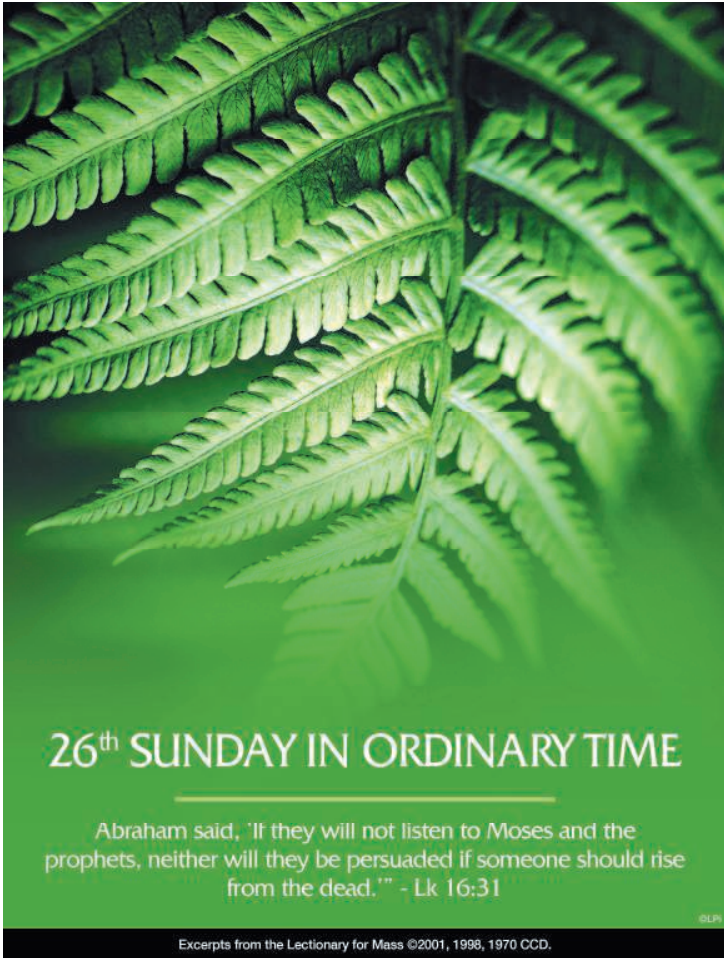


September 29, 2019

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St Francis & St Paul

128 Riverside St, Milo, ME 04463

St Thomas Aquinas

43 High St, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426

St. Agnes

238 Detroit St, Pittsfield, ME 04967

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Deacon.....David Denbow
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM-3:30PM - St. Agnes
Sunday 7:45 AM-8:15 AM St. Thomas
Sunday 9:45AM-10:15AM- St. Anne

OR by Appointment (Please call 564-2612)

SACRAMENTS

If you need the Sacrament of Baptism, Matrimony, or for the Sick, please call the parish office at (207) 924-7104 and an appointment will be made for you. If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call Beth Boddy at (207) 999-9928. Please call Beth if you are interested in serving in this ministry.

MASS CANCELLATIONS

If school is cancelled, due to inclement weather, in any towns where our parishes are located, then the weekday Mass for that parish is also cancelled.

Readings for the Week of September 29, 2019

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/ Lk 16:19-31
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/ Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37[34]/Lk 10:17-24

## Activities for this Week

- Sunday 09/29**      **Our Lady's Kitchen Dinner**  
@ St. Anne Parish Center @ 12 PM
- Sunday 09/29**      **Faith Formation** at St. Agnes  
at 9:00 AM
- Sunday 09/29**      **Faith Formation** at St. Thomas  
Aquinas @ 9:30 AM
- Monday 09/30**      **Second Story Ever Bible Study**  
at St. Agnes Parish Hall @  
6:30 PM
- Wednesday 10/02**      **Eucharistic Adoration** at  
St. Agnes from 11 AM to 7 PM
- Wednesday 10/02**      **St. Agnes Ladies Guild**  
**Meeting** at St. Agnes Parish Hall  
@ 7 PM downstairs
- Wednesday 10/02**      **St. Agnes Knights of**  
**Columbus Meeting** at St. Agnes  
Parish Hall @ 7 PM upstairs
- Thursday 10/03**      **Prison Ministry** 1:30-4:30 PM  
@ Charleston Correctional  
Facility
- Friday 10/04**      **Fatima Rosary** @ St. Agnes  
From 9:30 AM—11:00 AM
- Friday 10/04**      **Second Story Ever Bible Study**  
at St. Agnes Parish Hall @  
3:00 PM
- Saturday 10/05**      **Youth Ministry** at St. Thomas  
Aquinas 7—9 PM

### FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The finance council meeting minutes for the August 20, 2019, meeting are now posted in each parish for anyone to review.

