



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702



MONDAY, APRIL 25

5:30 p.m. Cathy Bernet - Don & Judy Buckley

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

8:15 a.m. Denny McKennedy - Lori Petry

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

6:30 a.m. Bernie Kavanagh - Evelyn Hine

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

8:15 a.m. Carolyn McFadden - Annette Nelson

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

NO MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

4:30 p.m. Norma Jeanne Fairweather - Betty Bennett

SUNDAY, MAY 1

8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

9:30 a.m. Bill Becker (anniv.) - Theresa & Terry Till

11:30 a.m. Joe Dold - Jim Oldani

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

ALTAR SERVERS

April 26, 28:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Charlie Dunham,
Elizabeth Harley

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Matthew Johnson,
Massimo Polistina

April 30-May 1:

4:30 p.m. Meredith Lyons, Elizabeth Harley,
Michael Kraft

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

9:30 a.m. Maxon Perkins, Brandon Schafer,
Maddie Warrington

11:30 a.m. Camille Arisman, Matthew
Johnson, Emma White

READERS, APRIL 30 - MAY 1

4:30 p.m. Pat Stieren, Ellen Kuntzi

8:00 a.m. Susan Dodson, Dan Punzak

9:30 a.m. Jamie Greenwald, Rick Wilderson

11:30 a.m. Julie Davis, Jan Mulrooney-Kuhn

COMMUNION MINISTERS

APRIL 30 - MAY 1

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

MAY 1

Pre K4 & K

1st & 2nd

3rd

First Communion

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 **Shirley Brunzman** and **John Hutches** of our parish who died recently. May they know the fullness of joy that the Risen Lord desires to share with us.

Women’s Day of Recollection: This coming Thursday, April 28, a Women’s Day of Recollection will be offered at Christ the King parish, from 12:45-2:45 p.m. The afternoon will begin with a talk in the St. Joseph Room. Then, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, two meditations given by a priest and closing Benediction. There will be a 30-minute period for silent Adoration between the meditations. The ladies may take advantage of the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and spiritual direction during this time, as well as following the Recollection. The Mothers’ Room will remain available during the entire Recollection for use by mothers with infants and/or young children. All women throughout the diocese are invited to attend. The spiritual guidance at the Recollection is entrusted to a priest of the Prelature *Opus Dei*.

St. Agnes Golf Outing Fundraiser! Time is running out to register. Space is limited and spots are filling up! Registration & sponsorship forms are due by May 1. The outing itself is Friday, May 13 at Edgewood Golf Club in Auburn. Check-in and lunch will begin at 11 am, 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. Forms are available after Masses this weekend. Contact stagnesgolfouting@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for your support!

GREETERS - MAY

- 4:30 Andy & Amy Nichols Family
- 9:30 Julie Ressler Family
- 11:30 David & Jennifer Pershing Family



Our prayerful best wishes and congratulations accompany our children who will receive for the first time the Body and Blood of the Risen Lord in Holy Communion next Sunday, May 1. May they receive the Eucharist frequently and be nourished in their life in Christ!

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| Isabella Amaris Silva | Stephanie Knauer |
| Avery Arisman | Addison Lafauce |
| Antonette Bartletti | Emma Luck |
| Riley Berberet | Dean Ludolph |
| Sophia Bommarito | Killian Lueken |
| Lincoln Brady | Bridget Lyons |
| Lauren Burk | Ashlynn Murphy |
| Michael Canny | Madeleine Pauly |
| Lillian Condor | Elizabeth Poage |
| Cannon Cox | Evan Powell |
| Kaylee Day | Aiden Ressler |
| Keagan Eck | Brody Scheffler |
| Madelyn Field | Tyler Springer |
| Patrick Florence | Alex Stone |
| Samuel Foys | Jayden Sutton |
| Jackson Fyans | Lynley Tapscott |
| Guadalupe Garcia | Francis VonDeBur |
| Gabrielle Gernigin | Andrew Ward |
| Kaden Gholson | Samuel Weller |
| Keeley Hecker | Peyton Wescott |
| Alison Hegele | Adam Wheeling |
| Mia Jennings | Caroline Willenborg |
| Ashwin John | Gatsby Young |
| Emma Johnson | Jarren Young |
| Fionn Keogh | Natalie Zak |

Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Wisconsin - The Marian Shrines of Wisconsin are privileged to make available to pilgrims during this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* the gift of encountering the mercy of God by means of entering the Holy Doors at each Shrine. Pilgrims gain plenary indulgences by visiting each of the Marian Shrines during this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*. Friday, July 29 – Monday, August 1, 2016. Reservations & Questions: contact Vicky Crye, 217-899-6737.



