



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.

PARISH STAFF

- Rev. Robert J. Jallas, Pastor
- Rev. Daren J. Zehnle, Parochial Vicar
- Deacon Roy A. Harley
- Karen Ferguson, Music Director
- Kathy Vizral, Parish Administrative Assistant
- Mary Stevens, Parish Secretary
- Nancy Wilderson, PSR Coordinator

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Parish Office ······793-1330
- Parish Fax ······793-3212
- Parish Email ······sac245@comcast.net
- Parish Website ······stagnescatholicparish.org

SCHOOL STAFF

- Sr. Joan Sorge, O.P., School Principal
- Linda Tusek, Assistant Principal
- Karen White, School Administrative Assistant
- Sharon Swehla, School Secretary
- Matt Lael, Head of Maintenance
- Mathew Fitzgerald, Maintenance
- Mike Mayfield, Maintenance

- School Office ······793-1370
- School Fax ······793-1238
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACT PERSONS

- Caregiving Ministry ······ Barb Kern
- Choir & Song Leaders ······ Karen Ferguson
- Communion Ministers ······ Elaine Arisman
- Gift Bearers ······ Debra Mann
- Greeters ······ Barb Kern
- Holy Name Society ······ Mike Noonan
- Readers ······ Deacon Roy A. Harley
- Parents' Club ······ Monica Wieneke
- Parish Council ······ Carrie Becker
- Parish Finance Council ······ Tom Frost
- Right to Life ······ Cliff Erwin
- School Board ······ Ann Holtrop
- St. Vincent de Paul Society ······ Jim Ketchum
- Young at Heart ······ Jane Lacascio, Roslyn Brookens



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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 17

5:30 p.m. Henrietta Nortrup Hayes - Joanie Curl

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

8:15 a.m. Sp. Int. for Gayle Henry's 100th Birthday - Juleann Randles

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

6:30 a.m. Quinn & McMurry Families

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

8:15 a.m. Leona Kervin - Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

NO MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

4:30 p.m. Rudy & Rose Kink - Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of St. Louise de Merillac

And Al Giacomini - Family

9:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

11:30 a.m. Dr. David Mack - Michael & Mary Beth Bartletti

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-23; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

ALTAR SERVERS

April 18, 20:

8:15 a.m. Adeline Gilmore, Emily Rapacz
8:15 a.m. Kyle Rolf, Beth VonBehren

April 22-23

4:30 p.m. Kennedy Green, Elizabeth Mack, Maxon Perkins
8:00 a.m. Brad Loscher, Tony Mares
9:30 a.m. Beth VonBehren, Tucker VonBehren, Matt VonBehren
11:30 a.m. Michael Enlow, Alison Enlow, Lindsey Ferguson

READERS, APRIL 22-23

4:30 p.m. Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Sharon Huck
8:00 a.m. Sr. Joan Sorge, Linda Distlehorst
9:30 a.m. Bev Dillon, Roslyn Brookens
11:30 a.m. Erik Lyons, Pathy Ekal

COMMUNION MINISTERS

APRIL 22-23

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

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

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

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

APRIL 23

Pre K4 & K Ellen Greenan
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



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers **James Moore, Paula Patino, Sharon Bourland, Dr. David Ross, Therese Boyle** of our parish who died recently. May they know the fullness of joy that the Risen Lord desires to share with us.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Sr. Joan Sorge, O.P., our school principal, and Sr. Martha Marie Kirbach, O.P., our 1st grade teachers aide, are celebrating their golden jubilee of religious profession. Our parish will celebrate with them at the 4:30 p.m. Mass next Saturday, April 22 followed by a reception with appetizers and desserts to which all are welcome. We hope everyone can join us for this special occasion!



Many thanks to all who participated in our Lenten Stations of the Cross and soup suppers. A total of **\$706** was contributed to St. Martin de Porres, our charity supported by our soup suppers this year.



Easter Flower Memorials: You may make a donation for Easter flowers and decorations in memory of a loved one. There is an envelope in your monthly packet for this, or you can use a plain envelope. Mark on the envelope who the donation is in memory of. There will be a list of Memorials in the bulletin after Easter.

PLEASE NOTE: The Church Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 17 and reopen Tuesday, April 18.


HAPPY EASTER!

LETTER FROM THE BISHOP (Catholic Home Missions Appeal)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will be taking up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA), and I ask that you prayerfully consider participating. This appeal supports the dioceses here in our own country that struggle to make ends meet and to serve all the needs of their parishioners. It is through your generosity that many churches are able to keep their doors open and provide essential pastoral services.

