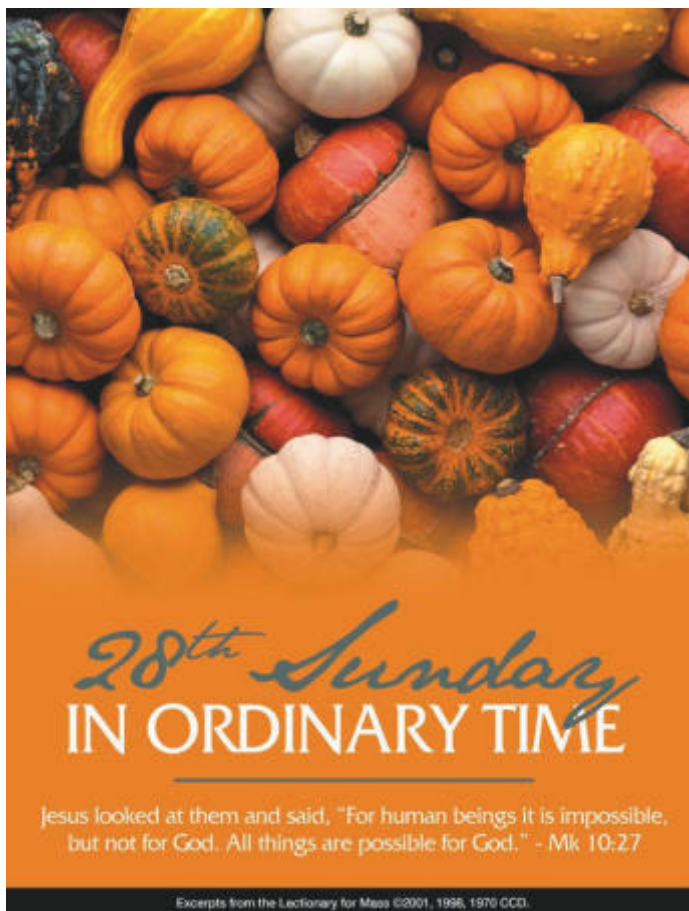


October 10, 2021

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

Pastor.....Rev. Robert Lupo

Deacon.....David Denbow

Faith Formation St. Thomas.....Melissa Wanat

Faith Formation St. Agnes..... Ken Dechaine

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Weekly Readings for October 10, 2021

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12

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

October 3, 2021 Fuel Collection
October 24, 2021 World Mission Sunday

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.

RCIA AND FAITH FORMATION

Do you or someone you know have an interest in joining the Catholic Church? Class slots are now available by calling the parish office at (207) 924-7104 to set up a time to meet with Deacon David Denbow.

PARISH WEBSITE

Our parish website is up and running. Go and check out our new site and read our weekly bulletin, among other items. If you have any questions, comments or feedback, please let us know here at the office at (207) 924-7104.

Weekly Collections

September 26, 2021	St Agnes	OL Snows
Regular Offertory	\$1,259.00	\$2,241.00



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.

IN NEED OF A REFRIGERATOR

St. Agnes is in need of a new refrigerator for the parish hall. The refrigerator is used during parish hall functions such as fundraising dinners, funerals, by the Ladies Guild, faith formation and the Knights of Columbus.

If you would like to donate towards the new refrigerator, please contact Knights of Columbus member, Ken Dechaine at Ken.SaintAgnes@roadrunner.com, who is coordinating this effort. Thank you for your generosity.

PASTOR'S CORNER

We are in the midst of Respect Life month here in 2021. Since we are in the Year of St. Joseph, the USCCB is urging us to highlight St. Joseph during this Respect Life month as we have been throughout this year. Joseph is a shining example of respecting and protecting life. Even though he knew that Mary was not pregnant with his child, he took her into his home and raised Jesus as his own son. Then, when the family was in danger, again he didn't hesitate to follow the instructions of the Lord and head to Egypt until Herod had died.

May we pray that each life will be treasured, not only by Our Lord, but by us as well – may we walk with mothers in need and support programs that assist pregnant women in crisis and new moms. We can also pray this month to Our Mother Mary – please consider saying a Rosary for the intention of the unborn, and that all children will be treasured and given the care they need and deserve. I want to leave you with the words of the U.S. Bishops.

“May we imitate St. Joseph's faithful trust and courage as we work to uphold the dignity of every human life. St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!”

Fr. Robert Lupo

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN.

Do you understand what is truly happening in the Sacrifice of the Mass? Do you know what the Church teaches concerning the serious issues we, our children and our grandchildren are dealing with at school, work and in society? Do you know what to say to help your children? What if someone asked you “Why are you still Catholic?” Do you have an answer?

All these answers and many more are in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. In our Book Study Course, we will discuss the Sacred Teaching of the Catholic Church, an overview of the Catechism and the “4 Pillars” and discuss your questions. Course will last 5 or 6 weeks.

