

November 20, 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 November 20, 2022

- Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43
Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab/Lk 21:34-36

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

November 20, 2022 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

November 24, 2022 Thanksgiving Offering

HOLY HOUR & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Consider spending some extra time with Jesus: 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. At St. Thomas Aquinas on Wednesdays at 9:00 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.

ST. AGNES LADIES GUILD ANNUAL PIE SALE

The St. Agnes Guild Annual Pie Sale is on again this year the day before Thanksgiving at the Pittsfield Elks Club, on November 23, 2022, from 9 AM until the pies and baked goods run out. We will be asking for homemade pies and baked goods again from parishioners as we have in the past. Lorrie Nayock can pick up baked goods in Pittsfield, or you can call and bring the goodies to her or to the Elks Club before 9:00 AM on November 23, 2022. Call Lorrie as soon as possible for special requests. Mark your calendars. For more information please contact Lorrie Nayock at (207) 487-2726.

Weekly Collections

October 30, 2022	St Agnes	OL Snows
Regular Offertory	\$1,391.00	\$1,893.00



Father James Martel, Justin H. Miller, Waluk Family, Linda O'Connor, Brian Murphy, Donna Booth, Louise Dulac, Martin Keaveney, Catherine MacLaren, Robert Wintle, Rosalie Goulette, Judith Slattery, Michael Watters, Ben Rollins, Cynthia Robinson, Kenneth Robinson, Joseph Riitano, Jr., Edward Schmidt, Bobbi Holsapple, William Gelzini, Barbara Jay, Jeanette Chandler, Peter Holsapple, Ben Holsapple, Jordan Holsapple, Donald Brown, Peter Caruso, Sandra Crocker

SPANISH MASS

First and Third 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.

CLEANER NEEDED FOR ST. AGNES

We are in need of someone to clean at St. Agnes.

The job entails cleaning the church, parish hall and rectory when needed and involves light janitorial duties, such as vacuuming, taking out trash, cleaning bathrooms, dusting. The job takes on average 5-6 hours weekly.

If you are interested in the cleaning position, please contact the parish office at (207) 924-7104.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Christ the King Sunday has a lot of connotations for me. On this Sunday, every year, the Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men have a breakfast after the 8:30 Mass at The Cathedral where they bestow an award on one gentleman – the Catholic Man of the Year award. Before my ordination I would never miss the breakfast. My first one was in 1999, before I was a Catholic. I had begun RCIA and the family of my friend Colie – specifically his older brother – had invited me to the breakfast because Colie was to be named the Catholic Man of the year posthumously. I remember sitting in the banquet room at the Italian Heritage Center and wondering why I didn't feel out of place. All these men, young and old, here to celebrate their faith and to recognize one of their members who had lived it out in a unique and special way. I, perhaps, should have felt out of place. All I knew, however, is that these men were of the same mind as Colie – they knew that to be part of a community of faith – to be a Catholic gentleman – meant some type of service to something other than yourself. As I sat among them while they prayed the Rosary, and I tried to join as best I could, I remember thinking – “I'm part of this now. I need to find a way to serve just as these men have.”

We all serve a King who is like no other. He disdains pomp, riches & spectacle, and, instead, calls us to radical charity, to a love that puts others before ourselves. He calls us not from some high pedestal, but in solidarity with us. In order to save us he became one of us, like us in all things but sin. In that he shows us that love is always ready to sacrifice, to humble itself in service to those that are loved. May we follow and serve our King by acting like he did – by going out into the world in a Spirit of humble service and sacrificial love.

Fr. Rob

PARISH CLUSTER THANKSGIVING MASS

There will only be one Thanksgiving Mass for our entire parish cluster, which will be held on Wednesday, November 23, 2022, at 6:00 PM at St. Anne.



A Teaching Moment: What the Church Teaches About Angels

The Book of Judges repeatedly speaks of angels being sent by God to his people. Are we to understand these and similar biblical accounts as references to real supernatural beings, or simply as accounts of visions?

Both Scripture and Tradition repeatedly affirm that God has in fact created non-human angelic beings to be his agents, warriors, and messengers. They are personal and immortal; they have a rational intellect and free will, yet they share pure spirits, without bodies like ours. They surpass in perfection all visible creatures, as is evident from their splendor. Nevertheless, redeemed human beings will one day be perfected in such a way that the angels will be subject to them.

