

# St. Anthony of Padua Cathedral Parish

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent December 7, 2025

Monday	08	9:00 A.M.	<b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception</b> Jack Slattery by Rick & Margo Young
Tuesday	09	2:00 P.M.	Mass at St. Mary's Gardens
		4:00 P.M.	Mass at Sacred Heart Parish
Wednesday	10	12:10 P.M.	Gil & Diane Kelly by Phil & Annette Kelly
		3:45 P.M.	Fr. Les Costello by a parishioner
Thursday	11	4:00 P.M.	Mass at Lasalle Residence
Friday	12	9:00 A.M.	Mass at Sacred Heart Parish
Saturday	13	6:00 P.M.	Int of Provincial CWL Executive by OPC
			George & Sally Martin by the Family
			Jacqueline, Robert, & Annette Joannis by Darrell & Lucille
Sunday	14	9:00 A.M.	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 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](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 repose of the soul of Father Les Costello 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. **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 (November 30<sup>th</sup>):** \$5168.00. Weekly Budget: \$3730.00. Difference: +\$1438.00. Month to Date: \$5168.00. Monthly Budget: \$16166.00. Difference: -\$10998.00. 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:** "Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." (Matthew 3:10) Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused. Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas Season? (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.

**The December Priests for Life Newsletter is available at the entrance.**

**MOVIE AFTERNOON:** This Sunday at 1:30 P.M. the Legion of Mary is hosting a viewing of the movie "The Nativity Story" in the Cathedral Hall. It's a great way to embrace the Advent journey. All are welcome.



**ADVENT DAY OF RECONCILIATION** will take place on **Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** 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!

**FIRST RECONCILIATION CANDIDATES:** Congratulations to our 20 First Reconciliation candidates from both Parishes who celebrated their First Reconciliation (Confession) on Thursday evening at the Cathedral. The evening began with a short prayer service followed by the individual celebration of reconciliation. Special thanks to Fr. Jijimon who assisted Fr. John for the service. Please continue to pray for these candidates and their families as they begin preparation for First Communion.

**DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLE:** December 12<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. It is on this day that the Canadian Bishops, in union with the Native Council of Canada, have chosen as a day of prayer in solidarity with Indigenous peoples. Bishop Poitras will celebrate Mass **this Friday at 9:00 A.M.** at the Cathedral, entrusting these communities to the Blessed Virgin.



**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).

**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.



**MARRIAGE TIP:** Relationship experts often remind us of the importance of listening, really taking in what the other is saying. While this is vital to any good relationship, it is good now and then to listen to ourselves and ask if we are really conveying what we want or should be saying. Do I compliment or complain more often? Do I speak in an aggressive manner or in a loving voice that speaks the truth to see needed change? Do I repeat what I hear my spouse saying so they know I am indeed listening, or do I move on with the facts I want to share? Listen to yourself to be sure you are in fact listening to create a more loving relationship. (Diocese of Hamilton Family Ministry Office)

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