Join us Monday night at 6 PM or Friday afternoon at 3:00 PM, both are held in the church hall at St. Agnes. If you have the Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church, please bring your copy. For more information call: Connie Craven at 278-5430.



A Teaching Moment: Why the Sacrament of Baptism is So Important

Baptism is the one sacrament that all Christian denominations share in common. In the Catholic Church, infants are baptized to welcome them into the Catholic faith and to free them from the original sin they were born with. Baptism can be regarded as a vaccine against sin.

Baptism is the most important sacrament in Christianity as it is considered the “gateway” to all of the others. Baptism also gives us new life as adopted children of God. We become sharers of divine life and temples of the Holy Spirit. We are now made righteous by God and live in a state of grace, that is, we live in union with God because of his gracious and loving initiative. Our permanence in the state of grace is called *sanctifying grace* because God “sanctifies” us, that is, makes us his holy people by giving us his life.

By Baptism we become members of the Church, the Body of Christ. We share in the priesthood of Christ as well as his prophetic and royal mission. Baptism provides a common foundation among all Christians, including those not yet in full communion with the Catholic Church. The Church recognizes the validity of Baptism in other Christian Churches as long as the rite involved the pouring of or immersion in water, a Trinitarian formula, and the intention to baptize.

Those who have been baptized have been saved by their faith in Christ and the grace of Baptism. “They therefore have a right to be called Christians and with good reason are accepted as brothers [and sisters] by the children of the Catholic Church” (CCC, no. 1271, citing UR, no. 3).

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow

COVID VACCINATION ASSISTANCE

If you are eligible for a vaccine and your doctor has approved you getting the COVID-19 vaccine, but you need help signing up for an appointment, we can help you. Please call either Maureen Coons at (207) 278-2000 or Diane Parola at (207) 217-8190 for assistance.





EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday October 9—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Sunday October 10—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Gary L. Dow, II, by his Parents

10:30 AM St Anne

†Anna Cole, by Kevin Krista

Monday October 11—St. John XXIII

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday October 12

9:00 AM St Anne

†Virginia “Ginny” Veazie, by Linwood & Betty Towle

Wednesday October 13

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Thursday October 14—St. Callistus I

10:00 AM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

Friday October 15—St. Teresa of Jesus

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Saturday October 16—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Sunday October 17—29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

NO MASS INTENTION

10:30 AM St Anne

*Children & Grandchildren of Garry & Lisa Allen,
by their Parents and Grandparents*

CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021

Our Lady of the Snows has reached 84% of the monetary goal and St. Agnes has reach 59% 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.

Christmas Card Art Contest for Catholic Schools and Faith Formation Students

The Diocese of Portland is seeking a cover art design for the 2021 Christmas Card. Any student affiliated with a Catholic parish or school in the Diocese of Portland may enter. Artwork provided by students will be judged by a committee and each of the four winners' designs will be used on the cover of the 2021 Christmas card. One winner will be selected from each of the following grade groups; K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. The winners' name will be printed on the back of the card and the winners will receive a special gift blessed by Bishop Deeley.

Entry forms are located at the back of each parish, along with the contest rules and regulations



ENDOWMENTS FOR OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS AND ST. AGNES PARISHES

Endowments for Our Lady of the Snows and St. Agnes Parishes include the Our Lady of the Snows Parish Endowment and the St. Agnes Parish (Pittsfield, ME) Endowment. Anyone can make a gift, in any amount, to these endowments, and anyone can start a new endowment. Neither donations to nor grants from endowments are subject to assessment and donations can be of cash, stock, insurance, property, or a bequest. Your gift will make a difference and assist the needs of the parish in perpetuity. The Foundation makes distributions annually to the parish as directed, and the funds are used as designated by the endowment. Checks should be made out to the Catholic Foundation of Maine, noting the appropriate endowment.

For more information about how you can leave a legacy through a gift to any of these endowments, contact Elizabeth Badger, Executive Director, at the Catholic Foundation of Maine, 207-321-7820 or www.catholicfoundationmaine.org.

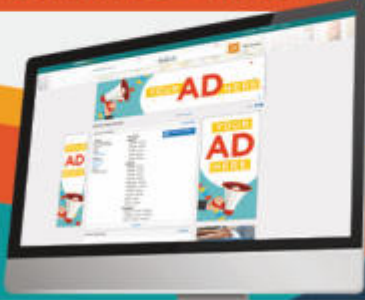
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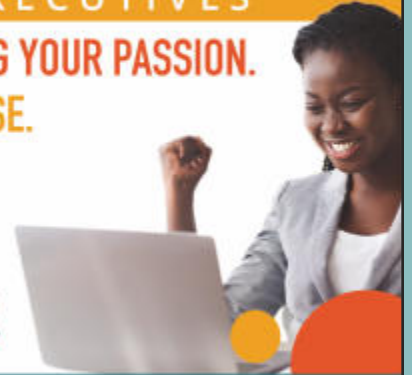
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