



**St Agnes,
238 Detroit St,
Pittsfield**

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening

4:00 PM @ St Agnes
4:00 PM @ St Thomas

Sunday Morning

8:30 AM @ St Agnes
9:00 AM @ St Thomas
10:30 AM @ St Anne's
11:00 AM @ St Francis/St Paul
4:00 PM @ St Anne's

St Agnes Parish



**& our sister parish,
Our Lady of the Snows
St Anne,
64 Free St, Dexter
Sts Francis & Paul,
128 Riverside St, Milo
St Thomas Aquinas
43 High St, Dover-Foxcroft**

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses & Other Celebrations

Monday
8:30 AM @ St Thomas
Tuesday
8:30 AM @ St Anne's
Thursday
5:00 PM @ St Agnes
Friday
8:30 AM @ St Francis/St Paul

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Cluster Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Mass Intentions

WEEKEND SCHEDULE MARCH 5 & 6

Saturday
 4:00 PM @ St Agnes Sunday Celebration
 4:00 PM @ St Thomas Mass † Patrick Wright by Patrick & Betsy Ryan

Sunday
 8:30 AM @ St Agnes Sunday Celebration
 9:00 AM @ St Thomas Mass † Peter Nelson by his Family
 10:30 AM @ St Anne's Sunday Celebration
 11:00 AM @ St Francis/ St Paul Mass For a Special Intention by Barbara & Burke Soileau
 4:00 PM @ St Anne's Mass † Frank Tritto by Paul & Margaret Tritto

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE MARCH 7-11

Monday
 8:30 AM @ St Thomas Mass † Patrick Wright by Patrick & Betsy Ryan

Tuesday
 8:30 AM @ St Anne's Mass † Loretta Clifford by Hilary Doyon

Ash Wednesday ——— **See next column**

Thursday
 5:00 PM @ St Agnes Mass † Robert Cox by St Agnes Parish

Friday
 8:30 AM @ St Francis/ St Paul Mass † Edmund F. Joyce, 2nd Anniversary by the Family

WEEKEND SCHEDULE MARCH 12 & 13

Saturday
 4:00 PM @ St Agnes Mass † Deceased Family Members of Louis Anne Champagne
 4:00 PM @ St Thomas Sunday Celebration

Sunday
 8:30 AM @ St Agnes Mass † Linda Hanson by St Agnes Parish
 9:00 AM @ St Thomas Sunday Celebration
 10:30 AM @ St Anne's Mass † Cecilia Doyon by Hilary Doyon
 11:00 AM @ St Francis/ St Paul Sunday Celebration
 4:00 PM @ St Anne's Mass † Pamela Goodwin by Our Lady of the Snows Parish

Activities for this Week

Sunday 3/06 **Faith Formation:** following 8:30 Mass
Our Lady's Kitchen 12-1 PM @ St Anne, Dexter

Monday **Disciples In Mission** 9:00 AM @ Clark Residence (938-4856)
Communion Service 2 PM

Tuesday **Communion Service** 2 PM
Pastoral Council mtg 6:30 PM @ St Anne's

Wednesday **Bible Study** 6:30 PM @ parish hall
Communion Service 2 PM

Friday **Communion Service** 2 PM
Sunday 3/13 **Faith Formation:** following 8:30 Mass
Our Lady's Kitchen 12-1 PM @ St Anne, Dexter

Readings for the Week of March 6, 2011
 Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32
 Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8
 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14
 Wednesday: JI 2:12-18
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20
 Friday: I s 58:1-9a
 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14
 Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

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Mass with Ashes
 8:30 AM @ St Anne's
 6:30 PM @ St Agnes
Service with Ashes
 8:30 AM @ Sts Francis & Paul
 6:30 PM @ St Thomas Aquinas

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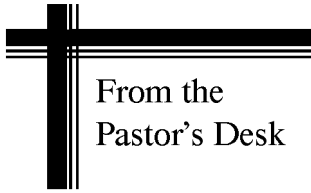
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From the
Pastor's Desk

"Coming Home" can mean many different things depending on the person you ask where home is to them. We must all know, or know of, someone who throughout their life has never traveled far from home. Some might think this to be so tragic. No adventure was ever had and no risk was ever taken. In the story of the Prodigal Son we find that not all adventures and risks are worth taking. The adventure, on the part of the younger son, was as much a rejection of many things as it was a longing for adventure. It was a rejection of the "Home" in which he grew up. It was also a rejection of his family. Some have ventured to say, with great insight, that the younger Son also

wanted his father dead. Usually, a will is executed only when the person dies. Asking for his share of the inheritance was like saying that he wanted his father dead so that he could have what he loved more. The sin of the Prodigal Son consisted of more than the squandering of money and immoral living. His sins were far more devastating because they involved the rejection of love.

