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## Solemnity of the Birth of Jesus Christ December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Friday	26	9:00 A.M.	Reg Beaulieu by Solange Leduc
Saturday	27	6:00 P.M.	George Szewczyk by Maureen
Sunday	28		<b>Feast of the Holy Family</b>
		<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Jubilee Closing Mass with Bishop</b>
Monday	29	9:00 A.M.	Margaret Klosowicz by Phil & Annette Kelly
Tuesday	30	4:00 P.M.	Mass at Sacred Heart Parish
Wednesday	31	6:00 P.M.	Deceased Family by Des & Dale Quinn
Thursday	01		<b>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</b>
		9:00 A.M.	For the needs of our Parishioners
Friday	02	9:00 A.M.	Doreen Collins by Yvon & Fleurette Gamache
Saturday	03	6:00 P.M.	John, Annie, & Kathy Capuran by George & Karen
Sunday	05		<b>Solemnity of the Epiphany</b>
		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](mailto:st.anthonys@fibreop.ca)

**PERMANENT DEACONS:** Deacon Jacob Gregorcic and Deacon David Smith

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Fr. John or Fr. Jijimon are 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 February 3, 2026.

**PRIESTHOOD:** If you would like further information about becoming a priest, brother, or sister contact Fr. John or visit [www.vocations.ca](http://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 of the Frontado-Santos 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 21<sup>st</sup>):** \$2142.00. Weekly Budget: \$3730.00. Difference: -\$1588.00. Month to Date: \$14126.00. Monthly Budget: \$16166.00. Difference: -\$2040.00. Thanks for your generous support.



**e-Transfer**

**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 (December 28<sup>th</sup>):** "And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Colossians 3:17) Giving thanks to God and using our words and actions to give all glory to God is the foundation of living a stewardship lifestyle. We were made in God's image and likeness, gratitude and generosity is in our DNA. As beloved sons and daughters of God, we are all part of God's family. Using our gifts to help others is our gift back to God and helps grow the Body of Christ here on earth and establishes a pathway to Heaven for each of us. (Saint Louis Archdiocese Stewardship Office)

**2026 SUNDAY MISSALS:** We have a limited number of 2026 Sunday Missals available for purchase. Please see an usher to purchase one for \$5.00.

**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 [cwlstanthonypadua@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstanthonypadua@gmail.com).



**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 **this Sunday (December 28<sup>th</sup>)** 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 **this Sunday (December 28<sup>th</sup>), at 10:00 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.

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>:** New Year's Eve or Day is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics as we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. Mass will be celebrated here at **6:00 P.M. on New Year's Eve** and at **9:00 A.M. on New Year's Day.**

**2025 DONATIONS:** All donations for this calendar year must be received by the Parish by **noon on December 31<sup>st</sup>** 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.



**SAVE THE DATE:** The Sacred Heart Parish Holy Name Society will be hosting their annual pasta supper on **Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M.** in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and children under 12 are free. For tickets see Fr. John or contact Glenn at 705-365-6590. All are welcome.

**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.



**CHRISTMAS THANKS:** A word of thanks to all those who were involved in any way to prepare and help celebrate our Christmas liturgies. Special thanks to the members of the Parish who came out to decorate and clean the Church. Thanks to our musicians who led us in song and prayer. Their gift of music helped lift our spirits to celebrate these special Masses. Everyone's assistance has truly made our Christmas celebrations special and meaningful.

Let us always remember that Christmas is a time for reflecting on the blessings of God's love — a time for thankfulness and prayer ... a time to be happy in the joy He has given us through the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ. May you and your loved ones have a blessed and holy Christmas and may 2026 be filled with blessings of peace, joy, and love. Fr. John

***"Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord."***

(Psalm 96)

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LOTS OF WAYS  
TO STAY  
IN TOUCH

**STAYING IN TOUCH WITH US:** Don't forget to check out our Parish website at [www.stanthonystimmins.ca](http://www.stanthonystimmins.ca) On it you can find our weekly bulletin and other useful information. To receive the weekly bulletin (as a PDF file) by email, contact us at [stanthonys@fibreop.ca](mailto:stanthonys@fibreop.ca) and we'll be happy to add you to the list. Finally, did you know that we are on facebook? You can find us at [www.facebook.com/stanthonystimmins](http://www.facebook.com/stanthonystimmins) and you'll find the latest news about the Parish and Church. You do not need to belong to facebook to access our page.

**O'GORMAN GRADUATION FUND-RAISER:** It's graduation fund-raising 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](http://www.ncdsb.on.ca). The draw takes place on February 13<sup>th</sup> and all money raised helps offset graduation activities. Thank you in advance for your support!



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**REGISTRATION FOR FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN:** Full Day Kindergarten registration at Pope Francis School for September 2026 (for children born in 2022) will be held throughout the month of February. You can also registration online by going to [www.ncdsb.on.ca](http://www.ncdsb.on.ca) and clicking the "Online Registration Request" Button. The Northeastern Catholic District School Board's students and staff wish you and your family all of the wonders and blessings of the Christmas Season.

**POPE LEO'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION:** Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



**WINTER ITEMS NEEDED:** The Lord's Kitchen requires gently used mitts, socks, coats, toques, scarves, and boots to distribute to those in need in our community. If you would like to contribute something, please drop it off when you come to Mass. Items can be placed in the usher's room and will be brought to the Lord's Kitchen for distribution. Thank you for your support.





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