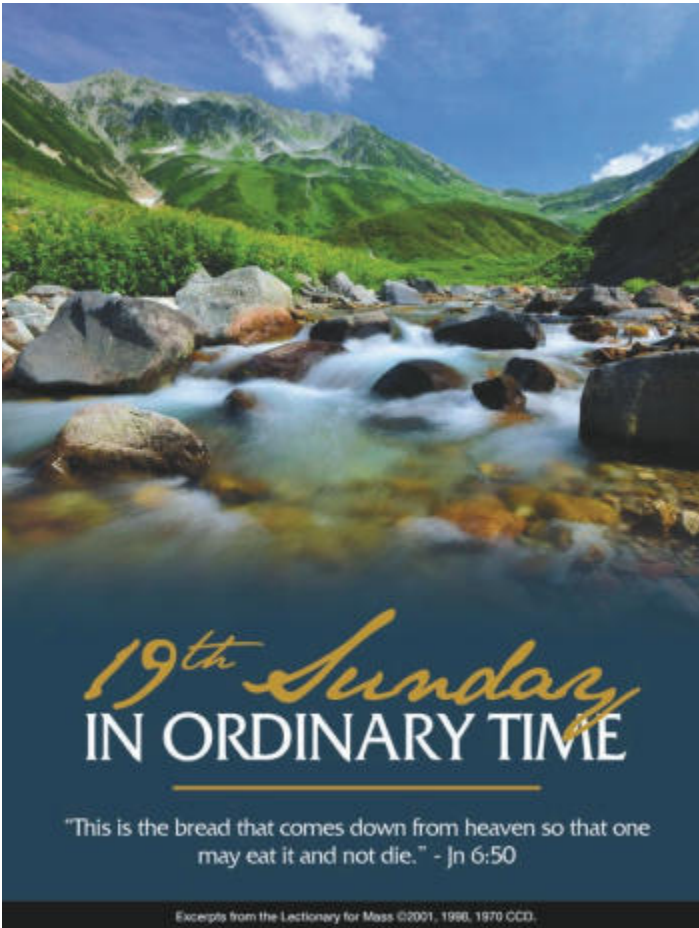


August 8, 2021

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS & ST. AGNES PARISHES

A Roman Catholic Faith Community in Central Maine



OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS PARISH & ST. AGNES PARISH

Consists of the Catholic Churches of St Anne

64 Free St, Dexter , ME 04930

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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Weekly Readings for August 8, 2021

- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15

Liturgical Publications

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.

**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

August 15, 2021 Assumption  
September 12, 2021 Catholic University & Special Education Needs

**ST. AGNES HOLY HOUR**

Please join us on Thursdays from 11 AM to 12 PM at St. Agnes Church. Please come in the front door. There are no more masks or social distancing requirements. For more information, please call Kathie Clark at (207) 938-4856.

**ST ANNE’S HOLY HOUR**

Every Tuesday, St Anne’s will hold a Holy Hour after the 9AM mass until approximately 10:30. This will include the Divine Mercy Chaplet, silent adoration, and Benediction. Your own personal intentions will be offered, as well as specific intentions for Our Lady of the Snows.

**HOLY HOUR WITH EUCHARIST ADORATION AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**

Holy Hour with Eucharist Adoration will take place at St. Thomas Aquinas on Wednesdays at 11:00 AM.