"Coming Home" for the Prodigal Son meant the physical return AND the acceptance of love from the Father. This brings me back to the first point. Someone may not have to "Come Home" in the sense that they never physically left home. However, all of us need a repeated "Coming Home" in the sense that, like the Prodigal Son, we have all in some way rejected love and rejected Love. The point is that we should not feel sorry that someone has not been adventurous, or even that we have not been so adventurous, in life and travel. Nor, should we judge those who take on adventure and risk. We should rather pray that neither is done while at the same time rejecting love and Love. "The light is on for you." The Father wants you to accept his Love again.

With my prayers,
Father Ouellette

St. Agnes 2010 /2011 Expense Budget: \$137,934.01					
Weekly Income Req'd		Weekend 2/27/11	Weekend over/under	YTD To- tal as of 2/27/11	YTD in- come over/ under budget goal
From Offertory	2,315.3 8	2,200.00	-115.38	77,367.45	-3,670.85
Parish 2nd Collection	121.15	0.00	-121.15	5,001.35	761.10
From Other	216.04	7.00	-209.04	6,049.59	-1,511.81
Total Weekly Income	2,652.5 7	2,207.00	-445.57	88,418.39	-4,421.56

Prepare for Easter



Catholics in the State of Maine, especially those who have been away for a while from the Church or the confessional, are invited to experience God's mercy and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) as a way of preparing for the celebration of Easter. The week

before Holy Week, at least one church in every parish will be open for confession and quiet prayer Monday through Friday evenings, April 11-15 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. (longer if necessary). Please call your parish or consult the bulletin for locations. We're open for you...just "follow the light".



Stations of the Cross with Soup & Bread will begin on March 11th at 6 PM and will continue Every Friday at St Agnes throughout Lent.

Thursday, March 24th - 7pm
St. Anne's Church Site
59 Free St, Dexter, ME 04930

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See and hear Tajči perform right now at: Idobelieve.com

Faith Formation

Reflection of the Week

The promise of Spring; that is what we are all looking for. We are about to begin the season of Lent which gives us another promise, the promise of Salvation. While you count the minutes of increasing sunshine take some time to reflect on the word of the Lord.



Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
(House Built on Rock)

March 6, 2011

First Reading: Deuteronomy 11:18, 26-28, 32
(A blessing and a Curse)

Second Reading: Romans 3:21-25, 28 (Justified by Faith)

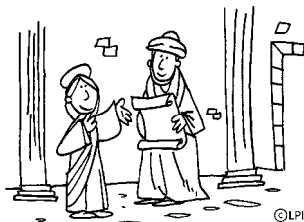
Gospel: Matthew 7:21-27
(Solid Ground)

Adults:

In my prayer, have I ever asked the Lord to help me, while at the same time, I do not have any concern for actually following Jesus' ways? Be specific.

Children:

Am I trying to follow the teachings of Jesus the best I can?



Rite of Election 2011: Bishop Malone will be the principal celebrant and homilist at the celebration of the Rite of Election, which will take place Sunday, March 13 at 10:15 AM at St. John Church, Bangor

The March Basket is here!

Just in time for planning your spring garden, the March basket includes:



1 Johnny's Trug
1 Heavy duty planting tray
Felco professional pruning shears
Nitrile Gardening Gloves
Hand Trowel & Fork
11 Seed Packets
13 Feet of Flexible Garden Tie
5 Plant Markers

A child's garden tool set and many

more items to make your garden a blooming success! Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Thank you for helping our pilgrims get to Spain. Take your tickets home today! The deadline to have the tickets in the office will be Wednesday March 23. Just put your tickets with your money in an envelope marked Basket Raffle and we will be sure to get it.

Examination of Conscience

Children's Examination of Conscience

My Relationship with God

- Do I pray to God every day?
- Do I fight against my parents when they say it is time to go to Mass on Sunday?
- Do I participate in Mass by paying attention, responding, and singing?
- Do I speak about God respectfully, or do I use God's name in vain?
- Do I try to learn more about my faith by learning prayers, attending religion classes, and reading the Bible?

My Relationship with My Family

- Do I obey my parents like I should?
- Do I talk back to my parents? Am I disrespectful toward my parents?
- Am I responsible about cleaning my room and doing my assigned household jobs?
- Am I ever mean to my brothers and sisters?
- Do I take care of my pets like I should? Or do I neglect or abuse my pets?
- Do I watch bad TV programs or videos?
- Am I selfish with my things, or do I share them with others?

Honesty

- Have I lied to my parents? to my teachers? to my friends?
- Have I cheated on homework or a test?
- Have I taken something that does not belong to me?
- Do I borrow things without returning them?

School

- Do I fool around in class? Am I lazy?
- Am I disrespectful or inconsiderate toward teachers or classmates?
- Do I pick on other kids?
- Do I have a foul mouth?

Self Care

- Do I eat a well balanced diet?
- Do I get enough rest by getting to bed on time at night?
- Do I brush my teeth each day?
- Do I bathe, groom my hair, and dress appropriately?





