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ST. AGNES PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
Monday 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8:15 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 a.m.
Thursday 8:15 a.m.
First Friday 8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:15 Mass until noon.

(No daily Mass on Fridays except for First Fridays)

Holydays Consult the bulletin prior to the Holyday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office to schedule other times.

ST. AGNES PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Loved and chosen by God, we are the St. Agnes Parish family. Through Baptism we share responsibility for continuing the mission of Jesus. We are called to be a community whose members enable and support the gifts given to each by the Spirit. We are sent to make Christ visible in our world through worship, proclamation of the Word, and service to all God's people. We, the people of God, in the Catholic Christian community of St. Agnes, in northwest Springfield, Illinois, commit ourselves to seek first the Kingdom of God in our life together.

WELCOME!

If you're new to our community and not yet registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office to arrange a time.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the **first and third Sundays of the month** at 12:30 p.m. Attendance at the Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class is required. Call the Parish Office to register for the class and to arrange for a Baptism.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open to the unbaptized who are interested in joining the Catholic faith, those baptized Christian who are considering becoming a Catholic, and baptized Catholics who are not fully initiated. Inquiry sessions for those interested in joining the Catholic faith are held periodically throughout the year. Please call the Parish Office for additional information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements for weddings must be made at least six (6) months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.



ST. AGNES PARISH

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

5:30 p.m. No Mass

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

8:15 a.m. Peter & Anna Pham (Family)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

6:30 a.m. Julia Sutton (Jo Durkee)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

8:15 a.m. Frank Sullivan (Mark & Monica Polistina)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

No Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

4:30 p.m. Bernadine Venturini (Bill Castor)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

8:00 a.m. Fran Schwartz (M/M Michael Noonan)

9:30 a.m. Kay McDonald (Ralph & Roslyn Brookens)

And Parishioners of St. Agnes

11:30 a.m. Sharon Bourland (Family)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51;
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31;
Mk 1:14-20

ALTAR SERVERS

JANUARY 16, 18:

8:15 a.m. Kyle Rolf, Jaycie Cole

8:15 a.m. Adeline Gilmore, Jack Ludolph

JANUARY 20-21:

4:30 p.m. Sophie Billingsley, Emma
Markwell, Kyle Rolf

8:00 a.m. Peter Steward, Mike Noonan

9:30 a.m. Adam Kuchar, Jack Ramage,
Johnny Ramage

11:30 a.m. Julia Curry, Rory Lynch

READERS, JANUARY 20-21

4:30 p.m. Sharon Huck, Maureen Farmer

8:00 a.m. Sharon Mast, Vicki Bauer

9:30 a.m. Mark Jarmer, Bill Snyder

11:30 a.m. Jan Mulrooney-Kuhn, Melissa
Bland

COMMUNION MINISTERS

JANUARY 20-21

4:30 p.m. Team A, Karen Beckmann, Rudy
Kink, Kathy Kraft, Debra Mann, Jim Morris,
Judy Nordstrom,

8:00 a.m. Team F, Mike & Vicki Bauer, Jean
Goetz, Rita Messinger, Joan Reed, Sr. Joan
Sorge

9:30 a.m. Team L, Carrie Becker, Cliff &
Donna Erwin, Jane Locascio, Keith & Marie
Washburn

11:30 a.m. Team S, Camille Arisman, Tom
& Elaine Arisman, Grace Kuchar, Ben Rogers

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

JANUARY 21

Pre K4 & K Michelle Blackburn

1st & 2nd Becky Powell

3rd Kathy Vizral

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

8:00 AM-5:00 PM: Sheila Noonan 546-0012
Barb Kern 546-7729

5:00 PM-10:00 PM: Maureen Brady 787-3423
Cinda Steinkamp 787-6439



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers **Helen Kolis and Stella "Pat" Pier** of our parish who died recently. May they know the fullness of joy that the Risen Lord desires to share with us.

Catholic Times Collection: This weekend is our parish collection for the *Catholic Times*. This donation helps to provide *Catholic Times* to you and many of our parishioners. Donation envelopes for this collection were included in your January envelope packet. Donations for the *Catholic Times* may also be made online through our parish website. For a minimum donation of \$15.00 per year, readers receive a Catholic perspective on the world around us: local, national, worldwide, and Vatican news and events. Please be sure to make at least a \$15 donation. The parish relies on every person's donation to help subsidize this parish expense.

St. Valentine's @ the Villa - Come celebrate St. Valentine's Day with other dating, engaged and married couples from throughout the diocese on Saturday, February 10 at 5:30 p.m. Drinks, dinner and comedy entertainment is only \$50 per couple! For more information and to register, go to <http://www.dio.org/familylife/events.html>.




