

May 8, 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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### Weekly Readings for May 8, 2022

Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/ Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-1

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

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.

## **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 Sevigny 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**

<b>April 17, 2022</b>	<b>St Agnes</b>	<b>OL Snows</b>
Regular Offertory	\$2,631.00	\$1,883.00



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, Robert Wintle, Rosalie Goulette, Judith Slaterry, Michael Watters, Ben Rollins, Cynthia Robinson, Kenneth Robinson, Joseph Riitano, Jr., Edward Schmidt, Kenneth Bearce, Carole Brown, Bobbi Holsapple, Thomas Ronco, William Gelzinis

### **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.

### **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.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Happy Good Shepherd Sunday! Each year on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter we are graced with a Gospel account that fleshes out Jesus' identity as our Good Shepherd. This year we also celebrate Mother's Day today! I hope that all the Mom's have a wonderful day and that their families show them some love & appreciation, not just today, but every day!



As we come out of two years of strangeness & difficulty, may we stride into this summer with enthusiasm and determination. May we be excited to see each other at our gatherings, and in our daily wanderings around town. May we not let the difficult and troubling events in the larger world harm or diminish our capacity for love & compassion – our capacity to truly be a community.

There is new life abounding as we continue through our springtime. May that new life also encompass us – in just a week Our Lady's Kitchen will reopen for the first time in over 2 years – we have not one but 2 Bible Studies moving along – we will be visited by Missionaries in July as we are each summer, and I look forward to welcoming all the folks that join us in our beautiful part of Maine for the summer. As we move into June, we will have all our coverage back in place and our Mass schedule will expand back to 6 Masses a weekend as we add back in the Saturday evening 6:00 P.M. Mass at St. Thomas the Sunday morning 8:00 A.M. at St. Agnes.

I would also love to have a social gathering for our Parishes this summer and am looking for folks who would be interested in helping to plan and organize such an event. If that's you, please contact the office!

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!**

Peace & God Bless!  
Fr. Rob

## A Teaching Moment: St Matthew the Apostle



On May 14th of this year, we celebrate the feast of St Matthew the Apostle. The Apostle Matthew, also known as Saint Matthew and Levi, was one of the twelve disciples of Jesus Christ. He is traditionally regarded as the author of the Gospel of Matthew. When Jesus called Matthew to follow him, he was a tax collector (or "publican")—one of the most reviled professions in ancient Judaism.

Little is known about this apostle. Aside from a handful of mentions in the gospels, he's a surprisingly obscure New Testament figure. And despite the fact that the church has long considered him the author of the Gospel of Matthew, little else was ever recorded about him. While Matthew is honored as a martyr, no one knows for sure where or how he died. Various accounts say he was beheaded, stoned, burned, or stabbed—one even suggests he died of natural causes like John.

Virtually everything we really know about Matthew comes directly from the gospels. He's mentioned in all three Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke), and listed among the disciples in Acts. But that's it. Including parallel passages, there are just seven mentions of him in the entire Bible. Only one (and its parallels) gives us any substantial details about him.

By calling Matthew, Jesus was proclaiming that no one would be excluded from his movement—not even those society considered irredeemable. When it comes to the Apostle Matthew, there's not much to go on. But what we do have—the gospels—shows us that Matthew was one of Jesus' most powerful examples of the forgiveness God offers everyone. This should give us all reason to hope in God's mercy.

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow



## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### **Saturday May 7—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*†Robert A. Denbow, by the Parish*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*†Shirley Brown, Beulah Baker, & Lucy Brown,  
By Donald & Carol Brown*

### **Sunday May 8—Mother's Day**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Theresa LaBree Daughton, by the Family*

10:30 AM St Anne

*†Mary Ann Elliot, by her Daughter*

### **Monday May 9**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Lottie Cloutier, by her Family*

### **Tuesday May 10—St. Damien**

9:00 AM St Anne

*†William Handville, by the Parish*

### **Wednesday May 11**

***NO WEEKDAY MASS***

### **Thursday May 12—Ss. Nereus & Achilleus**

10:00 AM St Agnes

***NO MASS INTENTION***

### **Friday May 13—Our Lady of Fatima**

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

*†Nancy Oakes, by the Parish*

### **Saturday May 14—Vigil Mass**

4:00 PM St Agnes

*†Brenda Leah Hill Wing, by Charles Wing*

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

*Katherine Schmidt, by Edward & Betsy Schmidt*

### **Sunday May 15—5th Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

*†Alice Rollins, by Clarice Dunn*

10:00 AM St Anne

*†Elizabeth Krista, by her Husband*

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## CATHOLIC APPEAL 2022

It is time once again to make your annual commitment to the Catholic Appeal of 2022. Commitment weekend is May 14 & 15, 2022. Catholic Appeal envelopes will be provided and will be placed in the pews with extras at the back of each church.

Please commit to what you can do financially and thank you for your continuing support.

## **Summer Fund Raiser**

A committee has been formed to have a parish fund raiser, since we have not had our annual Christmas Craft Fair in November for two years. We thought a yard sale some weekend during the summer. So when you are spring cleaning and you want to give away good items you no longer need or want, think of Our Lady of the Snows. We are not taking items right now, but Father Rob did say we could keep some things in St. Anne's basement. Later there will be more places to leave things. We also thought we could try a Christmas Craft Fair during July or August. Food for thought. We need more volunteers for our committee. More hands make light work. We will start planning in the middle of May 2022. Call Rheba Michaud if you are interested in helping at 564-7494.



### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #3172 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.



### **Knights of Columbus Council #3172 Ukraine Solidarity Fund**

The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus in New Haven, CT has set up a Ukraine Solidarity Fund for assistance for the people of Ukraine. As of April 12, 2022, they have collected, (Order wide), 11.1 Million dollars. That amount increases on a daily basis. The good point is that 100% of the donations go directly to Ukraine. The Supreme Council donated \$1,000,000. Our Council #3172 in Dover-Foxcroft collected and donated \$2,500.00 for this fund. This shows greatly the first tenant of our Order, CHARITY. Thank you to all who donated to this noble cause.



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