Vocations:
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 27, 2011

“Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ.”
Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood?

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Sr. Rita Mae Bissonnette @ 207-773-6471
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Q: How do I dispose of Palms from last year?

A: Respectful Disposal. The proper disposal of palms is to burn or bury them. It is not a sin to throw away blessed items, but out of proper respect, one should dispose of them in this way.

Our Lady's Kitchen

Hunger is defined as an uneasy or painful sensation caused by a lack of food. Loneliness is a feeling of being isolated or being alone. This is who we serve. Compassion is showing sorrow for another's sufferings and fellowship is a group of people with the same interests. This is who we are. Our Lady's Kitchen; open every Sunday to everybody. Dinner served from 12-1 PM.



BINGO March 13th in Dover Foxcroft

When: Sunday, March 13, 2011
Where: American Legion Hall, Park St., Dover-Foxcroft
Time: 11:30 am lunch, Bingo to follow
Come enjoy good food and company and have some fun.

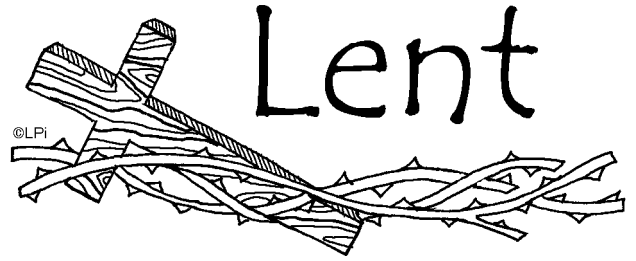
Lunch: \$2 per person or \$5 per family
All proceeds will benefit our youth for their pilgrimage to Spain for World Youth Day. We need help with set up and clean up, food donations, and prizes.

Please contact Rheba Michaud 564-7494, Rachel Hersey 924-7936 or Lynn Lubas 564-3981. There is also a signup sheet at the back of the church. With your help we can make this a success.



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Our Lady of the Snows & St Agnes Lenten Confession/Penance:

- St Thomas**
 - ½ hour before and after 4:00 PM Saturday Mass – March 19, April 2 & 16
 - ½ hour before 9:00 AM Sunday Mass – March 20, April 3 & 17
 - 6:00-7:00 PM April 11 & April 15 (starting with a brief penitential service)
- St Anne**
 - ½ hour before and after 4:00 PM Sunday Mass – March 12, 19 & 26, April 2, 9 & 16
 - ½ hour before and after 10:30AM Saturday Mass – March 13 & 27, April 10
 - 6:00-7:00 PM April 12 (starting with a brief penitential service)
- Sts Francis/Paul**
 - ½ hour after 11:00 AM Sunday Mass – March 20, April 3 & 17
 - 6:00-7:00 PM April 13 (starting with a brief penitential service)
- St Agnes**
 - ½ hour before and after 4:00 PM Saturday Mass – March 12 & 26, April 9
 - ½ hour before 8:30 AM Sunday Mass – March 13 & 27, April 10
 - 5:30-7:00 PM April 14 (starting with a brief penitential service)
- Weekday Masses**
 - ½ hour after all weekday Masses – During Lent

St Paul the Apostle Parish in Bangor, Maine is now accepting applications for the position of principal of its Pre-K – 8th grade elementary school.

St Paul the Apostle Parish is part of the Diocese of Portland, Maine and consists of six churches and All Saints Catholic School with a current enrollment of 266. There are over 5,000 registered families in the growing parish. Candidates for this position must be practicing Catholics with a commitment to superior Catholic education that is integrated within the life of the Church. Preferred qualifications include: elementary teaching experience, elementary administration experience, Masters Degree in Educational Administration or other suitable masters degree and Maine State Certification or certifiable. Please send a letter of interest, current resume, copy of current certification(s), copy of transcript(s), letter from pastor and three references to Fr. Timothy Nadeau, Pastor, St Paul the Apostle Parish – 207 York Street Bangor, Maine. Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2011.



Spring Gardening Basket

1 Johnny's Trug

1 Heavy duty planting tray

Felco professional pruning shears

Atlas Nitrile Gardening Gloves

Corona Hand Trowel & Fork

11 Salad-Bowl Seed Packets which include:

Mokum carrot, Easter egg radish, Space Spinach, Green Deer Tongue Lettuce, New Red Fire Lettuce, Flashy Butter Oak Lettuce, Merlot Lettuce, Watercress, Gigante d'Italia Parsley, Early Mizuna and Sweet Basil.

13 Feet of Flexible Garden Tie

50 Wooden Plant Markers

5 Metal Plant Markers

Child's Garden tool set

Watering Can

Stainless Steel expanding over the sink Colander

36 Cell Fiber Seed Starter



Basket of the Month

Spring Gardening Basket- drawing 03/25

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Tickets; \$1 or 6 for \$5

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