



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY 5:30 p.m. Vernon Reichle - Lou Ann
February 15 Mack

TUESDAY: 8:15 Chris Wohltmann - Terry Till
February 16

WEDNESDAY 6:30 Basilius Zaricznyj - Stefania
February 17 Zaricznyj

THURSDAY 8:15 Joe Dold - Jim Oldani
February 18

FRIDAY
February 19

SATURDAY 4:30 Doris Weerts - Rich & Richard
February 20 Weerts
And Parishioners of St. Agnes

SUNDAY 8:00 Monica McCormick - Dr. John
February 21 & Linda Snodsmith
9:30 Richard Spitz - Charles &
Agnes Budinger
And Doris Savoie - Carol McEvoy
11:30 Veda Lascody - Robert &
Janice Reed
And Delores Prosperini (anniv.) -
Ernest Family, & Friends

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk
9:28b-36

ALTAR SERVERS

February 16, 18:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. John Schmidt, Reagan
Smudde

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Charlie Johnson, Zach
Megginson

February 20-21:

4:30 p.m. Elizabeth Harley, Zach Megginson,
Emily Rapacz

8:00 a.m. Mike Bauer, Mike Reed

9:30 a.m. Jack Ramage, Mary O'Brien, Colleen
O'Brien

11:30 a.m. Ben Griffin, Abigail Griffin, Matthew
Johnson

READERS, FEBRUARY 20-21

4:30 p.m. Sharon Huck, Andy Ramage

8:00 a.m. Linda Distlehorst, Sharon Mast

9:30 a.m. Rick Wilderson, Bev Dillon

11:30 a.m. Erik Lyons, Marilyn Okon

COMMUNION MINISTERS

FEBRUARY 20-21

4:30 p.m. Team D, Judi Bloome, Susan
Dodson, Dan & Nancy Dollison, Mary
Mucciante, Kathy Smith

8:00 a.m. Team I, Mary Ann Gatten, Robert
& Nancy Gorman, Steve & Julie Johnson, Louis
Kink

9:30 a.m. Team O, Tom Arisman, Bill &
Cindy Callan, Mary Crabtree, Pamela Hargan,
Doug McDonald

11:30 a.m. Team V, Judith Anderson, James
Curtis, Jeff Enlow, Adrian Gandhi, Janice
Gandhi, Ann Griffin

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

FEBRUARY 21

Pre K4 & K Roxanne Ramage

1st & 2nd Colleen Dunham

3rd Becky Powell

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 **Toni Bernardy, Walter Brown, Henrietta Hayes, and Fr. Robert Becker** of our parish who died recently. May they know the fullness of joy that the Risen Lord desires to share with us.

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. Donations this year will go toward the Helping Hands of Springfield, a homeless shelter outreach program.



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www.helpinghandsofspringfield.org

Lenten Concert: The choirs of Blessed Sacrament Church will present a Lenten concert 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 musical works. Tickets are \$10 donation and can be purchased at the door, or through the rectory office. 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.

Please Note: The Church office will be closed on Monday, February 15, Presidents' Day.

A Letter from the Bishop (Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl)

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Catholic community in the United States does something amazing each Lent. Through prayers, fasting and almsgiving, we give families around the world the tools they need to rise above poverty and provide for themselves-and their communities.

We might call it the "CRS Rice Bowl effect." And this year, we're at it again. CRS Rice Bowl provides resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families and parish and school communities, while continuing to connect Catholics in our diocese with our brothers and sisters in need around the world.

I encourage all of the parishes and schools in our diocese to use CRS Rice Bowl for Lent 2016.

CRS Rice Bowls and Lenten Calendars are available in both English and Spanish and are free of charge. You may also visit crsricebowl.org to find additional resources, including:

- Lenten devotions and prayers
- Reflections for faith-sharing communities and youth ministry groups
- Lesson plans, videos and activity sheets for Catholic school educators and religious educators
- Ideas for community gatherings and simple Lenten meal events
- A new app that delivers prayers and resources directly to your mobile device

Your Lenten journey will be enriched by participating in the CRS Rice Bowl. Together, we'll make this year's CRS Rice Bowl effect greater than ever.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Monday, February 15

– No School, Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 16

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

- Student Council meeting will be held in the art room from 3:15 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 17

St. Agnes students will be participating in Jump Rope for Heart and Hoops for Heart during their lunch hours to raise funds for the American Heart Association.

