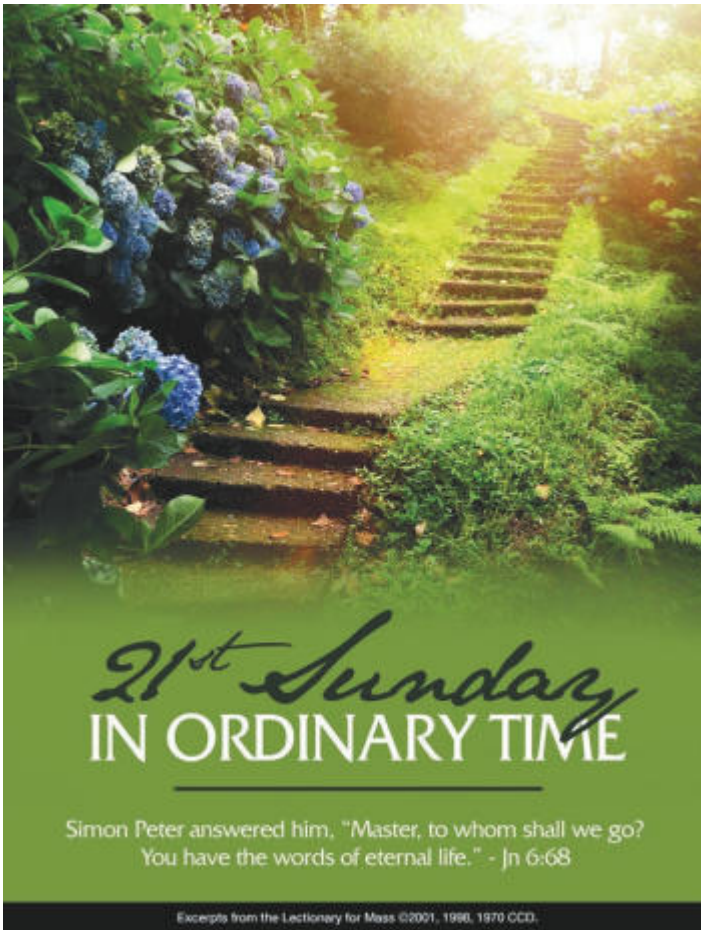


August 22, 2021

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 22, 2021

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/ Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-3

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

September 12, 2021 Catholic University &
Special Education Needs

October 3, 2021 Fuel Collection

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.

MASS CHANGE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

Effective September 11, 2021, there will be no more Saturday Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas at 6:00 PM until further notice.

FAITH FORMATION FOR OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

Faith formation will begin on Sunday, August 22, 2021, at St. Thomas Aquinas after the 8:30 AM Mass on Sunday.

If you would like to register your child or children, please contact Tricia at the parish office at (207) 924-7104.

Weekly Collections

August 8, 2021	St Agnes	OL Snows
Regular Offertory	\$1,746.00	\$4,563.00



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

We come back to the end of the Bread of Life discourse today after celebrating the Assumption last weekend. A bit of a heartbreaking scene – we are told that many of Jesus' disciples could not accept what he was saying and left to go back to their homes and lives. He then asks Peter and the 12 if they are going to stick around and, once again, Peter rises to the occasion, **“Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.”**

As we continue to weather the storm of the pandemic, I think it is worth considering the different ways that a person can ‘no longer accompany’ Jesus. The individuals that we hear about in the Gospel today went away – back to their homes. That is certainly one way to stop accompanying Jesus. There are many ways to lose the path. We can become discouraged about the state of the world, or the Church. We can become angry at others. We can substitute our own assumptions and fears for verifiable truth. When one who claims to follow Christ ends up more worried about their ‘rights’, rather than their responsibilities as a baptized member of the Body of Christ then it is time to take a step back and reassess one’s point of view. Jesus tells us that all the Law and the Prophets can be boiled down to two things – Love God & Love your neighbor as yourself. He is always ready to help us in our efforts to follow those commandments, but we need to make the effort. Both of these commandments put our focus where Christ’s was – on God and the other (our neighbor.) Our society wants us to focus on ourselves exclusively and that message is impossible to escape as it comes to us in every form of media that exists. May Christ touch our hearts so that we can better do as he asks and put the good of the other first, rather than our own good. We have very concrete ways of doing that right now. We know that the two best ways we can protect ourselves and others right now is to get vaccinated and wear a mask. May we exhibit the depth of our faith in our actions to care for others. That is what the one ‘who has the words of eternal life’ would want us to be doing.

