



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY February 1	5:30 p.m.	Deceased of Quinn & McMurry Families
TUESDAY: February 2	8:15	Rosemary Flannigan - Jayne Teater
WEDNESDAY February 3	6:30	Donald Cadagin - Richard Sullivan
THURSDAY February 4	8:15	James Metz - Martha & James Mayfield
FRIDAY February 5	8:15	Flavia Fulgenzi - St. Louise DeMarillac
	<u>And</u>	DOMS - Jim Schwalbach
	12:10	Gene Elliott - Mary Elliott
	<u>And</u>	Albert Krizman - Joyce Krizman
SATURDAY February 6	4:30	Anthony O. Loro - Marc Loro
	<u>And</u>	Walter Mundala - Kanoski Family
SUNDAY February 7	8:00	Eugene Zak - Pat & Greg Zak
	9:30	Chris Moore - Charlotte & Dale Dey
	11:30	John Homer - Sharon Homer & Kathy Smith
	<u>And</u>	Parishioners of St. Agnes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:7-13
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

ALTAR SERVERS

February 2, 4, 5:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Anna Curtis, Paul Gilmore

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Charlie Dunham, Maxx Polistina

Friday, 8:15 a.m. Maxon Perkins, Jack Ramage

February 6-7:

4:30 p.m. Louis Bartletti, Rose Bartletti, John Schmidt

8:00 a.m. Brad Loscher, Tony Mares

9:30 a.m. Maxon Perkins, Colin Kerr, Sam Kerr

11:30 a.m. Joe Kuhn, Ben Rogers, Tom Drake

READERS, FEBRUARY 6-7

4:30 p.m. Maureen Farmer, Harry Mitchell

8:00 a.m. Madonna White, Tammie Klein

9:30 a.m. Andy Ramage, Ed Cobau

11:30 a.m. Janet Koltun, Sr. Angelene Biderbost

COMMUNION MINISTERS FEBRUARY 6-7

4:30 p.m. Team B, Michael Farmer, Jim Frank, Sharon Huck, Connor Kink, Dan Punzak, Pat Steiren

8:00 a.m. Team G, Carolyn Chestnut, Donna Chestnut, Tom Frost & Julie Davis, Brad & Diane Loscher

9:30 a.m. Team M, Ralph & Roslyn Brookens, Maribeth Farnham, Bob & Kathy Sherman, Virginia Sprinkel

11:30 a.m. Team T, Eloise Baird, Jackie Davis, Patrick Dennis, Marie Hamende, Linda Mueller, Don Steinkamp

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS FEBRUARY 6-7

Pre K4 & K	Mary Ludolph
1st & 2nd	Elizabeth Johnson
3rd	Gina Swehla

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



Soon we will enter the season of Lent, a season of preparation for Easter renewal as we are invited to undergo conversion of mind, heart and ways of acting. Lent begins **February 10**, Ash Wednesday. Let us give prayerful consideration as to what we need to do as we enter this holy season.

MASS WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES: Ash Wednesday, February 10: 6:30 & 8:15 a.m., 6:45 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPERS: Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays of Lent: February 17, 24, March 2, 9 and 16. A light soup supper will follow.

“OPERATION RICE BOWL”: Lenten rice bowls for “Operation Rice Bowl,” sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, can be found in a special basket near the bulletin board in the Church gathering space. A good way to take up the practice of almsgiving this Lent!

“KEEPING THE SEASONS”: Enclosed with our bulletins for the Lent/Easter Seasons is “Keeping the Seasons” from Liturgy Training Publications. This is a handy prayer/custom/and prayer sheet to help with our reflections and practices during these holy seasons of renewal in the Lord.

“LITTLE BLACK BOOK”: A popular Lenten devotional booklet printed annually by the Diocese of Saginaw (Michigan). These booklets can be found in special baskets in the church gathering space. These are comparable to the “Little Blue Book” we used for Advent 2015.

LENTEN REGULATIONS: The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10, and ends just prior to the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, March 24, when the Paschal Triduum begins. Lent is the principal penitential season in the church year.

