

# St. Agnes Catholic church

## OUR LADY OF SORROWS

September 15th



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### Reflections from Fathers Desk...

“AM I MY BROTHER’S KEEPER?” (Gen4:9):

In our Bible we have questions asked by God, Jesus, Devils, and people. The very first question in our Bible is that asked by Cain when God questioned him about his brother’s whereabouts: “Am I my brother’s keeper?” We notice that God did not answer. Even in our eyes foolish questions do not deserve an answer. The answer to Cain’s question would be a resounding Yes. We are created for community, for relationship and are at our best when think of others. ‘It is not good for man (or woman) to be alone.’ (Gen. 2:18) the glue that holds us together is love, often called Spirit. When our Scripture speaks of love it uses the Greek word philia, friendship; and more uniquely, agape, brother-sister love. The kind of love that our Bible glorifies often overflows in what we call fraternal correction. Because we love someone, we challenge them to grow and to live wholesome lives. That is the message of our readings today. Ezekiel is told in our 1st Reading that if he does not correct his brother, then his brother’s guilt will fall on him, Ezekiel. Paul, in our 2nd Reading, tells the Romans and now to us, that all rules, regulations, laws, are summed up in the law of love. And the Gospel is our guide for guiding others.

God is Constant – No matter what winds may thrash against us – God is always right there. Strong and steady. By your side.

## 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

## Youth Choir

Youth (10 yrs and older) are invited to join the St. Agnes Youth Choir. The introductory meeting will be on Sunday, Sept 17 after mass. The commitment would be practice and one Saturday evening mass a month. There will be a Family Fun Night after mass on the Saturday the Youth Choir is singing. Please contact Chantal at [chantal.a.barry@gmail.com](mailto:chantal.a.barry@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

## Parish Ministries

### Lector Schedule

10:00am

Sep 10 Karin & Fran  
Sep 17 Lynne B & Maria  
Sep 24 Lynn & Karin

### Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

Sep 08 Laura + Gerry

### Altar Serving

Contact Fr. Newton

Bethany (Didsbury)

### Music Ministry

### New Contacts

Crystal (403)827-9353

Chantal

[chantal.a.barry@gmail.com](mailto:chantal.a.barry@gmail.com)

### Parish Council

September 21, 2023

## Parish Cleaning

The cleaning committee needs your help. If every family commits to cleaning the church just one time a year, we can better maintain and clean this sacred space. Please consider offering 2 hours once a year to help with regular cleaning. Contact Crystal at [crystaljoycampbell@gmail.com](mailto:crystaljoycampbell@gmail.com) to support a well-maintained and clean church.

## Parish Financial Update

St. Agnes Parish Income versus Expense for the first 6 months of 2023

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	YTD
Income:	10,608.27	8,590.57	7,931.32	10,229.53	7,165.52	7,023.35	8,537.71	60,086.27
Envelopes								
Loose, GIK								
other	25.18	12.08	22.05	160.09	0.09	839.15	0.00	1,058.64
total Income	10,633.45	8,602.65	7,953.37	10,389.62	7,165.61	7,862.50	8,537.71	61,144.91
Expenses	11,040.83	12,220.33	10,725.22	8,388.82	10,707.47	9,362.64	10,364.53	72,809.84
Profit / Loss	-407.38	-3,617.68	-2,771.85	2,000.80	-3,541.86	-1,500.14	-1,826.82	-11,664.93

TIA  
(Together in Action)

2023 Goal 4,945.00  
Collected to date 1,725.47  
left to collect 3,219.53

These amounts do not show up on the profit and loss. They are held on our balance sheet as in trust accounts. If we fail to collect enough the balance will be taken out of the general parish funds.

The diocese suggests remitting this money twice per year, however we might look at remitting more often so the funds are indeed spent were they were intended when they were donated.

## Confirmation Information:

Candidates / parents can come to collect their confirmation program books and a reminder to please prepare the 1st lesson of the session on September 12, mass at 6:30 pm followed by the Session.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September 2023

For people living on the margins:

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

### Weekly Mass Intentions

Sep 09	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Sep 10	10:00 am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Sep 11	06:30 pm	For the departed, Isabella, Reaume
Sep 12	06:30 pm	For the departed, Shirley, Hamilton
Sep 13	09:00 am	For the departed, Gerry Bryandt
Sep 14	09:00 am	For the departed, Jason Webster
Sep 15	09:00 am	For the departed Helen Squires
Sep 15	05:00 pm	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)
Sep 16	10:00am	For the Parishioners (Pro Populo)

### 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. If you wish, You may request to have your intention prayed for anonymously, please specify this upon calling the office to avoid printed names.

