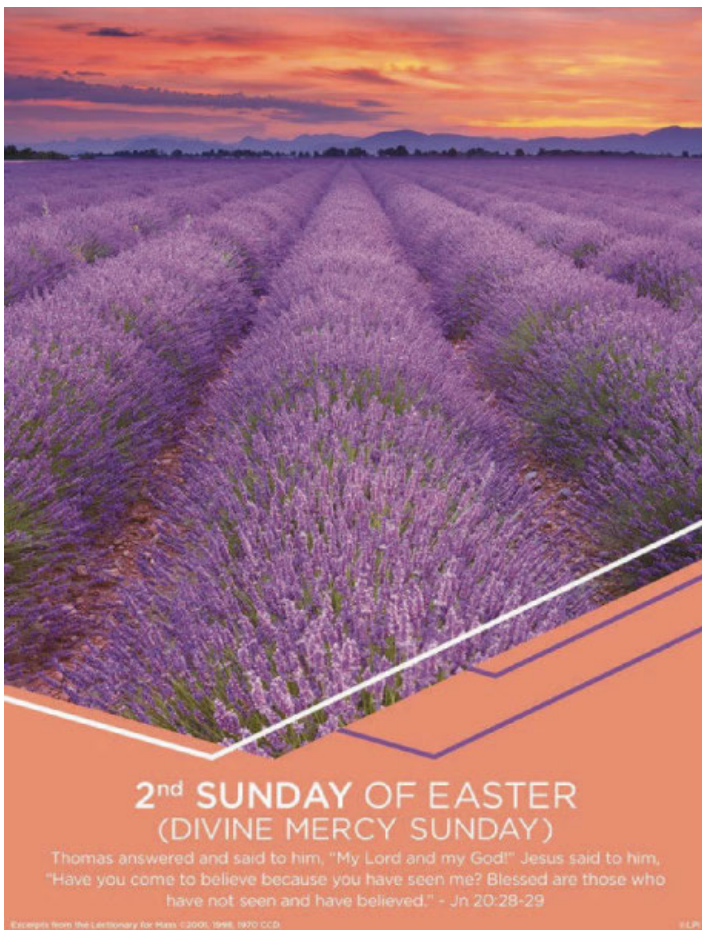


April 24, 2022

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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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

Please check flocknote for Mass cancellations due to inclement weather. If you are not signed up with flocknote, please check school cancellations, in any towns where our parishes are located, if it is cancelled, then the weekday Mass for that parish is also cancelled.

Weekly Readings for April 24, 2022

- Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19 -20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-2

Liturgical Publications

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

May 26, 2022	Ascension
June 5, 2022	Seminarians & Ecclesiastical Students

SPANISH MASS

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

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

HOLY HOUR & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Consider spending some extra time with Jesus this lent: Eucharistic Adoration is a quiet time spent with the Blessed Sacrament, which is visible on the altar. This time can be used for prayer, contemplation, thanksgiving or just sitting with our Lord.

There is Eucharistic Adoration at St Thomas Aquinas every Wednesday at 11 am.

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.

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.

Weekly Collections

April 3, 2022	St Agnes	OL Snows
Regular Offertory	\$1,291.00	\$2,637.00



Father James Martel, Justin H. Miller, Waluk Family, Linda O'Connor, Dorothy Dubois, Brian Murphy, David Kimball, Donna Booth, Louise Dulac, Martin Keaveney, Catherine MacLaren, Gail Dostie, Robert Wintle, Rosalie Goulette, Judith Slattery, Michael Watters, Ben Rollins, Cynthia Robinson, Kenneth Robinson, Joseph Riitano, Jr., Edward Schmidt, Kenneth Bearce, Carole Brown

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.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The Divine Mercy Novena begins Good Friday, Pamphlets will be available at the back of the churches.

Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at St. Agnes with adoration starting at 2:30 PM and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 PM

All are welcome to attend.

PASTOR'S CORNER

HAPPY EASTER!!

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who pitched in to make our Holy Week, Triduum & Easter celebrations so wonderful & beautiful!! Congratulations to our two new Catholics!



To all who worked behind the scenes to get the Churches ready & so marvelously decorated, to all the servers & sacristans who helped with setting up and celebrating the splendid liturgies, to the delightful music ministers who always add so much to our celebrations. I also want to thank all of you. It was a very moving experience to see so many members of our communities coming, once again, to pray and worship together.

It has been a long and arduous two years. All the people that are part of Our Lady of the Snows & St. Agnes have ensured that our communities have continued to do the work of Christ in praying, fasting, and giving alms – you have made an especially difficult time a bit easier by continuing to support your Parishes, even when you couldn't get into the buildings. I am very grateful for all the people that are part of our communities and for the contributions you make that sustain our parishes.

I wish you a grace-filled Divine Mercy Sunday.

Peace & God Bless!
Fr. Rob

We are Back!"

Our Lady's Kitchen is pleased to announce they are reopening on Sunday, May 15th for dinner. Please join us for Sunday Dinner at the Parish Center at 12 Noon. All are welcome, dinner is free and donations are gratefully accepted. For the time being, there will be a dinner on the first Sunday of each month and on the third Sunday of each month beginning with May 15th.. We need volunteers to donate desserts. If you would like to share in this way or have other questions, please call Coordinators Curt and Kathie Lombard, 924-2120.

