \$3730.00. Difference: -\$1109.00. Month to Date: \$7789.00. Monthly Budget:\$16166.00. Difference: -\$8377.00. Thanks for your generous support.



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: "You too must be patient. Make you hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." (James 5:8) Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own. (Saint Louis Archdiocese Stewardship Office)



2025 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE this year will be Christmas Eve at 6:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. and Christmas Day at 10:00 A.M. Sacred Heart Parish will have Mass on Christmas Eve at 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. and on Christmas Day at 11:00 A.M.

2026 CWL MEMBERSHIP DUES: All women 16 years or older are invited to join the St. Anthony of Padua CWL. The cost remains \$40.00 and you can pay by cash, cheque made out to St. Anthony's CWL, or by e-transfer to cwlstanthonyofpadua@gmail.com.



ADVENT DAY OF RECONCILIATION will take place **this Thursday** at St. Anthony's Cathedral from **1:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.** Fr. John Lemire and Fr. Ghislain Ndondji will be available from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M., Bishop Poitras and Fr. Richard Ngoy will be available from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., and Fr. Alexis O'Lenga and Fr. Henri Touaboy will be available from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Come and be reconciled with God this Advent!

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES: Often people wonder where the Christmas collection goes. The total collection goes toward the needs of the Parish. If you would like to give Father John or Fr. Jijimon a personal gift at Christmas, please mark it clearly on the envelope that the offering is for him. Otherwise it will be directed to the Parish.



RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARDS: Sacred Heart CWL have an assortment of religious Christmas cards available for sale. There are ten cards per package and sell for \$10.00. This is a great way to share the good news about the true meaning of Christmas with family and friends as well as to support the CWL in this fund-raising initiative. To purchase cards contact Marg Johns at 705-267-7292 to make arrangements.

2026 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES: If you are new to the Parish or are not currently using offering envelopes and would like a box for the new year, please contact the office.

2025 DONATIONS: All donations for this calendar year must be received by the Parish by **noon on December 31**st in order to be included on your 2025 income tax receipt. Donations can be e-transferred to the Parish or dropped off to the office. Please call to make arrangements for drop-off. Your generosity is much appreciated.



O'GORMAN GRADUATION FUND-RAISER: It's graduation fundraising time at O'Gorman High School! Thanks to generous sponsors, this year they are raffling 149 prizes valued at over \$23,500.00. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket (\$5 each), contact one of the graduating students or the guidance department at 705-268-4501 ext. 4131. The list of prizes can be found at www.ncdsb.on.ca. The draw takes place on February 13th and all money raised helps offset graduation activities. Thank you in advance for your support!

CLOSING OF JUBILEE YEAR: The Jubilee Year, announced by Pope Francis under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope", is coming to an end. Pope Leo has confirmed that the closing celebration will take place on **Sunday, December 28**, in all cathedrals around the world.

In union with the Pope and all Catholic Dioceses, Bishop Poitras will celebrate the official closing of the Jubilee Year at St. Anthony's Cathedral on **Sunday, December 28, at 10 A.M.** All parishes in the City are invited to this unique and bilingual solemn liturgy, as there will be **NO other Masses in the City that morning**. However, Masses on the evening before will still be held. We are invited to come and thank the Lord for the countless graces he has bestowed during this Jubilee Year.



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