

St. Agnes Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekend:

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

Weekdays:

Tues. & Wed. 6:30pm
Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 9:00am

Regular Confession

Saturdays; 4:00 - 4:45 pm
or by appointment.

Adoration

Wednesday 7:00 pm
First Friday 9:30 am

Rosary

20 min. before all Masses

Parish Council

June 8, 2023 7:00 pm

From Father's Desk...

"SUFFERING AND THE FORCES OF EVIL CAN NEVER HAVE THE LAST WORD":

We are two weeks from Pentecost so it is not surprising that our readings in these days the Holy Spirit is mentioned more and more. In our 1st reading, after Philip has done the hard work of preaching in a Samaritan town in a context of cures and rejoicing, Peter and John are dispatched from Jerusalem to build on what their fellow Apostle has done. They pray, and lay hands on the people who immediately receive the Holy Spirit.

Peter in our 2nd reading alerts us to the important distinction between an argument to prove someone wrong and a discussion to find the truth. Respectful freedom is the key. In today's Gospel we bid farewell to John 14 which has been nourishing us recently. Jesus presents us with a string of promises to sustain us when he is not visibly present in the community. He says: "I shall ask for the Advocate; I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you; you will see me; I shall love you and show myself to you." Hopefully, each of us will be inspired to be latter day apostles crying out gladly: 'Come and hear . . . I will tell you what (God) did for my soul.'

Each sunrise gives hope to your dreams and light to your plans.





Stewardship Reflection, 6th Sun. Of Easter

I will not leave you orphaned. (John 14.18) It can seem like a tall order, living out our discipleship alongside the culture of the world. Yet we are not on our own; we have one another for support and encouragement and at the first Pentecost Jesus sent us another Advocate, the Spirit of truth, to be with us forever.

Sacramental Preparation

1. **1st Communion Class: May 23, 2023 6:30 pm**
(mass is included as part of the evening.)
2. **Confirmation Class:** Full schedule coming soon.

Faith Formation Evenings

Contact Pierrette: faithformationstagnes@gmail.com

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

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

Tea with Our Lady of Fatima (May 13, 2023)

We will have extra prayers after the 9:00 am morning mass for Our Lady of Fatima. Tea and Coffee with Sweet Bites will be served in the rectory basement. If you are able to bring a baked good to share that would be greatly appreciated.

Devotional Ideas for the Month of May

- ◆ Pray a Rosary.
- ◆ Create a space in your garden / yard for Mary.
- ◆ Participate in a Marian procession.
- ◆ Say the Litany of Loreto.
- ◆ Watch a video on formed.org to learn something new about Mary

Seniors Lodge Prayer Service

All are welcome to join Father Newton at Chinook West on May 14, 2023 at 2:30pm.

Parish Ministries

Lector Schedule

10:00am

- May 14 Fran & Karin
- May 21 Lynn & Toryn
- May 28 Alanna & Maria

Cleaning Team

Crystal (403) 827-9353

- May 19 Gerry & Siony
- May 26 Charlene

Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

Music Ministry

Anne (403) 337-2272



St. Agnes Offers Direct Deposit

Did you know we have direct deposit?

If that is more convenient for you, we will have the forms available at the back!

Parish Financial Report

Starting near the end of May we will share quarterly updates on our parish income and the progress of our Together in Action campaign for the Bishop.

Mass Intentions for the Sixth Week of Easter

May 13	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 14	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 16	6:30 pm	Wedding Anni. Michael & Marie Wilson (13)
May 17	6:30pm	For the departed Cecile & Leon Comeau
May 18	9:00 am	For the departed Weston & Ethel Pack
May 19	9:00 am	For the departed Fred & Lena Waytivk
May 20	9:00 am	
May 20	5:00pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 21	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Readings for the Sixth Week of Easter

May 14	Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17; Ps. 66 1 Peter 3:15-18; Jn 14: 15-21 (<i>VI Sunday of Easter</i>)
May 15	Acts 16: 11 - 15; Ps. 149; John 15: 26 - 16:4a
May 16	Acts 16: 22 - 34; Ps. 138; John 16: 5 - 11
May 17	Acts 17: 15, 22 - 18: 1; Ps. 148; John 15:12 - 15
May 18	Acts 18: 1 - 8; Ps. 98; John 16: 16 - 20 (<i>St. John I, optional memorial</i>)
May 19	Acts 18: 9 - 18; Ps. 47; John 16: 20 - 23a
May 20	Acts 18: 23 - 28; Ps. 47; John 16: 23b - 28 (<i>St. Eugène de Mazenod, Bishop and St. Bernardine of Siena</i>)
May 21	Acts 1: 1-11; Ps. 47; Eph 1: 17-23; Matt. 28: 16-20 (<i>The Ascension of Our Lord</i>)

St. Agnes Personal Prayer Intentions

Please pray for the intentions of Mike Watson.

Please pray for the urgent intention of a local family in crisis.



Local Community Prayer Intentions

Anyone wanting to ask for their catholic community to pray for them or for special intentions beyond the typical mass intentions may call the parish office and your request can 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.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May 2023

For church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Diocesan Events and News

1. Restoring the Feminine Heart: by Beloved Daughters Ministry

May 26 and 27 at St. Luke's Catholic Church. Register [here](#)

Guest speakers Heather & Jake Khym of Life Restoration Ministries.

2. Visitation of Mary - Feast Day with the Bishop

Wed, May 31 from 11 am to 2 pm

Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore

Bishop McGrattan invites you to join him on the Visitation of Mary Feast Day, to pray and gather, and entrust the work of the Synod of Bishops to Mary, Mother of the Church. We will be celebrating the Feast Day Mass with Bishop McGrattan, followed by a reception and an outdoor rosary.

3. Voting Like A Catholic:

It is the moral obligation of every Catholic to vote. Find more information from the diocese at this [link](#)

4. Ordination of Santiago Torres to Priesthood

Rev. Mr. Santiago Torres, a transitional deacon currently completing studies at St. Joseph Seminary in Edmonton, has been called to ordination to the Holy Priesthood at St. Mary's Cathedral in Calgary on the the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Happy Mother's Day!

"Beauty is the interior adornment which is renewed day by day as the power and the strength of Christ grows within the soul." — St. Bernard of Clairvaux