A Teaching Moment: Octave of Easter



The Easter Octave begins on Easter Sunday and ends on the Second Sunday of Easter of the Divine Mercy with every day being another solemnity or another "little Easter." The current title for each of the octave is "Monday in the Octave of Easter," "Tuesday in the Octave of Easter" etc., but commonly called "Easter Monday," "Easter Tuesday," and so forth. The Easter Octave "overrides" any other feasts on the calendar.

As with the Octave of Christmas, the Octave or eighth day is not as liturgically important as the feast day of Easter, but it is higher in importance than the preceding six days of the Octave. The Easter Octave is concluded by the Second Sunday of Easter, which has many titles. The current designation is Sunday of Divine Mercy, designated by St. John Paul II. But it is also known as Low Sunday, to differentiate this Sunday from the Easter solemnity.

The closing of the greatest week of the liturgical year does not mean an end of Easter. The Easter season continues until Pentecost, a sum total of 50 days! The number of days of celebrating is longer than the preparation of the Lenten season, again illustrating the central importance of the Paschal Mystery.

In the spirit of the Easter Octave, let us continue to celebrate the solemnity of Easter: *This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow



Knights Raffle

After 2 plus long years of COVID-19, Council #3172 Knights of Columbus in Dover-Foxcroft will run our raffle to provide money for our charitable programs. The Knights will be available after the 8:30 AM mass and around town selling the tickets. They are priced at \$1 per ticket or \$5 for a book of six tickets. The drawing will be held after the 8:30 AM mass at St. Thomas Aquinas on June 19. Please consider buying many tickets to help us with our programing.



EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday April 23—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

†Donald Dechaine, by Kenneth & Nanhee Dechaine

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Sunday April 24—Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

NO MASS INTENTION

10:30 AM St Anne

†Robert Denbow, by Tom & Helena Ronco

Monday April 25—St. Mark

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

NO MASS INTENTION

Tuesday April 26

9:00 AM St Anne

†William Handville, by the Parish

Wednesday April 27

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Thursday April 28—Ss. Peter & St. Louis

10:00 AM St Agnes

NO MASS INTENTION

Friday April 29—St. Catherine of Siena

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Saturday April 30—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

†Walter & Pauline Rezendes, by the Familu

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

NO MASS INTENTION

Sunday May 1—3rd Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Barbara Quirk, by the Family

10:30 AM St Anne

†Cheryl Tremblay, by Norman Tremblay, Jamie & Randy Dellaire

THE BIBLE TIMELINE SALVATION HISTORY BIBLY STUDY

There will be a bible study on the Bible Timeline Salvation History starting on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at St. Anne's Parish Center at 6:00 PM and every Wednesday thereafter until completion.

To pre-register or for more information, please contact Woodrow Livingston at (207) 924-3809 and leave a message.

There is no cost for the books as the Dexter Knights of Columbus have made a donation to the bible study but books are limited so pre-register early.



ENDOWMENTS FOR OUR PARISHES

Endowments are perpetual funds that pay out dividends annually to the parish, for the designated needs. Our parish has two endowments at present, but we can have more! The Our Lady of the Snows Parish Endowment and the St. Agnes Parish Endowment help with maintenance needs. Gifts are welcome at any time, any amount, and can be checks, stock, IRA distributions or bequests. A new endowment, in memory of a loved one, and for any ministry, church or need, can be started very easily. If you would like to know more, please contact Elizabeth Badger, the director, at (207) 321-7820 or email at elizabeth.badger@catholicfoundationmaine.org. Your gift will make a difference and assist the needs of the parish in perpetuity. Checks should be made out to the Catholic Foundation of Maine, noting the name of the endowment you are giving to, and sent to Catholic Foundation of Maine at PO BOX 799, Portland, ME 04104. God bless you for your generosity. www.catholicfoundationmaine.org

Men's 18+ Discernment Retreat Set for Agassiz Village Campgrounds in Poland, Maine on May 13-15, 2022

Are you a Catholic man, age 18 or over, who is discerning a possible call to the diocesan priesthood or religious life? If so, the special Men's 18+ Discernment Retreat set for the beautiful Agassiz Village Campgrounds in Poland is for you.

The retreat, which is set for May 13-15, 2022, will gather discerners from across Maine for a weekend of prayer, community, and fun while enjoying the beauty of our Lord's creation. Any man striving to live out his faith and follow God's will in his life is encouraged to attend. The weekend retreat will include communal and individual prayer, spiritual talks from priests, outdoor activities, and much more.

If you have any questions or are interested in attending, contact Jennifer Bernier in the Diocese of Portland's Office of Ministerial Services at jennifer.bernier@portlanddiocese.org. The registration deadline is Monday, May 9. Participants are asked to bring their own sleeping bag, pillow, and towel for the weekend, as well as appropriate attire and shoes for being outdoors.

For more information about discerning a vocation, visit this special section on the Diocese of Portland's website: www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations/christ-calling-you. The section features a variety of helpful resources including information about the life of a priest in Maine, the path to the priesthood, the history of the presbyterate in Maine, vocation stories, answers to frequently asked questions, and ways to get in touch with the Office of Vocations and Seminarians.

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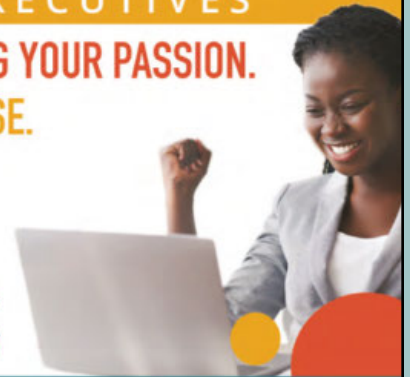
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