

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...

WHY DO WE CLIMB MOUNTAINS? BECAUSE THEY ARE THERE!:

Mountains are symbols of being 'uplifted' and offer us a lovely metaphor for raising our gaze to higher things. In the course of our readings today, on this Feast of Ascension, we are invited to make the shift from seeing Jesus as Man to seeing Jesus as Lord – to move from Jesus to the Christ. Christ is the cosmic Jesus, Lord of all creation, present since the foundation of the world. Only the Christ can dare to use superlatives as in the Gospel: all authority; go to all the nations; all commands; I am with you always. Acts will speak of being Christ's witnesses to the ends of the earth. Ephesians will set Christ above Sovereignty, Authority, Power, Dominion for all ages. Such a cosmic universality lifts our minds to realities we may never have dreamed of before. The role of the Spirit, who is to come, will be to make such dreams come true. Notice that the word used for the Holy Spirit is the word power. Because of the abuses we see all around us in our world today, we are inclined to think that power is bad. Not so. May God enlighten the eyes of our mind to see how infinitely great the power is that he has exercised for us believers.

**Efforts and courage are not enough without
purpose and direction.**





Parish Ministries

Lector Schedule

10:00am

May 21	Lynn & Toryn
May 28	Alanna & Maria-
June 4	Fran & Keith
June 11	Pat & Lynne B.
June 18	Karin & Tory
June 25	Lynn & Maria

Cleaning Team

Crystal (403) 827-9353

May 26 Charlene

Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

Music Ministry

Anne (403) 337-2272

Stewardship Reflection, 7th Sun. Of Easter

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. (Matthew 28.18)

Integral to living out our discipleship to the risen Christ is the work of evangelization—spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. Let us live out our stewardship not only in our parish church but with our family and friends, in our workplace, and in our local communities.

Sacramental Preparation

1. **First Communion Class:** May 23, 2023 6:30 pm
(mass is included as part of the evening.)
2. **First Communion Retreat:** June 3 from 9:00-12:00
3. **First Communion Masses:** June 10 or 11 mass
4. **Confirmation Commitment Mass:** June 24 or 25 mass

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)

St. Agnes Parish Picnic (June 25, 2023)

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.

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 about Mary



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 Seventh Week of Easter

May 20	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 21	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 22	6:30 pm	
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May 24	9:00 am	
May 25	9:00 am	For the departed Bert Brinkhof
May 26	9:00 am	For the departed Thérèse Gorieu
May 27	5:00pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
May 28	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Readings for the Seventh Week of Easter

May 21	Acts 1: 1-11; Ephesians 1: 17-23; Matt. 28: 16-20	(The Ascension of Our Lord)
May 22	Acts 19: 1 - 8 ; John 16: 29 - 33	(St. Rita of Cascia)
May 23	Acts 16: 22 - 34; John 16: 5 - 11	
May 24	Acts 20:17 - 27 ; John 17: 1 - 11a	(Bl. Louis-Zéphirin Moreau)
May 25	Acts 22: 30; 23: 6 - 11 ; John 17: 20 - 26	(St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi)
May 26	Acts 24: 27 & 25: 13b - 21 ; John 21: 15 - 19	
May 27	Acts 28: 16 - 20, 30 - 31 ; John 21: 20 - 25	(St. Augustine of Canterbury)
May 28	Acts 2.1 - 11; I Corin. 12.3b - 7, 12 - 13; John 20: 19 - 23	(Pentecost Sunday)

St. Agnes Personal Prayer Intentions

Please pray for the intentions of Mike Watson.



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.

“Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven;
let our hearts ascend with him.”

- St. Augustine of Hippo

