

St. Agnes Parish
1019 Brown Street
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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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March 16, 2025 – Second Sunday of Lent

Focus: *Stand firm in faith.*

This season of Lent prepares us for Easter, when we will celebrate the Lord's resurrection. In today's Gospel, Peter, John and James get a glimpse of Jesus' glorified body. This is the type of body that Paul tells the Philippians we will one day have, as long as we stand firm in our faith – not only in Christ's resurrection, but also in his cross.

In Our Parish This Week

Monday, March 17

- ~ 1:30pm Bind Us Together Prayer Group (MR)
- ~ 4pm Praise & Worship Rehearsal (Church)
- ~ 6:30pm Alpha (Hall)

Tuesday, March 18

- ~ 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- ~ 6:30pm KC Council 8602 (MR)

Thursday, March 20

- ~ 9am Painting with God (MR)
- ~ 6:20pm Choir Practice

Friday, March 21

- ~ 9am St. Vincent de Paul Hampers
- ~ 11:30am Stations of the Cross
- ~ 12:30pm CWL Executive (MR)

Saturday, March 22

- ~ 9:30am Life Group 4 (MR)
- ~ 10:30am Life Group 6 (MR)

Sunday, March 23

- ~ 11am First Communion Class
- ~ 12pm RCIA (MR)
- ~ 7:45pm Youth Group (Hall)

Mass Intentions This Week

Tuesday, March 18

- ~ The People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- ~ The People of the Parish

Thursday, March 20

- ~ The People of the Parish

Friday, March 21

- ~ Intentions of Bishop Alan Campeau req. Deacon Etienne & Bev Roussel

Saturday, March 22

- ~ Sally Kowalchuk req. Karen & Roger
- ~ Deceased Members of the Napolitano Family req. Lina Meo & Family
- ~ Peggy Reynolds req. Tom, Anna-Marie, Shane, Jessica, Nicholas, Victoria & Family

Sunday, March 23 Third Sunday of Lent

9am: ~ Jill Alakorpi req. Colleen Hogan

- ~ Intentions of Jim & Janice req. Gerri Jessiman

11am: ~ Justin Low req. Jean Joy

- ~ Tony Arvonio req. Joe & Silvana Arvonio & Family
- ~ Intentions of Charlotte Walker req. Ron & Pat Pearson

- ~ Alfred Simons req. The Galle Family

7pm: The People of the Parish

Readings March 23

First Reading: Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12

Gospel: Luke 13.1-9

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.

Sunday Collections:

March 9: **\$3833.50**

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Catholic Women's League News:



Environmental Days.

One of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching is the Care for God's Creation, Stewardship of Creation and responsibility for social justice.

March 5- April 17 during Lent, rethink harmful ways of living with creation and commit to healing our relationships with our Creator and each other (Laudato Si' Movement)

March 22 - World Water Day- protect water resources and conserve.

March 22 - Earth Hour- "Biggest Hour for Earth" 8:30pm-9:30pm- global awareness about climate change and energy consumption.

April 6 - CWL general meeting with "Get your garden started" tips and tricks for the novice gardener to start planting a garden and grow your own.

Praise, Worship &

Adoration

Evening:

Please join us for the Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Adoration and

Praise & Worship on **Tuesday, April 1st** from 7:00-9:00pm. The Rosary will be said at 6:30pm prior to Mass. The Prayer Ministry team will be available for personal prayer. All are welcome.



Anniversaries of the Deceased: Please remember in your prayers Domenic Serino, Angiolina D'Uva, Emilio De Benetti, Michele Spina, Carmino Rosetti and Elizabeth Tremblay whose anniversaries occur this week.

Development and Peace: On this second Sunday of Lent, a time of spiritual renewal, how can we reflect the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ? In this Jubilee year when we are called to be ***Pilgrims of Hope***, what concrete gesture of hope and solidarity can we make towards our sisters and brothers in the poorest countries? As Pope Francis laid out, "Let us not forget that having wealth includes responsibility. Thus, I ask for constant vigilance so that the most disadvantaged nations will not be neglected, and that they be helped to rise from their impoverished conditions." Please give generously to the Share Lent collection on April 6.

Knights of Columbus



Council 8602 News:

Every month, our Supreme Chaplain issues a challenge to us Knights. Here is this month's challenge.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles." (Lk 6:43-44). Scripture often reminds us that our faith must be made evident through our works, through the good that we do. Like a tree, we will be known by the fruit we produce. May we always be mindful that faith calls us to lead lives of virtue in service to God and neighbour. We are challenged to identify at least one area of our lives where we could bear better fruit. Then, guided by the Holy Spirit, undertake at least one concrete resolution to improve.

Upcoming Events

Spaghetti Take Out—Thursday, March 20th—Columbus Centre. Pick up from 2pm to 5:30pm

Pickrel Fish Take Out – Thursday, March 27th – Columbus Centre. Call the hall at 623-3252 for details.

Lenten Mission: Monday, March 24 at 6:30pm at Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, 415 W. Victoria Ave. in the parish hall. Facilitated by Father Terry Sawchuk. All welcome.

Volunteer Tutors Needed: The Refugee Committee is looking for volunteers to help tutor students in Grades 3 to 7. Tutoring takes place from 4-5:30 on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Anyone interested please call Mandy (807-627-6467).

