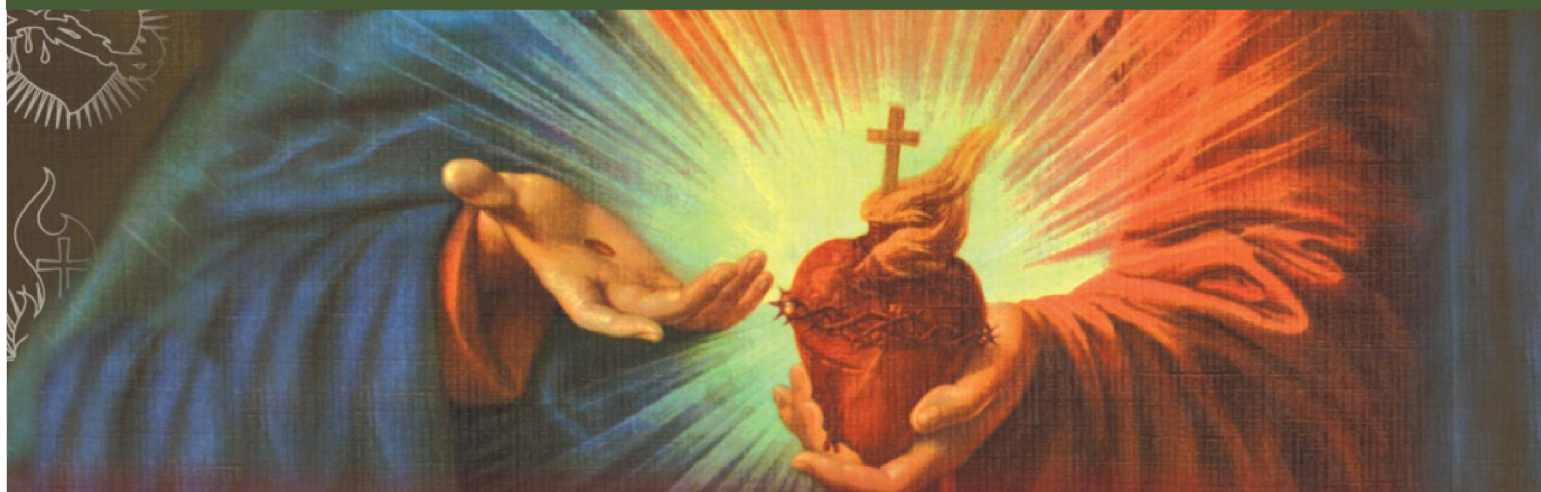


St. Agnes Catholic church



Reflections from Fathers Desk...

“SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD!” (Mt.9:36):

In the history Christianity there are two types of justice – retributive and restorative. The former is about reward and punishment, the latter about prodigality on God’s part. It was the prophets of Israel who spoke more of God’s desire to gather a sinful people. Jesus in today’s Gospel is speaking in this restorative tradition. Looking at the people he sees them as sheep without a shepherd –scattered, unprotected, directionless. His approach to the problem is to appoint Apostles to preach to the people and gather them into the kingdom. Paul in the 2nd reading pinpoints Jesus’ prodigality in that he acts according to who he is (a healer –gatherer) rather than who the people are (uncaring sinners). In our 1st reading from Exodus, we are introduced to two key ideas that sum up God’s style of relating to his people: the idea of carrying people and the idea of drawing people to God’s self. The Biblical images for carrying are a mother carrying her baby or a shepherd carrying a lamb, or an eagle carrying her little ones on broad wings. Again, there is often the prophetic promise that God will not abhor or reject the people. Rather, there is the call to come together and live. Recall the valley of dry bones in Ezekiel 37. Remember Jesus: “Come to me!”

“Motivation is what gets you started.
Habit is what keeps you going.”

Stewardship Reflection

The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? (1 Corinthians 10:16) The eucharist rests upon Trinitarian giving and receiving. The Father gives us the Son and we receive the Son from the Father. Because we have received, we offer ourselves back to God. So, in the bread and wine of the eucharist we become one body with Christ and one another.

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

Sacramental Preparation

Confirmation Commitment Mass: June 24th or 25th mass.

