

The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
August 21, 2022



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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.

St. Agnes & St. Anthony Parish Staff:

Pastor	Rev. Varghese Munduvelil CFIC
Deacon	Guy Germain
Deacon	Michael Pucylo
Deacon	Ramon Morales
Business Manager	Don Wong
Administrative Assistant	Florentina Suce
Custodian	Bruce Huynh

Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Full Year Budget</u>
Aug 13 & 14			
Sunday, Holy Day	\$ 2,833	\$206,463	\$332,000
Building Maint. Fund	\$ 240	\$20,980	\$30,000
Together We Serve	\$ 55	\$18,602	\$30,000

“My name will be honored...from morning till night. All around the world people will offer...pure offerings in honor of my name. For my name shall be great among the nations,” says the Lord Almighty.” Malachi 1:12-13

May God bless you in your response to His love.

Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, August 23 Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 24 Mass @ St. Anthony	6:15 pm
Thursday, August 25 Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Friday, August 26 Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Saturday, August 27 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
Sunday, August 28 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am 10:30 am 12 Noon

To all the parishioners who are interested in having their church donations by automatic withdrawal from their banks please email or call the parish office @ 780-432-0611 to register.

DONATE BUTTON

Parish website: 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Contact the parish office to register for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, Confirmation and anyone who want to become Catholic through RCIA.
- There will be no weekday masses on Tuesday, Sept. 6 to Friday, Sept. 9, 2022 due to the Priests' Retreat.

CHURCH DONATION E-TRANSFER

You can **E-Transfer** your church donation to StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca will be automatically deposited to the account of The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony at RBC Royal Bank. Thank you for your support and generosity.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST RECONCILIATION /COMMUNION

Please call the parish office 780-432-0611 for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday from 10:00 am 12:00 PM from October 2022 at St. Agnes church hall.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS

–If your children are between the ages of 11 to 14, please call the parish office for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday at 1:00-3:00 PM from October 2022 at St. Agnes church hall.

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. Session will start on October 2022 every Wednesday @ 7:00 PM.

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.

FUNERAL:

Family or designated person by the family should contact the Parish Office for funeral arrangements with the parish priest.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

We need to start to activate our hospitality after all the weekend masses. Volunteers who are interested to get back to your volunteer ministry especially hospitality, altar servers and usher for all the weekend masses. If you are able to volunteer please call the parish office @ 780-432-0611. Thank you for your dedicated service to the Twin parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony.

Importance of Registering with the Church Office

There are a number of parishioners who come to church regularly but are not officially registered. We need at least six months prior to requests for baptisms, marriages, other sacraments and services. It assists us in determining how to deal with the request. If you have Sunday Collection Envelopes you are registered. Please call the office at 780-432-0611 or complete the forms at the parish website twinparishes.caedm.ca

Gateway to Life: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C August 21, 2022

First Reading – Isaiah 66:18-21

Psalm 117: 1, 2

Second Reading – Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Jesus doesn't answer the question put to Him in this Sunday's Gospel. It profits us nothing to speculate on how many will be saved. What we need to know is what He tells us today—how to enter into salvation and how urgent it is to strive now, before the Master closes the door.

Jesus is “the narrow gate,” the only way of salvation, the path by which all must travel to enter the kingdom of the Father (see [John 14:6](#)).

In Jesus, God has come—as He promises in this week's First Reading—to gather nations of every language, to reveal to them His glory.

Eating and drinking with them, teaching in their streets, Jesus in the Gospel is slowly making His way to Jerusalem. There, Isaiah's vision will be fulfilled: On the holy mountain He will be lifted up (see [John 3:14](#)), and He will draw to Himself brethren from among all the nations to worship in the heavenly Jerusalem, to glorify Him for His kindness, as we sing in today's Psalm.

In God's plan, the kingdom was proclaimed first to the Israelites and last to the Gentiles (see [Romans 1:16](#); [Acts 3:25–26](#)), who in the Church have come from the earth's four corners to make up the new people of God (see [Isaiah 43:5–6](#); [Psalm 107:2–3](#)). Many, however, will lose their place at the heavenly table, Jesus warns. Refusing to accept His narrow way they will weaken, rendering themselves unknown to the Father (see [Isaiah 63:15–16](#)).

We don't want to be numbered among those of drooping hands and weak knees (see [Isaiah 35:3](#)). So, we must strive for that narrow gate, a way of hardship and suffering—the way of the beloved Son. As this week's Epistle reminds us, by our trials we know we are truly God's sons and daughters. We are being disciplined by our afflictions, strengthened to walk that straight and narrow path—that we may enter the gate and take our place at the banquet of the righteous.