All of the Christian faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations which follow), serious prayer, and the performing of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

Lenten regulations:

1. Abstinance: Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Fast: Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person’s needs, but together these two meals should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Fr. Robert E. Erickson, C.S.V., brother of Thomas Erickson of our parish who died recently. In celebration of Fr. Erickson’s life a special memorial Mass will take place at 11 a.m., Feb. 6 at St Joseph Catholic Church, 1345 North 6th St. Springfield, IL. Fr. Erickson served as principal at Griffin High School in Springfield from 1978-1988, before it merged to become a coeducational institution, Sacred Heart Griffin High School, where he held the title of vice principal and director of development, until 1991.

FIRST FRIDAY—FEBRUARY

First Friday this month will be on February 5. Masses will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. and at 12:10 p.m. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:15 Mass, with reposition at noon prior to 12:10 Mass.

Thank You to all parishioners who donated cookies and poinsettias for our annual “Cookies for the Homebound” program. Thanks also to those who helped package and deliver them. The homebound residents were so appreciative.



St. Agnes School
Catholic Schools Week
January 31 – February 5, 2016
Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service

"Faith in action is love, and love in action is service. By transforming that faith into living acts of love, we put ourselves in contact with God himself, with Jesus our Lord."
-Mother Teresa

Please help us celebrate our St. Agnes Catholic School during this National Catholic Schools Week! All are Welcome!

Sunday, January 31 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: Celebrating Our Parish

St. Agnes School families will assume service and leadership roles at the 9:30 a.m. Mass...lectors, greeters, banner carriers, presenters of the gifts, readers... **Special Collection in appreciation of the teachers of our Parish School. Presentation of Alumni of the Year Award at the 9:30 a.m. Mass – Matt Penning.** Coffee, juice and donuts will be served by the Parents Club after each Mass on Sunday. Open House in the school – teachers present after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Items for the Parish and School "Gala", prepared by classes and class baskets prepared by Room Parents will be displayed this week. Gift to families at Mass – "Holy Year of Mercy Prayer Card"

Monday, February 1 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: Celebrating Our Students

Student Appreciation Day – Dress Down theme day. No homework or tests for students. Class exchange for activities (8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.) Mission Office Presentations (K-2, 9:30–10:00 a.m.; 3-5, 10:15–11:00 a.m.; 6-8 (11:15 a.m. – 12:00 noon). Parents Club pizza lunch and student gift – lunches begin at 11:15 a.m. Science Assembly: "Fire and Ice" (1:00 p.m. for Grades PreK – 3, 2:00 p.m. for Grades 4-8) School Board meeting in the library – 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 2 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: In Our Community

Community Service Day – Random Acts of Kindness Students will go out into the community with coffee and donuts. Students will go out into the community to greet people and hand out symbols of peace. Students will look for ways of sharing these acts of kindness throughout the day (Thank you letters to military men and women). Read-In for Primary students (K-2) in the afternoon

Wednesday, February 3 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: Celebrating Our Nation

National Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools Classrooms will be open for visitors from 10:00 a.m. until each lunch period ends to visit classes in session. Invitations extended to City officials, Bishop Paprocki, Office for Catechesis and School Board members. Parents are invited to have lunch with their children. Lunch shifts will be: 11:00 a.m. – grades PreK, K, 1, 2; 11:45 a.m. – Grades 3,5,6; 12:30 p.m. – Grades 4,7,8. Each family will receive a gift from the school and a family portrait with a thank you message. Presentation for 7th & 8th graders and their parents: 1:00 p.m. "Planning for College: The Best Times to Start Is Now!" – Dr. Bill Moredock Read-In for grades 3-8 (3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

Thursday, February 4 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: Celebrating Vocations

Religious priests and sisters invited to 8:15 a.m. All-School Liturgy. Refreshments served after Mass in the Library. Invite religious to visit the classrooms to share their vocation stories. Invite alumni in various careers to share with classes in the afternoon. Annual Fund Committee meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Friday, February 5 - Faith, Knowledge and Service: Celebrating Our Faculty and Staff

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Day. Student Council Breakfast for Staff. Dress Down day for Teachers and Staff. Lunch for Teachers and Staff. Dismissal at 1:30 a.m. in appreciation to our teachers.