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Monday, April 25 – Confirmation practice in the Church for the St. Agnes Parish Confirmation Class will be held at 6:30 p.m. Sponsors should accompany the student to this practice if possible, if not, then some other adult that can relay the information about the responsibilities of the Confirmation sponsor.

Tuesday, April 26 – Mandatory “Sports Round-Up” evening. This evening is for all St. Agnes students, grades 4-7 who are interested in participating in any of the school sports programs during the 2016-2017 school year. Parents and students will have the opportunity to visit the various areas regarding their interest in a particular sport and receive necessary materials needed for the sports program. Congratulations to all of our student athletes who participated in the sports program during the 2015-2016 school year. Athletes were honored last Sunday evening at the Sports Banquet.

Wednesday, April 27 – All are invited to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation with our Confirmation Class with a Mass beginning at 7:00 p.m. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will be present to confer this sacrament.

- St. Agnes Scholastic Bowl team is seated in second place in the region for the Scholastic Bowl competition. The team will participate in the state competition on Wednesday, May 27.

Thursday, April 28 – All-school Liturgy at 8:15 a.m

- The kindergarten will be celebrating their traditional “Egg-drop” activity at 2:15 p.m. Parents are invited to watch as the eggs are dropped from the roof of the school. Hopefully, like Humpty Dumpty, their cracks are not too large!

- St. Agnes Band students will participate in their spring band concert at SHG beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 29 – Mid-term progress reports will be sent home.

- A “Coffee with the Principal” will be held for Prek-3rd grade parents from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. in the library. Parents of 4th – 8th grade will meet at 10:30 a.m. Please RSVP to the school office if you will be attending.

Saturday, April 30 – St. Agnes Parish and school 2nd graders will be practicing for their First Communion Mass from 9:00 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. in the Church. Parents are asked to leave their children and return at the end of the practice.

Sunday, May 1 – The First Communion Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 p.m. Families and friends of the First Communicants are invited to join in this special Mass.

34th Annual Spring Luncheon will be held by the Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc. on Monday, April 25 at the Northfield Center. This fun event includes lunch, a silent auction, bake sale and raffle. This year’s raffle item is a gorgeous watch donated by Denney Jewelers worth \$500. Reservations are required and seating can be reserved by calling the Center at 525-5630. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$240 for a table of 8.



BAPTISMS

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

Louis Colantino
Emmanuela Koepfel
Lilliana Petersen

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



CONTRIBUTIONS, APRIL 16-17:

Regular Contributions: \$15,256

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$686

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!



A huge THANK-YOU for your generous support of **M&M's for Money and Missions** and the **Bake Sale**. SHG students attend the JOSHUA mission trip to upper Appalachia the first week of June. You may still contribute by returning any tubes to the parish office or to SHG.

Blessed Sacrament Hosts St. Charles

Parish Choir: On Sunday, May 1 at 3:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament of Springfield will host the St. Charles Parish Choir of Charleston, Illinois. The thirty-voice ensemble will present "Seasons of Praise" a concert of religious and liturgical music in the sanctuary at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. The choir will present choral works and music from Mass liturgies from throughout the church year some of which will include participation by the congregation. Come and enjoy an afternoon of beautiful liturgical music in a prayerful setting. Admission is free, and a free will offering will be taken. All are welcome.

Job Opening: St. Patrick Catholic School, Springfield, IL, (Pre-School through 5th Grade) is seeking a Principal for the 2016-2017 School year. Candidate must be Catholic, have Illinois Administrative Certificate or be willing to pursue Illinois Administrative Certificate. Send cover letter and resume to Ginny Conlee at ginnyconlee@comcast.net.



Dear Friends in Christ,

As many already know, our head maintenance man, **Les Pope**, will be retiring near the end of May. For 27 years, (1989 - the year St. Agnes church was built) Les has attended to the practical needs of our 10-acre parish complex here on Amos Avenue. Whether mowing lawns or prepping the HVAC systems or meeting with suppliers or changing endless light bulbs(!) or cleaning or seeing in advance things that need to be fixed and myriad other matters, "*The Pope!*" has done it with grace and know-how and patience. In a word, Les has simply been excellent! We have been blessed here at St. Agnes.

As Les enters a richly deserved retirement, he wishes his departure to be kept simple. This needs to be respected. On Thursday, May 12, during the 8:15 a.m. Mass, our school wishes to honor Les for the gift he has been these many years. All are welcome to this Mass! Let Les know of your appreciation these next weeks. If there are any greetings or cards that you would like to offer, you're welcome to bring them to the parish or school offices and we will see to it he receives them.

The job of head maintenance here at St. Agnes is a big one, an important one. For the past couple of weeks, our new head of maintenance, **Matt Lael**, has been shadowing Les, learning the "in's and out's" of our complex. Keep Matt in prayer as well as our other two maintenance/custodial care personnel, **Gary Clark** and **Matt Fitzgerald**. Their work behind the scenes is no small thing!

