



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

5:30 p.m. Donna Chocol -
Jeff & Kathy Finnell Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

8:15 a.m. Janet Orlando -
Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
And DOMS - Jim Schwalbach

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

6:30 a.m. Fr. Robert Becker - Susan Dodd

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

8:15 a.m. NO MASS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

NO MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

4:30 p.m. Tom Stuckey -
Jim, Gina, & Nicole Swehla
And Parishioners of St. Agnes

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 a.m. Veda Lascody -
Larry & Judy Lascody
9:30 a.m. Donald Squires - Rosemarie Long
11:30 a.m. Gene Elliott - Mary Elliott

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36
Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Na 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19;
Lk 9:28b-36
Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19;
Lk 12:32-48

ALTAR SERVERS

August 2,4:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Maxon Perkins, Emily Rapacz
Thursday, 8:15 a.m. No Mass

August 6-7:

4:30 p.m. Kennedy Green, Elizabeth Mack,
Maxon Perkins
8:00 a.m. Tom Frost, John Brunzman
9:30 a.m. Jillian Goetz, Isaac Vizral,
Maddie Warrington
11:30 a.m. Max Hartwig, Sophie Kink-Tucker,
Olivia Kink-Tucker

READERS, AUGUST 6-7

4:30 p.m. Sharon Huck, Sr. Joan Sorge
8:00 a.m. Tammie Klein, Vicki Bauer
9:30 a.m. Bill Duffield, Holly Kesterson
11:30 a.m. Ed Cobau, Adrian Gandhi

COMMUNION MINISTERS AUGUST 6-7

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, Bill & Cindy Callan,
Pamela Hargan, Jane Locascio, Doug
McDonald, Kathy Vizral
11:30 a.m. Team V, Tom & Elaine Arisman,
James Curtis, Jeff Enlow, Adrian Gandhi, Janice
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PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Sheila Noonan 546-0012
Barb Kern 546-7729
5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.: Maureen Brady 787-3423
Cinda Steinkamp 787-6439

Please note: There will be no daily Mass on
Thursday, August 4 nor First Friday Mass,
August 5.

In Her Cherished Heart Women's Conference

– Lessons from Lisa Hendey's *The Grace of Yes: Eight Virtues for Generous Living*. Mass, goody bags, lunch, adoration, confession. Mother's room available. Saturday, September 10, 2016, 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Christ the King Parish Center, Springfield. \$30 before August 23, \$35 at the door. Register online at www.CherishedHeartConference.com.

Butler Funeral Home offers An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, Cemetery and Advance Planning on August 11. When it comes to burial, cremation specialists, we're happy to provide answers during our free program. Join us at 11:30 a.m. for a complimentary lunch at Bella Milano and a brief, interactive, and open discussion forum for questions regarding these and other topics. All events are free: no cost or obligation. Call 544-4646 to reserve your seat by August 8.



Don't be hard hearted. We have all heard stories of relatives who fight over an estate or a supposed inheritance. Luke recounts the Jesus parable of packing away so many possessions in order to "rest, eat, drink, be merry!" It is Jesus who said to the crowd, and says to us today: "One's life does not consist in possessions." On hearing Christ, the logical philosopher lays out this syllogism: (1) Guard against all greed; (2) because life does not consist of possessions; (3) therefore, give away some things, some time, some effort, some of self.

- What things can I give away?
- What time and effort can I expend to another?

GREETERS - AUGUST

4:30 Sally Cadagin

8:00 Steve & Julie Johnson

9:30 Bev Dillon

11:30 Evelyn Florence



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The usual way by which an unbaptized person (those seven years of age and above) becomes a full, participating member of the Catholic Church is through a faith formation process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and the reception of the sacraments of initiation at Easter.

Persons who have been baptized in another Christian church and who wish to become a member of the Catholic Church are also encouraged to participate in the RCIA before receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. We are now planning for those who want to inquire about the process or simply find out what RCIA is all about.

If you know of someone interested, please call the Parish Office at 793-1330. Our RCIA sessions will begin in September.



State Fair Booth

Springfield Right to Life will be hosting our educational booth at the Illinois State Fair in the Exposition Building. The booth is a great outreach to share the pro-life message and to educate our youth on the sanctity of human life. Many of you volunteer each year to staff our booth. We are so grateful for your commitment!

