



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 23

5:30 p.m. Michael W. Cox - Family

TUESDAY, MAY 24

8:15 a.m. Chris Moore - Rose and Children

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

6:30 a.m. Portia Hoekstra - Eileen Jensen

THURSDAY, MAY 26

8:15 a.m. Leo Bollin - Stanley & Sallee
Butzow

FRIDAY, MAY 27

NO MASS

SATURDAY, MAY 28

4:30 p.m. Peg Coleman - Esteban & Patty
Sanchez

SUNDAY, MAY 29

8:00 a.m. Kathryn Willcockson - Howard
Willcockson

9:30 a.m. Tom Stuckey - Connie Shea

11:30 a.m. Ann Havey - Florence Scott

And Parishioners of St. Agnes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Mk 10:46-52

Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

ALTAR SERVERS

May 24, 26:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Emily Brenneisen, Paul
Gilmore

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Rose Bartletti, Anna
Curtis

May 28-29:

4:30 p.m. Elizabeth Harley, Matthew
Johnson, Maxon Perkins

8:00 a.m. Mike Caveny, Chuck Murphy

9:30 a.m. Emily Brenneisen, Matt
Brenneisen, Charlie Costa

11:30 a.m. Carter Crabtree, Anna Curtis,
Lindsey Ferguson

READERS, MAY 28-29

4:30 p.m. Susan Dodson, Sharon Huck

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

9:30 a.m. Marilyn Okon, Cindy Callan

11:30 a.m. Ruth Lewis, Melissa DeMarco

COMMUNION MINISTERS

MAY 28-29

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

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

**PLEASE NOTE: The Church Office will
be closed on Monday, May 30 for
Memorial Day Holiday. ALSO, there will
be NO 5:30 p.m. Mass on May 30,
Memorial Day.**



St. Agnes Music Concert:

The St. Agnes Music Department is excited to perform its first concert, *Inspired*, on Sunday, June 5, at 3:30 pm in the church sanctuary. Representing a variety of genres, both choral and instrumental selections will include music by Natalie Sleeth, Joseph Martin, Mark Hayes, Brent Olstad, and Henry Purcell. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall following the concert. Admission is free; donations accepted. Please help by spreading the word. Thank you for supporting the St. Agnes music ministry.

Coffee and Donuts Today, May 22:

Come join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall after the 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses. The event is being sponsored by the St. Agnes 4th Grade Girl Scout Troop 6767. Free will offering.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - One of the dreams of every Christian disciple is to someday walk in the footsteps of Jesus in his homeland. You are invited to share this experience with Fr. Chuck Edwards and other disciples from our diocese during Advent of 2016. For more information and to download a flier visit <http://www.dio.org/missions/mission-trips.html> or contact Vicki Compton at missions@dio.org or 217/698-8500.



Memorial Day Field Mass:

Please join us at Calvary Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 30 at 9:30 am for the traditional Field Mass offered at the Father Howard Altar.

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will be the principal celebrant. Accompanying Bishop Paprocki in procession will be a number of our local priests, members of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and representatives of the St. Andrew Society Bag-Pipers. Limited seating will be available under tents. Lawn chairs are welcome. A golf cart will be available to assist from the main gate to the Mass site. Please call the cemetery office at 523-3726 with any questions you may have.

Thank You

Golf Outing: The St. Agnes Golf Outing Committee would like to thank all of our 84 golfers, generous sponsors and volunteers who helped make this first annual event a success. With your support we were able to raise over **\$6,250** for St. Agnes Parish and School. We look forward to seeing you next spring!

Year of Mercy Juried Art Exhibition - To celebrate the Year of Mercy, the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the Quincy Art Center will host a juried exhibition of sacred art with the theme of Mercy. This competition is open to all artists age 19 (by entry deadline) and older, living in the United States. All submitted artwork must explore a theme related to works of Mercy. Work must be original, designed and executed by the submitting artist. Artwork must be received by July 15. The exhibition opens on August 12 and runs through September 17. For a prospectus and entry form go to <http://www.dio.org/yearofmercy/art-exhibition.html> A Junior Division art show will be announced in the Spring.

