# St. Agnes Catholic church



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#### Reflections from Fathers Desk... x 2

"LORD, IT IS WONDERFUL FOR US TO BE HERE." (Mt.17:4):

We are familiar with the possibility of seeing movies in trailer form before we see the actual movie itself. The trailer is a sneak preview to whet the appetite, so to say. Today as we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord, we get a preview of what heaven will be like. The voice from heaven in the Gospel brings the readings to a climax: in Jesus we are a beloved daughter or son to God and God is pleased with us. It is the same message as in our 2nd Reading from Peter and that is repeated from Jesus' baptism, but there is the added reminder to listen to him. The bright light and shining garments point back to our 1st Reading and the description of the One sitting on the throne in the vision of Daniel. Jesus in dialogue with Moses and Elijah places him squarely in the line of the Law and the Prophets. There is a link with the Passion too in that the three disciples whom Jesus took to the mountain are the same whom he called with him into Gethsemane. When we get our little passing glimpses of glory we are transformed, as were the disciples and like them, we 'lift up our eyes and see no one but Jesus only.

Don't Judge People. What is it that leads you to judge other's habits as worse than your own.

## **Sacraments**

#### Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am Tues. & Wed. 6:30pm Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 9:00 am

#### Confession:

Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment

#### **Adoration**

Wednesday 7:00 pm First Friday 9:30 am

Rosary

20 min. before masses

"FEAR NOT, IT IS I." (Mt.14:27):

Our Gospel today is a direct repeat of one we read less than a week ago. But we find it in the setting of two very lovely readings from the First Book of Kings and Paul's Letter to the Romans. There is a little bit of Peter in each one of us. We ride a stormy sea. We are sore afraid. When we least expect it, Jesus draws near but we fail to recognize him. If only we could hear his reassuring words echoing across time: "Fear not, it is I". Were we to banish fear, another bit of Peter would emerge and we would echo his cry: "Lord, if it is you, tell me to come you on the water." Will we dare when says, "Come!"? Recall Paul's conviction and go for it – 'I can do all things in him who strengthens me.' Remind yourself there will be no trumpets and banner headlines. God works in whispers and quiet ways. Note the gentle breeze that reassured Elijah in our 1st Reading. God was not in the wind, the earthquake or the fire. God's whisper is no longer for Jews only but for all of us who recognize that we are children of God, chosen, Blessed, Loved. And now we dare to get up and walk!

## **Parish Ministries**

<u>Lector Schedule</u> 10:00am

Aug 06 Dayna & Toryn

Aug 13 Maria & Lynne B

Aug 20 Keith & Fran

Aug 27 Lynn & Pat

**Church Cleaners** 

Crystal (403)827-9353

Aug 11 Charlene & Ethel

Aug 18 Shirley

Aug 25 Youth (Crystal)

<u>Altar Serving</u> Contact Fr. Newton

Bethany (Didsbury) Aug 16 at 10:30 am

Music Ministry
New Contacts
Crystal (403)827-9353
Chantal
chantal.a.barry@gmail.com

Parish Council
August 24, 2023

Always be Curious. Curiosity brings new learning and extinguishes judgmental flames.



## Mass for the Faithful Departed

The parish Mass for all the departed members of the community is coming up August 15 at 6:30 pm, , followed by communal prayers at the cemetery.

## Parish Cleaning Committee

Volunteers are needed for cleaning of the church interior this Autumn. Please consider helping as an individual or as a whole family one Friday a month. Crystal is also open to having a youth cleaning one Friday a month. Call Crystal at 403-827-9353 to sign up.

## St. Agnes Offers Direct Deposit

Did you know we have direct deposit? If that is more convenient for you, we have the forms available at the back!

#### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July 2023

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

# Weekly Mass Intentions

Aug 05	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Aug 06	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Aug 08	06:30 pm	For Intentions of Rosanna Maric.
Aug 09	06:30 pm	
Aug 10	09:00 am	
Aug 11	09:00 am	
Aug 12	09:00 am	
Aug 12	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Aug 13	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Aug 15	06:30 pm	Special int. of Tom & Heidi Pack (Wed. Ann.)
Aug 16	06:30 pm	
Aug 17	09:00 am	
Aug 18	09:00 am	
Aug 18	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
Aug 19	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo



## **Daily Mass Readings**

Aug 06 Aug 07	Dan. 7.9-10, 13-14; 2 Ptr. 1.16-19; Matt. 17.1-9 (Transfig, of Our Lord, F) Numbers 11.4b-15; Matthew 14.22-36
Aug 07	Numbers 12.1-13; Matthew 15.1-2, 10-14 (St. Dominic, M)
Aug 09	Numbers 13.1-2, 25-33; 14.1-2b, 26-29, 34-35; Matthew 15.21-28
Aug 10	2 Corinthians 9.6-10; John 12.24-26 (St. Lawrence, F)
Aug 11	Deuteronomy 4.32-40; Matthew 16.24-28 (St. Clare, M)
Aug 12	Deuteronomy 6.4-13; Matthew 17.14-20
Aug 13	1 Kings 19.9, 11-13; Romans 9.1-5; Matthew 14.22-33 (19th Sunda. O.T.)
Aug 14	Deut. 10.12-22; Matthew 17.22-27 (St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, M)
Aug 15	Rv. 11.19a; 12.1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cr. 15.20-26; Lk 1.39-56 (The Assumption, S)
Aug 16	Deuteronomy 34.1-12; Matthew 18.15-20
Aug 17	Joshua 3.7-10a, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18.21 – 19.1
Aug 18	Joshua 24.1-13; Matthew 19.3-12
Aug 19	Joshua 24.14-29; Matthew 19.13-15
Aug 20	Isaiah 56.1, 6-7; Rom. 11.13-15, 29-32; Matt. 15.21-28 (20th Sun. O.T.)

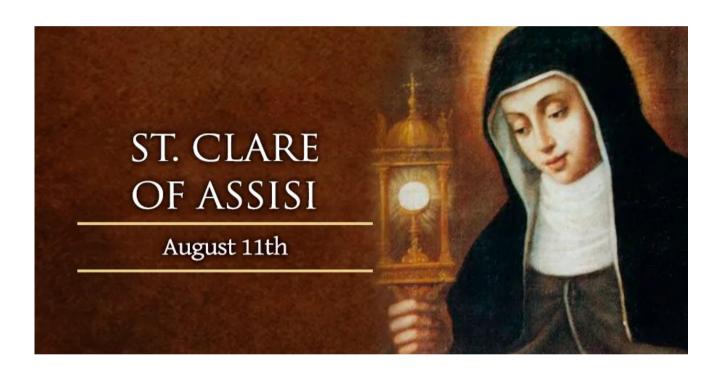
#### <u>Local Community Prayer Intentions</u>

Anyone wanting to ask for their catholic community to pray for them or for special intentions may call the parish office and your request will be added to the bulletin, for free. If you wish, You may request to have your intention prayed for anonymously, please specify this upon calling the office to avoid printed names.

Please pray for the intentions of:

Mike Watson.

Rosanna Maric.



# **Diocesan Events and News**

#### <u>Cemetery Masses with Bishop McGrattan</u>

Bishop McGrattan will celebrate Masses for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic cemeteries in Calgary and area. All are welcome!

- Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 7pm at Mountain View Funeral Chapel (indoor)
- Wednesday, August 30, 2023, 7pm at Queen's Park Cemetery (outdoor)
- Thursday, August 31, 2023, 7pm at St. Mary's Cemetery (outdoor)