

**The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Agnes & St. Anthony
32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 08, 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

For class schedule please see the parish website.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS

Please see the parish website for the class schedule

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – age 15 and above). Session is online every Wednesday, from 7:00 PM – 9:00 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. St. Agnes & St. Anthony parishes offer a Marriage Preparation Course please contact the parish office.

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

NO Adoration at St. Anthony until further notice.

NO Meeting, and other activities in the church & meeting rooms until further notice.

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

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		
Oct. 31 & Nov. 01	Actual	YTD	Budget	
<u>Sunday, Holy Day</u>	\$ 14,205	\$285,352	\$460,000	
<u>Building Maint. Fund</u>	\$ 1,755	\$ 23,125	\$ 30,000	
<u>Together We Serve</u>	\$ 1,195	\$ 24,291	\$ 51,600	

"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God." 2 Corinthians 9:13

God bless you in your response to His love.

Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, November 10 Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
Wednesday, November 11 Mass @ St. Anthony Parish office is closed	6:15 pm
Thursday, November 12 Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Friday, November 13 Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Saturday, November 14 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
Sunday, November 15 Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 Noon

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. There is a cut-off of online registration at the website every Saturday at 12 Noon. Click under Mass Registration

**Parish office is closed on Wednesday,
November 11 for Remembrance Day**

Members of the Wedding

November 08, 2020- Scott Hahn Reflects on the
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading – Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm 63:2-8

Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

Gospel – Matthew 25:1-13

According to marriage customs of Jesus' day, a bride was first "betrothed" to her husband but continued for a time to live with her family. Then, at the appointed hour, some months later, the groom would come to claim her, leading her family and bridal party to the wedding feast that would celebrate and inaugurate their new life together.

This is the background to the parable of the last judgement we hear in today's Gospel.

In the parable's symbolism, Jesus is the Bridegroom (see Mark 2:19). In this, He fulfills God's ancient promise to join himself forever to His chosen people as a husband cleaves to his bride (see Hosea 2:16-20). The virgins of the bridal party represent us, the members of the Church.

We were "betrothed" to Jesus in Baptism (see 2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 5:25-27) and are called to lives of holiness and devotion until He comes again to lead us to the heavenly wedding feast at the end of time (see Revelation 19:7-9; 21:1-4). As St. Paul warns in today's Epistle, Jesus is coming again, though we know not the day nor the hour.

We need to keep vigil throughout the dark night of this time in which our Bridegroom seems long delayed. We need to keep our souls' lamps filled with the oil of perseverance and desire for God- virtues that are extolled in today's First Reading and Psalm.

We are to seek Him in love, meditating upon His kindness, calling upon His name, striving to be ever more worthy of Him, to be found without spot or blemish when He comes.

If we do this, we will be counted as wise and the oil for our lamps will not run dry (see 1Kings 17:16). We will perceive the Bridegroom, the Wisdom of God (see Proverbs 8:22-31, 35; 9:1-5), hastening toward us, beckoning us to the table He has prepared, the rich banquet which will satisfy our souls.

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

A HOME FOR MANY PEOPLES

(The) interplay of justice and tenderness, of contemplation and concern for others, is what makes the ecclesial community look to Mary as a model of evangelization. We implore her maternal intercession that the Church may become a home for many peoples, a mother for all peoples, and that the way may be opened to the birth of a new world. It is the Risen Christ who tells us, with a power that fills us with confidence and unshakeable hope: "Behold, I make all things new" (Rv21:5)

- *Evangelii Gaudium*

Reflection: *What is the role of Mary in your home and in your evangelization of others? Do you look to her as a model of justice and tenderness? Do you ask for her intercession as you interact with your family and others?*

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.

Grace with lines inspired by the Readings for November 08, 2020 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leader: *Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You are the reward that awaits the wise. (Matthew 25:1-12)*

All: *Lord, give us wisdom.*

Or

Leader: *Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You call us to be ready for the moment of your arrival. (Matthew 25:13)*

All: *May our hearts be prepared to encounter our Saviour.*



Knights of Columbus Corner
Holy Trinity Council No. 12353

Holy Trinity Council is pleased to acknowledge the October beatifications of Knights of Columbus founder Michael J McGivney (October 31st), and graphics designer Carlo Acutis (October 10th). The Eucharistic Miracles posters displayed at both parishes are from the official Vatican exhibit created by Blessed Carlo Acutis.



The Catholic Bishops of Alberta and the Northwest Territories
 Les évêques catholiques de l'Alberta et des Territoires du Nord-Ouest

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October 29, 2020

Dear Faithful in Christ,

We bring to your attention two important legislative matters currently before the House of Commons. Since they each represent a direct and worrisome challenge to human dignity and freedom, it is necessary that we be aware of them and make our views known to the federal government.

The first is proposed legislation, Bill C-7, that seeks to expand access to assisted suicide and euthanasia in Canada. We know that these practices in themselves are inherently immoral. This particular Bill would remove the eligibility requirement that a person's death be "reasonably foreseeable", and thus effectively extend provision of euthanasia and assisted suicide to those who are not dying. This would place vulnerable citizens, such as persons with disabilities and mental illness, at serious risk. In the case of people who are dying, it aims to remove key safeguards set down in 2016, such as a 10-day reflection period and the ability to consent at the time of the provision of assisted suicide and voluntary euthanasia to hasten one's death. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is among the signatories to an inter-religious statement expressing opposition to Bill C- 7. The Bishops have, in addition, issued their own statement detailing their concerns with this legislation.

Our ask of you is to contact your Member of Parliament to:

- insist that Bill C-7 be paused to allow comprehensive consultation with Canadians on this grave matter that affects the inherent dignity of every person in our society;
- urge that Parliament acknowledge every person's right to life is inherent and inalienable, not to be taken away by others;

advocate for universal access to excellent palliative care as the humanely appropriate response to suffering at the end of life;

promote meaningful protection of conscience rights for healthcare workers and institutions who conscientiously object to assisted suicide and euthanasia. The second piece of legislation, Bill C-6, pertains to what is called "conversion therapy." The Bill aims to prevent coercive practices contrary to the dignity of the human person, a goal that we support. However, its language and definition are open to interpretations that could lead to unacceptable overreach in application, to the detriment of parental rights and religious beliefs and practices. The Bishops of Canada have issued a statement on Bill C-6.

Our ask of you is to contact your Member of Parliament and insist that Bill C-6 be revised to protect and uphold:

- the fundamental right of parents to make decisions regarding the welfare of their children, specifically their freedom to instruct them in accord with their religious and ethical beliefs;
- the right and freedom of every Canadian to voluntarily seek support to live in a manner consistent with their faith identity and beliefs, and in accord with their personal convictions;
- the right and freedom of the Church and other religious communities to counsel and support persons who choose to live their lives and sexuality in accord with moral teachings and the dictates of conscience;
- the right and freedom of the Church and other religious communities to share their religious and ethical beliefs regarding human sexuality.

Thank you for your attention and action on these matters of serious concern. May our Lord both inspire and bring to accomplishment our efforts to embrace and protect the suffering and vulnerable, and to honour and uphold our rights and freedoms.

Yours in Christ,
 Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT

- Most Reverend Richard W. Smith
 Archbishop of Edmonton
- Most Reverend William McGrattan
 Bishop of Calgary
- Most Reverend Paul Terrio
 Bishop of St. Paul
- Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR
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