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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Year A February 26, 2023



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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 Manage	r Don Wong		
Administrative A	ssistant Florentina Su	lce	
Custodian	Bruce Huynh	1	
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Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

			Full Year
Feb 18 & 19	Actual	YTD	Budget
Sunday, Holy Day \$	5,615	\$51,123	\$370,000
Building Maint. Fund	\$ 150	\$ 1,795	\$30,000
Together We Serve	\$ 140	\$ 2,255	\$30,000

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship." Romans 12:11

God bless you in your response to His love.

ANNOUNCEMENT

If you need a 2023 parish donation envelope please email or contact the parish office to order.



Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, February 28			
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm		
Wednesday, March 01			
Adoration @ St. Anthony	5 -6 pm		
Mass @ St. Anthony	6:15 [°] pm		
Thursday, March 02			
Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am		
First Friday, March 03			
Station of the Cross @ St. Agnes	6:00 pm		
Mass @ St. Agnes	7:00 pm		
Saturday, March 04			
Mass @ St. Agnes	5:00 pm		
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:30 pm		
Sunday, March 05			
Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am		
Mass @ St. Anthony	10:30 am		
Mass @ St. Agnes	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 prefe

St. Agnes and St. Anthony would prefer if you use: <u>Pre-Authorized Giving Agreement Form</u>

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

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

Donate online:

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CHURCH DONATION E-TRANSFER

You can **E-Transfer** your church donation to <u>StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca</u> 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.

RCIA INFORMATION

The RCIA Team wishes to invite all parishioners of St. Agnes & St. Anthony to join our catechumens in learning more about Catholic Faith. Our RCIA meetings are held on Wednesday at 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Padua Room @ St. Anthony.

At our next RCIA session on March 01, 2023 we will be discussing a Catholic Moral Vision and the importance of virtue and grace in the lives of Catholics.

STATION OF THE CROSS SCHEDULES

Date	Time	Venue
Friday, March 3 followed	6:00 PM	St. Agnes
by the First Friday Mass	7:00 PM	
Friday, March 10	7:00 PM	St. Anthony
Friday, March 17	7:00 PM	St. Agnes
Friday, March 24	7:00 PM	St. Anthony
Friday, March 31	7:00 PM	St. Agnes

Reflection: First Sunday of Lent

Lent is primarily the time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus adopted during his forty days of preparation in the desert for his public life.

Today's Gospel teaches us how the "desert experience" of fasting, praying, and soulstrengthening enabled Jesus to confront his temptations successfully and then to preach the Good News of salvation. The tempter urges Jesus to turn stones into loaves of bread. But Jesus rejects that temptation to mistrust His Father by satisfying his own immediate, temporal needs — thus reducing His Divine mission to self-satisfaction! The tempter then suggests that Jesus prove that he is really the Son of God by jumping off the parapet of the Temple. Jesus rejects this as a temptation to act as God's superior and demand He prove His Trustworthiness! Finally, Jesus rejects the temptation to idolatry, even if worshipping Satan would enrich and empower Jesus with all kingdoms of the world.

Every one of us is tempted to seek sinful pleasures, easy wealth, and a position of authority, power, and glory, and to use any means, even unjust or sinful ones, to gain these things. Jesus serves as a model for us in conquering temptations by strengthening himself through prayer, penance, and the effective use of the Word of God. Hence, during this Lent, let us confront our evil tendencies with prayer (especially by participating in the Holy Mass), with penance, and with meditative reading of the Bible.



"Learn more about the Catholic Women's League at <u>www.cwl.ca</u> or <u>www.edmontoncwl.org</u>"



ST. AGNES CWL

World Day of Prayer 2023 Friday, March 3, 2023 at 1:30 pm at Dayspring Presbyterian Church -11445 - 40 Avenue NW. The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada <u>www.wicc.org</u> or <u>www.facebook.com/WICCanada</u>. It is a prayer movement that brings hope to women touched by injustice. The service was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Taiwan.

For more information contact Jean at 780-435-1861 or <u>ashdownj@telus.net</u>.

All women of the parish are invited.

ST. ANTHONY CWL

St. Anthony's CWL will have a membership drive on the weekend of February 25 and 26. All ladies of the parish are welcome to join.

Twin Parishes Lent Penitential

Thursday, March 30, 2023 @ 6:30 PM St. Agnes

Outdoor Way of the Cross - Good Friday

April 7, 2023 @ 8:30 AM from St. Anthony to St. Agnes

ELEMENTS OF THE ORDER OF THE MASS

The Twin Parish of St. Agnes & St. Anthony would like to invite all parishioners to a wonderful opportunity to learn about the Elements of the Order of the Mass.

This workshop will be presented by Deacon Michael -in four sessions- during the month of March 2023.

Dates: March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th (Mondays) Time: 7:00 PM Location: St. Agnes Parish Hall

To register please email your name and phone number to pastoralmin975@aol.com