Long-Range Planning meeting in the office area – 3:30 p.m.

Technology Meeting in the office area – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 18

- All-School Liturgy – 8:15 a.m.

- Family Fitness Night – This health fair is open to all St. Agnes Parish families. It will be held in the gym from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Many community groups will have hands on booth activities for children and parents to learn about healthy habits. Come and enjoy the evening!

Friday, February 19

- Students whose classes achieved 100% participation with the Parent Phase of the Annual Fund may dress down on this day.

Those classes include: Ka, 1a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7b. Thank you to all of our school families who have already given to the Annual Fund. This program ends on June 30, 2016.

Saturday, February 20 & Sunday, February 21st


– St. Agnes School will be hosting a Science Fair throughout the school. All are invited to view the projects after the Masses next weekend. The school will be open. Students in grades 5-8 have worked on individual projects. Families in grades K-4 have prepared family projects.

Butter Braid Sale: Just in time for Easter, St. Agnes Boy Scout Troop 32 will be selling Butter Braids after all Masses the weekends of February 20-21 and 27-28. Butter Braid pastries are made from sweet, yeasted pastry dough, are layered with 100% real butter and contain zero grams trans fat. The cost is \$14 each. You may pick up your Butter Braids after Masses the weekend of Palm Sunday (March 19-20). For more information contact Chris Smudde at troop0032@gmail.com.

St. Aloysius Trivia Night will be held February 20 in the St. Aloysius Church Basement. Doors open at 6:00pm, Trivia begins at 7:00pm. Cost to play \$10 per person. Food and drink available for purchase and 50/50 Raffle. Cash prizes awarded. Call 544-4553 to make your table reservation

Scholarship: The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW), an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Women, will again offer four \$500 Diocesan Leadership Scholarships for outstanding female high school seniors. Young Catholic Women who exemplify the SDCCW mission and values of leadership, faith and service will be considered. For any additional information, please contact Mary Ann Scopel, Scholarship Chairwoman and Vice President of the SDCCW at 835-2505 or email scopel@frontiernet.net.

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



CONTRIBUTIONS, FEBRUARY 6-7:
 Regular Contributions: \$ 16,690
 St. Agnes Parish Capital Improvements Fund: \$ 719
MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

St. Agnes Bereavement Support Group will have its next meeting on **Thursday, February 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.

Latin Mass: Starting Wednesday, February 17, and continuing each Wednesday of the Lenten season, a Latin Mass, followed by Night Prayer, will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church at 7 pm. A Young Adult Discussion Group (for those between the ages of 18-35) held following the Latin Mass in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Refreshments provided.

World Day of Prayer: Church Women United of Springfield, Illinois invite you to join us for World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 4 at 1:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.



With just 3 weeks away, the **Gala** will be here before we know it, now is the time to get your tickets!! The Gala will be held on March 5, doors will open at 5:00pm and festivities will conclude at 11:00pm. General Admission tickets are \$75 a person and include admission, bid book, dinner, open bar and entertainment for the evening. Reserved seating will only be sold thru February 21st, we do still have seating available in pairs, foursomes or tables of eight. General seating will be sold thru February 28.

It is so exciting preparing baskets for the live and silent auction as there are several one of a kind items and packages. There will be something for everyone. We have a variety of items for all ages in all ranges including sports tickets, date night, parties for 2 to 30, AKC Labrador puppy, day of pampering and many more. Have an anniversary coming up? No worries we have you covered with dinner, gift certificate to jewelry store/local boutique and a bouquet of flowers. And of course, the amazing class projects and classroom baskets. Having a get together for Cinco de Mayo or Fourth of July, perhaps you are looking for what to serve for a graduation party or party by the pool ... Look no further, we have party packages feeding 20 to 40. Want to come and join the fun and not spend anything else that night? That is fine too, but we think you may find something. It will be a night of Faith, Friends and FUNdraising. If you can't make it, try your luck with a raffle.

