



ST. AGNES PARISH
 245 North Amos Avenue
 Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 2

5:30 p.m. Dean E. Cox - Family

TUESDAY, MAY 3

8:15 a.m. Dorothy Cour - Jack Coleman

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

6:30 a.m. Anita Quinn - Diane Schuerman

THURSDAY, MAY 5

8:15 a.m. John Hine - Lou Ann Mack

FRIDAY, MAY 6

8:15 a.m. Deceased Family Members - Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
 12:20 p.m. Harry Hanrahan - Family

SATURDAY, MAY 7

4:30 p.m. Josephine & Vincenzo Fileccia - Angela Lichtenberger

SUNDAY, MAY 8

8:00 a.m. Margaret Ann Mucciante - Mary Kuettel
 9:30 a.m. Janet Orlando - Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
 11:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24:46-53
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 7:55-60; Rv 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

ALTAR SERVERS

May 3,5, 6:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Maxon Perkins, Emily Rapacz

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Jack Ramage, Kyle Rolf

Friday, 8:15 a.m. Charlie Johnson, John Schmidt

May 7-8:

4:30 p.m. Kyle Rolf, John Phalen, Nick Phalen

8:00 a.m. Al Mast, Jeff Tatarek

9:30 a.m. Skyler Justison, Aleya Justison, Jillian Goetz

11:30 a.m. Max Hartwig, Sophie Kink-Tucker, Olivia Kink-Tucker

READERS, MAY 7-8

4:30 p.m. Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Ruth Lewis

8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Gatten, Sr. Joan Sorge

9:30 a.m. Susan Hartl, Cindy Callan

11:30 a.m. Adrian Gandhi, Kari Kelley

COMMUNION MINISTERS MAY 7-8

4:30 p.m. Team C, Mike & Dawn Caveny, Barb Kern, Mark & Ellen Kuntzi, Rudy Kink

8:00 a.m. Team H, Lois Bloechle, Rita King, Al & Sharon Mast, Rosie McCormick, Chuck Murphy

9:30 a.m. Team N, Ann Devlin, Dave Kerwin, Annette Nelson, Becky Powell, Conrad & Kathy Rubinkowski

11:30 a.m. Team U, Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Jan Koltun, Phil & Leigh Reed, Rick & Nancy Wilderson

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS MAY 7-8

Pre K4 & K
 1st & 2nd
 3rd

**No Share the Word
 Happy Mother's Day!**

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

FIRST FRIDAY - MAY

First Friday this month will be on May 6. Masses will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. and at 12:10 p.m. There will not be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:15 Mass. Instead, the school May Crowning will take place at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to the Crowning.

Mass for the Deaf Community will be Saturday, May 14 at 4:30 pm at Our Saviour Convent, 453 E. State St, Jacksonville. Celebrant – Father Tom Coughlin, O.P. Miss. Potluck dinner to follow. For more information, contact Christine Lansaw at christine.lansaw@yahoo.com

Butler Funeral Homes offers Guidelines for Catholic Funerals - An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, and Advance Planning will be held Thursday, May 12 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Bella Milano Restaurant. Our funeral and cremation specialists will present information about burial, cremation & advance funeral planning. Answers to your questions about these topics as well as those surrounding the religious teachings, beliefs and concerns of the Catholic Church will be provided. Complimentary lunch. Reserve your spot before May 9 by calling 544-4646.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Jesus tells us not to let our hearts be troubled because he has given us His peace; the peace that passes all understanding. We also have the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us and our marriage. Sign up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on August 5-7. To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.

The Holy Name Society will meet on Monday, May 9, 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend.

St. Agnes Golf Outing Fundraiser! Time is running out to register. Space is limited and spots are filling up! Registration & sponsorship forms are due today, 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!

Holy Family Food Pantry: Next weekend, May 14-15, is our regular collection for the Holy Family Food Pantry. Please bring your food donations to the gathering space. Cash donations are always appreciated. Make checks payable to "Holy Family Food Pantry."



WELCOME to the following parishioners who registered at St. Agnes Parish during the month of April:

Dale & Mindy Boudreau

Lindsey Airheart

Thomas & Barbara Esela

Derek Hensley

John & Karla Mangiaracina Family

William & Karen McNally

A Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land:

You are invited to join us on a once-in-a-lifetime 'Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land,' 12-days, November 29 to December 10, 2016. Includes visits to Nazareth, Cana, Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Mt. of Beatitudes, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem & more! Only \$2,799 from Chicago plus \$475 in airport taxes and \$175 in tips. Under the Spiritual Direction of Rev. Charles Edwards and Deacon Patrick O'Toole. To download the free color brochure and registration form, visit <http://www.dio.org/missions/mission-trips.html> or contact Vicki Compton at 698-8500 or vcompton@dio.org. Space is limited. Register today!



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Monday, May 2

- No classes for the St. Agnes second grade students in honor of their First Communion.
- Muffins for Parents in the Parish Hall at 8:15 a.m.
- School Board meeting in the Library at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3

- National Teacher Day! Thank a St. Agnes School teacher for their commitment to our Parish children!
- Last Student Council meeting and party! (3:15 -4:30 p.m.)
- Parents Club Meeting in the Library at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4

- Parents Club Appreciation Breakfast for St. Agnes School Staff in the Parish Hall beginning at 7:30 a.m.
- Grant Writing Committee Meeting in school office area at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 5

- All-School Liturgy at 8:15 a.m.
- Annual Fund Committee Meeting in school office area at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 6

- May Crowning and Ribbon Presentation at 10:30 a.m. As we honor Mary, we celebrate our eighth graders as they begin their final weeks at St. Agnes School.

