

**The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of  
St. Agnes & St. Anthony  
26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 27, 2020**



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Parish website: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://twinparishes.caedm.ca)

**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

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**Twin Parishes Financial Pulse**

		<b>Full Year</b>	
<b>Sept. 05 &amp; 06</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>Sunday, Holy Day</b>	\$ 3,445	\$241,121	\$460,000
<b>Building Maint. Fund</b>	\$ 285	\$ 16,885	\$ 30,000
<b>Together We Serve</b>	\$ 405	\$ 18,086	\$ 51,600

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“We assume responsibility for bringing to the house of the Lord each year the first fruits of our crops... will bring to the storerooms of the house of our God offerings and tithes.”

Nehemiah 12:43-44

***God bless you in your response to His love.***

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**Twin Parishes Masses for the Week**

<b>Tuesday, September 29</b> <b>Mass @ St. Anthony</b>	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, September 30</b> <b>Mass @ St. Anthony</b>	6:15 pm
<b>Thursday, September 01</b> <b>Mass @ St. Agnes</b>	9:00 am
<b>Friday, October 02</b> <b>Mass @ St. Agnes</b>	7:00 pm
<b>Saturday, October 03</b> <b>Mass @ St. Agnes</b> <b>Mass @ St. Anthony</b>	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Sunday, October 04</b> <b>Mass @ St. Agnes</b> <b>Mass @ St. Anthony</b> <b>Mass @ St. Agnes</b>	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](http://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**

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

## **The Humble Path**

September 27, 2020- Scott Hahn Reflects on the  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

**First Reading – Ezekiel 18:25-28**

**Psalm 25:4-9**

**Second Reading – Philippians 2:1-11**

**Gospel – Matthew 21:28-32**

Echoing the complaint heard in last week's readings today's First Reading again presents protests that God isn't fair. Why does He punish with death one who begins in virtue but falls into iniquity, while granting life to the wicked one who turns from sin?

This is the question that Jesus takes up in the parable in today's Gospel.

The first son represents the most heinous sinners of Jesus' day-tax collectors and prostitutes – who by their sin at first refused to serve in the Lord's vineyard, the kingdom. At the preaching of John the Baptist, they repented and did what was right and just. The second son represents Israel's leaders – who said they would serve God in the vineyard, but refused to believe John when he told them they must produce good fruits as evidence of their repentance (see Matthew 3:8).

Once again, this week's readings invite us to ponder the unfathomable ways of God's justice and mercy. He teaches His ways only to the humble, as we sing in today's Psalm. And in the Epistle today, Paul presents Jesus as the model of that humility by which we come to know life's true path.

Paul sings a beautiful hymn to the Incarnation. Unlike Adam, the first man, who in his pride grasped at being God, the New Adam, Jesus, humbled himself to become a slave obedient even unto death on the cross (see Romans 5:14). In this He has shown sinners –n each one of us – the way back to the Father. We can only come to God to serve in His vineyard, the Church, by having that same attitude as Christ.

This is what Israel's leaders lacked. In their vainglory, they presumed their superiority – that they had no further need to hear God's Word or listen to God's servants.

But this is the way to death, as god tells Ezekiel today. We are always to be emptying ourselves, seeking forgiveness for our sins and frailties, confessing on bended knee that He is Lord, to the glory of the Father.

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### **Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:**

1. Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup); click the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

### **Being a Disciple**

Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others, and this can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey....In this preaching, which always respectful and gentle, the first step is personal dialogue, when the other person speaks and shares his or her joys, hopes and concerns for loved ones, or so many other heartfelt needs....If it seems prudent and if the circumstances are right, this fraternal and missionary encounter could end with a brief prayer related to the concerns which the person may have expressed. In this way they will have an experience of being listened to and understood; they will know that their particular situation has been placed before God, and that God's word really speaks to their lives.

*-Evangelii Gaudium*

**Reflection:** *When did you last ask someone in your family if you could pray with him or her? Doing so provides a great opportunity for you to listen to what your family members need and shows concern for what is going on in their lives.*

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### **DONATE BUTTON**

Parish website: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://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

**My Offering**

Donate online:

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

Every gift is truly appreciated.

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### **Thank You! COVID-19 Church**

#### **Mass Volunteers**

We could not relaunch the public mass without our Mass Volunteers during this time of the pandemic. With your assistance we are able to offer our public Mass in its current new format. Thank you for your humility and generous time to serve the Twin Parishes.

If you can spare a few hours of time each week, we could really use your assistance, as ushers, entry point, and cleaning volunteers as spare in case some of the volunteers will be away. For more information and to volunteer please contact the parish office at 780-432-0611 or [stanthony.edm@caedm.ca](mailto:stanthony.edm@caedm.ca).