This year we need volunteers for our booth from August 11 - 21. The scheduling is for shifts starting at 9:00 a.m. with the last shift ending at 9:00 p.m. We'd like to have three volunteers per shift. A ticket for entry to the fair will be provided. Being a volunteer at our booth is an opportunity to be a witness for the unborn. It is a very positive experience and your presence does make a difference. Please join us! Teens are welcome and encouraged to volunteer. New this year: The first Sunday of the fair will be "Sticker Sunday!" For more information and to sign up for shifts, please call the Springfield Right to Life Office at 523-2700 or e-mail us at info@springfieldrtl.org.



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

The School Office will reopen August 8 from 9:00-12:00.

School Packets: Families with students (Pre-K thru 8) attending St. Agnes School for the 2016-2017 school year may pick up your family packets in the Gathering Space after all Masses the weekends of August 6-7 and August 13-14.

Class assignments and information needed for Orientation Day on Wednesday, August 17 will be enclosed. Packets remaining after the 11:30 Mass on August 14 can be picked up in the School Office.

Health Exam info: Children entering preschool, kindergarten or sixth grade and students transferring to Illinois from another State or outside of the country, must have a complete **written health exam** in the school office before first day of school, August 18. Immunizations must be up to date.

Children in kindergarten, second and sixth grade, and students transferring to Illinois from another State or outside of the country, must have a **dental exam** completed before the first day of school.

Kindergarteners and students transferring to Illinois from another State or outside of the country, must have an **eye exam** from an optometrist before the first day of school.

Copies of these forms can be picked up in the Parish Office if parents need them. Usually the physician and/or dentist will also have these forms. The physical, dental and eye forms should be turned in to the school office on Orientation day (Wednesday, August 17).

M.A.G.I.C. Match Program: St. Agnes School has a program that matches sponsors to classrooms and curriculum areas. If you or your business is willing to be a sponsor for one of our classrooms for the 2016-2017 school year, contact Nancy Peterson, Development Director at 793-1330.

Newcomers' Welcome will be hosted by the Parents' Club on Sunday, August 14, in the school cafeteria after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. A light lunch will be served to parents and children. An informational meeting will follow for parents while the children have supervised play. Please contact Kate Watson, 303-1650, if you will be able to join us. **Welcome to all new families!**

St. Agnes Sports Program News:

Sports physical: 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders participating in the St. Agnes Sports program are required to have a 2016 physical in order to participate. **(Physicals are required by the school for all 6th graders. These school physical forms do not cover sports. The IESA Physical form must also be completed.)** A copy of the physical should be dated for the 2016-2017 school year and must be submitted before sports practices begin. Any questions, contact the school office at 793-1370.

Mandatory Coaches meeting for all St. Agnes coaches for the 2016-2017 school year will be held on August 7, 6:30 p.m. in the school library. Please plan to attend this mandatory meeting.

Baseball practice will begin Monday, August 1, 4:30-6:00 p.m., place to be announced. Joe Milbrandt and Charlie Blackburn will coach the team.

Cross-Country season begins August 1. Coaches for this sport include Mike O'Brien and Leah Hulcher.





CONTRIBUTIONS, JULY 23-24:

Regular Contributions: \$16,920

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$1,135

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico City, December 8-13, 2016. Join internationally renowned Theology of the Body speaker, author and teacher Christopher West for a life-changing journey to the holy sites around Mexico City – spanning two Marian feast days culminating with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. From \$1,799 a person. For detailed information visit: corproject.com/mexico

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: In the second reading St. Paul tells reminds us that our life is now “in Christ”. He encourages us to “put on the new self” and to “seek and think of what is above” because we are no longer of this world. Do we have a Christ Centered Marriage? Sign up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on August 5 to 7. To register or for more information, call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.

Living in Love – Retreat Weekend provides an opportunity for couples to reconnect. Designed to energize romance. August 20-21, 2016 at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Retreat Center, Springfield, Illinois. The cost is \$150 per couple. Scholarships are available. The retreat includes Sunday Mass and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday night. RSVP – Bsmith@dio.org or (217) 321-1139.



Dear St. Agnes Parishioners,

The summer months often become a time of “catch-up” around most parishes – a time for repairs and maintenance and especially clean-up.

As special word of thanks to Matt Lael, our head of maintenance, as well as Matt Fitzgerald of our maintenance crew, and Logan Winders, part-time summer help, who are doing a fine job getting things in shape for the upcoming school year.

Mindful of maintenance for our ten-acre parish complex, we are short one position, a full-time custodial/janitorial position here at St. Agnes. For those interested in such a position and would like further information, please contact our Parish Office at 217-793-1330 or email sac245@comcast.net.

