

**The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Agnes & St. Anthony
22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 30, 2020**



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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.

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 aged 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.

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

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

Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

| | | Full Year | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| August 22 & 23 | Actual | YTD | Budget |
| Sunday, Holy Day | \$ 2,564 | \$218,314 | \$460,000 |
| Building Maint. Fund | \$ 1,175 | \$ 15,585 | \$ 30,000 |
| Together We Serve | \$ 205 | \$ 16,656 | \$ 51,600 |

“Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.” 2Cor 9:11 God bless you in your response to His love.

Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

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| Tuesday, September 01 Mass @ St. Anthony | 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, September 02 Mass @ St. Anthony | 6:15 pm |
| Thursday, September 03 Mass @ St. Agnes | 9:00 am |
| Friday, September 04 Mass @ St. Agnes | 9:00 am |
| Saturday, September 05 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony | 5:00 pm 7:30 pm |
| Sunday, September 06 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Agnes | 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 Noon |

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

Attendees for weekend masses are by registration online at the parish website twinparishes.caedm.ca including all volunteers. Only at this time of the Covid-19 pandemic. Parishioners that have no access to the website call the parish office to register during office hours Monday to Friday 9 am-12 noon / 1 pm-4pm.

Click under Mass Registration

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

'Oh, the Depths!'

August 30, 2020- Scott Hahn Reflects on the
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading – Jeremiah 20:7-9

Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9

Second Reading – Romans 12:1-2

Gospel – Matthew 16:21-27

Today's First Reading catches the prophet Jeremiah in a moment of weakness. His intimate lamentation contains some of the strongest language of doubt found in the Bible. Following God's call, he feels abandoned. Preaching His Word has brought him only derision and reproach.

But God does not deceive – and Jeremiah knows this. God tests the just (see Jeremiah 20:11-12), and disciplines His children through their sufferings and trials (see Hebrews 12:5-7).

What Jeremiah learns, Jesus states explicitly in today's Gospel. To follow Him is to take up a cross, to deny yourself – your priorities, preferences, and comforts. It is to be willing to give it all up, even life itself, for the sake of His gospel. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we have to join ourselves to the passion of Christ, to offer our bodies – our whole beings – as living sacrifices to God.

By His Cross, Jesus has shown us what Israel's sacrifices of animals were meant to teach: we owe to God all that we have.

God's kindness is a greater good than life itself, as we sing in today's Psalm. The only thanks we can offer is our spiritual worship – to give our lives to the service of His will (see Hebrews 10:3-11; Psalm 50:14, 23).

Peter doesn't yet get this in today's Gospel. As it was for Jeremiah, the cross is a stumbling block for Peter (see 1 Corinthians 1:23). This too is our natural temptation – to refuse to believe that our sufferings play a necessary part in God's plan.

That's how people think, Jesus tells us today. But we are called to the renewal of our minds – to think as God thinks, to will what He wills.

In the Mass, we once again offer ourselves as perfect and pleasing sacrifices of praise (see Hebrews 13:15). We bless Him as we live, confident that we will find our lives in losing them, that with the riches of His banquet, our souls will be satisfied.

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

1. Go to formed.org/signup; click the 3rd 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**

With Simplicity and Courage

Do not be afraid to live out faith! Be witnesses of Christ in your daily environment, with simplicity and courage. Above all, may you be able to show those you meet, your peers, the Face of mercy and the love of God who always forgives, encourages, and imbues hope.

- Message, June 21, 2013

Reflection: Ask God to lead you to situations today in which you can live out his mercy – by making room for someone in a conversation, for example, or generously forgiving a slight, or refusing to gossip.

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,
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My Offering

Donate online:

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

Every gift is truly appreciated.

Livestreamed Sunday Mass

We invite the faithful to join celebrations of the Mass 'virtually,' through video livestreaming from their own parish or from St. Joseph's Basilica with Archbishop Smith.

Sunday Mass at the Basilica is livestreamed at 10:30 a.m.

each week. Find it on the [Archdiocese of Edmonton](#)

[Youtube Channel](#)

or on Facebook at facebook.com/archedmonton

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at twitter.com/archedmonton

or on Telus Optik TV Channel 876

NOTE: If you attend the livestreamed Mass, your image may be included in the online video.

“To parents: It is very important that children learn from their fathers and mothers how to love one another – not in the school, not from the teacher, but from you. It is very important that you share with your children the joy of that smile. There will be misunderstandings; every family has its cross, its suffering. Always be the first to forgive with a smile. Be cheerful, be happy.” Blessed Mother Teresa