



## ST. AGNES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

# THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE

February 22nd



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### REFLECTIONS FROM FATHER'S DESK...



1st Sunday of Lent (B)

**TEMPTATIONS:** Compared with the accounts of Matthew and Luke which give details of the three temptations, St. Mark's account is the shortest.

First, no place is free from temptation. There is temptation in company but being alone also has its own temptation. Satan never sleeps. He goes about like a roaring lion seeking him whom he can devour. If he tempted Jesus, he will not spare us. We need to stand up to and resist him with faith.

The Gospel text of today follows immediately after the baptism of Jesus. "You are my Son, the Beloved, my favour rests on you." What a precious privilege publicly proclaimed by the Father! Great graces are always to be followed by extraordinary temptations. Graces we receive from God do not shield us from temptations but sustain us when we are tempted.

"Repent and believe the Good News," says Jesus as He reenters Galilee. Repentance means change of mind, of attitude, of heart, of direction and a change of life. Difficult yes, but delightfully rewarding! "The sweetness of the apple makes up for the bitterness of the root; the hope of gain makes pleasant the perils of the sea; the expectation of health mitigates the nauseousness of medicine. He who desires the kernel must break the nut; so he who desires the joy of a holy conscience swallows down the bitterness of penance" (St. Jerome).

### SACRAMENT TIMES

#### Masses:

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

#### Confession:

Saturday	4:00 pm
or by appointment	

#### Adoration

Wednesdays	7:00 pm
First Fridays	9:30 am

#### Youth Adoration:

Last Fridays	6:30 pm
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#### Rosary

20 min. before masses

**HAVE PATIENCE WITH ALL THINGS, BUT FIRST OF ALL WITH YOURSELF.**

# PARISH MINISTRIES

## Lector Schedule

10:00am

Feb 18 Toryn & Maria

Feb 25 Karin & Pat

Mar 03 Keith & Dayna

Mar 10 Fran & Lynne B.

Mar 17 Toryn & Lynn

## Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

Feb 23 Gerry, Laura, Rob

Mar 01 Charlene

Mar 08 Merle Good Family

Mar 15 Ethel

Mar 22 Crystal C. Family

## Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

## Family Fun Night (Potluck)

Mar 09 6:00 pm

Apr 20 6:00 pm

## Music Ministry

Crystal (403) 827-9353

## Confirmation Session

Feb 25, 2024 11:15 am

in the rectory basement.

## Faith Formation

Tuesdays 7:00 pm

in the rectory bsmnt or by email.

## Parish Council

Feb. 29, 2024 7:00 pm

## YOUTH CHOIR

Contact: Crystal Campbell

March 9, 2024 at the 5:00 pm mass.

April 20, 2024 at the 5:00 pm mass.



## LADIES AFTER DARK: 18+ SOCIAL

The adult women of the parish are invited on Feb, 21, 2024 at 6:30 pm for mass and adoration and then to gather at a local eatery for community time.



## FAITH FORMATION STUDY

Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls (Via Email or In-Person)

January 9th to February 27th, 2024, Tuesdays 7:00pm.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED AND HELPED COVER 100% OF THE COST OF RENEWING THE FORMED SUBSCRIPTION FOR 2024.



## LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent there will be a 6:30am mass followed by a community praying of the stations of the cross.



## LENTEN FRIDAY SOUP & BUNS

Fridays during lent we will be having Soup & Buns in the rectory basement hall. This will be covered by the confirmation class for the first two Fridays and the St. Agnes Women of Faith group the third Friday. A sign up sheet for Mar 8, 15, & 22 will be in the narthex (back of the church) starting this weekend for parishioners or groups to sign up. Each week we need people to bring a total of three soups and 36 buns.



## LENTEN MISSION BY SR. KATRINA

March 12th and 13th Sr. Katrina from the Divine Mercy Centre will be coming to give our lenten retreat after each 6:30 pm mass. Confession will be available on the 13th during the mission for as long as needed.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The interdenominational world day of prayer gathering will be at Bancroft United Church on March 1, 2024 at 1:30 pm. All are welcome to come join.