The Diocese of Laredo is located in southern Texas, along the Texas-Mexico border. Many in this diocese live on the margins of society, either as immigrants or as people living in poverty, and it is a challenge for the diocese to keep up with the needs of its people. With your contributions to the CHMA, the diocese reaches out to some of the most marginalized people – those in prison. Many detainees are returning to the Catholic faith and are in need of God's mercy. Your gifts provide liturgical and educational supplies, help priests offer the Eucharist and other sacraments, and support volunteers' and ministers' outreach to over 10,000 men and women in detention facilities. Your generosity brings Christ's message of love, compassion, and reconciliation to this often forgotten population.

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. To learn more about the appeal and those who benefit from it, visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

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

Please Note: We will gather this collection next weekend, April 29-30. Envelopes can be found in your monthly envelope packet.



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
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St. Agnes School Staff and students wish our St. Agnes Parish community a Happy Easter. May the Risen Lord touch your lives with His love and presence. Thank you for your support of Catholic education at St. Agnes. Thank you for the many ways you sustain our Parish School through your prayers, donations through the Annual Fund, Tuition Assistance and the Gala. We are grateful for you all!

Monday, April 24

– Classes Resume



Spring / Mother's Day Flower Sale

If you are planning to purchase beautiful hanging baskets or decorator pots this Spring, please check the St. Agnes 7th Grade's collection before going anywhere else! Students and parents will be in the gathering space after Masses next weekend, April 22-23. The plants will be available for pick-up after Masses on May 6-7. Please consider supporting our 7th Grade Class. An order form is available at: www.stagnescatholicsschool.org.

Marriage Challenges? Retrouvaille (a French word meaning rediscovery) is a program to help couples heal and renew their marriages that offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. It has helped thousands of couples with marital problems and crises, even couples who are separated and divorced. The next program begins with the weekend of JUNE 2-4. For further information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Second Annual Saturday Spectacular hosted by Camp Ondessonk's Springfield Area Lodge Tribe will be held at St. Agnes School on April 29 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Last year we hosted 36 campers for a night of fun! The Saturday Spectacular is a week of summer camp condensed into eight hours of fun. Campers will rotate to numerous different activity areas including handicrafts (tie-dying, hemp bracelet making, fusion beads), tug-of-war, Gaga ball, a camp wide relay race (also known as marathon), and secret special activity. This event is open to campers between the ages of 6 and 14. To register, send an email to lodge.springfield@gmail.com with the camper's age and name. We will then send you the required forms and waivers. Campers will receive their very own Saturday Spectacular event t-shirt if they register before April 17. The cost of this event is \$35. For every canned food item brought, you can get \$1 off the price. Up to \$5 off! If you have any questions, please email the above email or call 217-361-7366.



Attention Golfers! The 2017 St. Agnes Golf Outing Fundraiser will be Friday, May 12, 2017 at Edgewood Golf Club in Auburn. Check-in and lunch will begin at 11:00 a.m., with a shotgun start at Noon, and dinner and prizes at 5:00. The registration fee of \$100 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, beverages, dinner, and prizes. Registration/sponsorship forms are available in the gathering space, or contact stagnesgolfouting@gmail.com with questions. Deadline for sponsorships and registration is May 1. Thank you for your support!

Mother's Day Tea: Women of all ages – mothers, grandmothers, daughters, aunts, sisters and nieces – are invited to a Mother's Day Tea on Saturday, May 6 from noon until 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$10.00 (\$5.00 for girls 12 and under). Reservations required. You can sign up in the Gathering Space on April 22-23 and April 29-30. For more information, call Jane Locascio (306-3037) or Carrie Becker (787-6823). Please note: Date change – Mother's Day Tea will be May 6



CONTRIBUTIONS, APRIL 8-9:

Regular Contributions: \$13,401

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$986

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

Encounter the Risen Christ: We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters whom we have walked with in India, Zambia, El Salvador, Mexico, Ethiopia and Hawaii. And we commit to bring Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl.

Divine Mercy Sunday: The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated on Sunday, April 23 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 524 E. Lawrence Avenue. Rev. Christopher House will preside over a Prayer Service that will include: Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Scriptural Readings, Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy, Recitation of the Chaplet and Benediction. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be made available. Mass will not be a part of this Celebration. All are welcome.

House of Hospitality: The Dominican Sisters of Springfield are opening a House of Hospitality for single, Christian women, ages 21-35 who would like to share in a faith community with other women. There are brochures in the back of the church with more information or call Sr. Teresa Marron at 787-0481.



Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Lent has given way to the joy that is Easter as we join our Christian brothers and sisters across the globe in giving praise to Almighty God. In the mystery of the Resurrection, Christ Jesus was raised through the power of the Holy Spirit to the eternal glory of the Father. This *is* the Good News! This is our hope! The Resurrection is the supreme gift God desires to share with us – the ultimate freedom from sin and death.

As we again renew our baptismal promises this holy day, let us be ever grateful for the gift of life eternal begun at baptism and culminating in the embrace of God that is heaven.

***“This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!”
- Psalm 118:24***

A blessed Easter to you and all your loved ones!

Fr. Bob Fr. Daren

Hockey with Bishop Paprocki – “The Holy Goalie” Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will again be fending off fast flying pucks to benefit Catholic Charities Legal Services program during the 7th annual “Hockey with Bishop Paprocki” on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at the Nelson Center, Springfield at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Joining Bishop Paprocki on the ice will be Chicago Blackhawk alum, Grant “Granny” Mulvey, who holds several Blackhawks records. CCLS was implemented by Bishop Paprocki in 2014 to provide pro bono legal assistance in civil matters to people with little to no income. For more information on Catholic Charities Legal Services, how to receive services, make a donation, or volunteer as an attorney, contact Henry at 217-523-9201, ext. 329



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

* **Saturday, May 6, 2017: Grapevine Social** at *It's All About Wine*. Starts at **6:00 p.m.** but you can come any time after that. Please bring an appetizer and your friends are invited. You do not have to drink alcohol to participate. **Please note that this is a change of date.** More details to follow.

* **Tuesday, May 23: Potluck** in Parish Hall. Social starts at **5:30 p.m.** with dinner at 6:00 p.m. and speaker at 6:30 p.m., Ralph and Roslyn Brookens who will share pictures and stories about their recent trip to the Holy Land after the dinner.

Courses for all Catholics: University of Dayton Online Learning courses through the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF), a program of the Institute for Pastoral Initiatives begins April 23, 2017. Registration continues through April 19. These adult faith formation courses support the Church's catechetical ministry and are for all Catholics. This means that you can deepen your faith at a time and place convenient to you via the internet. Courses may be taken for undergraduate credit (for an additional fee) and all courses qualify for credit in our diocesan Catechist Formation Process. For more information, visit the VLCFF web site or contact the Office for Catechesis.

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis, MO), on April 28-30. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$195 for meals and a single room. Call (312) 532-8286, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.

Chicken Dinner: The Knights of Columbus #4175 North Council and the Ursuline Academy Alumni Foundation will be hosting their 44th Annual Chicken Dinner Sunday, May 7 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children. Eat in, take out and drive through are available. Adult dinners will include a ½ of a chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cole slaw, a roll and a dessert. These are the same recipes people have come to love over the years. Tickets are available from members of the Council and the Foundation and also area merchants. The proceeds are split between the two groups, going to charities supported by both. Last year, the Knights of Columbus awarded over \$12,000 tuition assistance to elementary and secondary parochial students and the Foundation awarded around \$6,000. Chances are you know a student who benefited from these awards.

Performing Arts Youth Retreat: Current high school students are invited to apply by April 25 for Youth Sing Praise. YSP is a unique musical theatre and retreat camp for teens, where acting, singing, dancing, performing, praying and community building thrive. In just nine days and nights, students audition, learn, and perform a faith-based musical. This year, we are proud to present *Lost & Found*, the story of the prodigal son, written by liturgical composer Rory Cooney. The performance will take place on Saturday, June 24, at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL. Call 314.NOW.4YSP or go online for application and instructions at www.youthsingpraise.com



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

Are you experiencing shame, sleepless nights, guilt, or other negative emotions after abortion? You are not alone. Any woman or man who has had abortion touch their life personally is invited to contact Project Rachel, a post-abortion healing ministry. All contacts are confidential. Take courage and call 1-877-RACHEL-5.

Butler Funeral Home: Thursday, April 27, Spring Bus Trip St. Louis Nibble and Nosh Tour. Please join us as we sample our way through St. Louis! During our *fast-paced*, but delicious day, we will visit Dad's Cookies, Gus's Pretzels, Goopy Louie, Vom Fass and Ted Drewes just to name a few. The cost is \$65.00 per person and will include lunch at Gus's Pretzels, a Concrete from Ted Drewes, tours, etc. We will be leaving at 7:30 a.m. from the funeral home campus and return by 5:30 p.m. Please call 544-4646 to reserve your seat by April 21. ***Please note this trip will require a great deal of walking.*



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