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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – SEPTEMBER 10, 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.

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### 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

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#### **Twin Parishes Financial Pulse**

Full Year Budget

 Aug 26 to Sep 3
 Actual \$\frac{\text{YTD}}{\text{\$19,037}}\$
 Budget \$\frac{\text{\$277,842}}{\text{\$395,000}}\$

 Building Maint. Fund \$815
 \$13,993
 \$30,000

**Together We Serve** \$935 \$15,947 \$30,000

May God bless you in your response to His love.

# TWIN PARISHES OF ST. AGNES & ST. ANTHONY VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH

To all the twin parishes volunteers please save the date to your calendar <u>Sunday</u>, <u>01 October 2023 at 1:00 PM St.</u> <u>Agnes Merhant Hall</u> for the Volunteer appreciation lunch Please register your attendance to the parish office. Deadline to register is September 22.



"Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel... (Ezekiel 33:7)

# Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, September 12	
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
Wednesday, September 13	1
Adoration @ St. Anthony	5-6 pm
Mass @ St. Anthony	6:15 pm
Thursday, September 14	
Mass @ Št. Agnes	9:00 am
Friday, September 15	
Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Saturday, September 16	
Mass @ St. Agnes	5:00 pm
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:30 pm
Sunday, September 17	
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 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,

**AB T6E 2A6** 

### **Donate online:**

# My Offering

Thank you for being a good steward of St. Agnes/St. Anthony Parish. Every gift is truly appreciated.

#### **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.

# **SACRAMENTS**

# FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please call the parish office 780-432-0611 for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday from 10:00 am 12:000 PM at St. Agnes church hall.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS —If your children are between the ages of 11 to 14, please call the parish office for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday at 1:00-3:00 PM at St. Agnes church hall.

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. Session is every Monday @ 7:00 PM St. Agnes church.

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.

**<u>FUNERAL</u>**: Family or designated person by the family should contact the Parish Office for funeral arrangements with the parish priest.

Twin Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony 50/50 Fundraising of selling Raffle Tickets is now in full swing at both churches after all the weekend masses. Everyone can make a big difference by taking home a booklet and sell them to your relatives, friends and acquaintances. Please see Cathy Ehm @ St. Agnes or Lito Reyes @ St Anthony to get your booklets. Plenty of time to sell them, the draw date is on December 15th @ St. Agnes 1:00 PM. Cost \$10/3 tickets \$5/1 ticket. Thank you very much for your full participation. God bless!

#### To Win Them Back - Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Ezekiel is appointed watchman over the house of Israel in today's first Reading, so Jesus in the Gospel today establishes His disciples as guardians of the new Israel of God, the Church (see <u>Galatians 6:16</u>).

He also puts in place procedures for dealing with sin and breaches of the faith, building on rules of discipline prescribed by Moses for Israel (see <u>Leviticus 19:17—20</u>; <u>Deuteronomy 19:13</u>). The heads of the new Israel,

however, receive extraordinary powers—similar to those given to Peter (see <u>Matthew 16:19</u>). They have the power to bind and loose, to forgive sins and to reconcile sinners in His name (see John 20:21–23).

But the powers He gives the Apostles and their successors depend on their communion with Him. As Ezekiel is only to teach what he hears God saying, so the disciples are to gather in His name and to pray and seek the will of our heavenly Father.

But today's readings are more than a lesson in Church order. They also suggest how we're to deal with those who trespass against us, a theme that we'll hear in next week's readings as well.

Notice that both the Gospel and the First Reading presume that believers have a duty to correct sinners in our midst. Ezekiel is even told that he will be held accountable for their souls if he fails to speak out and try to correct them.

This is the love that Paul in today's Epistle says we owe to our neighbors. To love our neighbors as ourselves is to be vitally concerned for their salvation. We must make every effort, as Jesus says, to win our brothers and sisters back, to turn them from the false paths.

We should never correct out of anger or a desire to punish. Instead, our message must be that of today's Psalm—urging the sinner to hear God's voice, not to harden their hearts, and to remember that He is the one who made us, the rock of our salvation.

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# **CWL CORNER**

"Learn more about the Catholic Women's League at <a href="https://www.cwl.ca">www.cwl.ca</a> or <a href="https://www.edmontoncwl.org">www.edmontoncwl.org</a>"



## ST. AGNES CWL

# **CWL Apple Pie Fundraiser**

The St. Agnes CWL will be selling homemade apple pies after each mass on September 23 and 24 (St. Agnes Church only).

Unbaked 9" pie - \$10.00 each
Baked 9" pie - \$13.00 each
Cash and e-transfer accepted.



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Proceeds of this fundraiser will be put towards preparing a meal for the Feed the Hungry campaign at Sacred Heart of the First People's Church.