Faith Formation Evenings

Contact Pierrette: faithformationstagnes@gmail.com

The Faith Formation program take place on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the parish rectory basement, or by email.

Current Series: Mary and the Rosary (Ends June 20, 2023)



Parish Ministries

Lector Schedule

10:00am

June 11	Pat & Lynne B.
June 18	Karin & Toryn
June 25	Lynn & Maria
June 30	Pat & Lynn

Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

Jun 9	Crystal
Jun 16	Charlene+Ethel
Jun 23	Gerry
Jun 30	Youth (Crystal)

Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

Music Ministry

Anne (403) 337-2272

Parish Council

August 24, 2023

St. Agnes Parish Picnic

We will have our annual parish picnic on June 25, 2023 after the 10:00 am mass. There are sign up sheets at the back of the church in the Narthex to select what type of items you would like to bring.

Music Ministry Team Coordinator Position

St. Agnes Music Ministry Team is in need of a coordinator to help in scheduling Choirs for every Sunday. Currently the Choirs have a rotation schedule for the Sunday 10:00 am Mass. There is no schedule of choirs for the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. In the case of a schedule conflict, the Choirs usually trade with each other. Special occasions, such as Christmas, or Holy Week and other events may need more scheduling, since there are more services. The coordinator needs to be someone capable of making a schedule. Music talent is not required but would be appreciated. A new volunteer would relieve a tired old lady.

Parish Maintenance Committee

The parish needs people to volunteer for lawn maintenance. With four volunteers we can rotate weeks. Once per month for about an hour is what we're hoping to do. It's flexible for time. Please see the sign up sheet in the back of the church.

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 June 2023

For the abolition of torture.

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

Weekly Mass Intentions

June 18	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
June 19	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
June 20	06:30 pm	Special intention of Rosaline Schwartzenberger
June 21	06:30 pm	For the departed Benjamin Aristizabal
June 22	09:00 am	For the departed Celina Correa.
June 23	09:00 am	Special intent. of Victoria & Ivan Cegarra (Healing)
June 24	09:00 am	Fanita Batten (Thanksgiving).
June 24	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
June 25	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Daily Mass Readings

June 18	Jeremiah 20.10-13; Romans 5.12-15; Matthew 10.26-33	(11th Sunday O.T.)
June 19	2 Corinthians 6.1-10; Matthew 5.38-42	(St. Romauld, OM)
June 20	2 Corinthians 8.1-9; Matthew 5.43-48	
June 21	2 Corinthians 9.6-11; Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18	
June 22	2 Cor. 11.1-11; Mat. 6.7-15	(OMs: St. Paulinus of Nola, St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More)
June 23	2 Cor. 11.18, 21b-30; Mat 6.19-23	(Vigil of the Nativity of St. JtB (S))
June 24	Is. 49.1-6; Acts 13.22-26; Lk. 1.57-66, 8	(Sol. Nativity of John the Baptist)
June 25	Jer. 20.10-13; Rom. 5.12-15; Mat. 10.26-33	(12th Sunday O.T.)

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

Diocesan Events and News

An Evening with Mary: prayer service: "The life and death of Jesus as seen through the eyes of his Mother"

Tue, June 27 at 7:30 pm (after 7 pm Mass) at St. Luke's, Calgary | An evening of prayer and song presented by Mezzo Soprano Eswina Ngai and Fr. Troy Nguyen, taking a look at the life and death of Jesus through the eyes of His Mother. Cost: Love offering, proceeds to St. Luke's Feed the Hungry Ministry.

Live Your Life to the Fullest - Conference

Sat, July 8 from 10:30 am to 4 pm, Divine Mercy Centre | Divine Mercy Sisters invite you to a day of conference outdoors! There will be Mass, talks, opportunity for confession, and candlelight Adoration with inspirational hymns.

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

HIS BUILDING - 6th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

You're Invited! Saturday, July 8th, 2023 at the Strathmore Golf Club
To REGISTER/SPONSOR this event visit: <https://birdease.com/HISBUILDINGGOLF>
For more information, email: hisbuildinggolf@gmail.com
Your support of our charity event will assist us with construction of HIS BUILDING - the new Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Strathmore.

