

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 7

5:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving by *Elaine Thacker*

### Sunday, February 8 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. S.I. of Wanda Arciszewski  
by *Merle & Nicole Whitwell*

11:00 a.m. S.I. of Minerva Colley  
by *Linda & Keith Clubbe*  
Missa Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)

### Tuesday, February 10

7:00 p.m. S.I. of Armando & Emma Minia & Family  
by *Family*  
Living & Deceased members of the CWL  
S.I. of Marc Glipo by *Arcadio & Sarita Glipo*

### Wednesday, February 11 WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

9:00 a.m. ✠ Harold & Evelyn Brownrigg  
by *Wayne & Carol Brownrigg*

### Thursday, February 12

7:00 p.m.

### Friday, February 13

9:00 a.m.

### Saturday, February 14

5:00 p.m. ✠ Walter & Gabrielle Kleist by *Susanne Gionet*  
S.I. of Helen Furnivall by *JoAnn Cameron*

### Sunday, February 15 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

11:00 a.m. ✠ Mike & Cathy Sautner

## LITURGY OF THE WORD 2025-2026

### SUNDAY: YEAR A -Year of Luke

### WEEKDAY - YEAR 1

#### First Reading: (*Is 58:7-10*).

Genuine worship of God is shown forth in the practice of justice and in concern for the poor and the needy.

#### Responsorial Psalm:

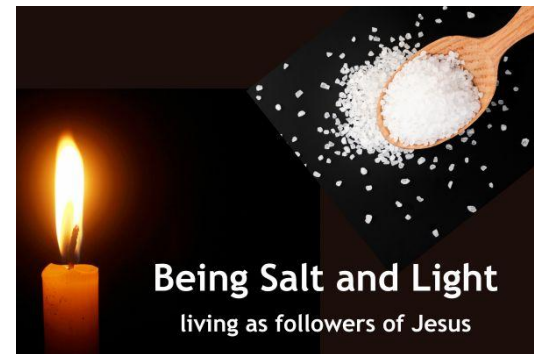
"Light rises in the darkness for the upright."

#### Second Reading: (*1 Cor 2:1-5*).

The success of the Gospel doesn't depend on human cleverness but on the power of God.

#### Gospel: (*Mt 5:13-16*).

Christ's disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We are reminded to base our lives on steadfast faith, showing it through modest service and genuine compassion for others. Salt for others; light for others as salt does not give flavor to itself but serves others.



## COVENANT OF SALT AND LAMP ON A STAND *Isaiah 58:6-10; Psalm 112:4-9; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16*

The nature and qualities of the followers of Christ are revealed in the Gospel of Matthew 5:13-16: "You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the world."

In the ancient biblical world, salt was one of the most important necessities of life. Salt was used to preserve as well as to season food. Salt was added to grain offerings to represent the covenant and commitment: "You shall not leave out the salt of your covenant with God from your grain offerings; you must present salt with all your offerings" (Leviticus 2:13). The Book of Numbers (18:19) also speaks of 'covenant of salt.' "Covenant of salt" means a permanent relationship and eating salt with someone meant to be bound in loyalty. This is what the evangelist Mark refers to when he wrote: "Have salt in yourselves and be at peace with one another" (Mark 9:50).

Salt was also used to rub a newborn child, either for medicinal or other purposes, such as the desire to save the child from demonic forces. Therefore, as salt, we are reminded to enhance each other's lives, to purify and cleanse what is impure, to strengthen and preserve what is good. Disciples of Jesus are those who speak well: "Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone" (Col. 4:6).

In addition to being salt for the earth, Jesus called his followers to be the light of the world: "You are the light of the world." Light has the characteristics of dispelling darkness and of warming all it reaches. Jesus is the light of the world and calls us to be that same light. As light, we are to shine like the sun, bringing the light of Christ to our world.

Light gives us safety and security. Like the sun, we are to bring warmth and radiance to our friends, families, and neighbors. Glowing with the light of Christ, our charitable deeds shall give glory to God (Mt.5:16) and keep our brothers and sisters alive, safe, and secure. Prophet Isaiah encouraged his listeners to share bread with the hungry, give shelter to the homeless and satisfy the needs of the afflicted ... When you do these things, then "your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday." (Is: 58:7-10)

The concern that "salt has lost its flavor" is difficult for us to understand today, especially because of the purity of the salt we use. At the time of Jesus, it was collected from deposits left by the Dead Sea and in the process, it was exposed to the elements and could break apart and lose its flavor. Such salt was a very appropriate metaphor for his followers. We can lose our interest in following the Lord and observing the practices of faith over time if care is not taken to keep faith and our Christian values alive. Salt can lose its flavor!

Jesus told us, "You are the salt of the earth, you are the light of the world. We should base our lives on steadfast faith, showing it through modest service and genuine compassion for others. Salt for others; light for others as salt does not give flavor to itself but serves others. Light does not illuminate itself but serves others. Salt and light are there to serve others.

May God bless all of us  
Father Thomas Manninezhath, CMI



### OFFERTORY February 1, 2026

Envelopes: \$1489.00, E-transfer: \$325.00, Non-Envelopes: \$177.00

#### Thank you for your support

Please continue to support the parish by dropping the collection envelopes in the **PARISH MAILBOX** at the front door of the **Rectory OR** You may use **Online banking (e-transfer)**. The money you transfer will directly go to our BMO parish account. For this purpose, please use our parish email: [stanthonykincardine@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stanthonykincardine@hamiltondiocese.com) **OR** You may consider **pre-authorized giving**. Authorization Form is available on our website: [www.stanthonykincardine.com](http://www.stanthonykincardine.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE SEASON OF LENT IS NEAR

**LENT** is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencten*, which means “spring”. The forty days represent the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan, and preparing for his ministry.

**Lent** is a time of repentance, fasting and almsgiving beginning on Ash Wednesday with the blessing of Ashes that reminds us to “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return”. It is a time of prayer to open us to encounter the mercy of our gracious God.

### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 8, 2026

“You are the light of the world.” Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) / [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP

We would like to begin a bible discussion group. The group will decide what is to be discussed. An example of the kind of question we might like to cover could be "How and why we pray". These would be practical discussions about relevant bible verses, whether aimed at listening or making requests, and hearing people's candid opinions and experience. The group could meet once a week for 60-90 minutes at the church. If you are interested, please contact Dermott O'Reilly: 519-368-7263 or [oreilly@bmts.com](mailto:oreilly@bmts.com).

### FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION

The **FIRST MEETING** for First Reconciliation/ First Communion will be held this Sunday **February 8<sup>th</sup>** during the 11 am Mass.

### CHILI DINNER

The Social Committee is hosting a chili dinner on Wednesday, February 11th at 5:30 pm in the parish hall. Vegetarian and meat options provided, along with salad, rolls and dessert. We would appreciate assistance in serving and clean up. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Cost is free will offering, any leftovers will be offered for sale so bring a container!

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent de Paul Collection Boxes are out in the Narthex. Please be generous.

### 2025 TAX RECEIPTS

The Charitable Donation Tax Receipts for 2025 are available in the narthex. They are alphabetically arranged. Anyone who has contributed \$ 20.00 or more and have included name and address on the offertory envelope, will receive a tax receipt.

### THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SAVE THE DATE

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

*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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**FEBRUARY 8, 2026**



**Welcome to St. Anthony's**

### **Parish Staff**

Fr. Thomas Manninezhath, CMI  
Parish Secretary: Maggie Lutz  
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](mailto:kincardinecwl@gmail.com)



### **Knights of Columbus**

Email: [gk7160@ontariokofc.ca](mailto: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.”