

St. Agnes Parish
1019 Brown Street
Thunder Bay P7E 2L7

Parish Office
Open Tues. to Thurs.
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Weekend Mass
Sat. at 5 p.m.
Sun. at 9 a.m.
11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Weekday Mass
Tues. at 7 p.m.
Wed.-Fri. 12:10 p.m.
Reconciliation: Sat. 4-4:30pm & on request.

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February 22, 2026 – First Sunday of Lent

Focus: *Jesus is the obedient Son.*

Throughout the Old Testament, the Scriptures use metaphorical language to speak of Israel as God's son. Yet like us today, the Israelites persist in disobedience, straying from their Father's will. God thus send Jesus, who is tempted in the desert to disobey God. Jesus' example of obedience reveals what true sonship requires.

In Our Parish This Week

Monday, February 23

~ 1:30pm Bind Us Together Prayer Group (MR)

Tuesday, February 24

~ 5pm North Star Youth Group (Hall)

~ 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, February 25

~ 6:30pm Worship Pillar Ministers Meeting (Hall)

~ 6:30pm Wild Goose (MR)

Thursday, February 26

~ 6:30pm Choir Practice

~ 7pm Finance Council (Rectory)

Friday, February 27

~ 11:30am Stations of the Cross

~ 12:10pm Healing Mass for St. Agnes Seniors

Saturday, February 28

~ 9am Life Group 4 (MR)

Sunday, February 29

~ 12pm RCIA (MR)

~ 7:45pm Youth (Hall)

Sunday Collection:

February 15: **\$4308.50**

Thank you for your continued financial support of our parish.

Anniversaries of the Deceased: Please remember in your prayers Pasquale Di Paolo, John Holbik and Nellie Castelli whose anniversaries occur this week.

Mass Intentions This Week

Tuesday, February 24

~ Intentions of John Wenzell req. The Coursolle Family

~ Antonio Vecchione req. The Family

Wednesday, February 25

~ The People of the Parish

Thursday, February 26

~ Leo Groulx req. Wanda & Randy Major

Friday, February 27

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~ Intentions of St. Agnes Seniors

Saturday, February 28

~ Intentions of the Catalan Families req. Rollie & Solita Catalan

~ Elisabeth Battiston req. Maria Pedulla & Family

~ Intentions of the Coursolle Family req. Tom, Anna-Maria & Family

Sunday, March 1 Second Sunday of Lent

9am: ~ Intentions of Bob Swift req. The Ilkka Family

~ Intentions of Father Larry Kurec req. Joyce Ilkka

11am: ~ Marie Marks req. Al & Felicia Urbanski

~ Dennis Wright req. Gail Charlebois

~ Intentions of Broxsen Davis req. The Coursolle Family

7pm: The People of the Parish

Readings March 1

First Reading: Genesis 12.1-4

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1.8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9

As we read these passages we ask ourselves, "What is the Good News here for me?" "What is the challenge here for me" and, "How will this help me celebrate at the table of the Lord this Sunday?" This will enrich our celebration at Mass each week.

Lenten Mission: Father Terry Sawchuk will be leading a Lenten Mission Tuesday, February 24, 6:30pm at Holy Cross Church. All are welcome.

Catholic Women's League News



The Catholic Church dedicates the entire month of November to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. At this time, our membership & parishioners join with the family and friends to mourn our league sister Lynda Pontisso who died on February 7th, 2026. Our sister Lynda who in her younger years lived with purpose, energy, and devotion, was a very active member of our parish and generously served on the Executive Council, offering steady leadership and faithful dedication. Her contributions and kind heart will always be remembered. We celebrate Lynda's life and her over 30 years of service for God and Canada. She is listed in our National Book of Life and to be remembered in daily Mass and Prayers especially in our annual CWL Deceased Members Mass that will be held on November 3rd, 2026.

World Day of Prayer 2026 will be held at St. Dominic's Church on Friday, March 6 at 10am. The service this year is prepared by the women of Nigeria and the theme is "I will give you rest: come". Join them for prayer, music, food and fellowship!

Knights of Columbus



Council 8602 News:

Who are the Knights? We have more than 16,000 councils headquartered in Catholic parishes around the world. -- Knights put their faith into action every day to make life better in their parishes and communities. -- We offer men the opportunity to grow in their faith while helping others and supporting the Church, and to become better Catholics, husbands and fathers. -- The Knights of Columbus annually contributes nearly \$200 million to worthy charitable causes around the world, and our members donate nearly 100 million hours of their time.

Upcoming Events: Spaghetti Take Out – Thursday March 15th at the Columbus Centre. Pick up from 2pm to 5:30pm.

Do your loved ones no longer practice their faith or believe in God? Come, journey with us this Lent as we reignite our hope together with the video series: "How to pray for your sons, daughters & loved ones" starting Monday February 23 – March 30, 7pm – 9pm at **St. Elizabeth Parish**. Free materials will be provided. To register please call 807-708-6005.

Employment Opportunity: Administrative Assistant -approximately 25 to 28 hours/week

Position Summary

We are seeking a dependable and detail-oriented Administrative Assistant to support the daily operations of St. Agnes Parish. This role serves as a welcoming first point of contact and provides essential administrative support.

Key Responsibilities

- Greet visitors, respond to phone and email inquiries.
- Prepare weekly bulletin and various correspondences.
- Assist Parish communications through electronic and printed means.
- Maintain records, calendars, and physical/digital filing systems.
- Support basic bookkeeping and office tasks as needed.

Qualifications

- Effective communication, organization, and people skills
 - Respect for confidentiality and professionalism
 - Proficiency in Microsoft Office and basic office equipment
 - Prior administrative support experience is preferred
 - Proficiency in Google Workspace (i.e. Google Calendar, Docs, Sheets, etc.) would be considered an asset
 - Experience with E-transfer tracking would be considered an asset
 - Experience with Canva or other graphic design software would be considered an asset
- Please submit a resume and cover letter to stleadershelpline@gmail.com by February 25, 2026.