**NEW MASS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JULY 3, 2021**

Monday: St. Thomas Aquinas at 8:30 AM  
Tuesday: St Anne at 9:00 AM;  
Thursday: St. Agnes at 10:00 AM;  
Friday: St. Francis & St. Paul at 8:30 AM  
Saturday: St Agnes at 4:00 PM;  
St. Francis & St. Paul at 4:00 PM;  
St. Thomas Aquinas at 6:00 PM  
Sunday: St. Agnes at 8:00 AM;  
St. Thomas Aquinas at 8:30 AM;  
St. Anne at 10:30 AM

| Weekly Collections   |                 |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>July 25, 2021</b> | <b>St Agnes</b> | <b>OL Snows</b> |
| Regular Offertory    | \$1,276.00      | \$2,112.00      |



Father James Martel, Edwin H. Miller, Justin H. Miller, Waluk Family, Sam H and family, Linda O’Connor, Linda Hanscome, Rick, Kevin Krista, Dorothy Dubois, Brian Murphy, David Kimball, Donna Booth, Louise Dulac, Martin Keaveney, Catherine MacLaren, Patty Barry, Gail Dostie, Robert Wintle, Rosalie Goulette, Colton, Mark Allen, Jay Family, Robert & Wanita Allen, Judith Slattery, Michael Watters, Ben Rollins, Cynthia Robinson, Kenneth Robinson

**Livestream Schedule for Our Lady of the Snows & St. Agnes Parishes**

4:00 PM Saturday – Livestream from either St. Agnes or St. Francis & St. Paul;  
10:30 AM Sunday – Livestream from St. Anne;  
9:00 AM Tuesday – Livestream from St. Anne;  
10:00 AM Thursday – Livestream from St. Agnes

Beginning in August this will be the schedule for livestreams going forward.

**ST. AGNES FAITH FORMATION**

The parish office is looking for a preliminary head count as to how many children will be attending faith formation for grades K-8 in the fall at St. Agnes.

Would you kindly call Tricia at the parish office at (207) 924-7104 and let her know if your child or children will be attending faith formation at St. Agnes in the fall. Thank you.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

***St. Padre Pio: "If men only appreciated the value of a holy Mass, they would need traffic officers at church doors every day to keep the crowds in order."***



I love this quote!! It reminds me of the Catholic Church that I would attend when visiting my Father in Jacksonville, FL. It was a giant affair with parking lots all around it, so that there would have been some very long walks to the Church if the Parish hadn't provided shuttles – actually golf-carts – to bring people from the outer reaches of the parking lot to the Church. At the end of the Mass there were local police officers on hand to direct traffic as people left from the multiple entrances! It was something to behold.

We, of course, don't have that kind of population here in the heart of Maine, but that doesn't mean we don't lack enthusiasm or appreciation for our faith. We may feel like Elijah – tired, questioning, discouraged – but we too are nourished by the Lord as Elijah was. We are given 'The Bread of Life' from Christ so that we may continue to move into the future with hope and determination. Our Eucharist is a great gift from God to help us to follow along the way. We are all called to listen to Paul – ***"Do not grieve the Holy Spirit..."*** May the grace of God help us all to go into the world praying as Paul does that, ***"All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ."***

Fr. Robert Luppo

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3172 RECRUITMENT

The Dover-Foxcroft Knights of Columbus Council 3172 are looking to recruit new members and with social distancing requirements not allowing us our usual recruitment drives, we would like to invite new members to join our council.

If your interested in joining the Knights, please call Richard Malinauskas at (207) 432-2182 to get further information about what they do.

## A Teaching Moment: The Church's Understanding of Baptism



According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (or CCC), water baptism is the first sacrament and gives access to the other required sacraments. It is also the act that forgives sins, grants spiritual rebirth, and makes one a member of the church (CCC, 1213). The Catholic Church also believes that Jesus requires one's baptism in order to receive eternal life.

Catholics view baptism as the means by which one receives the Holy Spirit. The sacrament is called "the gateway to life in the Spirit" (CCC, 1213). The "washing of rebirth" in Titus 3:5 is interpreted as a literal washing by water and is associated with the rite of baptism. The same is true for Jesus' mention of being "born of water" in John 3:5. Even non-Catholics who have been baptized are considered "justified by faith in baptism" (CCC, 1271) because baptism incorporates all into Christ.

