



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY January 25	5:30 p.m.	Luann Johnson - Katheren Hughes
TUESDAY: January 26	8:15	Jim Metz - Charles & Nadine Brown <u>And</u> Susan Mayfield - Family & Friends
WEDNESDAY January 27	6:30	Eileen Jacobs - Bill & Jane Snyder <u>And</u> Mary Matheis - Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
THURSDAY January 28	8:15	Monica McCormick - Dr. John & Lynda Snodsmith
FRIDAY January 29		NO MASS
SATURDAY January 30	4:30	Steve Hall - The Family of Joe Dold <u>And</u> Cathy Bernet - Don & Judy Buckley
SUNDAY January 31	8:00	Charles Gutzman - Maury & Marilyn Neuweg
	9:30	Donald Squires - Doris & William Ippolito
	<u>And</u>	Parishioners of St. Agnes
	11:30	Veda Lascody - Betty Bernett

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8; Mk 4:1-20
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29, Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17, Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30

ALTAR SERVERS

January 26, 28:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Rose Bartletti, Emily Brenneisen

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Elizabeth Harley, Matthew Johnson

January 30-31:

4:30 p.m. Logan Smudde, Jared Smudde, Reagan Smudde

8:00 a.m. Tom Frost, John Brunzman

9:30 a.m. Emily Brenneisen, Matt Brenneisen, Charlie Costa

11:30 a.m. Carter Crabtree, Anna Curtis, Lindsey Ferguson

READERS, JANUARY 30-31

4:30 p.m. Bob Bussing, Marilyn Okon

8:00 a.m. Vicki Bauer, Patrick Joyce

9:30 a.m. Children

11:30 a.m. Sandra Kelley, Kari Kelley

COMMUNION MINISTERS

JANUARY 30-31

4:30 p.m. Team A, Karen Beckmann, Kathy Kraft, Michael 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, Dee Spring

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

11:30 a.m. Team S, Leah Arisman, Tom Drake, Nicolette Owens, Ben Rogers, Sam Rogers, Ogechi Uju-eke

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

JANUARY 31

Pre K4 & K Gina Curry
 1st & 2nd Eloise Baird
 3rd Deanna Kuchar

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



The Annual Recommitment to Life Rally will be held this weekend on **Sunday, January 24** at **2:00 p.m.** in the **State Capitol Rotunda** with a reception to

follow in the Howlett Building. The Rally is in memory of more than 55,000 million babies who have lost their lives through abortion since the infamous Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision on January 22, 1973. The Rally will last only one hour and your participation will provide a great opportunity to stand up for life with other like-minded individuals.



Join Us - St. Agnes Gala on March 5, 2016! Tickets are **on sale now** in the gathering space after all Masses and online until we are sold out. Reserved seating options are still available.

In addition to buying tickets for the event, there are several other ways you can help make our Gala a success.

- **Raffle Tickets** - We have raffle tickets on sale for a beautiful quilt, Beer for a Year, 50/50 and 2016-17 St. Agnes tuition or \$2500 toward SHG tuition. You need not be present to win
- **Advertising/Happy Ads for the bid book** - Make your business known by advertising in the bid book or take out a happy ad for your child(ren) and tell us how wonderful they are! Forms are available in the gathering space.
- **Donate** - 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 wine valued at \$15 or more for the **Wall of Wine**. Check out our WISH LIST in the gathering space. We are accepting donations after masses and will have donation forms for you to complete. Donations need to be in by January 31, 2016.
- **Sponsorship** - We are looking for sponsors, with varying levels that include reserved tables, advertising and event signage.

For more information, go to either the parish or school website and click on the Gala link. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Lyons at 553.2615 or Sarah Tapscott 473.7189 or email stagnesfundraiser@gmail.com.



BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Body of Christ, the Church, the following children who were recently baptized:

**Easton Yates
Adele Wheeling**

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



Picture this. The whole town is gathered at the public square. Standing. Listening. The terms of the covenant – the loyal relationship between God and the People of God – is read aloud. Each of us is in that crowd. Each of us is part of that

body. And no part of that body is unimportant – for we are the Body of Christ. Who in this Body has nothing prepared and needs festive food and drink? Who in this Body is captive and needs to be unbound? Who in this Body is poor and needs glad tidings, Good News?

GREETERS - FEBRUARY

- 4:30 Barb Kern
- 8:00 Matt & Janet Von Behren
- 9:30 Jessica White
- 11:30 Brian & Laura Wheeling

PLEASE NOTE: There is an envelope for the *Catholic Times* in your monthly packet. We ask for your help in meeting our annual assessment for *Catholic Times*. If you misplaced your envelope, please put your donations in a plain envelope marked “Catholic Times.”



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Catholic Schools' Week

Beginning next Sunday, January 31st, St. Agnes School will celebrate National Catholic Schools Week with Catholic schools throughout the world. We will be highlighting the role of Catholic education in our parish, our community and our nation and the many people who make our schools possible.