Continued summer blessings,

Fr. Bob

Father Frank Pavone, Founder of Priests for Life, is coming to Springfield, Saturday, August 20. He will celebrate 8:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception followed by a presentation in the Atrium. All are invited to attend. For more information and to RSVP, call the Office for Pro-Life Activities and Special Ministries 321-1161.

Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a program of the Institute for Pastoral Initiatives at the University of Dayton. The VLCFF offers online adult religious education and faith formation courses in support of the Church’s catechetical ministry. 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 some courses qualify for credit in our diocesan Catechist Formation Process. Registration for Cycle 6 began July 13. Classes begin August 28. For more information, visit the Office for Catechesis webpage at dio.org/catechesis/vlcff.html



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Please mark your calendar for the following **upcoming events**. More information will be provided on all these events as they get closer.

* **Tuesday, September 27** – Potluck in the Parish Hall. Social at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Speaker to be announced later.

* **Tuesday, October 4** – YAH planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space. All are welcome.

* **Saturday, October 8** – Tour of the St. Francis of Assisi Church and the Chiara Center starting at 9:00 a.m. with an optional brunch to follow.

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

* **Saturday, November 5** – Grapevine Social at *Its All About Wine*.

* **Tuesday, November 15** – Potluck in Parish Hall.

* **Saturday, December 10** – *The Messiah* at the Cathedral.

Please feel free to contact any of the following officers for more details on any of the activities listed above or to offer suggestions for future activities: Jane Locascio (306-3037); Roslyn Brookens (622-6299); Sue Hartl (787-5849); Barb Kern (546-7729); or Cliff Erwin (787-7017).

Heroic Catholic Manhood, Workshop for Men

– There is a crisis facing men in the Church today and an absence of good mentors for our boys. But with grace and formation, you can help turn the tide. Come on your own or with your men's group to learn the essentials of mentorship and how to take it to the next level. Saturday, September 17, 2016, St. Boniface, Edwardsville, IL, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Cost \$10. (Lunch included) To register, visit www.dio.org/familylife/events or call 321-1132.

Share your story. The Office for Pro-Life Activities and Special Ministries is accepting stories for the Catholic Times' October Respect Life edition. This year's theme is: **Moved by Mercy**. For more information, a flyer is located at: <http://dio.org/plasm/events.html> or call the Office for Pro-Life Activities and Special Ministries: 217-321-1161. Items are due by August 26.

Family Camp Retreat and Renewal Weekend

– The annual Family Camp Retreat and Renewal Days, which serves people with disabilities and their family/friends, is scheduled for September 24 and 25 at Lake Williamson Christian Center in Carlinville, IL. Registration is due by August 1. For more information, review the posted flier at <http://dio.org/plasm/events.html> or contact Elaine Vonderheide at mewv23@consolidated.net

Bookkeeper – Part Time: St. Patrick Catholic School is looking for a skilled bookkeeper to record all of the school's financial transactions. This person will post information to QuickBooks and reconcile accounts to ensure their accuracy. This role will report to the Principal with 10-15 anticipated hours per week. Submit your resume, cover letter, and any references via email to Brent Lake, School Board Treasurer, at bslake11@gmail.com. The specific job description responsibilities will then be emailed to you.



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

Safe, supportive, confidential gathering of post-abortive women, 1st Tuesday of the month, August 2, 7:00 p.m., 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.

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 Parish Office, 793-1330, during regular office hours, and register over the phone.



Are you interested in learning more about your faith? Would you like to strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church? Tune in to Catholic Radio on **AM 1410** and **88.9 FM WIHM**. Programming includes daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, live call-in shows, and much more. For a program schedule and a free CD, call (314) 752-7000 or toll-free (877) 305-1234.

The 95th Annual K of C Bar-B-Que and Raffle will be held today, July 31 from Noon until 7:00 p.m. at Council 364. Food can be purchased, dine in or carry out. The Juke House Band will provide musical entertainment and D.J. the Clown will appear, no cover charge. K C Pool will be open for free swimming – children must be accompanied by adult. Raffle drawing at 7:00 p.m. for \$20,000 in cash prizes, including a \$10,000 grand prize. With questions, call 787-2360.

Bake Sale – Please come out and support our St. Agnes 8th graders as they will be hosting a bake sale today, July 31 from Noon until 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Bar-B-Que to raise funds for all of the exciting activities for their last year at St. Agnes School. We will be selling some delicious treats. Hope to see you there.