

# 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...

### “A MIGHTY WIND SHOOK THE WHOLE HOUSE!”

Our pilgrimage has taken us a long way since Ash Wednesday, with pauses along the route to catch our breath. We have experienced Holy Week, Easter, Growth of the Early Church, Ascension. Today, on the feast of Pentecost, we pause to catch our breath again – this time to breathe deeply of the Holy Spirit. Up till now, this Spirit has been working quietly, behind the scenes, as it were; today Power, the Spirit's other name, has been unleashed to blow through the Church, the world and history – right until our very time. The sacred writer is at pains to describe something that defies description, and has to fall back on metaphor. When we remind ourselves that most of scripture is written in metaphor, we shall not be all at ease. To capture the impact of the Spirit's coming, the author of Acts appeals to sound, wind, fire and the gift of tongues. Just as many members work together to serve the body, so under the Spirit many believers are united at the service of the community. The Gospel adds a new image for the Spirit – that of breath. The link to life is obvious. The Spirit, empowering the Apostles and their successors to forgive sin spells the ultimate freedom. ‘Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.’

**We all have bad days, but one thing is true; no cloud is so dark that the sun can't shine through.**





## Parish Ministries

### Lector Schedule

**10:00am**

May 28 Alanna & Maria-  
 June 4 Fran & Keith  
 June 11 Pat & Lynne B.  
 June 18 Karin & Toryn  
 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, Pentecost Sunday

*No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor. 12.3b)*  
 Everything we have and are comes from God, even our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. Your faith is a gift. Give thanks to God for this gift of faith.

### Sacramental Preparation

1. **First Communion Retreat:** June 3 from 9:00-12:00
2. **First Communion Masses:** June 10th or 11th masses.
3. **Confirmation Commitment Mass:** June 24 or 25 mass.

### Faith Formation Evenings

Contact Pierrette: [faithformationstagnes@gmail.com](mailto: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 Pentecost

- ◆ Things to do with children on Pentecost
- ◆ All through the octave pray the 'Veni Sancta Spiritus', the sequence from the Pentecost Mass.
- ◆ Commemorate your own Confirmation.
- ◆ Set a feast to celebrate the birthday of the Church.



**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: Until April 2023**

See the attachment for the financial report or the link in the bulletin email.

**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.

**Mass Intentions for the Octave of Pentecost**

<b>May 27</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
<b>May 28</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
<b>Jun 03</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

**Readings for the Octave of Pentecost**

<b>May 28</b>	Acts 2.1 - 11; 1 Corin. 12.3b - 7, 12 - 13; John 20: 19 - 23	<b>(Pentecost Sunday)</b>
<b>May 29</b>	Gen 3.9-15, 20; Jud 13; Jn 19.25-27	<i>(The B.V. Mary, Mother of the Church)</i>
<b>May 30</b>	Sirach 35.1-15; Mark 10.28-31	
<b>May 31</b>	Zephaniah 3.14-18 ; Luke 1.39-56	<i>(Visitation of the B.V. Mary)</i>
<b>Jun 01</b>	Sirach 42.15-25; Mark 10.46-52	<i>(St. Justin)</i>
<b>Jun 02</b>	Sirach 44.1, 8-13; Mark 11.11-25	<i>(St. Marcellinus and St. Peter)</i>
<b>Jun 03</b>	Sirach 51.12-20; Mark 11.27-33	<i>(St. Charles Lwanga and Companions)</i>
<b>Jun 04</b>	Ex. 34.4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor. 13.11-13; Jn 3.16-18	<b>(Solem. of the Most Holy Trinity)</b>

**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. Voting Like A Catholic:**

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

### **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. 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.

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Spirit of Christ, stir me; Spirit of Christ, move me; Spirit of Christ, fill me; Spirit of Christ, seal me.

Consecrate in me Your Heart and Will, O Heavenly Father.

Create in me a fountain of virtues.

Seal my soul as Your own, that Your reflection in me may be a light for all to see. Amen.

