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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C September 04, 2022



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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:

PastorRev. Varghese Munduvelil CFICDeaconGuy Germain

Deacon Michael Pucylo
Deacon Ramon Morales

Business Manager Don Wong
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Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

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				Full Year
Aug 27 & 28	A	ctual	YTD	Budget
Sunday, Holy Day	\$	4,642	\$214,495	\$332,000
Building Maint. Fund	\$	105	\$21,310	\$30,000
Together We Serve	\$	185	\$18 917	\$30,000

"Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness."

2Corinthians 9:11

May God bless you in your response to His love.

Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

Tuesday, September 06 Priests' NO Mass @ St. Anthony	Retreat
Wednesday, September 07 NO Adoration & Mass/ St. Anthony	
Thursday, September 08 NO Mass @ St. Agnes	
Friday, September 09 NO Mass @ St. Agnes	
Saturday, September 10	
Mass @ St. Agnes	5:00 pm
Mass @ St. Anthony	7:30 pm
Sunday, September 11	
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

My Offering

Donate online:

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Contact the parish office to register for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, Confirmation and anyone who want to become Catholic through RCIA.
- 2. There will be no weekday masses for the Twin Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony on Tuesday, Sept. 6 to Friday, Sept. 9, 2022 due to the Priests' Retreat.
- 3. Parish office is closed on Monday, September 5th for Labour Day.
- 4. Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast will be on Sunday, September 11th after the 9 AM Mass. Cost \$6 each & \$20 for family of four.

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 / 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 from October 2022 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 from October 2022 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 will start on October 2022 every Wednesday @ 7:00 PM.

<u>MARRIAGE:</u> 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.

CALLED TO PROTECT TRAINING

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Friday September 16, 2022 starting at 1 pm. The two and half hour session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. The virtual session will be by zoom. Please register using the link below:

Registration:

https://forms.gle/WNtT1M21vUpnHKdg9

Importance of Registering with the Church Office

There are a number of parishioners who come to church regularly but are not officially registered. We need at least six months prior to requests for baptisms, marriages, other sacraments and services. It assists us in determining how to deal with the request. If you have Sunday Collection Envelopes you are registered. Please call the office at 780-432-0611 or complete the forms at the parish website twinparishes.caedm.ca

Counting the Cost: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C September 04, 2022

First Reading – Wisdom 9:13-18 Psalm 90:3-6, 12-17 Second Reading – Philemon 1:9-10, 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Like a king making ready for battle or a contractor about to build a tower, we have to count the cost as we set out to follow Jesus.

Our Lord today is telling us up front the sacrifice it will take. His words aren't addressed to His chosen few, the Twelve, but rather to the "great crowds"—to anyone, to whoever wishes to be His disciple.

That only makes His call all the more stark and uncompromising. We are to "hate" our old lives, to renounce all the earthly things we rely upon, to choose Him above every person and possession. Again He tells us that the things we have—even our family ties and obligations—can become an excuse, an obstacle that keeps us from giving ourselves completely to Him (see <u>Luke 9:23–26</u>, <u>57–62</u>).

Jesus brings us the saving wisdom we are promised in today's First Reading. He is that saving Wisdom. Weighed down by many earthly concerns, the burdens of our body and its needs, we could never see beyond the things of this world; we could never detect God's heavenly design and intention. So in His mercy He sent us His Spirit, His Wisdom from on high, to make straight our path to Him.

Jesus Himself paid the price to free us from the sentence imposed on Adam, which we recall in today's Psalm (see <u>Genesis 2:7; 2:19</u>). No more will the work of our hands be an affliction; no more are we destined to turn back to dust.

Like Onesimus in today's Epistle, we have been redeemed. We have been given a new family and a new inheritance, made children of the Father, brothers and sisters in the Lord.

We are free now to come after Him, to serve Him—no longer slaves to the ties of our past lives. In Christ, all our yesterdays have passed. We live in what the Psalm today beautifully describes as the daybreak, ready to be filled with His kindness. For He has given us wisdom of heart and taught us to number our days aright.