Feeling LUCKY? Purchase raffle tickets to **WIN** 2016-17 St. Agnes tuition or \$2500 toward SHG tuition, a beautiful quilt, beer for a year or a 50/50! If you can't make it to the Gala, you can still help support the event by buying a raffle ticket, it is **NOT NECESSARY** to be present to win. **Gala and Raffle** Tickets can be purchased using cash or check after masses or using credit card online.

THANK YOU, to all who have already donated! We are still in need of bottles of wine, consider donating a bottle valued at \$15 or more for the **Wall of Wine**. We are looking for sponsors, with varying levels that include reserved tables, advertising and event signage. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Lyons at 217.553.2615 or Sarah Tapscott 217.473.7189 or email stagnesfundraiser@gmail.com.



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

January 23 Wine Tasting:

Thanks to all who attended our Grapevine Social last month. About 70 people participated and a good time was had by all. Five and a half cases of wine were donated to the St. Agnes Gala Wall of Wine by generous participants. Our next Grapevine Social will be on Saturday, April 23.

February 26 Bus trip: This trip was cancelled due to insufficient enrollment.

March 4 Mystery Dinner Theater: We have been invited to a potluck mystery dinner theater play at Christ the King's Over 50 Club. The social starts at 6:00 p.m. in their parish hall. Please bring a dish to share and \$4.00 for the entrée/coffee/tea. One of our Young at Heart members will be playing a part. Reservations are needed by February 29. For more information or to make a reservation, please call Cliff Erwin (787-7017).

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. Any questions can be directed to Barb Kern (546-7729).

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Today is the first Sunday of Lent and in the Gospel we see how Jesus was tempted by Satan in the desert. Are there times in your life or marriage relationship when you judge you are in a spiritual desert? Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on April 22nd to 24th. To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.



Lenten Retreat: The SDCCW is hosting their 2016 Lenten Retreat March 10-11 at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Center, 1903 E. Lake Shore Drive, Springfield IL. The retreat will be presented

by Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI on staff at the Shrine of Our Lady Of the Snows. The deadline for registration is February 29. Register by contacting Carolyn Munie at 618-667-9102 or emailing communie@hughes.net. Come join women from all over the Diocese and enrich your Lenten season with prayer, sharing, and community.

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RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

From February 10 through March 20, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1000 E. Washington St., and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information, or to sign up for a vigil time or volunteer to help, please contact: Claudia Connelly at c.connelly01@gmail.com or call Springfield Right to Life at 217-523-2700 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/Springfield.

Tuesday, March 18 has been designated as the day for St. Agnes parishioners to stand up for life and pray at the clinic. To sign up for an hour of prayer (or whatever amount of time you can spend) from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., please contact Cliff Erwin at 787-7017. Thanks in advance for your support of life.



ECUMENICAL **Lenten Taize' Prayer for Mercy and Healing:** A meditative common Christian prayer celebrated in candlelight for assembly, reader of Scripture, choir and instruments following the prayers and songs used at Taize, the ecumenical community in France. Held Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church or Thursday, March 3, 6:30 p.m. at Christ the King Church. Please bring a gift of food for the poor. Come and gather in the Spirit of the Risen Lord during the Year of Mercy! If you would like to sing in the choir or play an instrument for Taize' prayer, contact Madonna Jones at Madonna@ctkparish.com

Analyzing and Understanding Systemic Racism Workshop: March 3-5 at Sacred Heart Convent, 237 W. Monroe. A workshop for participants to take a deeper look at the historical development of racism in the U.S., how it still manifests itself and is perpetuated in institutions today, and how it affects both people of color and white people. Workshop is facilitated by Crossroads Anti-Racism Organizing and Training from Thursday, 6 p.m. until Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Annual Fish Fry: Little Flower Church Men's Club is hosting their famous Fish Fry on Fridays during Lent in the Parish Hall, 5:00-7:30 pm. Please join us!



Coffee and Donuts Next Sunday, February 21 Come join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall after 8:00 and 9:30 Masses. Sponsored by the St. Agnes 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop #6742. Free will offering

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