



# St. Agnes Catholic Parish

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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2026



**Focus:** *God speaks to our hearts in quiet moments.*

*In today's Gospel, Jesus goes up the mountain by himself to pray. Jesus often spends the whole night in prayer, teaching us that it is good to seek quietness and stillness when in prayer. God is always with us, but we need to seek him out and listen for the tiny whispering sound of his voice calling us to him.*

# NEWS & EVENTS at ST. AGNES PARISH

*Where everyone is welcome!*

*Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (see 1 John 4:11)*

**GIVING A BLESSING:** To give a blessing is to affirm, to say “yes” to a person’s Belovedness. And more than that: To give a blessing creates the reality of which it speaks. There is a lot of mutual admiration in this world, just as there is a lot of mutual condemnation. A blessing goes beyond the distinction between admiration and condemnation, between virtues or vices, between good deeds or evil deeds. A blessing touches the original goodness of the other and calls forth his or her Belovedness.

**- Henri Nouwen**

## **GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL?? PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS??**

This is the best time of year to [update](#) your personal information or [register](#) in the parish. And if you are preparing for kindergarten, or the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation, **you will need a copy of your Baptismal certificate**. Contact the parish office and [request your copy now](#) and we will be happy to forward your copy directly to the Sacramental Preparation Team for you.



**CAN YOU HELP SERVE AT MASS?** We always need altar servers for weekend masses. We particularly need adult servers for weekdays and special occasions such as funerals and weddings. If you think you can help with this or would like to learn about serving at mass, please approach Fr. Jeff and express your interest.

## Did you know...

### Some common liturgical objects and their names:



**CHALICE** – A “goblet”, a sacred vessel made of precious metal or noble material that holds the wine which, through consecration, becomes the Precious Blood of Christ.



**PATEN** - The “plate”, also made of precious metal or noble material, that holds the bread – usually a larger host which, through consecration becomes the Body of Christ.



**CIBORIUM** – A sacred vessel, also made of precious metal or noble material with a lid, used for the distribution of hosts which, through consecration, become the Body of Christ. Deeper than a paten, the ciboria (pl.) can hold a larger number of hosts and be covered in the tabernacle for reservation of the Blessed Sacrament.



**PYX** – A small vessel with a securely closing cover that is used to carry the Blessed Sacrament to those infirm or homebound that cannot come to the Church.



**CRUETS** – The cruets are smaller, jug-like containers that hold the water and wine that will be used at Mass. Often they rest securely on a plate or platter designed to hold them in place.



**LAVABO** and **PITCHER** – a jug and bowl used for washing the priest's hands.



**LAVABO TOWEL** – a simple towel with which the priest dries his hands.



**CORPORAL** – the square cloth placed on the altar beneath the chalice and paten. It is folded so as to catch any particles of the Precious Body and/or Blood which may drip or fall accidentally.

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU??

Our Parish has many opportunities for you to enrich your faith by participating in the life of the Church:

Our engagement in one or some of these ministries and/or organizations enriches our life of faith as we witness to others.

**CWL** – The Catholic Women's League

**USHERS** and **GREETERS**

**MAINTENANCE**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

**GARDENING**

Ministers of the **WORD**

Extraordinary Ministers of **HOLY COMMUNION** – especially visiting the sick and homebound.

**HOSPITALITY**

**SSVP** – The Society of St. Vincent de Paul; helping our neighbours in need.

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**SACRISTAN**

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**ALTAR SERVERS** – Adult and Youth

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS**

**RCIA** – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**ROSARY LEADERS**



***Read about many of these on our website and/or inquire at the office, or any Usher can direct you to the right resource person!***

***Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 910): "The laity can also feel called, or be in fact called, to cooperate with their pastors in the service of the ecclesial community, for the sake of its growth and life."***

# Mass Schedule

Mondays – **no Mass**

**Holy Hour:** Thursdays at **6pm**

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at **9:30 – 10am; 3:30 – 4:15pm;** or by appointment

| MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS for August 9 - 16 |      |                                                                                                                  |                                          |
|---------------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| SUNDAY                                      | 10am | †Brenda McKenna                                                                                                  | Barb Dale-Harper                         |
|                                             | 7pm  | Pro Populo                                                                                                       |                                          |
| TUESDAY                                     | 9am  | †Katherine Donegan<br>†Joseph O'Malley                                                                           | Landy Family<br>Celeste Haffner & Family |
|                                             | 9am  |                                                                                                                  |                                          |
| WEDNESDAY                                   | 9am  |                                                                                                                  |                                          |
| THURSDAY                                    | 7pm  | †Erika DeMelo<br>All Priests & Religious Diocese of Hamilton<br>St. Philomena, Helma & Melinda, Krista & Andreas | Urbana Macedo<br>Serra Club<br>Sylvia    |
|                                             | 7pm  |                                                                                                                  |                                          |
| FRIDAY                                      | 7pm  | Lloyd Ferreira                                                                                                   | Errol Ferreira                           |
| SATURDAY                                    | 9am  | World Peace & Conversion of Sinners                                                                              | Sat. Morn. Rosary Group                  |
|                                             | 5pm  | †Ann Louise Cormier                                                                                              | Randy Cormier                            |
| SUNDAY                                      | 10am | Pro Populo                                                                                                       |                                          |
|                                             | 7pm  | Dolce Ferreira                                                                                                   | Errol Ferreira                           |

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**Please put your first AND last name in the memo line or we cannot create a tax receipt.**

**If you are e-transferring for another purpose** [i.e., mass stipend or spaghetti dinner, for example] please include that in your message on your e-transfer. Otherwise, your funds are deposited directly into general offertory.



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