### PROTECTING GODS' CHILDREN CLASS

There will be another Protecting Gods' Children class on Saturday, October 5, 2019, at 2:00 PM, at St. Anne's Parish Center. Please contact Suzanne Nowinski at 249-8219 to let her know you will be attending the class.

### Weekly Collections

September 15, 2019	St Agnes	OL Snows
Regular Offertory	\$1,792.25	\$2,777.19
Hurricane Dorian	\$ 568.00	\$1,623.68



Father James Martel, James Tobin, Edwin H. Miller, Justin H. Miller, Rheba Michaud, Waluk Family, Rae Ann Paradis, Sam H and family, Carole Fuller, Bob and Vi Jones, Linda O'Connor

### BAKED BEAN SUPPER!!!

Famous baked bean supper sponsored by the St. Agnes Ladies Guild on Saturday October 12, 2019, at 5:00 PM.

The menu will be beans, hot dogs, rolls, coleslaw, mac and cheese, pickles, desserts, and beverages. The cost will be \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under, or \$15 for a family.

St. Agnes Ladies Guild baked bean supper raises money for our projects, and it is designed to bring the parish, cluster and surrounding community together. For more information, please contact Lorrie Nayock at 487-2726. All are welcome!

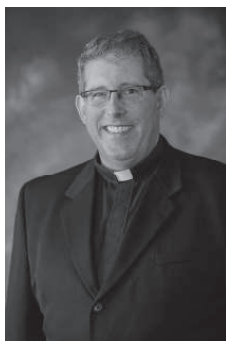
### CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Our Lady of the Snows and St. Agnes parishes would like to congratulate Connie Craven on winning 2nd place in the St. Hildegard Food Pantry Recipe Challenge for her "Dinner in a Dish" recipe.

Our Lady's Kitchen will receive a check for \$500 thanks to Connie Craven's recipe entry. A special thank you to Connie from Our Lady's Kitchen for naming them to receive the cash prize.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Again this week we are confronted with difficult words from Jesus in the form of the parable of the rich man & Lazarus – the beggar at his door whom he ignored. The rich man really embodies our tendency to say, “if only, if only...” He ignored Lazarus laying outside his gate all his life, yet he’s sure if he or his family got a second chance that they would make the most of it. Maybe so, but more likely they would revert to their old ways. We all have the knowledge that God himself took on flesh and walked among us to teach us and to offer us His mercy, yet there are many, many of us who call ourselves followers of Christ who ignore the Lazaruses in our own world. If they look different from us, come from a different place, if they make us uncomfortable; we find ways of pushing them out of our vision & our hearts. This Gospel is a good reminder to ask the Lord to be able to do as St. Paul directs – **“But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.”** May we ever keep our goal of eternal life with Christ in our hearts so that we may treat all our brothers and sisters as we would treat Him!



Fr. Robert Lupo

## A Teaching Moment: The Church's Moral Commitment to Society

The Church has a vital role to play in shaping responsible citizens with moral character and with a willingness to contribute to the wellbeing of society. The Liturgy and worship of the Church have much to do with these admirable goals. At divine worship, people receive the grace to help them to be formed ever more closely to Christ.



The saving grace of the dying and rising of Christ are communicated to us in the Sacraments so that we might live more perfectly Christ's truth and virtues such as love, justice, mercy, and compassion. Every Mass ends with the mission to “go forth and serve the Lord.” This sending means that the love of God and neighbor and the moral implications of the Beatitudes and Ten Commandments should be witnessed by the participants in everyday life.

The lives of the saints provide ample evidence of this truth. Saints of every age have improved health care and education and fostered the human dignity of the poor, the oppressed, and the society at large. Saints attribute their remarkable energies to the power that comes from prayer and above all from the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist.

