

# The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 29, 2022



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## St. Agnes & St. Anthony Joint Mission Statement

As sharers in the mission of Jesus Christ, we are committed to spreading the Gospel and building up the kingdom of God in our homes, in our parishes, and in the communities in which we live.

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### St. Agnes & St. Anthony Parish Staff:

Pastor	Rev. Varghese Munduvelil CFIC
Deacon	Guy Germain
Deacon	Michael Pucylo
Deacon	Ramon Morales
Business Manager	Don Wong
Administrative Assistant	Florentina Suce
Custodian	Bruce Huynh

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### Twin Parishes Financial Pulse

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Full Year Budget</u>
<b>May 21 &amp; 22</b>			
<b>Sunday, Holy Day</b>	\$ 5,056	\$127,600	\$332,000
<b>Building Maint. Fund</b>	\$ 405	\$15,850	\$30,000
<b>Together We Serve</b>	\$ 305	\$11,640	\$30,000

*“A man may give freely, and still his wealth will be increased; and another may keep back more than is right, but only comes to be in need.”*  
Proverbs 11:24-25

*May God bless you in your response to His love?*

## Twin Parishes Masses for the Week

<b>Tuesday, May 31</b> Mass @ St. Anthony	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, May 25</b> No Adoration @ St. Anthony No Mass @ St. Anthony	
<b>Thursday, June 02</b> No Mass @ St. Agnes	
<b>First Friday, June 03</b> Mass @ St. Agnes	7:00 pm
<b>Saturday, June 04</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony	5:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Sunday, June 05</b> Mass @ St. Agnes Mass @ St. Anthony Mass @ St. Agnes	9:00 am 10:30 am 12 Noon

To all the parishioners who are interested in having their church donations by automatic withdrawal from their banks please email or call the parish office @ 780-432-0611 to register.

### DONATE BUTTON

Parish website: [twinparishes.caedm.ca](http://twinparishes.caedm.ca)

Here are three ways to give:

St. Agnes and St. Anthony would prefer if you use:

[Pre-Authorized Giving Agreement Form](#)

Envelopes can be dropped off or mailed to the parish office at:

St. Anthony,  
10661-82 Avenue NW Edmonton,  
AB T6E 2A6

**My Offering**

Donate online:

Thank you for being a good steward of St. Agnes/St. Anthony Parish.  
Every gift is truly appreciated.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. No Wednesday masses from June 1st to June 22nd and **NO Adoration** at St. Anthony. Mass is only Tuesday @ 7:00 pm at St. Anthony
2. No Thursday masses from June 2nd to June 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Agnes. Mass is only Friday @ 9 am at St. Agnes except on the First Friday at 7:00 pm.
3. If your child is in grade two you can register for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion. If your children are between ages of 11 to 14 you can register for Confirmation by calling the parish office.

# SACRAMENTS

## FIRST RECONCILIATION /COMMUNION

Please call the parish office 780-432-0611 for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday from 10:00 am 12:00 PM from October 2022 at St. Agnes church hall.

## CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS

–If your children are between the ages of 11 to 14, please call the parish office for more information and registration. Sessions will be every other Saturday at 1:00-3:00 PM from October 2022 at St. Agnes church hall.

## RCIA (Adapted for Children age 7 – 14)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – age 15 and above) Anyone who wants to become Catholic and Catholics who have not yet received First Communion and Confirmation, and anyone interested in learning more about RCIA please call parish office at 780-432-0611 to register. Session will start on October 2022 every Wednesday @ 7:00 PM.

## MARRIAGE

– Because the church is deeply concerned about each marriage, couples are asked to give a minimum of **six months notice prior to the intended date of their wedding.** Normally the parish boundaries determine in which parish marriage planning should take place. St. Agnes & St. Anthony parishes offer a Marriage Preparation Course please contact the parish office.

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## CHURCH DONATION E-TRANSFER

Effective June 01, 2022, you can **E-Transfer** your church donation to [StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca](mailto:StAnthonyEdm.etransfer@caedm.ca) will be automatically deposited to the account of The Twin Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Anthony at RBC Royal Bank. Thank you for your support and generosity.

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## CALLED TO PROTECT WORKSHOP

**Friday June 17, 2022 from 1 pm to 3:30 pm** Called to Protect training session. This is a requirement for all volunteers. The workshop will take place over Zoom. It will be approximately 2.5 hours long.

Here's the link for the **Registration:**  
<https://forms.gle/htZYnoyqBzFSK77F6>

## FUNERAL MASS FOR MR. HENRY OSS

Tuesday, May 31, 2022 @ 1:00 PM  
St. Anthony Church 10661-82 Avenue  
Viewing at 12:00 Noon @ St. Anthony Church

## The Good News: Scott Hahn Reflects the Ascension of the Lord

May 29, 2022

**First Reading – Acts 1:1-14**

**Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9**

**Second Reading – Ephesians 1:17-23**

**Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23**

**Gospel: Luke 24:46-53**

In today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and He has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14-15](#)).

Indeed, His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the First Reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). The Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through Baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)). Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with Him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.