



# St. Agnes Roman Catholic Church

## First Sunday of Lent



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### Reflections from Fathers Desk...



**Listen to God's Voice, not the World's:** Jesus warns us to be watchful, for the devil seeks to distract us from God. We have two ears and one mouth, reminding us to listen more and speak less. But often, we forget to listen to God's voice—just like Adam, who listened to the devil instead of God's command.

During this Lenten season, we will encounter two voices: God's and the devil's. Our fidelity to Christ depends on which voice we choose to listen to. Jesus faced this dilemma, being torn between the devil's flattery and God's Affirmation of His identity as the beloved Son.

During this Lent, let us strive to listen to God's voice in every experience. May we discern His whisper amidst the noise of the world. May we choose the Way of the Cross, not the way of the world. Let us commit to listening to God's voice so that we may know our true identity as beloved children of God.

**Good things come to people who wait, but better things come to those who go out and get them.**

### Sacrament Times

#### Mass Times:

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sun. – Carstairs 10:00 am  
Crossfield 4:00 pm  
except March 1 & 8, 2026

#### Weekday masses

Tues & Wed 6:30 pm  
Thur–Sat 9:00 am

#### Confession:

Saturday 4:00 pm  
or by appointment

#### Adoration

Wednesdays 7:00 pm  
First Fridays 9:30 am

#### Rosary

20 min. before masses

## Parish Ministries

### Lector Schedule

10:00am

Feb 22 Lynne B. & Fran  
Mar 01 Karin & Anthony  
Mar 08 Pat & Lynn  
Mar 15 Loree & Toryn  
Mar 22 Dayne & Keith  
Mar 29 Anthony & Karin

### Church Cleaners

Crystal (403)827-9353

Feb 23 Audley Family  
Mar 02 Shirley  
Mar 09 McPike Family  
Mar 16 Jerry  
Mar 23 Perera Family  
Mar 30 Charlene

### Altar Serving Schedule

Contact Angelo Perera

### St. Agnes Brunch Potluck

January 25, 2026 after 10:00am  
Mass, at the Carstairs Legion.

### Music Ministry

Crystal (403) 827-9353  
Youth Mass March 29, 2026

### Faith Formation

Tuesdays 7:00 pm  
[faithformationstagnes@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationstagnes@gmail.com)

### Parish Council

March 26, 2026

### Finance Council Meeting

Mar 10 in the Narthex. 7:00 pm

### R.C.A.I.

Anne W.  
Sundays after 10:00 Am Mass

### Crossfield Mass Location Change for two Weekends.

March 1 and 8th , 2026.



4:00 pm mass will be in Carstairs for these two weekends as the Crossfield Community Hall is unavailable.

### Every Friday During Lent

Starting February 20th, 2026.



St. Agnes Parish, Carstairs

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.  
Praying the Rosary 20 minutes before  
Mass.

7:30 pm Soup and Buns in the Basement  
Rectory. (sign up sheet for items at the  
back of the church.)

Thank you to all the parishioners of St.  
Agnes for the prayers and support the last  
six months for Emberly Bell and her family.  
Recent tests show Emberly is in remission.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday February 21, 5:00 pm.  
Sunday, February 22, 10:00 am.  
Sunday, February 22, 4:00 pm. Crossfield.  
Tuesday February 24, 6:30 pm. R.S. Bozu Pavic  
Wednesday February 25, 6:30 pm. R.S. Zeljka Rimac  
Thursday February 26, 9:00 am. S.I. Anka Condic  
Friday February 27, 9:00 am. S.I. Kata Ceko  
Friday February 27, 6:30 pm. S.I. Finka Pavelic  
Saturday February 28, 9:00 am. S.I. Kata Ceko  
Saturday February 28, 5:00 pm. For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).  
Sunday, March 1, 10:00 am. For the Parishioners (Pro Populo).  
Sunday, March 1, 4:00 pm. For the Parishioners (Pro Populo). Crossfield.



## Finances: Feb 15, 2026

Carstairs	1983.75
Crossfield	140.00
Missals	0.00
Total weekly collection	2123.75
Weekly needs	2500.00
This week we were SHORT	396.25
TIA Goal	4945.00
TIA this week	95.00
YTD	715.00

2025 Tax forms will be available by the end of February. If you have moved, please provide your old and new address, or if you have changed your email address, please contact [stagnes@shaw.ca](mailto:stagnes@shaw.ca)  
Thank you.

## The Pope's Intention: February 2026

### FOR CHILDREN WITH INCURABLE DISEASES

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

## Local Community Prayer Intentions

Please pray for the intentions of  
**Randy Koltusky and family.**

### Diocesan INFO



<https://www.catholicyc.ca/news.html>

## Daily Mass Readings

Feb 22 Gen 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7; Romans 5.12-19; Matt 4.1-11 (1<sup>st</sup> Sun. Lent)  
Feb 23 Leviticus 19.1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25.31-46  
Feb 24 Isaiah 55.10-11; Matthew 6.7-15  
Feb 25 Jonah 3.1-10; Luke 11.29-32  
Feb 26 Esther 14.1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7.7-12  
Feb 27 Ezekiel 18.21-28; Matthew 5.20-16  
Feb 28 Deuteronomy 26.16-19; Matthew 5.43-48  
Mar 01 Genesis 12.1-4; 2 Timothy 1.8b-10; Matthew 17.1-9 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. Lent)

## Catholic Prayer: Prayer for the First Week of Lent

This prayer is designed to be said within the family (or adapt as needed) before a Crucifix during the first week of Lent.



### Prayer:

**Mother or a child:** From the words of St. Paul (2 Cor. 6:1–2).

Dearly beloved, we entreat you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says: In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you. Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

**Father:** This time of fasting has opened to us the gates of paradise. Let us accept it, praying and beseeching

**Family:** That on the day of resurrection we may be glorified in the Lord.

**Father:** Let us pray. Through the observance of Lent, O Lord, you purify your Church every year. See to it that your children lead a better life and so obtain the graces they are striving to acquire by doing penance. This we ask of you through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.

**Family:** Amen. Favor this dwelling, Lord, with your presence. Far from it repulse all the wiles of Satan. Your holy angels – let them live here, to keep us in peace. And may your blessing remain always upon us. This we ask of you through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.

**Father:** Let us bless the Lord.

**Family:** Thanks be to God.

**Father:** May the almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and keep us.

**Family:** Amen.

Prayer Source: Holy Lent by Eileen O'Callaghan, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesota, 1975

**St. Agnes Parish**  
**Mom and Tots Play Group**  
2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month  
Nov 27, Dec 11, Jan 8 and Jan 22  
9 - 9:30  
Mass @ St. Agnes Parish  
302 Veterans Way, Carstairs  
9:30 - 11  
Coffee, play and visit in Rectory Basement  
Door is on the south side of the house  
Around 10 we will do a short Lectio Divina  
with next Sunday's Gospel reading  
Enjoy a cup of coffee and visiting and fellowship  
while the kids play.  
Please bring your own snacks for your kiddos.  
Everyone welcome!  
Bring a friend – drop-in – come when you can  
come late or leave early  
**We just hope to see you there!**  
We are seeking donations of gently used toys for kids 0-6 to  
enjoy. Please drop off toys after weekend Masses.