CONTRIBUTIONS, JANUARY 23-24:

Regular Contributions: \$ 17,816

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$ 1,032

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!



Glad tidings. Good News! Last Sunday and this one, too, Jesus declares: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." In Luke's Gospel, Jesus' first compassionate act is making wine for the Cana wedding feast (two Sundays ago). His first public words focus on care for the poor, the captive, the blind, and the oppressed (last Sunday). Gracious words! Amazing words (this Sunday)! Luke, the Gospel of mercy, is our guide in this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. What Good News do I need to hear? What Good News can I proclaim? What can I do to help make it come true?

Lenten Concert: The choirs of Blessed Sacrament Church will present a Lenten concert on Sunday, February 21 at 4:00 p.m. Instrumental ensembles with musicians from the Illinois Symphony will provide musical accompaniment for works such as Faure's *Requiem*, a movement from Mozart's *Requiem*, an original song arrangement from a local composer, and many other inspiring selections. You are invited to join us during this time of spiritual renewal and reflection through some of the most beautiful musical works ever written. Tickets are a \$10 donation and can be purchased at the door, or through the rectory office beginning the first week of February. Family tickets are available for \$25, for immediate families only. No children under five please, as the concert is being recorded. A portion of the proceeds will go to St. Martin de Porres. For more information, call Blessed Sacrament Church office at 528-7521.

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>

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.

Dough for Dresses is back again this year, Saturday, February 13, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at SHG's East Campus. 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.

Chilli Luncheon: St Aloysius in Springfield is hosting a Chili Luncheon today, January 31 from 11:30am – 4pm. Dine In and Carry Out are both available. For more info or for carry out service call or text ahead: 217-306-3807.

Girl Scout Cookies: St. Agnes Girl Scout Troop 6368 will be selling Girl Scout Cookies after all Masses the weekend of Feb. 13-14. Cookies are only \$4 per box. Donations are also being accepted for Operation Cookie Share and our U.S. Military Troops! We appreciate your support!



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

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).

If you any questions on these activities, or if you have suggestions for future activities, please contact any one of the following officers: Ralph Brookens (415-1889); Sue Hartl (787-5849); Carrie Becker (787-6823), Barb Kern (546-7729) or Cliff Erwin (787-7017).

Butler Funeral Homes Events:

An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, Cemetery and Advance Planning on February 5. As funeral and cremation specialists, we're happy to provide answers. 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 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



Join Us - St. Agnes Gala on March 5! 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.

- **Donate** – Have a great **THEME** idea..Consider creating a basket, grab a friend or two and gather all the necessities, drop it off at church and our basket makers will make it. 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 February 5.
- **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.
- **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.

RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER



Project Rachel - Safe, supportive, confidential gathering of post-abortive women, 1st Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 pm, Springfield Right to Life (323 E. Monroe St). Come, break the silence and heal from the wounds of your experience. For more information call 1-877-

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. Event is for adults 21 and over.

Saint Aloysius MINI-MEGA RAFFLE!!

Tickets are being sold for only \$20, with a payout of \$5,000 at St. Aloysius's Easter Vigil reception on March 26. 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.

Little Flower Auction: Come Support LFS on Saturday, February 6 at the Little Flower Parish Center. Doors open at 5:30pm. The cost is \$25 per person, \$40 per couple OR \$150 for reserved seating for 8. For tickets call the school (529-4511) or church office (529-1606). Every attendee will be entered into a \$500 tuition credit drawing for the family of their choice so bring guests for extra chances to win!

SHG Jr. Cheer Camp will be held Monday, February 15, from 9:00– 2:00 p.m. Camp Fee is \$45 if paid by February 10. Late registration or walk in registration fee is \$50. Make check payable to: "SHG" with "Jr. Cheer Camp" in the memo. Participants will receive a camp T-Shirt and a Hair Ribbon to be worn during the performance during the game Friday, February 19. *Participants will also perform for their parents at 2:15 p.m. February 15.* Contact shgcheerleading@gmail.com with questions. Drop off (8:30-9:00 a.m.) and pick up (2:30p.m.) are both at SHG West Campus.

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