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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A MARCH 26, 2023



St. Anthony 10661-82 Avenue Edmonton, AB T6E 2A6 Ph: 780- 432-0611 Fax: 1-825-514-9042 St. Agnes 10826-62 Avenue Edmonton, AB T6H 1N1 Ph: 780- 432-0611

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 12 Noon and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

E-Mail: <u>stanthony.edm@caedm.ca</u> Parish website: <u>twinparishes.caedm.ca</u>

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
Custodian Florentina Suce
Bruce Huynh

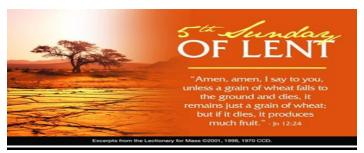
Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

Full Year March 18 & 19 Actual **YTD** Budget \$79,957 \$370,000 4.555 Sunday, Holy Day **Building Maint. Fund \$** 190 \$ 3,272 \$30,000 **Together We Serve** 130 \$2,118 \$30,000

God bless you in your response to His love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. If you need a 2023 parish donation envelope please email or contact the parish office to order.
- 2. All parishioners are invited to attend the Recollection Retreat Friday, March 31, 2023 at 7:30 PM St. Anthony Church by Fr. Paul Moret followed by a mass.



Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, March 28	
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 29	
Adoration @ St. Anthony	5 -6 pm
Mass @ St. Anthony	6:15 pm
Thursday, March 30	_
Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Lent Penitential Service / Confession	6:30 pm
Friday, March 31	_
Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am
Station of the Cross @ St. Agnes	7:00 pm
Recollection Retreat @ St. Anthony	7:30 pm
Saturday, April 01	_
Mass @ St. Agnes	5:00 pm
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:30 pm
Sunday, April 02	_
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:



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

For First Reconciliation/Communion, Confirmation, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, Marriage, Funeral and Anointing of the Sick. Please contact the parish office for more information.

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.

To lead a Catholic life can be a challenge. Our focus for the final weeks will be on how to have a properly formed Catholic Moral Vision.

At our next RCIA session on March 29, 2023, we will be discussing the Dignity of Human Person.

STATION OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Venue
Friday, March 31	7:00 PM	St. Agnes

Twin Parishes Lent Penitential

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

Outdoor Way of the Cross

Holy Thursday Mass - April 6, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

St. Agnes Church 10826-62 Avenue

Good Friday Service – April 7, 2023 @ 12 Noon

St. Agnes Church 10826-62 Avenue

Good Friday Service - April 7, 2023 @ 3 pm

St. Anthony Church 10661-82 Avenue

Blessing of Food Basket - April 8, 2023 @ 11 am

St. Agnes Church 1086-62 Avenue

Easter Vigil Mass – April 8, 2023 @ 9 pm

St. Anthony Church 10661-82 Avenue

ELEMENTS OF THE ORDER OF THE MASS

The Twin Parish of St. Agnes & St. Anthony invites all parishioners to come and attend the last session this Monday, March 27th. Presented by Deacon Michael Pucylo.

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: St. Agnes Parish Hall

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

Resurrection Hope is the central theme of the Scripture readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Jesus challenges us to live in loving relationship with him every day, so that he may raise us up at our death to inherit eternal life with him.

Scripture lessons summarized: Reporting his vision in the first reading, Ezekiel bears witness to the reanimation of the dead Israel in preparation for the return of the exiles to the Promised Land. He assures them that God's life-giving Breath will restore them, His people, will give them new life, and will resettle them in their land. St. Paul, in the second reading, assures the early Roman Christians who were facing death by persecution, and surrounded by a culture of death, that the same Spirit Who raised Jesus from the dead and Who dwells within us, will raise our mortal bodies to life on the Last Day. Paul considers the Resurrection of Jesus the basis for our Hope of sharing in Jesus' Resurrection. For John, in today's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus, the sixth sign that he is the Deliverer, is a symbolic narrative of his Final Victory over death at the cost of his human life, and a sign anticipating his Resurrection. Describing this great miracle, the Church assures us that we, too, will be raised into eternal life after our battle with sin and death in this world. Thus, Resurrection Hope is the theme of the Scripture readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent. The readings assure us that our Faith in Jesus, who is "the Resurrection and the Life," promises our participation in his Resurrection and new life.

"Roll away the stone, unbind him and let him go." We often bind ourselves with chains of addiction to alcohol, drugs, sexual deviations, slander, gossip, envy, prejudice, hatred, and uncontrollable anger, and bury ourselves in the tombs of despair. Sometimes we are in the tomb of selfishness, filled with negative feelings, like worry, fear, resentment, hatred, and guilt. If we want Jesus to visit our dark dungeons of sin, despair, and unhappiness, we need to ask him during this Holy Mass to bring the light and the power of the Holy Spirit into our private lives and liberate us from our tombs. This is Good News for all of us: "Lazarus, come out!" This can be the beginning of a new life.