

# St. Agnes Catholic church

## ST. BENEDICT

July 11th



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

I SPEAK THUS THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL."(JN. 15:11):

The Jews, among many qualities, were very much waiting people. The God who chose them had entered into a covenant with them and had made a promise to send a Messiah. Our 1st Reading is one of many that celebrates this waiting. The people were invited to dance with joy because their king is coming. The promise from of old is going to be honoured. The Messiah will come in the person of Jesus. The people in Jesus' time no longer wait for a Messiah but for the fulfillment of a new promise – the coming of the Spirit. The Gospel presents us with one of Jesus' prayers. We get a glimpse of his inner heart as he thanks the Father for the unfolding of his wonderful plan that is revealed to mere children. Of Jesus' three favourite verbs, Come, Stay, Go, the first is at the heart of today's Gospel. Come to me . . . The reference to the yoke takes us back to Leviticus 26 where our God removes the yoke of slavery from the people. God is about freedom and joy and dancing. Our truest destiny is to live a life in the Spirit as Paul reminds us in the 2nd Reading. Let us be meek and humble and dance in our waiting.

Wait on God. When times seem difficult – just wait – spend quiet time with God and listen.

### 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

"BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW."(REV. 21:15): Trinitarian life is a circle dance where the three persons are dynamically present to each other and dynamically present to the creation. Our world too is dynamic, not static. There is change, growth, newness. Our readings today speak of this newness in different ways. Just as does the rain, the word from God's mouth brings change and bears fruit. This is the theme of our 1st Reading. Paul in the 2nd Reading tells the Christians in Rome and now to us, that we, together with all creation, are waiting with eager longing for the transformation and newness that have been part of God's plan from the beginning. Paul's vision of where our world is headed is truly inspiring. Our Gospel Reading today is the parable of the sower describing the different ways in which people hear or don't hear God's word. We can get caught up in Paul's or God's vision [they are the same] all the more fruitfully if we open our minds and hearts to the word that God sows in them. It will help in our eco-conscious era if we realize that creation is neither our servant nor our slave it shares our planet and we are responsible for it. Let us help God create a 'new heaven and a new earth'.

Honour Your Parents. They chose to bring you into this world.  
How you treat them is up to you.

## Parish Ministries

### Lector Schedule

10:00am

July 9 Toryn & Dayna

July 16 Lynne B & Maria

### Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

July 14 Laura & Gerry

July 21 Ethel

### Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

### Music Ministry

New Contacts

Crystal (403)827-9353

Chantal

chantal.a.barry@gmail.com

### Parish Council

August 24, 2023



**ST. BONAVENTURE**

**July 15th**

### Parish Cleaning Committee

The parish needs people to volunteer for cleaning of the church interior starting in the Autumn. It would be wonderful if maybe a whole family could volunteer to do it one Friday a month. Crystal is also open to having a youth clean one Friday a month. Please 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 a Eucharistic life:

We pray that all Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

July 08	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
July 09	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
July 11	06:30 pm	Special intention of Michael .
July 12	06:30 pm	Special intention of Hank Cappelle.
July 13	09:00 am	Special intention of Simone & Family.
July 14	09:00 am	Special intention of Justin.
July 15	09:00 am	For the departed Paul Kozak.
July 15	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
July 16	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
July 18	06:30 pm	Special intention of Evelyn Buettner
July 19	06:30 pm	Special intention of Bishop Strickland
July 20	09:00 am	Special intention of Jeannine
July 21	09:00 am	For the departed Robert (Bob) Krottner
July 22	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
July 23	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

## ST. MARY MAGADALENE

July 22nd



## Daily Mass Readings

July 09	Zech. 9.9-10; Romans 8.9, 11-13; Matthew 11.25-30 (14th Sunday O.T.)
July 10	Genesis 28.10-22a; Matthew 9.18-26
July 11	Genesis 32.22-32; Matthew 9.32-38 (St. Benedict, M)
July 12	Genesis 41.55-57; 42.5-7a, 17-24; Matthew 10.1-7
July 13	Genesis 44.18-21, 23b-29; 45.1-5; Matthew 10.7-15
July 14	Genesis 46.1-7, 28-30; Matthew 10.16-23
July 15	Genesis 49.29-31, 33; 50.15-26; Matt. 10.24-33 (St. Bonaventure, M)
July 16	Isaiah 55.10-11; Romans 8.18-23; Matthew 13.1-23
July 17	Exodus 1.8-14, 22; Matthew 10.34-11.1
July 18	Exodus 2.1-15a; Matthew 11.20-24
July 19	Exodus 3.1-6, 9-12; Matthew 11.25-27
July 21	Exodus 3.13-20; Matthew 11.28-30
July 22	Exodus 11.10-12.14; Matthew 12.1-8
July 23	Wisdom 12.13, 16-19; Romans 8.26-27; Matthew 13.24-43

## Local Community Prayer Intentions

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. You may request to have your intention prayed for anonymously, please specify this when you call the parish office, otherwise your name will be published in the bulletin with your request.

Please pray for the intentions of:  
Mike Watson.



TAKE MY YOKE  
UPON YOU, AND  
LEARN FROM ME;  
FOR I AM GENTLE  
AND HUMBLE IN  
HEART MATTHEW 11:29

## Diocesan Events and News

### Ignite AB and Ignite,AB Junior

Ignite is a Catholic summer camp for teens grades 6-8 and 9-12 desiring to grow in holiness. It is an incredible week with excellent talks, amazing people, daily Mass, epic large group activities, Reconciliation, Adoration, praise and worship, and much more! You will grow in the knowledge of Christ and the Church and be empowered to go forward while striving to be a modern-day saint. July 18-21, 2023 at St. Michael's Parish, Calgary

### Cemetery Masses with Bishop McGrattan

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)