Angels have been present since creation, and they have played critical roles in salvation history, from the fall of man to the present. In various ways they carried out the divine plan for the ancient descendants of Abraham. When God became man in Jesus Christ, they surrounded and served him throughout his earthly life, from his conception up to the very moment of his ascension into heaven. They will also announce his return to earth at the end of time and will serve him as he judges the earth.

Meanwhile, angels are “ministering spirits sent to serve, for the sake of those who are to inherit salvations” They join the Church in her worship and ministry. They serve us as guardians, intercessors and guides. With the saints in heaven they behold the face of God and enjoy the eternal life of the Blessed Trinity.

God Bless, Deacon David Denbow



RCIA & FAITH FORMATION

If you, or anyone you know might be interested in returning to—or inquiring about our Catholic faith, please inform them that classes of instruction will begin the second week of September. Call the parish office and schedule a time with Deacon Dave as soon as possible.



EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday November 19—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

†Joanne Suhr, by Jeannette Chandler

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

†Karl & Sylvia Roettger and Gerard & Adeline Duhaime, by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Roettger

Sunday November 20—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 AM St Agnes

†Thomas Roach, by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Pyszcz

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Kenneth & Glenna Bearce, by the Family

10:30 AM St Anne

John Allen, by Sue Allen & Family

Monday November 21

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Stephen G. Thibault, by the Spooner Family

Tuesday November 22

9:00 AM St Anne

†Madolyn Pelletier, by the Parish

Wednesday November 23

6:00 PM St Anne

The Gilliam Family, by the Family

Thursday November 24—Thanksgiving

10:00 AM St Agnes

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Friday November 25

8:30 AM St Francis & St Paul

John & Barbara Allen, by Tom & Terrie Allen

Saturday November 26—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM St Agnes

†Merlon Ouellette, by Jeannette Chandler

4:00 PM St Francis & St Paul

†Nancy Oakes, by the Family

Sunday November 27—1st Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM St Agnes

†Thomas Roach, by his Son

8:30 AM St Thomas Aquinas

†Barbara Quirk, by the Family

10:30 AM St Anne

Abigail Allen, by her Parents & Family

PARISH MOVIE

We will be holding a parish movie viewing on Sunday, December 11, 2022, from 1:00—3:00 PM. Our Christmas movie will be the Muppet Christmas Carol. This is a cluster event. All are welcome!!

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES

THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

The craft fair committee would like to thank everyone who worked to have the craft fair. Thank you all for coming both Friday and Saturday. Also thanks once again to my fair committee who helped me put on a successful craft fair that we raised over \$1,200.00. Thank you to everyone that came to buy. The last part of the craft fair is our big raffle. We will be sending information and tickets out to our parishioners within the next few weeks. We have heard from several people who want to donate items. If you would like to donate an item for our raffle please call Rheba Michaud at (207) 564-7494.

OUR LADY'S KITCHEN

The next Our Lady's Kitchen's meal will be on Sunday, November 20, 2022, at noon. All our welcome.

PRAYER REQUEST

To help bring parishioners back to our Masses, the St. Agnes Ladies Guild would like to suggest that every parishioner in our cluster to say one prayer each day asking Jesus and Mother Mary to give all Catholics the grace to return to Sunday Mass and be part of the Miracle of the Eucharist that happens only at Mass.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR FOR ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

We will have a prelude of carols with a community/family choir at St. Thomas Aquinas, with practices after the 8:30 AM Masses upstairs in the choir loft starting Sunday, November 20, 2022. The duration of the practices will be approximately 45 minutes. There will be a total of 4 practices in all. All ages and abilities are welcome. Any questions, please contact Isleen Halvorsen at (207) 717-7076 or at isleenhalvorsen@gmail.com.

DOVER-FOXCROFT COMMUNITY MEAL

The next Dover-Foxcroft Community Meal will be Monday, November 28, 2022, passing out take out meals between 5:30-6:30 PM as long as the food lasts at the Congregational Church in Dover-Foxcroft. Anyone who wants to help please call

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