Lay Ministry Formation Program: The Office for Ministry Formation announces the beginning of Year I of our Lay Ministry Formation Program in the fall of 2016. Interested persons should review the program on the diocesan website: dio.org. "Lay Ministry Formation Program". The manual and application materials are available on line. Those men considering future admission into the permanent diaconate program are encouraged to enroll in the formation program as well. For further information please contact: Mrs. Joan Reed in the Office for Ministry Formation of the diocese. She may be reached at the Catholic Pastoral Center 217-698-8500 ext. 153 or by e-mail jreed@dio.org.



Help Needed: A parishioner needs a ride to weekend Mass. She lives near the intersection of Washington and Veterans Parkway.

If you can help, please call the parish office at 793-1330.



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Tuesday, May 24

– End of the year class celebrations.

Wednesday, May 25

– Students who are purchasing a lunch on this day will have sack lunches as we will be eating outside.

– Parents and family members are invited to attend the Awards Ceremony for students in Grades K-7 in the Church at 1:30 p.m. as we honor the success and achievements of our St. Agnes School students.

Thursday, May 26

– This is the last day for St. Agnes students. An end of the year Mass will be held in the Church at 8:15 a.m. Students will be dismissed from the Church at 9:15 a.m. Report cards will be handed out in the Church following the Mass. Parents are invited to attend this closing school Mass.

Summer School Office Hours – The office will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon until June 10. The office will be closed the rest of the month and through the month of July. The office will reopen August 5. Phone messages will be checked throughout the summer. Please leave a message on the answering machine and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Happy Summer Vacation to all of our school families. Thank you to all of our St. Agnes School parents for your wonderful support this school year. Don't forget to give God a part in our summer vacations!



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

Giacomini Tennis Academy offer free tennis lessons at Southern View Village to all grade school children beginning Monday, June 6 from 8 to 10 a.m. Lessons are held every Monday and Wednesday during the months of June and July. Don't have a tennis racket? We have several for you to choose from. Just bring a new can of tennis balls! Get a free GTA t-shirt, too! For more info, please contact Dom at 306-3040 or dominicgiacomini@comcast.net.

Reception Honoring Sr. Margaret Joanne Grueter: Sacred Heart-Griffin High School is hosting a reception for Sr. Margaret Joanne Grueter, O.P. to honor her 20 years of dedicated service (16 years as Principal and 4 years as Assistant Principal). Please join us on Tuesday, May 24 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the East Campus Commons as we thank Sr. Margaret Joanne for her many years of service and wish her well as she begins a new chapter in her life.

SHG Football Camp: The Junior Cyclone Football Camp will be June 20-22 from 8-10 a.m. for those students in grades K-8. Cost is \$75. The SHG Football Padded camp will be July 18-21 from 6-8 p.m. for students in grades 4-8. The cost is \$75. For more information or to register, contact Bob Brenneisen at 414-8874 or 787-1595 x104.



CONTRIBUTIONS, APRIL 23-24 :

Regular Contributions: \$14,364

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$598

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!



Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service

Celebrating the 33rd Annual
Catholic Schools Appeal

The 33rd Annual Catholic Schools Appeal is well under way. Parishioners should have received a packet in the mail with information about the appeal. If you did not receive your packet, please contact the parish office at 793-1330. The proceeds from this appeal will be divided among the Springfield-area Parish elementary schools and Sacred Heart – Griffin. 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.

Calvary Cemetery: Your generosity to keep Calvary Cemetery beautiful is much appreciated by all those who visit. We have been able to make some repairs to the roadway and more are needed. We also are planning to replace segments of the chain link fencing with a black fence that has a more durable finish and does not require painting. Thank you for your continued support to care for your cemetery.

Diocesan Family Fun Camp, June 30 – July 2, Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 E. Lake Shore Dr. - Join us for four days of family fun. For detailed information and to reserve your spot today visit: www.dio.org/familylife/camp.html or call 217-321-1139.



