

**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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## March 19, 2023 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

**Focus:** *Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness.*

Sometimes doing God's will can seem strange, foolish, or even wrong to others. Jesse assumed his youngest son couldn't be the next king, so David was left to care for the sheep when Samuel came. The Pharisees thought Jesus sinned by healing on the Sabbath. Are we preoccupied with what others will think, or are we focusing on doing God's will?

### **In Our Parish March 20 to March 26**

**Monday** ~ 1:30pm Bind Us Together Prayer Group  
(Hall)

~ 7pm Wild Goose (Hall)

**Tuesday** ~ 7pm Wild Goose Online

~ 7:30pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

~ 7:30pm KC Council 8602 (Hall)

**Thursday** ~ 7pm Penitential Service

**Friday** ~ 11:30am Stations of the Cross

~ 6:30pm Marriage Prep Weekend

**Saturday** ~ 8:30am Marriage Prep Weekend

**Sunday** ~ 11am First Communion Class

### **Readings March 26**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ezekiel 37.12-14

Reading: Romans 8.8-11

Gospel: John 11.1-45

As we read the readings we can begin to till the soil of our hearts by asking ourselves, "What is the Good News here for me?" We can then ask, "What is the challenge here for me and, how will this message help me celebrate at the table of the Lord this Sunday?" As we continue to do this each week it will enrich our celebration.

**Sunday, March 12: \$3233.50**

Thank you for your financial support of our parish.

### **Mass Intentions for this Week**

**Tuesday, March 21:**

~ Glenice Quesnelle req. St. Agnes CWL

**Wednesday, March 22:**

~ The People of the Parish

**Thursday, March 23:**

~ The People of the Parish

**Friday, March 24:**

~ Bill Bukovy req. Ray & Carolyn Syvitski

**Saturday, March 25: Annunciation of the Lord**

~ Millie McQueen req. Her Family

~ Mike Spina req. The Spina Family

~ T. C. McDonald req. Eugene & Pat Abraham & Family

~ Clarice & Tony Cano req. Yves & Mandy Fricot

~ Irma Pretto req. Gabriella Battistel & Family

**Sunday, March 26: Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**9am:** ~ Michele Spina req. Nieces C. & M. Spina

~ Michele Turco req. Nieces C. & M. Spina

~ Al Martin req. Geralyn Fodchuk

~ Sergio Verardo req. Keri & Peter Verardo & Family

**11am:** ~ Agnes Gibb req. Gail Charlebois

~ Len Edwardson req. Natalie & Denis Malette & Family

~ Bob Randle req. Life Group 3

~ William Kelso req. Wanda & Randy Major

**7pm:** ~ The People of the Parish

**Anniversaries of the Deceased:** Please remember in your prayers Emilio DeBenetti, Michele Spina, Carlo Rossetti, Beti Tremblay, Wanda Knough, Sally Kowalchuk, Patrick Strain and Marian Willis whose anniversaries occur this week.

**About Development and Peace:** Also responds to humanitarian crises caused by natural disasters or conflict such as in Ukraine.

## **Catholic Women's League News**



LEAGUE GOVERNANCE CHANGE: Ecclesiastes quotes that there is a time for everything, which now includes, the 2014 infrastructure of our CWL, tabled in the National Manual of Policy and Procedure 2022. In 2020, we proudly celebrated the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of our sisterhood organization. To continue to achieve our unchanging Core Values in a renewed way, the above document has been reviewed to better reflect the influence of the current times affecting Faith, Service and Social Justice. Over the next weeks, more information will be unveiled as all Councils positively adapt to and implement the recommendations that have been motioned by the National Council. Our current Executive and Standing Committee Chairpersons will be positioned to continue their capacity within a revised term of reference. This will ultimately include all the ladies within our membership, demonstrating that although we are many, we are one!

Our Lady of Good Counsel and St. Joseph,  
Pray for us!

**Lenten Penitential Service:** St. Agnes will hold a Penitential Service with General Absolution on Thursday, March 23 at 7pm.

**St. Agnes Scholarships/Bursaries:** Will be awarded to St. Agnes students graduating from Separate and Public Secondary Schools and continuing full-time at a post-secondary institution. Candidates must be registered members of the parish and meet the criteria set out by the Parish Council. Application forms are available at the parish office and must be returned by April 30.

**Coming this Spring:** "Eternal Rest" A Four Part Film Series exploring our very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? Four Zoom sessions hosted by Fr. Terry Sawchuk at 7 p.m. on the evenings of April 12, 13, 19, and 20, will include the feature video presentation and group discussion. Cost to register: \$20. Space is limited. To register and receive your study guide, please call Holy Angels Parish (807-824-2010) or email [holyangelschreiber@gmail.com](mailto:holyangelschreiber@gmail.com) by Friday, March 31.

## **Knights of Columbus**



### **Council 8602 News**

Fraternity is the final principle that our Supreme Chaplain writes about. "As Knights, we value the brotherhood and solidarity that we and our families share. We also know that sustaining that spirit of solidarity sometimes requires patience and forbearance. Sometimes, we need to abstain from a hasty word or an angry remark. Often, we need to make room in our hearts for a brother Knight with whom we disagree. In a word, we need to "fast" from that which undermines our fraternity. During Lent, denying ourselves food and drink can also help us to make more room in our hearts for one another, for those in need, and ultimately for the Saviour, in whose pierced heart is the fullness of redemption."

### **Upcoming Events**

**Monthly Council 8602 Meeting** – Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – St. Agnes Hall.

**Spaghetti Take Out** – Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> – pick up 2pm to 5:30pm at the Columbus Centre.

**Holy Family Knights Mass** – Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> - 10am Mass. Coffee social to follow.

**FORMED: "Eternal Rest"** is a four part series that examines the origin of death, the afterlife, and the powerful reality around the Sacrament of the Sick that ushers us into eternal life. It presents the Catholic Church's teaching about death and God's response to it. "**Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage**" walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, re-presenting the most important days of human history. Immersed in the real and sacred places of the Holy Land, the pilgrim faithful is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**"Lent Activities for Kids"** There are many videos for kids to choose from and a journal to keep track of what they have learned in each video. Why not check out "**St Patrick of Ireland**" on his feast day of March 17th? Captured by pirates as a young boy, St Patrick was held captive. Find out how he escaped and brought Christianity to Ireland using a shamrock. The animated version, "**The Story of Saint Patrick**" is also available for children to watch.

To check out these resources for **FREE** visit <http://signup.formed.org/> Enter our parish name: St. Agnes Church, 1019 Brown St., Thunder Bay, ON Enter your name and email