

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 15

5:00 p.m. Missa Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)

Sunday, March 16 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 a.m. For all of us journeying together this Jubilee Year

11:00 a.m. Fr. Franz Karl Heinemann *by Charles Waud*

Tuesday, March 18

7:00 p.m. ✠ Roger & Aline Leveille *by Lickley Family*

Wed. March 19 SOLEMNITY: ST. JOSEPH, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church

9:00 a.m.

Thursday, March 20

7:00 p.m. ✠ Gertrude Conley *by Shelley Norman*

Friday, March 21

9:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 22

5:00 p.m. S. I. of Keelan Family *by Harold & Judy Keelan*

Sunday, March 23 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)

11:00 a.m. S. I. of Joseph Casciano *by Family*

FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION: Preparing your child for First Communion and First Reconciliation

- ✓ Take your child to Mass especially on Sundays.
- ✓ Teach the children how beautiful, important, and special it is to receive the body and blood of Jesus in the Eucharist. If receiving Jesus in Holy Communion is wonderful and special, then we would want to at least receive the Eucharist every Sunday.
- ✓ Please remember that a Catholic life without Mass is like trying to grow a plant without water. It will wither and die.

LITURGY OF THE WORD 2024-2025

SUNDAY: YEAR C -Year of Luke

WEEKDAY - YEAR 1

First Reading: (Gen 15:5-12.17-18).

We learn of the solemn covenant God made with Abraham which was the foundation of God's relationship with the people of Israel. Through Christ we are the heirs to this covenant.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second Reading: (Phil 3:17-4:1).

Paul urges his converts to remain faithful to Christ and promises them that one day they will share in his glory.

Gospel: (Lk 9:28-36).

We hear Luke's version of the transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor.

JUBILEE 2025 PARISH EVENTS

1. Horizons of Hope- Palliative Care
2. Pilgrimage
3. Day of Adoration
4. Reconciliation
5. Presentations (talk & discussion on relevant topics).
6. Musical Concert
7. Experiential events
8. Theology on Tap
9. Jubilee of social gatherings.

TRANSFIGURATION EXPERIENCE IS TO PERSEVERE GOLGOTHA MOMENTS IN LIFE

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3: 17-4:1; Gospel: Luke 9: 28b-36

We have been reflecting on our journey in life in the context of Jubilee 2025. It reminds us of our journeying together in the Church as Family, the People of God with hope founded on faith. Ash Wednesday reminded us of our 40 days of Lenten Journey towards Easter Glory. Last week we reflected on the journey of Jesus to the wilderness and his temptations (Lk.4.1-13). Today's Gospel is about another journey of Jesus with his three apostles to Mount Tabor (Lk.9.28-36) where he was transfigured. The desert experience of the Temptations and Mount Tabor experience of Transfiguration empowered Jesus to focus only on the Way and Will of God, his Heavenly Father.

The journey of Jesus was a journey from Galilee to Jerusalem, the place of his ministry, death, and resurrection (Lk. 9.51 – 24.53). This journey involved challenges like temptations in the wilderness (Lk.4.1-13), peak spiritual experiences like the transfiguration (Lk.9.28-36). Both experiences empowered Jesus to focus only on God's ways and God's will. The Gospel is about the transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor. The Tabor experience comforted, reassured, affirmed, and strengthened Jesus for the completion of his mission. It was a peak prayer experience, and the disciples also witnessed the glory and as Peter said, "it is good for us to be here" (Lk.9.33).

Now, we are on a journey. The direction of our journey is not geographical but moral and spiritual. We need to *leave behind our old ways* of life like pride, selfishness, the hardness of heart, anger, envy, and lack of faith. We are asked to go in the way of the Gospel – a journey in prayer, fasting, almsgiving and forgiveness which will lead us to have our 'mountain experience,' our 'transfiguration'- experience.

This illuminating experience of Mount Tabor fortified Jesus to do His Father's will by suffering and dying for us on the cross. This enabled him to see beyond darkness the light of glorious Easter, the Resurrection, and the Ascension. Jesus and his apostles experienced the transforming presence of God on the mountain top. Then they came down to the valleys where people lived in 'darkness' and thirsting for seeing and hearing the voice of the Son of God. The disciples, with their experience, came down from Mount Tabor to the valley where people were thirsting and longing for their presence. Their unique God experience was brought down to the valleys and shared with people who were in need the good news of love, care, forgiveness, justice, and peace.

The Lenten season is the 'acceptable time' to reflect on our moments of 'transfiguration.' Peter said: "Master, it is good for us to be here." It is always good to be with the Lord in prayer, fasting, abstinence, and involved in acts of charity and deeds of mercy. Although there is suffering and challenges in such a life, we know that the pain of Good Friday is always followed by the victory of Easter.