Signature Ads: We will have sign-ups for the annual Springfield Right to Life Signature ad in the Gathering Space after all Masses this weekend, January 13-14. This is a great opportunity to show your support for life on the anniversary of the infamous Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade* which legalized abortion on demand at any stage of pregnancy. Cost of one line is \$5.00 and can consist of a single name, several names, an org. or a family name. Your participation will be appreciated.

St. Agnes Bereavement Support Group will have its next meeting on **Thursday, January 18, 10:00 a.m. in the Rectory Conference Room**. The purpose of this group is to give love and support through prayer, spiritual readings, tapes, etc., to those who are coping with the grief associated with the loss of a loved one. The Bereavement Group is open to anyone who has suffered a loss, no matter how long ago that loss was. The Group meets on the third Thursday of each month.

Commitment to Life Rally: Please join us for the annual Springfield Right to Life's *Commitment to Life Rally* at the State Capitol Rotunda at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 28 to show your support for life. Speakers include Fr. Nathan Caswell, Crusaders for Life; Lisa Luper, Springfield RTL Board; and Dawn Behnke, Illinois Federation for Right to Life. Music will be provided by Crusaders for Life. For more information, please call SRL at (217) 523-2700.

Citizenship Workshop - The Office for Pro-Life Activities and Special Ministries, along with the Immigration Project, is offering a Citizenship workshop at Christ the King Parish, Springfield on Saturday, February 3, 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. for Legal Permanent Residents who are ready to naturalize (become a U.S. citizen). See the bulletin board in the back of the church for more information and necessary documents.



BAPTISM

We welcome into the Body of Christ, the Church, the following child who was recently baptized:

Baptism **Shae Irene Smith**

May the Light of Christ shine brightly in and through her!

PLEASE NOTE: The Church office will be closed Monday, January 15 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



National Catholic Schools Week: In two weeks, St. Agnes School begins our annual celebration of National Catholic Schools Week. Catholic Schools Week highlights the academic excellence and faith-filled education our schools provide. We honor, during this week, all of those who contribute to the success of our program—students, families, faculty and staff, volunteers, community supporters, local and national leaders.

This year's Catholic Schools Week celebration will be held January 28 through February 2. The theme of this week is ***Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed!*** The theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, we as educators are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed.

Please see the insert in next week's bulletin for the specific activities. We hope that School and Parish families and friends will be able to join us for the activities. The week begins with an Open House after all of the Masses on Sunday, January 28. Refreshments will be served in the school cafeteria. Teachers will be present after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome to celebrate with us!

Monday, January 15

- No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Wednesday, January 17

- March for Life Trip through January 20
- Scholastic Bowl practice after school until 4:30 p.m.
- Technology Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school office area

Thursday, January 18

- All-school liturgy at 8:15 a.m.
- Magic Match Committee Meeting at noon
- Enrollment Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school office area
- Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences after school and through the evening

Friday, January 19

- Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences - No School for preschoolers
- St. Agnes students, K-8, will receive report cards via e-mail. Parents are asked to watch for these report cards and contact teachers with questions or concerns.

Saturday, January 20

- Father/Daughter Dance from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the St. Agnes School gym.

Living in Love Marriage Enrichment

Retreat - Couples who stay successfully and happily married make their marriage a priority. They are not content with having a marriage that is just 'okay', they want something much more. Living in Love provides an opportunity for couples to reconnect with their own personal love history and gain a renewed sense of purpose, hope and direction for their future. For more information and to register go to <http://www.dio.org/familylife/events.html>

Cabin Concert: St. Joseph the Worker in Chatham will be hosting a Cabin Concert on January 27, featuring the duo **Switch Back**, seen on PBS and known for their energetic combination of Americana, Rock and Celtic style. Please join us for delicious hors d'oeuvres beginning at 5:45 p.m. with the music starting at 7:00 p.m. Attendees are welcome to bring their own wine and beer. Tickets \$20 and can be reserved in advance by calling the parish office, 483-3772 or email SJWactivities@gmail.com



CONTRIBUTIONS, JANUARY 6-7:

Regular Contributions: \$13,187

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$929

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

Attention Young Adults! The Forge is a Springfield based young adult Catholic ministry that is your hub for events, ministries, and movements that strive to bring young adults into an encounter with Jesus and authentic Christian community. This month:

- Monday, Jan. 22: Men's Bible Study - The Dublin Pub - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 23: Women's Bible Study - 9:00, Foresters Ln. - 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Jan. 28: The Hangout - Springfield March for Life - Mass at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church followed by the march to the capitol at 12:30

More information: @Theforge on Facebook, <https://the-forge-online.com/> or email Andrew Hansen: andrewhansen1@yahoo.com

Cachet Club Butter Braid Sale will be held January 9 through February 13. In addition to butter braids, we also have pizza dough and cookie dough available for sale. Proceeds benefit St. Johns Breadline and Helping Hands. To place an order, contact any member or call Joan Layzell at 546-3610.

