



ST. AGNES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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REFLECTIONS FROM FATHER'S DESK...



GOD LOVES US: "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life."

This is the very heart of the Gospel! If by some calamitous catastrophe all the pages of all the Bibles in the world were destroyed and this one verse alone survived, it would summarize brilliantly the entire history of salvation.

God loved the world. 'God loves each one of us as though we are the only one to be loved (St. Augustine). He pours his infinite love into our littleness; his infinite power into our weakness; his infinite wisdom into our foolishness; his infinite holiness into our sinfulness. Saint or sinner God loves us. 'It is when we deserve love that God loves us most!' Our spiritual life will change not when we know how much we love God but when we experience how much He loves us.

When we accept God's love, we experience eternal life. When we refuse God's love, we are sadly passing sentence on ourselves like the person who shuts the windows and draws the curtains preferring to remain in darkness when the sun is shining brightly outside. 'The patient who refuses the prescription of his doctor harms and destroys himself' (St. Augustine). May God who is madly in love with us touch, torch and transform our lives.

**THE FIRST HALF OF LIFE IS DEVOTED TO FORMING A
HEALTHY EGO, THE SECOND HALF IS GOING INWARD AND
LETTING GO OF IT.**

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

PARISH MINISTRIES

Lector Schedule

10:00am

Mar 10 Fran & Lynne B.

Mar 17 Toryn & Lynn

Mar 24 Maria & Pat

Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

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

March 17, 2024 11:15 am
in the rectory basement.

Confirmation: MAY 5, 10:00am

Faith Formation

Tuesdays 7:00 pm
in the rectory bsmnt or by email.

Parish Council

March 14, 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

Our current study is 4 Weeks - A Lenten Pilgrimage,
on Tuesdays, at 7:00 p.m. in the basement rectory.

All adult parishioners are welcome to join.

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. A sign up sheet for Mar 15, & 22 is 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.

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.

FINANCIALS ANNOUNCEMENT

Our Together in Action 2024 goal is \$4945.00. In event
that we collect more than our required target we have
requested that any surplus collected be given back to the
Parish to use for maintenance and repair to the church and
rectory.

HOLY THURSDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION

On Holy Thursday we will be gathering items for the
Mountain View food bank and taking a special collection for
monetary donations during the offertory.



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



Laetare Sunday



The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called **Laetare Sunday**, from the first words of the Introit at Mass, "Laetare Jerusalem" ('Rejoice, O Jerusalem').

Like Gaudete Sunday midway through Advent, Laetare reminds us of the event we look forward to at the end of the penitential season and the joy in anticipation of the Resurrection. The vestments for this day will be rose, as they are on Gaudete Sunday in Advent.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun March 09 5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Sun March 10, 10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Tue March 12, 6:30 pm	dep. Voraler Overwater
Wed March 13, 6:30 pm	dep. Mary, James & Hilda Greene
Thur March 14, 9:00 am	dep. Gladys Freake, Marybeth Neville
Fri March 15, 9:00 am	dep. Bernard & Margrate Cole
Fri March 15, 6:30 pm	dep. Donna Scory
Sat March 16, 9:00 am	dep. Carol Mellville
Sat March 16, 5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).
Sun March 17, 10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).



THE POPE'S INTENTION: MARCH 2024

For the new martyrs.

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

LOCAL COMMUNITY PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

DIOCESAN INFO

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



GOD Squad

WAY TO THE Father

27th Annual Men's Conference

March 22, 6 pm - 9 pm
& March 23, 9 am - 4 pm

Register Me

GUEST SPEAKERS
JON LEONETTI

Ascension Parish, 1100 Berkshire Blvd NW, Calgary, AB

BR.SIMON & CHRISTOPHER
SEEDS OF THE WORD COMMUNITY

Info Detail: www.godsquad.ca

DAILY MASS READINGS

Mar 10	2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23; Ephesians 2.4-10; John 3.14-21	(4th Sunday of Lent, Laetare)
Mar 11	Isaiah 65.17-21; John 4.43-54	
Mar 12	Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12; John 5.1-16	
Mar 13	Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30	
Mar 14	Exodus 32.7-14; John 5.18, 31-47++	
Mar 15	Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22; John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30	
Mar 16	Jeremiah 11.18-20; John 7.40-53	
Mar 17	Jeremiah 31.31-34; Hebrews 5.7-9; John 12.20-33	(5th Sunday of Lent)