Easter peace,

Fr. Bob



Congratulations to **Tyler Stelbrink** and **Mary Steward**, recently married here at St. Agnes. God's blessings in your new life together!



CONFIRMATION: This Wednesday, April 27, our Parish will celebrate with Bishop Paprocki the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep in prayer the following our young people as they prepare to receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to further strengthen their witness to Jesus Christ.

Landon (Charles) Allender
 Camille (Lucy) Arisman
 Lauren (Cecilia) Davenport
 Sam (Joshua) Dold
 Elizabeth (Elizabeth) Donelan
 Beau (Sebastian) Duffey
 Kelby (Patrick) Eddington
 Amanda (Dymphna) Everhart
 Journey (Bridget) Frederick
 Andrew (Patrick) Frierdich
 Ellen (Cecilia) Gallagher
 Robert (Joshua) Grey
 Holly (Anatolia) Griffin
 Selina (Fabian) Guzman
 Jenna (Cecilia) Heath
 Alyssa (Margaret) Hermon
 Thomas (Jerome) Hingle
 Andrew (Andrew) Keller

Wesley (Patrick) Koontz
 Grace (Sebastian) Kuchar
 Jaden (Teresa) Long
 Michael (Michael) Loureiro
 Sophia (Catherine) Ludolph
 Breckyn (Claire) Lyons
 Meredith (Faustina) Lyons
 Adam (Stephen) Matos
 Makaeda (Gertrude) Matthews-Smith
 Sean (Hubertus) McEvoy
 Zachary (Zachariah) Megginson
 Zachary (Augustine) Morton
 Ferlyn (Cecilia) Mueller
 Olivia (Gemma) Nichols
 Joel (Nicholas) Niermann
 Blair (Teresa) Perkins

Isabella (Catherine) Petrilli
 John (Peter) Phalen
 Nicholas (James) Phalen
 Valeria (Kateri) Pozo
 Joseph (Francis) Rapacz
 Chloe (Cecilia) Reim
 Reed (Francis) Rogers
 Sophia (Isidore) Sass
 Brandon (Patrick) Schafer
 Noah (Patrick) Schoedel
 Jillian (Lillian) Schultz
 Brady (Erasmus) Sharpe
 Claire (Cecilia) Trees
 Ling (Audrey) Tubbs
 Tucker (John) Von Behren
 Zachary (Francis) Vorreyer
 Andrew (Andrew) Yates
 Audrey (Catherine) Yates

Chicken Dinner: The Knights of Columbus #4175 North Council and the Ursuline Academy Alumni Foundation will be hosting their 43rd Annual Chicken Dinner Sunday, May 1 from 11 am to 7 pm. 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 both the Council and the Foundation and area merchants. Proceeds are split between the two groups, going to charities supported by both. Last year, the Knights of Columbus awarded over \$3,500 in tuition assistance to elementary and secondary parochial students and the Foundation awarded around \$5,000. Chances are that a student you know benefited from these awards.

SHG Spirit Sunday Walk/Run: Join us May 1 at SHG's West Campus for the 2016 Spirit Sunday Walk/Run! This event is FREE and open to the public. Generous corporate sponsors will sponsor each lap walked (around the stadium) or run (around the track). There will be plenty of activities for kids including a bounce house, inflatable obstacle course, games, and food and drinks for the whole family. You can register online for this free event at www.shg.org.

RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

Project Rachel - Safe, supportive, confidential gathering of post-abortive women, 1st Tuesday, May 3rd, 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-RACHEL-5.



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Please mark your calendar for these Coming Attractions this spring and summer.

* Tuesday, May 17 – Potluck and Election of Officers.

* Saturday, June 18 – South Pacific at the MUNI.

* Sunday, June 26 - Coffee and donuts sponsored by YAH.

* Saturday, July 9 – Sister Act at the Legacy.

* Saturday, October 15 – Picnic and bonfire at Villa Maria Center

More information will be available in future bulletins.

Dominican Faith Camp for Girls - Girls starting grades 6-9 in the fall are invited to the Dominican Sisters Faith Camp, scheduled for July 24-26, 2016, at Sacred Heart Convent, the Dominican motherhouse, in Springfield, Ill. This popular annual event gives girls an opportunity to learn about Dominican life while enjoying crafts, games, & interaction with the sisters in a comfortable, welcoming, Catholic environment. Faith Campers will learn about prayer, study, Christian service, and community life, and enjoy a special conversation with their own “Sister Buddy.” Registration is \$50 per child and includes The Catholic Youth Prayer Book for each child to take home. Registration forms are available at SpringfieldOP.org. For more information contact Sister Teresa Marron, OP, at 217-787-0481 or SrTeresa@spdom.org



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