Dear Friends in Christ,

A special word of congratulations to **Karen Ferguson** who was received into the Catholic Church and confirmed last Sunday, the Solemnity of Pentecost. Keep

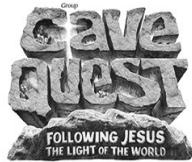
-Karen in prayer as well as **Ruth**

Ziogas who was received into the Church at the Easter Vigil (March 26). May they and all initiated into the Church during the Easter season across our diocese, grow in grace, wisdom and love in the Lord.

Also, a plug for our music concert that will take place on Sunday, June 5, 3:30 p.m. in our Church of St. Agnes. We are blessed with good music here at St. Agnes. This is a wonderful way to return thanks to God for this gift.

Blessings,

Fr. Bob



St. Agnes Vacation Bible School Cave Quest:

Go spelunking through dark caves with Jesus as your light at Cave Quest VBS! 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 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, bring 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. 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, 793-1330, if you are interested.



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming events this spring and summer:

Saturday, June 18

South Pacific at the MUNI at 8:30 p.m. We have reserved the Pavilion for a picnic starting at 6:00 p.m. Tickets prices are \$12.50 per person and you can contact Roslyn Brookens (622-6299) for a reservation. If you already have a season pass, you can join us for the picnic. As always, friends are welcome. Deadline for payment is Friday, June 3.

Sunday, June 26

Coffee and donuts sponsored by YAH.

Saturday, July 9

Sister Act at the Legacy.

Saturday, September 27

Potluck in the Parish Hall.

Saturday, October 15

Picnic and bonfire at Villa Maria Center.

More information will be provided in future bulletins. In the interim, please feel free to contact any of the following officers: Ralph Brookens (415-1889), Sue Hartl (787-5849), Carrie Becker (787-6823), Cliff Erwin (787-7017) or Barb Kern (546-7729).

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.



Deacon Roy is the Executive Director of Prevent Child Abuse Illinois. The Illinois Walk for Children is their annual fundraiser supporting prevention programs for children and families in Springfield and throughout Illinois. If you would like to sponsor Deacon Roy for the walk, you can make a pledge at: <https://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/roy-harley/2016-illinois-walk-for-children> and click on the word DONATE. Or send a check in his name to PCA Illinois, 528 S. Fifth St. #211, Springfield, IL 62701. Or simply make it in person. You can learn more at www.preventchildabuseillinois.org. Thank you so very much.

Fatima Crusade: The Fatima All Night Vigil will take place from 9 p.m. Friday, June 10 until 6:00 a.m. Saturday, June 11 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Springfield. Speaker is Fr. Seth Brown. See Catholic Times for details.

YOU Can Help Your Marriage: 25% of surveyed couples say they are "Happily Married". For everyone else there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with each other? Are you constantly fighting? Or so you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse? For information on Retrouvaille, visit the website www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next Program begins the weekend of June 3-5, 2016.



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

For those whose hearts ache for a child of their own: May they experience the Lord's presence and be filled with his peace:

We pray to the Lord....



The Trinity. In making Creole recipes, that is, authentic New Orleans food, every cook knows “the trinity” – celery, onions, green pepper. They are essential. They are the starting point. Properly prepared, they blend as one, yet retain distinctive flavors. So, too, God. Triune. Blended yet distinct [the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 202 states it this way: “only one true God...three persons indeed, but one essence, substance or nature entirely simple”].

- What must I do to “flavor” the world in which I live?
- How can I be like God and not see myself standing alone, acting alone, being alone?

Reminder: We are updating our records and need your help. As you are aware, all volunteers must take the Protecting God’s Children class one time, and then have a background check completed every 5 years. Recently we mailed out letters with background check forms to our volunteers that have not had a background check completed in the last 5 years. If you received the forms, please complete both forms and send them into the Parish Office so that we can continue to maintain a safe environment for all children.

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RECTORY. DEADLINE: MONDAY**

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