

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
YEAR B – MARCH 17, 2024



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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>
March 09 & 10			
<b>Sunday, Holy Day</b>	\$ 4,085	\$75,182	\$432,000
<b>Building Maint. Fund</b>	\$1,760	\$289,180	\$303,000
<b>Together We Serve</b>	\$30	\$2,750	\$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, March 19</b> Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, March 20</b> Adoration @ St. Anthony Mass @. St. Anthony	5 – 6 pm 6:15 pm
<b>Thursday, March 21</b> Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
<b>Friday, March 22</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Station of the Cross @ St. Anthony followed by a Mass	9:00 am 6:00 pm
<b>Saturday, March 23</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Palm Sunday, March 24</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 [St.Anthony.Edm.etransfer@caedm.ca](mailto:St.Anthony.Edm.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,  
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**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.

## STATION OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will start at 6:00 PM followed by a Mass

DATE	TIME	VENUE	LEADER
March 22	6:00 PM	St. Anthony	St. Michael

## **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)** All Parishioners are welcome to join the RCIA candidates to learn about the Catholic Faith. Our next session is Monday, March 18, 2024 St. Agnes hall. The topic is “Protecting Human Dignity”.

### **OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS**

**Date:** Good Friday, March 29, 2024

**Time:** 8:30 AM

**Venue:** Providence Renewal Centre  
3005-119 Street, NW

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULES**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

March 23, 2024 – 5:00 PM Mass St. Agnes  
7:30 PM Mass St. Anthony  
March 24, 2024 – 9:00 AM Mass St. Agnes  
10:30 AM Mass St. Anthony  
12:00 Noon Mass St. Agnes

### **CHRISM MASS**

Monday, March 25, 2024 – 7:00 PM  
St. Joseph’s Basilica 10044-113 St. NW

### **HOLY THURSDAY**

March 28, 2024 – 7:00 PM Mass St. Anthony

### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

March 29, 2024 – 12 Noon St. Agnes  
3:00 PM St. Anthony

### **BLESSING OF THE FOOD BASKET**

Saturday, March 30, 2024 – 11 AM St. Agnes

### **EASTER VIGIL MASS**

Saturday, March 30, 2024 – 9:00 PM St. Agnes

### **EASTER SUNDAY MASSES**

Sunday, March 31, 2024 – 9:00 AM St. Agnes  
10:30 AM St. Anthony  
12 Noon St. Agnes

**Bulletin insert cut-off is every Wednesday at 12 Noon.**



### **Divine Mercy: our joy, our hope, our mission**

Join us for Adoration Prayers and Songs in celebration of God’s Merciful Love on Divine mercy Sunday, April 7, 2-4 pm at St Agnes church

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### **The “Hour” Comes: Scott Hahn reflects on the Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Our readings today are filled with anticipation. The days are coming, Jeremiah prophesies in today’s First Reading. The hour has come, Jesus says in the Gospel. The new covenant that God promised to Jeremiah is made in the “hour” of Jesus—in His Death, Resurrection, and Ascension to the Father’s right hand.

The prophets said this new covenant would return Israel’s exiled tribes from the ends of the world (see [Jeremiah 31:1, 3–4, 7–8](#)). Jesus too predicted His passion would gather the dispersed children of God (see [John 11:52](#)). But today He promises to draw to Himself not only Israelites, but all men and women. The new covenant is more than a political or national restoration. As we sing in today’s Psalm, it is a universal spiritual restoration. In the “hour” of Jesus, sinners in every nation can return to the Father—to be washed of their guilt and given new hearts to love and serve Him.

In predicting He will be “lifted up,” Jesus isn’t describing only His coming Crucifixion (see [John 3:14–15](#)). Isaiah used the same word to tell how the Messiah, after suffering for Israel’s sins, would be raised high and greatly exalted (see [Isaiah 52:3](#)). Elsewhere the term describes how kings are elevated above their subjects (see [1 Maccabees 8:13](#)).

Troubled in His agony, Jesus doesn’t pray to be saved. Instead, as we hear in today’s Epistle, He offers himself to the Father on the Cross—as a living prayer and supplication. For this, God gives Him dominion over heaven and earth (see [Acts 2:33](#); [Philippians 2:9](#)).

Where He has gone we can follow—if we let Him lead us. To follow Jesus means hating our lives of sin and selfishness. It means trusting in the Father’s will, the law He has written in our hearts. Jesus’ “hour” continues in the Eucharist, where we join our sacrifices to His, giving God our lives in reverence and obedience—confident He will raise us up to bear fruits of holiness.