May God bless all of us

Father Thomas Manninezhath, CMI

"Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." "We cannot remain on the mountain and enjoy the bliss of this encounter on our own. Jesus himself brings us back to the valley, among our brothers and sisters and into daily life. We must beware of spiritual laziness: we are fine, with our prayers and liturgies, and this is enough for us. No! Going up the mountain does not mean forgetting reality; praying never means avoiding the difficulties of life; the light of faith is not meant to provide beautiful spiritual feelings. No, this is not Jesus' message. We are called to experience the encounter with Christ so that, enlightened by his light, we might take it and make it shine everywhere. Igniting little lights in people's hearts; being little lamps of the Gospel that bear a bit of love and hope: this is the mission of a Christian". (Pope Francis, February 2021)

OFFERTORY MARCH 9, 2025

Envelopes: \$ 2,112.10; E-transfer: \$ 320.00

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MARCH 2025. HEROES OF HOPE; FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR THE POOR

Heroes of Hope is a monthly newsletter from the Diocese of Hamilton, shining a light on the extraordinary individual and ministries who inspire hope and transform lives in our communities. Consider becoming a Minister of Hope in your Parish Community! Visit hamiltondiocese.com/jubilee.

PILGRIMAGE 1: To IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, FORMOSA - Friday May 9, 2025

The Church will be open from 10:00-4:30 pm; Exposition at 10:30 a.m.; Reposition at 4:30 p.m.; Mass at 5:00 p.m. Option 1: carpool leaving our parish parking lot at 2 pm. Adoration until 4:30 followed by Mass at 5:00 pm. Option 2: drive on your own at any time and join the group for adoration and the mass. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or call or email the parish office. Please remember to take your Pilgrims of Hope Prayer Book to get stamped.

PILGRIMAGE 2: To Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, -Saturday September 27, 2025

A Pilgrimage via coach (8:30-6:30) is being planned to this historic site for the day. This event is dependent on 56 registrations: cost approx. \$60 per person. Registration by May 25th. For more information please contact: Sam Finnie finnie.family@outlook.com or Samantha Pitre samantha.pitre@bgcdsb.org.

HORIZONS OF HOPE, PALLIATIVE CARE. A very useful, reflective and touching 4-part series:

Module 1. Understanding the human experience of dying and death.

Module 2. Discerning and making decisions at the end of life.

Module 3. Accompanying those at the end of life.

Module 4. Supporting and Integrating within the wider community.

Location: St. Anthony of Padua Parish Hall, 749 Russell St. Kincardine

Date and Time: **April 23, 2025, 7-9 pm; April 30, 2025, 7-9 pm.; May 14, 2025, 7-9pm.; May 21, 2025, 7-9 pm.**

Registration: call the office – 519-396-2505 or online: <https://www.stanthonykincardine.com/jubilee>.

For more information contact Donna Ward @ donnawardpc@gmail.com

STATIONS of the CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be said each Friday evening at 7 p.m.

“POOR MAN’S MEAL” MARCH 28

As a Lenten Fast, we are offering a “Poor Man’s Meal” which consists of a light lunch meant to be a simple, humble meal to step back from comforts we take for granted and think about those who have less. **It will take place on Friday, March 28th at 12:30pm** in the Parish Hall. The sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex. A free-will offering will be asked and proceeds to the Food Bank.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL REPORT

Our Kincardine S.V.P. Society has 20 members, and we actively serve the needs of the poor in our area. In 2024, we served 182 adults, 134 children and distributed \$3,3625 in food cards. Our donations to those in need continues to increase every year. We are a registered charity, and receipts can be issued for donations by using the St. Vincent de Paul donation envelopes available at the back of the Church; or by going to canadahelps.org our organization is listed as Society of Saint Vincent De Paul – St Anthony of Padua Conference in Kincardine.

SEDER MEAL: “The ritual meal which commemorates the events of the Exodus...”

A Seder Meal will be held on Wednesday April 9th at 5:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex, space is limited, advance reservation required by Wednesday April 2nd. Cost is \$20 per person. Payment can be made at the door.

THREE RETREAT DAYS FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The half-day retreats will provide opportunities to prepare for Easter during this Jubilee Year of Hope. All Musicians, Ministers of the Word, Children’s Liturgy Ministers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Ministers of Hospitality, and Sacristans are invited to participate in one of these three events. For more information, please visit the diocese website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

*Welcome to all our visitors and guests.
We wish you fruitful and relaxing days during your stay with us.*

St. Anthony of Padua Church

“Sharing Our Faith in God Through Service to Our Neighbour”

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MARCH 16, 2025



Welcome to St. Anthony’s

Parish Staff

Administrator: Fr. Thomas Manninezath, CMI

Parish Secretary: Luisa Casciano

Parish Bookkeeper: Rene Renaud

Custodian: Mr. Wayne Brownrigg

Sunday Mass

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass

Tuesday and Thursday - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday - 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays - 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor to make arrangements **at least 1 year** prior to the proposed celebration as a preparation program is required.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

519-386-2485



Catholic Women’s League

Email: kincardinecwl@gmail.com



Knights of Columbus

Email: gk7160@ontariokofc.ca



Elementary School

St. Anthony’s – 519-396-4330

High School

Sacred Heart – 519-881-1900

Bequests and Wills

In your kindness, please remember our St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Kincardine, Ontario in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, please add the following clause: “I give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$... to St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Kincardine, Ontario, to be used for the benefit of the parish and its pastoral activities.”