The theme for National Catholic Schools Week, 2015 is: "Catholic Schools : Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service." This theme encompasses several concepts that are at the heart of Catholic education. Faith, knowledge and service are integral components of a Catholic education and the measures by which any Catholic school can and should be judged. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for the specific activities. We hope that School and Parish families and friends will be able to join us for many of the activities. The week begins with an Open House after all of the Masses on Sunday, January 31st. Teachers will be present in the school after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Refreshments will be served by the Parents Club after all Masses.

Tuesday, January 26

National School Choice Event at Little Flower for all Catholic School 6th graders (12:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.)

Thursday, January 28

All-School Liturgy at 8:15 a.m.

Friday, January 29

"Third Graders in Faith" (T.G.I.F.) Day at Christ the King (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.). Third graders will gather for a day of activities presented by the third grade teachers from each of the Catholic schools. Groups of children will be made up of representatives from each of the schools as they move from activity to activity.

Special Teachers' Collection: As part of the celebration of Catholic Schools Week, which begins next weekend, January 30-31, there will be a special second collection after Holy Communion at all Masses that weekend in support of our St. Agnes school teachers. This is a custom started here a few years ago as a sign of gratitude and appreciation for our teachers for their time, interest and sacrifices made and given for our children. You may use the envelope in this week's bulletin for that collection. Thanks so much for your support!

Saint Aloysius MINI-MEGA RAFFLE!!

Tickets are being sold for only \$20, with a payout of \$5,000.00 at St. Aloysius's Easter Vigil reception on March 26. Two Early Bird awards of \$100 will be January 29 and February 29. If you are interested in buying tickets, they are available from any St. Aloysius student, purchased at the school office at 2125 N. 20th Street, Springfield Il, 62702, or ordered by completing the ticket order form in the Catholic Times. Thank you for your support.

Job Opportunity: Sacred Heart-Griffin High School is seeking an evening janitor. Please call or e-mail Tom Fiaush at 787-1595 or fiaush@shg.org if interested.

Annual Roses & Dreams Auction to benefit the Elizabeth Ann Seton program is just a few weeks away. We are planning an elegant evening with live piano music, mardi gras inspired food, wine, desserts, and a live and silent auction. The event will take place at the Christ the King Parish Center on Saturday, February 20th, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person. Proceeds from the event directly benefit and help the Elizabeth Ann Seton program support low-income pregnant and parenting women with: Emergency food, clothing, and diapers, educational classes on nutrition, goal setting, finances and women and children's health, life skills training, GED preparation, job preparation. We hope you will plan on joining us! Call our office at 217-757-6025 to RSVP Today!



CONTRIBUTIONS, JANUARY 16-17:

Regular Contributions: \$ 16,669

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$ 1,479

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

Trivia Night: You're invited to SHG'S 3rd Annual "Totally 80's" Trivia Night on Friday, February 5, at SHG's West Campus! Trivia begins at 7:00pm with doors opening at 6:00pm. Cash prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place tables, and other prizes for best costume, best hair and best dressed table. Enjoy the cash bar with beer, wine, soda and water. Guests are invited to bring their own snacks and food. All proceeds will benefit the SHG Scholarship Fund. Tables are \$200 each/\$20 a person. To reserve your table, call 787-9732 or e-mail reavy@shg.org. This event is for adults 21 and over.

Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest:

Cathedral Knights of Columbus, Council 16126, welcomes all boys and girls, ages 8-14, to their 1st Annual Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest. (See Cathedral website for rules and additional information on contest). All Posters must be submitted to Cathedral no later than, Sunday, January 31. Judging will take place in February. Each bracket winner receives cash prize. For more information or to register, please contact Patrick Kelleher at 704-724-1303 or kelleherbp@gmail.com.

PLEASE MAIL, FAX OR E-MAIL (sac245@comcast.net) ALL BULLETIN ARTICLES TO THE RECTORY. DEADLINE: MONDAY

Dough for Dresses is back again this year, Saturday, February 13, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at SHG's East Campus (1200 W. Washington St., Springfield). We are looking for current, stylish, clean dresses that are in good condition to sell. Dresses may be dropped off on Friday, February 12, between 4-7 p.m. We're also looking for shoppers! Enjoy private dressing rooms with mirrors, refreshments, even seating to wait. Questions may be directed to Ann at 217-899-2044 or Elizabeth at 217-741-2870.

Butler Funeral Homes Events: *An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, Cemetery and Advance Planning* on February 5. 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 at 8:30 a.m. for a complimentary breakfast at MCL Cafeteria and a brief, interactive, and open discussion forum. No cost or obligation. Call 544-4646 to reserve your seat by Feb. 1.

