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St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church is a diverse community of people, unified in Christ on a faith journey to salvation through worship, education and service.

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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 7:30 PM

Weekday Masses (Sept - May)

Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM, 5:15 PM
Saturday: 8:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday: 3:45-4:45 PM
15 minutes before daily morning Mass
30 minutes before daily evening Mass

Parish Office Hours

Monday: 1:00 PM-5:00 PM
Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Closed 12:00-1:00 PM for lunch.

Eucharistic Exposition

Thursday: 7:15 AM to 11:59 PM

Baptism: Contact Parish Office during pregnancy to register for classes.

Marriage: Contact Parish Office 6 months prior to schedule a date.

To Register in the Parish:

Please see a priest after Mass.

Prayer Chain: 701-235-0308

St. Vincent de Paul: 701-566-0638

Centennial: stanthony1917@gmail.com

Third Sunday of Advent December 17, 2017

"I baptize with water; but there is One among you whom you do not recognize, the One who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."
~Jn: 26-27



Please Pray For...

Those of our Parish who are sick or suffering, especially Robert Jundt, Tinh Hoang, Mary Vondal, Cliff Bauske, Donna Sweeney, Jered Grossman, Karen Fischer, Nancy DeCock, Barbiece Ness, and Andrew Henning, son of Brian Henning.

Administration

**OFFERTORY FOR December 10

	Amount Given	Budget
Sunday Collection	\$13,578.36	
Online Giving	\$2,290.12	
Total Giving	\$15,868.48	\$12,827.00
Year to Date	\$ 295,745.27	\$307,848.00

Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Mass Schedules

Please remember that the fourth Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve this year. We will NOT have a 7:30 PM Mass that night. ****If you attend the morning Masses on December 24 this DOES NOT fulfill your Holy Day obligation for Christmas. Please attend one of the following Masses to do so:**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday, December 24, 4:00 PM (Children's Mass)

Monday, December 25, Midnight Mass (WITH incense)

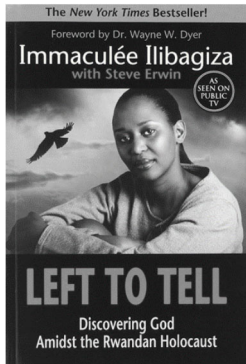
Monday, December 25, 8:00 AM (NO music, NO incense)

Monday, December 25, 10:00 AM (WITH music AND incense)

HELP DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS Our Liturgy Committee will decorate the church immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, December 24. Please come help out!

LAY MINISTERS FOURTH SUNDAY					
	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:00 AM	SUNDAY 10:30 AM	
PROCLAIMERS	Patty Mach	Deb Kuntz	Janet Weinmann Carol Petty	Matt Devick	
ALTAR SERVERS	Haison Nguyen Nina Vi Darin Vi	Emily Zurn Felicity Suda Allison Klose	Maddy Smith Michael Grensteiner Dustin Hoffart	Leo Devick Max Devick Sam Devick	
HOSPITALITY	Jim and Mary Bodensteiner		Waldoch Family Joe Hendrickx	Ross and Tammy DeSautel	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	Donna Honek Lori Jones Mike Mitchell Joan Schaefer	Betty Kiser Tim McMullen Frank Paumen Pat Paumen Theresa Stickel	Joe Hendrickx Gloria Hogue Paul Knoll Bill Petty Todd Weinmann	Tammy DeSautel Carmelle Nelson Jenny Nielsen Rob Wagner	

Parish Events and Happenings



ST. ANTHONY'S SPRING MISSION – SAVE YOUR SPOT NOW! We are thrilled to announce that the internationally acclaimed author and speaker, Immaculée Ilibagiza, will be coming to St. Anthony's for a spring mission retreat on May 4 and 5 of 2018! Immaculée is a Rwandan Holocaust survivor who has shared her moving story of the power of prayer and need for forgiveness with thousands. Hearing her story has changed the lives and deepened the faith of many. Due to the high level of interest in Immaculée's retreats, this is a ticketed event. Please visit our Facebook page, or visit www.immaculee.com, to learn more and reserve your spot today! Scholarships will be available.

CHRISTMAS MASSES: LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED!! All Liturgical Ministers are asked to help by volunteering at Christmas Masses. A sign-up sheet can be found in the Sacristy, or contact Samantha at the Parish Office: 237-6063 or samantha@stanthonyfargo.org.

COATS FOR KIDS The Knights of Columbus still have coats for kids in need. January and February often have the coldest days of the year. If you (or someone you know) is still going without a quality winter coat, please call Michael or Deacon Stu at the parish office, 701-237-6063. No child should have be left out in the cold this winter!

WIN BIG WITH THE KNIGHTS! The Knights of Columbus Council 7083 want to reward young ones for embracing the message that Charity is Love! Our local council is giving prizes for entries in our coloring and essay contest – watch for information about the free throw and poster contests as well! Entries can be picked up from the bins in Saint Francis Hall (near the bulletin board). Some entries will be sent on to the state level of competition!

MASS SERVER TRAINING for all new and veteran servers will take place today, Sunday, December 17 after the 10:30 AM Mass. If you or your child is interested in Mass serving, please attend today or contact Deacon Stu for more details.

FINAL RETURN SESSION OF THE SERIES This Tuesday, come to hear the hopeful conclusion to this series focused on drawing our loved ones back to the beautiful Catholic faith. The final session begins at 7:00 PM on December 19. The RETURN book may be purchased for \$2. Contact Joe at 701-237-6063 or joe@stanthonyfargo.org for more information or details on future Return sessions.