Fish Fry: Riverton Knights of Columbus will hold a Fish Fry on February 2 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Menu includes walleye, shrimp, catfish, and baked fish dinners. Dinners include: coleslaw, choice of fries, baked potato or potato salad. Future fish fry dates are February 16, March 2 and 16.



Dear St. Agnes Parishioners,

The "holiday season" that is now behind us is traditionally a time of generosity in gift-giving in its various ways—our time shared, presents shared and end-of-the-year contributions! Some appeals continue on into the new year like the St. Agnes School Annual Fund Campaign and our diocesan Annual Catholic Services Appeal.

Our school annual fund campaign this school year will help with obtaining a new science program for grades 6, 7 and 8; a computer based music program; ten new computers for the school computer lab; a new PA system for the school itself and help with tuition assistance. Thanks to all who have made a contribution to this campaign. It is an investment in our young ones! If you need a pledge or contribution card for this, simply contact the school office (793-1370) or the parish office (793-1330).

The 2017 Annual Catholic Services Appeal continues into this new year as well. Our assessment for this fiscal year is \$119,092. A total of 252 households have made a contribution/pledge to date totaling \$40,810. This yearly appeal finances the numerous services rendered by our diocesan church—from formation for our diocesan seminarians and deacon candidates to Catholic schools religious and administrative help and much in between. Everyone's help is needed; everything helps! If a pledge/contribution card is needed, it can be obtained at our parish office (793-1330).

Thank you for your generosity, especially when so many appeals come our way. Think spring!

Blessings,

Fr. Bob



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

For all people: May God grant us courage to embrace his precious gift of life, even in the most difficult of circumstances;

We pray to the Lord....

Butler Funeral Home Upcoming Events:

* February 8 — An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, Cemetery and Advance Planning. When it comes to burial, cremation and advance funeral planning, we know that people have many questions. As funeral and cremation specialists, we're happy to provide answers during our FREE program. Join us for a complimentary lunch at Bella Milano Restaurant from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and a brief, interactive, and open discussion forum for questions regarding these and other topics. This event is free: no cost or obligation. Call Butler Funeral Home at 544-4646 to reserve your seat by February 5.

* February 14—Always in My Heart—A Special Event for Celebrating Valentine's Day After Loss. For those touched by the loss of a spouse, partner, or significant other, the thought of celebrating (or not celebrating) Valentine's Day after losing a loved one can be overwhelming. In an effort to help reconcile these feelings and redefine the meaning of Valentine's Day, Butler Funeral Homes will be hosting a special event on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at Boccardi's Italian Imports. The event will take place from 11:30-1:00 and will include an Italian lunch buffet, beautiful piano music by Mark Gifford, bingo, door prizes, and a special treat to take home and enjoy. Seating is limited—please call 544-4646 for reservations by Feb. 9. No cost or obligation.

Totus Tuus Team Applications for staff for the summer 2018 Totus Tuus season in the diocese are now being accepted. Totus Tuus hires college students and seminarians to staff teams that will travel throughout this diocese and neighboring dioceses over the course of the summer to present the Totus Tuus program with students in 1-12 grades. There is a 10-day training program that starts on May 30 at Villa Maria. The commitment is through July 28 with a break over the week of the Independence Day holiday. For more information about the role of the summer staff or to bring Totus Tuus to your parish, please contact Kyle Holtgrave at (217) 698-8500, ext. 154, or visit <http://www.dio.org/youthministry/staff-information.html>.

**Join Us - St. Agnes Gala on March 3!**

The Gala will be held at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel and the evening will consist of dinner, silent/live auctions and entertainment provided by dueling pianos, Howl at the Moon. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and festivities will conclude at 11:00 p.m. General Admission tickets are \$50 a person and include admission, dinner, and entertainment for the evening. Feeling LUCKY? Purchase raffle tickets to WIN 2018-2019 St. Agnes tuition or \$3,000 toward SHG tuition, a Holy Spirits raffle ticket or a 50/50! Not necessary to be present to win. Gala and Raffle Tickets will be on sale in the back of the church starting February 3-4 and can be purchased using cash or check after all Masses. Credit card may be used online. Check out the Gala website, www.stagnescatholicsschool.org/annual_gala.php for more details.

We need your help to make this a success. How can you help? If you have donated to the auction in the past, THANK YOU! We are seeking similar items for the Gala, if you would like to donate, please let us know. Consider donating items such as any new items, sporting event tickets, services, vacation packages, gift cards to local shopping and restaurants, birthday party packages or bottles of alcohol for the *Holy Spirits* raffle. We are accepting donations after Masses and will have donation forms for you to complete. We are looking for sponsors, with varying levels that include reserved tables, advertising and event signage. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Tapscott, 473-7189 or email stagnesfundraiser@gmail.com.

Our next Gala meeting will be Tuesday, January 16 at 6:00 in the school library. We still need help in making this a successful auction, so please join us if you are interested in helping.

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