

**The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of  
St. Agnes & St. Anthony**  
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR B – August 25, 2024



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**Office Hours: Monday – Friday**  
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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

**Twin Parishes Financial Pulse**

	Full Year		
Aug. 17 & 18	Actual	YTD	Budget
<b>Sunday, Holy Day</b>	\$ 5,530	\$240,920	\$432,000
<b>Building Maint. Fund</b>	\$180	\$45,319	\$65,000
<b>Together We Serve</b>	\$135	\$11,828	\$30,000

**CONFESSION SCHEDULES**

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony 5:00 - 5:45 PM  
Every Saturday @ St. Agnes 4:00 – 4:50 PM  
First Friday @ St. Agnes 6:00 – 6:50 PM  
No confession on Saturday evening @ St. Anthony & Sunday due to the mass scheduled continuously.  
Call the parish @ 780-432-0611 for a confession appointment. Approach the priest before and after mass during weekdays.

**Twin Parishes Masses for the Week**

<b>Tuesday, August 27</b> Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, August 28</b> Adoration @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Anthony	5 - 6 pm 6: 15 pm
<b>Thursday, August 29</b> Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
<b>Friday, August 30</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am 6:00 pm
<b>Saturday, August 31</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Sunday, September 01</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am 10:30 am 12 Noon

**DONATION OPTIONS:**

St. Agnes and St. Anthony would prefer if you used the **Pre-Authorized Giving method** to have their church donations set up for automatic withdrawal from their banks. Please email or call the parish office @ 780-432-0611 or register, if you wish to adopt this method.

**Other Options are:**

**E-Transfer** You may E-Transfer your church donation to [StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca](mailto:StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca). Your donation will be automatically deposited to the account of The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony at RBC Royal Bank.

**Envelope,** place your envelope in the donation basket at Mass or mail your envelope to:

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

**Online Donation,** click on “My Offering” from the electronic version of the website, and follow online steps. Thank you for being a good steward of St. Agnes/St. Anthony Parish with your support and generosity. Every gifts is truly appreciated.

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**Parish Barbeque Picnic**  
**Sunday, September 22nd from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.**  
**Parkallen Community Hall**  
**6510 – 111 Street (Ellingson Park)**

All parishioners are invited to attend our Twin Parishes Barbeque Picnic! Hamburgers and Hotdogs are provided! Please bring lawn chairs, hats, sunscreen, picnic blankets, and a potluck side dish (dessert, fruit, salads, veggies, pickles, etc.) to share (please label your container). The park has a soccer field, basketball court, BMX pump track, and a shaded playground.

## **SACRAMENTS**

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Please call the parish office 780-432-0611 for more information and registration for 2024-2025.

### **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS**

–If your children are between the ages of 11 to 14, please call the parish office for more information and registration for 2024-2025.

### **RCIA (Adapted for Children age 7 -14)**

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – age 15 and above)** Call the parish office for more information and registration for 2024-2025.

### **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.

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### **Volunteers Needed**

**We are looking for a volunteer who can help each Saturday preparing the drinks and snacks that will be served after the 7:30 pm mass at St. Anthony. This involves a half hour of preparation before mass and 30 minutes to clean up after mass. Please contact the parish office @ 780-432-0611.**

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

1. Go to [formed.org/signup](https://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.

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*Everyone is invited to join the retirement celebration for Don Wong. The Business Manager of the Twin parishes on Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at St. Agnes. Mass at 6 pm followed by a fellowship at the parish hall.*

## **CWL CORNER**

“Learn more about the Catholic Women’s League at [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca) or [www.edmontoncwl.org](http://www.edmontoncwl.org)”



### **ST. AGNES CWL**

#### **Mark your calendar!**

Rhubarb and Cherry Pies are in the freezer! The next dates in which we will need many hands to help are:

Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> to prepare and bake apple pies.

Saturday & Sunday, September 21/22 to sell the pies after each weekend mass.



*We are collecting donations of reusable 9 inch glass pie plates to make future pie sales environmentally friendly.*  
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### **A Choice to Make: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 21st Sunday in Ordinary time**

This Sunday’s Mass readings conclude a four-week meditation on the Eucharist.

The Twelve Apostles in today’s Gospel are asked to make a choice—either to believe and accept the New Covenant He offers in His Body and Blood or return to their former ways of life.

Their choice is prefigured by the decision Joshua asks the Twelve Tribes to make in today’s First Reading.

Joshua gathers them at Shechem—where God first appeared to their father Abraham promising to make his descendants a great nation in a new land (see [Genesis 12:1–9](#)). And he issues a blunt challenge: either renew their covenant with God or serve the alien gods of the surrounding nations.

We too are being asked today to decide whom we will serve. For four weeks we have been presented in the liturgy with the mystery of the Eucharist—a daily miracle far greater than those performed by God in bringing the Israelites out of the land of Egypt.

He has promised us a new homeland and eternal life, offering us bread from heaven to strengthen us on our journey. He has told us that unless we eat His Flesh and drink His Blood we will have no life in us.

It is a hard saying, as many murmur in today’s Gospel. Yet He has given us the words of eternal life.

We must believe, as Peter says today, that He is the Holy One of God, who handed Himself over for us, who gave His flesh for the life of the world.

As we hear in today’s Epistle, Jesus did this that we might be sanctified, made holy, through the water and word of Baptism by which we enter into His new covenant. Through the Eucharist, He nourishes and cherishes us, making us His own flesh and blood, as husband and wife become one flesh.

Let us renew our covenant today, approaching the altar with confidence that, as we sing in today’s Psalm, the Lord will redeem the lives of His servants.