



# ST. AGNES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## REFLECTIONS FROM FATHER'S DESK...



### ON THE MOUNTAIN AND IN THE VALLEY:

All of us have high moments and low moments; dramatic moments of being on the top of the mountain and also depressing moments of being down in the valley. Today's Gospel recounts a top of the mountain experience for Peter, James and John as they see Jesus transfigured.

Jesus takes the three disciples with him and leads them up a high mountain. Top of the mountain experiences are never self-generated but gifted. We cannot cause but only receive them. Jesus takes the three up a high mountain where they could be alone. A certain climate of silence and solitude is necessary if we are to behold Jesus.

Jesus is transfigured, a privileged experience. Peter ruins it all by saying: "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here. If you wish I will make three tents here one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." Poor Peter! He did not know that at times it is best to be quiet. There is time to be silent and a time to speak; a time for contemplation and a time for action. Where was the need for three tents? Just one would have been enough! At times we are like Peter. Are we not? When the Lord gives us moments of deep intimacy and ecstasy instead of resting in and relishing them we want to be up and doing!

## 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
For Feb will be joining parish Stations of the Cross after mass	

### Rosary.

20 min. before masses

IN THE TRANSFIGURATION, WE ARE REMINDED THAT THE ORDINARY CAN BECOME  
EXTRAORDINARY WHEN TOUCHED BY THE DIVINE. – BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

# PARISH MINISTRIES

## Lector Schedule

10:00am

Feb 25 Karin & Pat  
Mar 03 Keith & Dayna  
Mar 10 Fran & Lynne B.  
Mar 17 Toryn & Lynn

## Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

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 and April 20, 2024 at the 5:00 pm masses.



## FAITH FORMATION STUDY

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

Last session on February 27th, 2024, Tuesday at 7:00pm.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED COVER 100% OF THE COST OF RENEWING THE FORMED SUBSCRIPTION 2024.

## PAPAS IN THE PEWS: 18+ SOCIAL

The adult men of the parish are invited on Feb 28, 2024 at 6:30 pm for mass and adoration and then to gather at a local eatery for community time.



## 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

Join us Fridays during lent for Soup & Buns in the basement hall. The confirmation class and the St. Agnes Women of Faith group are covering Feb 23 and Mar 1. A sign up sheet for Mar 8, 15, & 22 will be in the narthex for people 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. Confessions available on Mar 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.



## ST. AGNES WOMEN OF FAITH

Women's Lenten Morning of Reflection lead by Karin Raber will be on March 16, 2024 at 9:30 am.

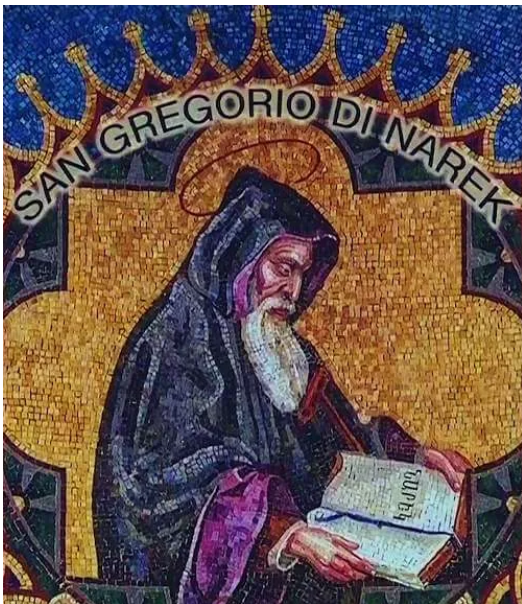


MISSION of The Holy Childhood

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 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.



February 27: Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church—Optional Memorial

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Widely venerated in the Armenian Church

Declared a Doctor of the Church in 2015 and inscribed on the Church Calendar as an Optional Memorial by Pope

Francis in 2021

Quote:

Speaking with God from the Depths of the Heart. The voice of a sighing heart, its sobs and mournful cries, I offer up to you, O Seer of Secrets, placing the fruits of my wavering mind as a savory sacrifice on the fire of my grieving soul to be delivered to you in the censer of my will. ~From Prayer One, Book of Narek, by Saint Gregory



**EASTER SCHEDULE**

- Holy Thursday 6:30pm Mass (Father needs 12 volunteers for washing of the feet.)  
Garden of Gethsemane Adoration from after mass until midnight
- Good Friday 2:00 pm Way of the Cross Outdoors  
3:00 pm Eucharistic Service (Collection will be for the Holy Land)
- Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass
- Easter Sunday 10:00 am Mass

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	February 24	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
Sunday	February 25	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
Tuesday	February 27	6:30 pm	Rest of Albert & Mary Buettner
Wed.	February 28	6:30 pm	Special Intention of Paul Gerritsen
Thursday	February 29	9:00 am	Rest of Ignaz & Sayfa Makelborg
Friday	March 01	9:00 am	Rest of Rod & Naomi McPike
Friday	March 01	6:30 pm	Rest of Ainslie & Ves Thomas
Saturday	March 02	9:00 am	Rest of Leo & Maxie Nugent
Saturday	March 02	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
Sunday	March 03	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.CATHOLICYYC.CA/NEWS.HTML](https://www.catholicyyc.ca/news.html)



## DAILY MASS READINGS

Feb 25	Genesis 22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Romans 8.31b-35, 37; Mark 9.2-10	(2nd Sunday of Lent)
Feb 26	Daniel 9.3, 4b-10; Luke 6.36-38	
Feb 27	Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31; Matthew 23.1-12	
Feb 28	Jeremiah 18.18-20; Matthew 20.17-28	
Feb 29	Jeremiah 17.5-10; Luke 16.19-31	
Mar 01	Genesis 37.3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Matthew 21.33-43, 45-46	(World Day of Prayer)
Mar 02	Micah 7.14-15, 18-20; Luke 15.1-3, 11-32	
Mar 03	Exodus 20.1-17; 1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25; John 2.13-25	(3rd Sunday of Lent)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF *Lent*