Please pray for the intentions of:

Mike Watson  
Rosanna M.  
Andrea Rébillard

### Daily Mass Readings

Sep 10	Ezekiel 33.7-9; Romans 13.8-10; Matthew 18.15-20	(23rd Sun. O.T.)
Sep 11	Colossians 1.24-2.3; Luke 6.6-11	
Sep 12	Colossians 2.6-15; Luke 6.12-19	
Sep 13	Colossians 3.1-11; Luke 6.20-26	(St. John Chrysostom, M)
Sep 14	Num. 21.4-9; Phil. 2.6-11; Jn. 3.13-17	(The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, F)
Sep 15	Hebrews 5.7-9; Luke 2.33-35	(Our Lady of Sorrows, M)
Sep 16	1 Timothy 1.15-17; Luke 6.43-49	(St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian)
Sep 17	Sirach 27.30-28.7; Romans 14.7-9; Matthew 18.21-35	(24th Sun. O.T.)

# Diocesan Events and News



*International Exhibition*  
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MIRACLES  
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SACRED HEART CHURCH  
SEP 28 TO OCT 1, 2023

## HOLY SPIRIT CWL USED BOOK SALE

**SEPT 16, 2023  
9AM TO 3PM**

## Fall Pastoral Care Ministry Training:

The Diocese is offering Pastoral Care Ministry Training for those called to assist their parish in a healing ministry to the sick, elderly, dying, homebound and bereaved members. This workshop is for both new or those previously trained in Pastoral Care Ministry.

### Sessions:


Saturday, November 11 (9:00 am to 4:00 pm);  
November 25 (9:00 am to 4:00 pm)

Registration Fee: \$50/person. Covers training cost, Handbook for Ministers, Communion of the Sick Ritual, materials, lunch and refreshments.

[Fee will not be a deterrent. Please contact Anthony at the Pastoral Centre (403) 667-0637; [anthony.banka@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:anthony.banka@calgarydiocese.ca), to make other arrangements.]

Notes: Participants must be pre-approved by their Pastors and Pastoral Care Coordinators. Please contact your parish for screening requirement. Lunch will be provided on both Saturdays.

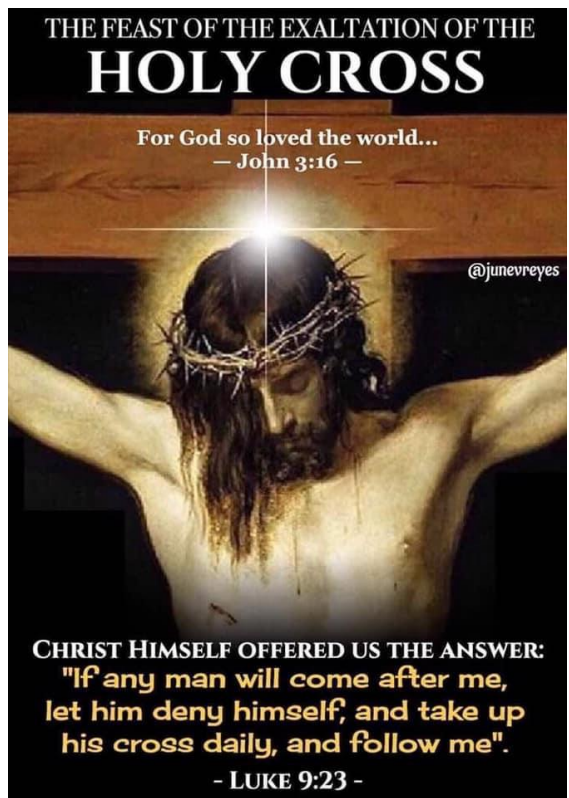
<https://www.catholicyc.ca/pastoralcare.html>



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THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE  
**HOLY CROSS**

For God so loved the world...  
— John 3:16 —

@junevreyes

CHRIST HIMSELF OFFERED US THE ANSWER:  
"If any man will come after me,  
let him deny himself, and take up  
his cross daily, and follow me".  
— LUKE 9:23 —