Fr. Robert Lupo



A Teaching Moment: St Maximilian Kolbe



Maximilian Maria Kolbe (born Rajmund Kolbe; Polish: *Maksymilian Maria Kolbe* [maksi mʲilʲan marja ˈkɔlbɛ]; 8 January 1894 – 14 August 1941), venerated as Saint Maximilian Kolbe, was a Polish Catholic priest and Conventual Franciscan friar who volunteered to die in place of a stranger in the German death camp of Auschwitz, located in German-occupied Poland during World War II. He had been active in promoting the veneration of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, founding and supervising the monastery of Niepokalanów near Warsaw, operating an amateur-radio station (SP3RN), and founding or running several other organizations and publications.

On 10 October 1982 Pope John Paul II canonized Kolbe and declared him a martyr of charity.^[1] The Catholic Church venerates him as the patron saint of amateur-radio operators, drug addicts, political prisoners, families, journalists, and prisoners.^[2] John Paul II declared him "The Patron Saint of Our Difficult Century".^[3] His feast day is 14 August, the day of his death. Due to Kolbe's efforts to promote consecration and entrustment to Mary, he is known as the *Apostle of Consecration to Mary*.^[4]

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow

SPANISH MASS

Every Friday at 12:00 PM, at St. Agnes parish, Father Michael Sevigny celebrates Mass in Spanish and English.

Everyone is welcome to come and share the Holy Eucharist with our Hispanic Community.



EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday August 21—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

For the Parishioners, Pro Populo

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

For the Parishioners, Pro Populo

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

NO MASS INTENTION

Sunday August 22—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Terry & Ruth Ann Boddy, by the Boddy Family

10:30 AM St Anne

†Elizabeth Krista, by her Husband

Monday August 23—St. Rose of Lima

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Todd Tarr, by the Parish'

Tuesday August 24—St. Bartholomew

9:00 AM St Anne

Special Intentions, by Mary Ann Elliot

Wednesday August 25

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Thursday August 26

10:00 AM St Agnes

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Friday August 27—St. Monica

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Saturday August 28—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

†Jordan Brochu, by his Memere

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

6:00 PM St Thomas Aquinas

For the Parishioners, Pro Populo

Sunday August 29—22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St Agnes

For the Parishioners, Pro Populo

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†John Wood, by the Boddy Family

10:30 AM St Anne

†Anna Cole, by Kevin Krista

CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021

Our Lady of the Snows has reached 76% of the monetary goal and St. Agnes has reach 58% 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.

CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our faith formation coordinator, Melissa Wanat, is looking for Catechists for the upcoming fall faith formation calendar year for K—8.

Please contact the parish office at 924-7104 if you are interested in volunteering as a catechist.

**ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!
ATTENTION!! LADIES OF ST. AGNES**

St. Agnes Ladies Guild meeting, Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 7:00 PM at the St. Agnes Parish Hall, 238 Detroit St. Pittsfield. The Ladies Guild is finally able to resume our monthly meetings the first Wed. of each month. There is a need for new members in our Guild. Guild Membership is open to all Catholic Women and non-Catholic women of Catholic men beginning at 18 years of age. Annual dues are only \$5.00.

The Parishioners at St. Agnes accomplish much behind the scenes, those acts of faith, love and charity that are necessary to the vitality of any parish. These acts include, among many others, taking care of Altar supplies; decorating our church; organizing food pantry donations, Advent and Lenten devotions; organizing Parish fund raisers, Faith Formation and Parish and Community Suppers.

The member of the St. Agnes Ladies Guild are often involved in many of these accomplishments. Along with organizing the Rosary for funerals; helping families in the Parish Hall after funerals, helping at receptions for special church activities, supplying the hosts, cleaning our altar cloths, purchasing some of the robes, and with the Knights, paying for some robes and Altar supplies to be refurbished and cleaned. We also sponsor a Godchild in Honduras through Unbound.

Come and join us. For more information call our President, Lorrie Nayock, 487-2726 or Publicity, Connie Craven, 278-5430.

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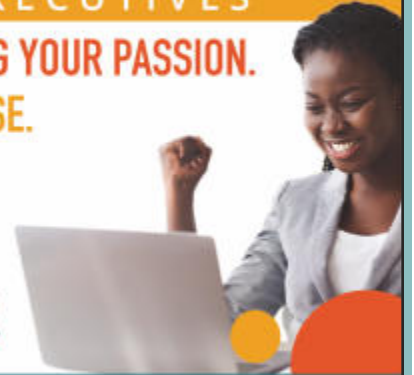
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