

**The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of  
St. Agnes & St. Anthony  
17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
July 26, 2020**



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Parish website: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://twinparishes.caedm.ca)

**St. Agnes & St. Anthony Joint Mission Statement**

As sharers in the mission of Jesus Christ, we are committed to spreading the Gospel and building up the kingdom of God in our homes, in our parishes, and in the communities in which we live.

**SACRAMENTS**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION /COMMUNION**

Please call the parish office 780-432-0611 for more information and registration.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS** –If your children are between the ages of 11 to 14, please call the parish office for more information and registration.

**RCIA (Adapted for Children age 7 – 14)**

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – age 15 and above)** Anyone who wants to become Catholic and Catholics who have not yet received First Communion and Confirmation, and anyone interested in learning more about RCIA please call parish office at 780-432-0611 to register.

**MARRIAGE** – Because the church is deeply concerned about each marriage, couples are asked to give a minimum of **six months notice prior to the intended date of their wedding.** Normally the parish boundaries determine in which parish marriage planning should take place. St. Agnes & St. Anthony parishes offer a Marriage Preparation Course please contact the parish office.

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*“The future is not in our hands. We have no power over it. We can act only today. We have a sentence in our Constitution that says: ‘We will allow the good God to make plans for the future-for yesterday has gone, tomorrow has not yet come and we have only to make Him known, loved and serve.’ So we do not worry about. Blessed Mother Teresa*

**St. Agnes & St. Anthony Parish Staff:**

**Pastor** Rev. Varghese Munduvelil  
**Deacon** Guy Germain  
**Deacon** Michael Pucylo  
**Deacon** Ramon Morales  
**Business Manager** Don Wong  
**Administrative Assistant** Florentina Suce  
**Custodian (St. Anthony)** Ray Wagner  
**Custodian (St. Agnes)** Bruce Huynh

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**Twin Parishes Financial Pulse**

		<b>Full Year</b>	
<b>July 18 &amp; 19</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>Sunday, Holy Day</b>	\$ 3,333	\$197,096	\$460,000
<b>Building Maint. Fund</b>	\$ 270	\$ 12,970	\$ 30,000
<b>Together We Serve</b>	\$ 280	\$ 15,241	\$ 51,600

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*“Lord our God, as for all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name, it comes from your hand, and all of it belong to you.”*  
**1Chronicles 29:17**

*God bless you in your response to His love.*

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**Twin Parishes Masses for the Week**

<b>Tuesday, July 28</b> <b>No Mass @ St. Anthony</b>	
<b>Wednesday, July 29</b> Mass @ St. Anthony	6:15 pm
<b>Thursday, July 30</b> Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
<b>Friday, July 31</b> Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
<b>Saturday, August 01</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Sunday, August 02</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	9:00 am 10:30 am

**Reconciliation is by appointment following the standards suggested by the Archdiocese. Call the parish office for your schedule.**

**Attendees for weekend masses must register online: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://twinparishes.caedm.ca)  
Click under Calendar/Mass Registration**

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*The parish office is closed on Monday July 27<sup>th</sup> to Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> inclusive. Mail and telephone messages will be picked up regularly. Masses will be offered as scheduled.*

**Treasures of the Kingdom**  
July 26, 2020- Scott Hahn Reflects on the  
17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

**First Reading – 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**  
**Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130**  
**Second Reading – 8:28-30**  
**Gospel – Matthew 13:14-52**

What is your new life in Christ worth to you? Do you love His words more than gold and silver, as we sing in today's Psalm? Would you, like the characters in the gospel today, sell all that you have in order to possess the kingdom He promises to us? If God were to grant any wish, would you follow Solomon's example in today's First Reading – asking not for a long life or riches, but for wisdom to know God's ways and to desire His will?

The background for today's Gospel, as it has been for the past several weeks, is the rejection of Jesus' preaching by Israel. The kingdom of heaven has come into their midst, yet many cannot see that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promises, a gift of divine compassion given that they – and we – might live.

We too must ever discover the kingdom anew, to find it as a treasure – a pearl of great price. By comparison with the kingdom, we must count all else as rubbish (see Philippians 3:8). And we must be willing to give up all that we have – all our priorities and plans – in order to gain it.

Jesus' Gospel discloses what Paul, in today's Epistle, calls the purpose of God's plan (see Ephesians 1:4). That purpose is that Jesus would be the firstborn of many brothers. His words give understanding to the simple, the childlike. As Solomon does today, we must humble ourselves before God, giving ourselves to His service. Let our prayer be for an understanding heart, one that desire only to do His will.

We are called to love God, to delight in His Law, and to forsake every false way. And we are to conform ourselves daily ever more closely to the image of His Son.

If we do this, we can approach His altar as a pleasing sacrifice, confident that all things work for the good that we whom He has justified will also one day be glorified.

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**Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:**

1. Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup); click the 3<sup>rd</sup> button: I belong to a parish organization.
2. Select your parish: Enter Postal Code T6E 2A6 and select St. Anthony from the dropdown menu.
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.



Pope Francis Corner  
And the Joy of  
Family Life Daily  
Reflections

**Salvation Is for Everyone**

The salvation which God has wrought and the Church joyfully proclaims is for everyone. God has found a way to unite himself to every human being in every age. He has chosen to call them together as a people and not as isolated individuals. No one is saved by himself or herself, individually, or by his or her own efforts. God attracts us by taking into account the complex interweaving of personal relationships entailed in the life of human community. This people which God has chosen and called is the church.

- *Evangelii Gaudium*

**Reflection:** Who in your life is helping you to draw closer to God? Whom can you help to draw closer to God? Whom is God asking you to reach out to? What's the first step you need to take?

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**DONATE BUTTON**

**Parish website: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://twinparishes.caedm.ca)**

**Here are three ways to give:**

**St. Agnes and St. Anthony would prefer if you use:**

[Pre-Authorized Giving Agreement Form](#)

Envelopes can be dropped off or mailed to the parish office at:

**St. Anthony,  
10661-82 Avenue NW Edmonton,  
AB T6E 2A6**

**My Offering**

Donate online:

Thank you for being a good steward of St. Agnes/St. Anthony Parish.

Every gift is truly appreciated.

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**NO Adoration at St. Anthony until further notice.**

**NO Meeting, and other activities in the church & meeting rooms until further notice.**

**For Funerals contact the parish office  
@ 780-432-0611**

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**Help for ailing marriages**

Retrouvaille is a lifeline for marriages, a weekend and post-weekend program for married couples with emphasis on communication between husband and wife. The next program in the Edmonton area begins **August 14-16**. For more information, email [info@helpourmarriage.ca](mailto:info@helpourmarriage.ca) or call 587-598-4357.