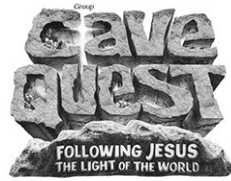


*O Mary,
we crown thee with
flowers today,
Queen of the Angels
and Queen of May!*



St. Agnes 7th Grade Spring Flower Sale

Pick-up Information: If you purchased flowers, please come to the school cafeteria after Masses on Mother's Day weekend (Saturday, 5/7 and Sunday, 5/8) to pick up your orders. Contact Sammie at (217) 416-2267 or sberberet1@comcast.net with questions. Thank you for supporting the St. Agnes 7th grade!!



St. Agnes Vacation Bible School Cave Quest:

Go spelunking through dark caves with Jesus as your light at Cave Quest Vacation Bible School! Kids learn Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives us hope for each new day. His love illuminates when the path is dark. Cave Quest VBS encourages kids to follow Jesus where ever he will lead them!

VBS will be held here July 11-15 in the Parish Hall from 9-11:30 a.m. The cost for the week is \$20 and includes a t-shirt and a gift. Participant and volunteer registration forms are located in the back of the church.

Want to help with St. Agnes's VBS but don't think you have the time? There are lots of small ways you can help that don't require a big time commitment or for you to be there during VBS itself. We are looking for people willing to help make decorations that can be made in the weeks leading up to camp, create an outdoor playtime activity, science activity, snack, or even paperwork duties. If there is one day you'd like to help during VBS but can't commit to the whole week...No problem! All help is welcome and we know how hard it is to work these things into your busy schedule. We're also looking for volunteers to lead or assist activities during the week of camp. This does count towards student/family volunteer hours for next school year. Contact Kathy at the parish office, 793-1130, if you are interested.

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CONTRIBUTIONS, APRIL 23-24 :

Regular Contributions: \$19,576

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$865

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

Blessed Sacrament Hosts St. Charles Parish Choir:

Today, 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. Free will offering will be taken. All are welcome.



**Catholic Schools:
Communities of Faith,
Knowledge and Service
Celebrating the 33rd
Annual Catholic Schools
Appeal
April 30-May 1, 2016**

The 33rd Annual Catholic Schools Appeal kicks off in area parishes this weekend, April 30-May 1. The proceeds from this appeal will be divided among the Springfield-area Parish elementary schools and Sacred Heart – Griffin. **This coming week, parishioners will receive more information in the mail.** Thank you for your prayers and financial support year after year that helps keep Catholic education as a viable option for our families no matter what their financial situation. Please continue your support, no gift is too small.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed: HSHS St. John's Hospital needs Eucharistic Ministers to serve communion and/or pray with our patients on a daily basis. If you are interested, please call Teri in the St. John's Spiritual Care Department at 217-525-5675 for more information. Thank you.



Sister Parish Contributions: Many thanks for the generous contributions for our sister parish in Guatemala. A total of \$2051.00 was contributed in April.

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.



No greater burden! You just have to love the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles (15:1-2, 22-29 – go ahead, read the whole chapter). It describes the dissention and debate in Antioch, the knock-down, drag-out fight among good people. Who should do what? How should you behave? What should you believe? Sound familiar? Not un-similar to our own day is it! A delegation goes to Jerusalem; Paul and Peter "have it out", they talk, debate, ponder. Then the whole Church, all of them decide what is right. Unity in the dead and risen Lord is uppermost. Place no greater burden to unity at the Lord's table. Here are fundamentals for debate:

- Believe in the Trinity and the power of Christ to save.
- Behave as lovers.
- Do the works of mercy placing no undue burden.



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. As usual, you can contact any of the following individuals if you would like more information on YAH events or have suggestions for new activities: Ralph Brookens (415-1889), Sue Hartl (787-5849), Carrie Becker (787-6823), Cliff Erwin (787-7017), Barb Kern (546-7729); Roslyn Brookens (622-6299) or Don Frank (414-6679).

Parish Mission: St. John Vianney in Sherman will hold a Parish Mission May 15-19. Nightly Confessions 5:30pm followed by Mass 6pm. Mission starts at 7pm. Fr. Louis Guardiola - Presider from The Fathers Of Mercy.

Totus Tuus is looking for young adults to spend the summer serving youth of the diocese as teachers. Latin for "Totally Yours," Totus Tuus team members are asked to be "totally yours" for young people by helping them come closer to Christ through personal witness, Christian presence and catechetical instruction. The summer season is June 2-July 23 with a break over Independence Day. Training is provided as well as a summer stipend. Teams of four teachers travel throughout the diocese staying with host families in local parishes to present the Totus Tuus program. For more information, go to www.dio.org/youthministry/staff-information.html or call Kyle Holtgrave at (217) 698-8500.

K Of C Mother's Day Breakfast: An all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet will be held on Mother's Day, May 8 from 8 am until noon at Knights of Columbus Council 364. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6 - 12, and kids ages five and under are free. Proceeds will benefit Council 364's scholarships to Sacred Heart-Griffin. Each mother attending will receive a complimentary long stem rose. For questions, call 787-2360.



Chicken Dinner: The Knights of Columbus #4175 North Council and the Ursuline Academy Alumni Foundation will be hosting their 43rd Annual Chicken Dinner TODAY, 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.

The Fatima Pilgrimage will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Springfield. Speaker is Fr. James Isaacson. See Catholic Times for details.

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.



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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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.

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