## MISSION

Today the Pontifical Society of the Holy Childhood has put down roots in more than 130 countries and the motto has been enriched: children praying for the children, children evangelizing children, children helping children worldwide.

The Pontifical Society of the Holy Childhood proposes today to help the children in developing a spirit and a missionary leadership, it drives them to share the faith and material benefits, especially with children who are most in need. It promotes, encourage and supports missionary vocations especially ad gentes. It is an instrument for growth in faith, also from the perspective of vocations.

The Association of the Holy Childhood seeks to foster a personal and communitarian involvement in order to

- Stimulate the dynamic movement toward God and the latent apostolate in them
- Support and encourage the taking up of a task that makes them feel part of a family where everyone is important and everyone lends a hand.

The actual challenge is the opening of the heart.

Prayer: The children of the Missionary Childhood pray every day for the other children and for the spread of the Gospel message.

The Collection: This is the fruit of the missionary children's sacrifices and all those who want to give a better future to the children in the world. These "gifts" are collected by the National Directions present in the respective countries and sent to the Missionary Childhood Universal Solidarity Fund to be redistributed to millions of needy children in every corner of the world. Thanks to this aid, so many children can know Jesus and the Gospel, eat, study, have a roof over their heads where they can sleep, take care of themselves.

Missionary witness: Through their behaviour and their message, the missionary children are witnesses and an example for their peers and the whole community.

The Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood is an excellent way of giving the children and adolescents the opportunity of sharing with others and of doing their part for the common good. The association offers a positive and fraternal approach towards others, in the light of the Christian faith, to inculcate closeness of the heart and prayer, knowledge and collaboration, and mutual help among the children of the world. The missionary education of children passes through the awareness of the conscience, which would lead to a spirituality and a will to stimulate, in a lasting sense, a change of lifestyle and a growing relationship with God and neighbour. The universal horizon is at the base of every experience at the local level. The support that a diocese and parish can give to the task of the Holy Childhood could be in the form of awareness of children toward becoming witnesses of God's love toward everyone, beginning with their own surroundings, thinking of other children and praying for them.



## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 17 5:00 pm, For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).  
Sunday February 18 10:00 am, Repose of the soul of Rebecca Audley  
Tuesday February 20 6:30 pm, Repose of the soul of Devin Boudreau  
Wednes. February 21 6:30 pm, Rep. soul of John & Antoinetta Overwater  
Thursday February 22 9:00 am Repose of the soul of Joseph Greene  
Friday February 23 9:00 am Repose of the soul of Jeni Mason  
Friday February 23 6:30 pm Repose of the soul of Floyd Gorenson  
Saturday February 24 9:00 am dep. Repose of the soul of Steve Manser  
Saturday February 24 5:00 pm For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).  
Sunday February 25 10:00 am For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).



### THE POPE'S INTENTION: FEBRUARY 2024

#### For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

#### LOCAL COMMUNITY PRAYER INTENTIONS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE  
INTENTIONS OF: MIKE WATSON,  
ROSANNA M., KARIN RABER,  
AND PETER GILLIS

### DIOCESAN INFO

[HTTPS://WWW.CATHOLICYC.CA/NEWS.HTML](https://www.catholicyc.ca/news.html)



### DAILY MASS READINGS

Feb 18	10:00 am	Genesis 9.8-15; 1 Peter 3.18-22; Mark 1.12-15	(1st Sunday of Lent)
Feb 19		Leviticus 19.1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25.31-46	
Feb 20	6:30 pm	Leviticus 19.1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25.31-46	
Feb 21	6:30 pm	Isaiah 55.10-11; Matthew 6.7-15	
Feb 22	9:00 am	Jonah 3.1-10; Luke 11.29-32	
Feb 23	9:00 am	1 Peter 5.1-4; Matthew 16.13-19	(The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, F)
Feb 24	9:00 am	Deuteronomy 26.16-19; Matthew 5.43-48	
Feb 25	10:00am	Gen.22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom. 8.31b-35, 37; Mk 9.2-10	(2nd Sunday of Lent)