Religious Education and Youth

MANY THANKS BAKERS AND DONORS!! Heartwarming thanks goes to all who baked and bought baked goods at last weekend's bake sale! Your donations resulted in over \$1500 of support for our youth programs. We are truly humbled and pray God will bless you richly for your generosity.

BINGO! It's Bingo night, This Wednesday, December 20. Join us for prizes, snacks and community! Wednesday, December 20, from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. All are welcome to join in the fun – bring some cash: proceeds will support religious education with a portion being donated to our local St. Vincent de Paul conference.

Community and Diocesan Events

AREA ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Sunday, December 17th – ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL, FARGO 4:00 PM

Sunday, December 17th – ST. BENEDICT'S, WILD RICE 4:00 PM

Monday, December 18th – ST. LEO'S, CASSELTON 7:00 PM

NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY is Thursday, December 21, which is the first day of winter and the longest night of the year. All community members are invited to participate in a four block walk in Fargo. The procession leaves from the US Bank Plaza (Broadway & 2 Ave. N.) at 6:45 PM heading to First Lutheran Church. Those unable to walk should meet at the church located at 619 N. Broadway, where a brief memorial service will be held at 7:00 PM. The event remembers and honors people in our community who died as the result of their experience with homelessness.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS! FM i.d. 9:16 January Disciples Night is coming up on Thursday, January 11 from 6:00 PM-8:30 PM at Nativity Church, Fargo. Fr. Bryan Kujawa from St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Moorhead will be giving his talk titled "Go Forth!" FM i.d.9:16 exists to form young adults into intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. We are in our 20s & 30s, single, married, with or without kids. Childcare available! Find more information and RSVP today at <https://www.fmid916.com/events/>

SCRIP: CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS EQUAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT! SCRIP is a program based on gift cards that turns everyday shopping into a chance to help reduce tuition dollars for Catholic school families. A parent or representative sells SCRIP gift cards on weekends (the first and third weekend of the month at St. Anthony's). Gift cards are available for various retailers, from grocers to clothing stores. Hurley's Religious Goods also sells SCRIP cards. Questions? Call Janelle Pederson at 701-371-0512.

POST ABORTIVE RECOVERY Are you struggling with a past abortion decision? You are not alone. FirstChoice Clinic is starting a post-abortive recovery group, beginning January 8. Please call Christina or Denise at 701-237-6530 or email heart@firstchoiceclinic.com for more information.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT *“Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” – 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16 – 18*

This scripture reading sums up stewardship. “Rejoice always” means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. “Pray constantly” means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. “Give thanks in all circumstances” means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering helps build empathy for others in similar situations.

Consider making a \$10 donation for Christmas Poinsettias in the name of a deceased loved one or a dear friend/relative. Fill out this form and drop it with your Sunday contribution.

Your Name _____ Donation \$ _____

In memory of (deceased) In the name of (living) _____



Mass Schedule

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

6:45 AM +Louis Bertrand
5:15 PM +For Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

6:45 AM +Russell Harvey
5:15 PM +Betty Widman

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38

6:45 AM Frank Paumen
5:15 PM +Werner Schuler

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

St. Peter Canisius, *Priest and Doctor of the Church*

Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-45

6:45 AM ++George and Thelma Menne and Family
5:15 PM Natalie Lies

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

Obligatory day of abstinence (or some other penance)

1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1: 46-56

6:45 AM Andrew Courtright
10:00 AM Bethany Homes Mass
5:15 PM ++Marcus and Gene Metzger

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

St. John of Kanty, *Priest*

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66

8:00 AM Lan T Nguyen Family
5:00 PM ++Ken and Char Smith

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

7:30 AM Lan T Nguyen Family
9:00 AM +Rev. Robert Cronin
10:30 AM +For Souls in Purgatory

Christmas Eve

Christmas Children's Mass

4:00 PM +Irene Rieger

~NO 7:30 PM Mass~

INCENSE will be used at the Midnight Mass and at the 10:00 AM Mass on Christmas Day. Those allergic or sensitive to the incense are encouraged to attend one of our other Christmas liturgies (listed on the front page of this bulletin).

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Third Sunday of Advent

SCRIP cards sold after Masses

Breakfast after AM Masses

-served by the St. Vincent de Paul Conference

11:30 PM Mass Server Training

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Parish Office Closed 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Conference

7:00 PM Return

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

3:00 PM Legion of Mary

6:30 PM Bingo Night!! (No RE)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

1:00 PM Senior Card Player Group

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

Obligatory day of abstinence (or some other penance)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

3:45 PM Confessions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent/Christmas Eve

NO coffee/rolls after Masses

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

God of love, Father of all,
the darkness that covered the earth
has given way to the bright dawn of your Word made
flesh.

Make us a people of this light.
Make us faithful to your Word,
that we may bring your life to the waiting world.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Source: Christmas Prayer #5, www.catholic.org

***You may submit announcements to be considered for inclusion in this bulletin **before noon on Tuesday** via email: deidra@stanthonyfargo.org.

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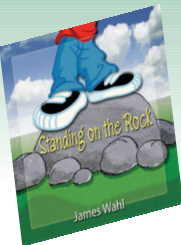
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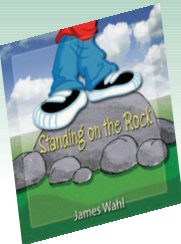
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