Always in My Heart—A Special Event for Celebrating Valentine's Day After Loss on February 14. For those touched by the loss of a spouse or significant other, the thought of celebrating (or not celebrating) Valentine's Day can be overwhelming. In an effort to help reconcile these feelings and redefine the meaning of the day, we are hosting this FREE event for those who have, at some point, experienced the loss of a special Valentine. Please join us from 11:30-3:00 at the Inn at 835 for lunch, a viewing of the movie, *Pay It Forward*, door prizes, and treats. Call 544-4646 for reservations by Feb. 8.

Living in Love – Retreat Weekend:

Provides an opportunity for couples to reconnect. January 30-31 at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Retreat Center, Springfield. The cost is \$150 per couple. Scholarships are available. The retreat includes Sunday Mass and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday. RSVP – Bsmith@dio.org or (217) 321-1139.



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Saturday, January 23: Join us for our next **Grapevine Social** starting at 5:30 p.m. at **It's All About Wine**. You can come and go as your schedule allows. You do not have to drink wine to participate; beer, soft drinks and water are also available. Please bring your friends and an appetizer to share. Our charity this time is the St. Agnes Gala to be held on Saturday, March 5. They will get 10 percent of all our purchases that night and the following week. Call Roslyn Brookens (622-6299) for more information.

Friday, February 26: We are planning a bus trip to St. Louis to visit the "new" Basilica, the Shrine of St. Joseph (the site of many reported miracles) and have dinner at a great restaurant on the Hill. We will leave from the St. Agnes parking lot at approximately 9:00 a.m. (exact time dependent on the weather and to be announced later) and go to Mass at noon in the Basilica, then take a tour of the facility. Cost of the trip is \$75.00 per person and includes the bus, tip for the driver, donation to the Basilica, dinner, etc. Limited seats are available and we already have a number of reservations. You can sign up this weekend in the Gathering Space after all Masses. For more information, contact Jane Locascio (306-3037).

Tuesday, March 8: Mark your calendar for our potluck starting at 5:30 p.m. with a social, then dinner at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Dale Boudreau will share his special musical talents with us and we look forward to an enjoyable evening. Cost is \$5.00 to cover the cost of the entrée and drinks. Please bring a dish to share. There will be sign-ups in the Gathering Space two weekends prior to the event. In the interim, questions can be directed to Barb Kern (546-7729) or Cliff Erwin (787-7017).



Knights of Columbus Council #3914

wish to announce the following events:

- 1st Friday Fish Fry will be held Friday, February 5 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the Riverton KC Hall.
- St. James Church Breakfast will be held Sunday, January 31 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. Proceeds will be used to purchase a defibrillator (AED)
- Pasta Dinner will be held Saturday, February 13 from 4-7 p.m. at the Riverton KC Hall. Proceeds benefit the George Tregoning Family

See bulletin board in the back of the church for more details.

Lenten Fish Fry: Our Lady of Lourdes Lenten Fish Fry will be held in the School Gym, 3950 Lourdes Drive, Decatur, on February 12, 19, 26 and March 4 from 4:30-7 p.m. Catfish, Baked Cod, Walleye and Shrimp Dinners will be available. All dinners include French fries or baked potato, coleslaw, bread and one soft drink. Dinners are \$7.50 (\$8.50 for shrimp). Children's menu includes choice of Walleye or a hot dog for \$4.00. The kid's dinner includes French fries and one soft drink.

St. Valentine's at the Villa: Why not celebrate the joy and humor of Christian married love with your sweetheart this St. Valentine's Day? Sunday, **February 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.** Dinner, Drinks and Entertainment \$50.00 per couple. Entertainment provided by comedian C.J. Harlow. Open to all married, engaged and dating couples. Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, IL 62712 - For registration visit <http://www.dio.org/familylife/events.html>.



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

For all Catholics, May our hearts be open to God's call to bring comfort to those who are vulnerable and oppressed; We pray to the Lord.....

NEW PARISHIONERS: Are you new to the area and just started coming to St. Agnes Church? Or have you been attending Church here for a while and have never registered? You can call the Rectory office, 793-1330, during regular office hours, and register over the phone.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Jesus came into the world to bring the good news, to proclaim liberty, give the recovery of sight, and free the oppressed. Are you letting Him proclaim the good news to you in your marriage? Let the Lord strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 5th to 7th. To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.

Timothy Retreat will take place at St. John Vianney Church in Sherman, Illinois on Friday, April 22 from 7 pm start through Saturday, April 23 at SJV's 5 pm mass. A Timothy Retreat is a junior high retreat presented by high school and college students. It is a sleepover at the SJV Activity Center. Kids should bring toiletries and a sleeping bag, etc. Kids are fed breakfast and lunch. Snacks are shared. A t-shirt is given to each participant. \$25 covers the cost of the t-shirt, meals, and supplies. For more info, contact SJV Youth Coordinator John Barrett at 496-2452 or email jnkab@hotmail.com



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