CCC 1274 teaches, "The Holy Spirit marks us at baptism with the seal of the Lord for the day of redemption." However, there is no security in this seal, for the baptized Christian must be "faithful" to keep the seal "until the end." Only then will he "be able to depart this life in the hope of resurrection." Catholics recognize other Christian baptisms so long as the Trinity formula prayer is used as in "I baptize you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow

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### FLOCK NOTE

We encourage all of our parishioners to sign up for Flocknote. It is a very informational resource for our parishioners.

To sign up, please go to your internet search engine and type in the below information.

Flocknote: Text the key word **olots** to 84576 from your cell phone or visit:

<https://ourladyofthesnowsme.flocknote.com> to sign up.

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## **EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

### **Saturday August 7—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*NO MASS INTENTION*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*†Karl & Sylvia Roettger, by the Roettger Family*

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

*NO MASS INTENTION*

### **Sunday August 8—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM St Agnes

*NO MASS INTENTION*

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*Deacon David Denbow, by Mr. & Mrs. John Maher*

10:30 AM St Anne

*†Anna Cole, by Kevin Krista*

### **Monday August 9—St. Teresa Benedicta**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*NO MASS INTENTION*

### **Tuesday August 10—St. Lawrence**

9:00 AM St Anne

*†James Grippe, by Bill & Ann Scholl*

### **Wednesday August 11—St. Clare**

*NO PUBLIC MASS*

### **Thursday August 12—St. Jane Frances de Chantal**

10:00 AM St Agnes

*NO MASS INTENTION*

### **Friday August 13—St. Pontian**

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

*NO MASS INTENTION*

### **Saturday August 14—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*NO MASS INTENTION*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*NO MASS INTENTION*

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

*NO MASS INTENTION*

### **Sunday August 15—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 AM St Agnes

*NO MASS INTENTION*

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Stephen G. Thibault, by the Thibault/Spooner Family*

10:30 AM St Anne

*†Roland Clukey, by Mr. & Mrs. John Maher*

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## **CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021**

Our Lady of the Snows has reached 75% of the monetary goal and St. Agnes has reach 49% of the monetary goal. The Monetary goals are set for each parish by the Diocese.

Thank you to all that have contributed. If you have not yet contributed, please give what you can to help a worthy cause and to reach our diocesan goals.

**Maine Young Adult Catholics  
Summer Gathering in Gray on August 7th**

On Saturday, August 7, there will be a gathering of Maine young adult Catholics (ages 18-39) at the St. Gregory campgrounds in Gray from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. with the option of attending Mass at 4 p.m. at St. Gregory. The event is “BYOB&L” (bring your own non-alcoholic beverages and lunch) and will feature outdoor games and opportunities to socialize with other young adults. For more information, see the flyer below or contact Hannah Gonneville at (207) 773-6471, extension 7885, or [hannah.gonneville@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:hannah.gonneville@portlanddiocese.org).

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**ORGAN LESSONS**

Sandy Graham will be offering free organ lessons at St. Anne until mid September.

If you are interested in taken lessons, please contact Sandy at (207) 924-7820 for more information.

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**MAKING GOD’S LOVE VISIBLE**

Next weekend, August 7th and 8th is the Mission Cooperative Plan Appeal. This year the appeal supports the Maryknoll Sisters who give witness to God’s love and devote their lives to MISSION. As nurses, doctors, teachers, theologians, social workers and more, they serve the needs of people, the poor, the ailing and the marginalized, where they missioned.

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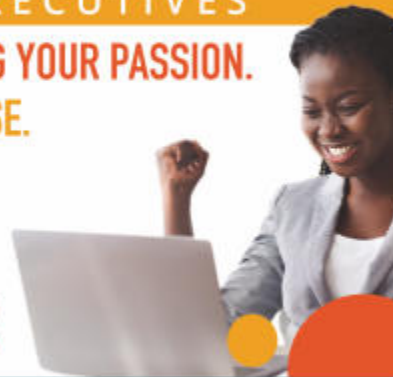
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