God Bless, Deacon Dave



*Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 29, 2019*

“Fight the good fight of the faith.” Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Seamus Griesbach: 207-773-6471;  
email: [seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org);  
Website: [www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations); Facebook: VocationsME.

## SECOND GREATEST STORY BIBLE STUDY

It is not too late to join us on Mondays at 6:30 PM or Fridays at 3:00 PM at the St. Agnes Parish Hall to watch the dvd and discuss the book about Saint Pope John Paul II and God's Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Every Told by Michale Gaitley. We still have a couple of spots in each session. For more information, please call Connie Craven at 278-5430.

## OUR LADYS' KITCHEN VOLUNTEER POTLUCK DINNER

The Our Ladys' Kitchen Volunteer Potluck Dinner will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 5:30 AM with the goal of sitting down to eat at 6:00 PM. Week 1 will bring appetizers, Week 2 and Week 5 will bring entrees, Week 3 will bring salads and Week 4 will bring desserts.



## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### **Saturday September 28—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*†Joann Walter, by a Parishioner*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*Adam Brown, by his Grandparents*

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Glenna Bearce, by Gary and Delila Dow*

### **Sunday September 29—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM St Agnes

*†Constance Hubbard, by Ken & Nanhee Dechaine*

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Gary L. Dow, II, by his Parents*

10:30 AM St Anne

*For the Parishioners, Pro Populo*

### **Monday September 30—St. Jerome**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

**NO INTENTION**

9:15 AM St Agnes

**NO INTENTION**

### **Tuesday October 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

**NO INTENTION**

8:30 AM St Anne

*Jim & Jean Gross, by Tom & Terrie Allen*

### **Wednesday October 2—The Holy Guardian Angels**

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

**NO INTENTION**

### **Thursday October 3**

6:30 PM St Agnes

**NO INTENTION**

### **Friday October 4—St. Francis of Assisi**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

**NO INTENTION**

8:30 AM St Anne

*Family of James & Dorothy Elliot, by Mary Ann Elliot*

### **Saturday October 5—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*†MuSong Rho, by Roland & Vernetta Dechaine*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*Lucy Brown, by Don & Carole Brown*

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

**NO INTENTION**

### **Sunday October 6—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM St Agnes

*†MuSong Rho, by Roland & Vernetta Dechaine*

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Gary L. Dow, II, by his Parents*

10:30 AM St Anne

*†John & Margaret Allen, by Tom & Terrie Allen*

## **2019 PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE**

The “Giving Reasons for Our Hope in Christ” Parish Life Conference will be held at the Ramada Inn & Conference Center in Lewiston on October 4-5. The conference is open to anyone serving in a Catholic parish or school in Maine. It aims to help participants recognize and share God’s presence and to be inspired to return to their parishes and schools ready to better encourage discipleship in those they serve. The conference will include presentations by national speakers, Mass with Bishop Robert P. Deeley, an assortment of workshops, and a resource hall. For more details, visit the conference’s website at [www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/parish-life-conference-2019](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/parish-life-conference-2019). The Ramada Inn is offering a discounted room rate (more than 40% off the regular rate). To reserve your room, call the hotel directly at (207) 784-2331 and ask for the Parish Life Conference group rate. The special rate is only available until September 4 or until the discounted room block is sold out.

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## **Maine Catholic Men’s Conference**

The annual Maine Catholic Men’s Conference will be held at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, located on 150 Black Point Road in Scarborough, on Saturday, October 19, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The conference will feature a Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert P. Deeley; meaningful times of prayer; and keynote speaker Deacon Ralph Poyo, the founder of New Evangelization Ministries, an organization that offers guidance on effective evangelization to pastors and parish staff around the country. Admission is \$50 for those age 23 or older and \$30 for teens and young adults (ages 16-22). Discounted hotel rates (available through September 18) and more information about the conference are available at [www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/maine-catholic-mens-conference-2019](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/maine-catholic-mens-conference-2019).

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## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

There will be a blessing of the animals on Sunday, October 6, 2019, after the 10:30 AM Mass at St. Anne.

With the Feast of St. Francis on Friday, October 4, 2019, Father Rob will be offering a blessing of the animals after the Mass at St. Anne.

Bring your dogs, cats, birds, etc. Father Rob and Kirby are looking forward to seeing you there!!!

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