



**ST. AGNES PARISH**

245 North Amos Avenue  
Springfield, IL 62702

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 8**

5:30 p.m. Ann Havey - Joyce Henn

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9**

8:15 a.m. Walter Brown - Ernest Prosperini

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10**

6:30 a.m. Mary O'Neil - Greg & Graci Kirkland

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 11**

8:15 a.m. Henrietta Nortrup Hayes -  
Charlene Frank

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 12**

NO MASS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

4:30 p.m. Ann Keller - Mark & Mary Selvaggio

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

8:00 a.m. Monica McCormick -  
Dr. John & Lynda Snodsmith  
9:30 a.m. John Hine - Judi Bloome Family  
And Parishioners of St. Agnes  
11:30 a.m. Tom Dold - Family

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27  
**Tuesday:** Ez 2:8—3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26  
**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-12; Mt 18:21—19:1  
**Friday:** Ex 16:1-15, 60, 63; Mt 19:3-12  
**Saturday:** Ez 18: 1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15  
**Sunday:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10, Heb 12:1-4;  
Lk 12:49-53

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**August 9,11:**

**Tuesday, 8:15 a.m.** Charlie Johnson,  
Isaac Vizral  
**Thursday, 8:15 a.m.** John Schmidt,  
Noel Ward

**August 13-14:**

4:30 p.m. Meredith Lyons, Michael Kraft,  
Emily Rapacz  
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,  
Matthew Johnson

**READERS, AUGUST 13-14**

4:30 p.m. Bob Bussing, Pat Stieren  
8:00 a.m. Dan Punzak, Linda Distlehorst  
9:30 a.m. Bev Dillon, Rick Wilderson  
11:30 a.m. Julie Davis, Sandra Kelley

**READERS, AUGUST 15**

5:30 p.m. Jan Mulrooney-Kuhn,  
Don Steinkamp

**COMMUNION MINISTERS  
AUGUST 13-14**

**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 Drake, Ann Griffin, Holly  
Griffin, Grace Kuchar

**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

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (15 August) is not a Holyday of Obligation this year due to it falling on a Monday this year. Mass will nevertheless be celebrated on Monday, August 15, 5:30 p.m.



**Thank you to Fr. Sergio Armando Perez, IVE**, who visited our parish last weekend to talk about the Institute of the Incarnate Word ([www.ive.org](http://www.ive.org)).

We collected **\$3,653** to help his community's mission work. Blessings to all those who gave so generously!

**40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration:** St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Springfield will be holding 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration in Celebration of the Holy Year of Mercy from August 11-14 at Sacred Heart Church (12th Street and Lawrence Avenue). On Thursday, August 11 and Friday, August 12 there will be Latin Low Mass at 7:00 a.m., Mass in English at 8:00 a.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration until 8:30 p.m. On Saturday, August 13 there will be Mass in English at 7:30 a.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration until 4:00 p.m. Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. after which Adoration will be held until 8:00 p.m. On Sunday, August 14 the Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed at 1:00 p.m. and Adoration will follow until 5:45 p.m. and close with Benediction. At 6:00 p.m. a Latin High Mass will be celebrated in Anticipation of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All are invited to attend.



**Congratulations to Tom and Joyce Erickson** who last weekend celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. Thank you for being a living sign of God's loving faithfulness in our presence!



**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](mailto: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 this weekend, August 6-7 and next weekend, 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.

**Koinonia of Springfield:** Join us for a potluck and social gathering for Koinonia of Springfield 40th Anniversary on Saturday, September 3 from 10:00-4:00 at St. John Vianney Parish Hall. Bring a covered dish or salad to share. RSVP by August 26 to Mikki Buhl at [koinonia.information@gmail.com](mailto:koinonia.information@gmail.com) or 527-1912.

**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.



**2016**

**CONTRIBUTIONS, JULY 30-31:**  
 Regular Contributions: \$12,322

St. Agnes Parish Capital  
 Improvements Fund: \$725

**MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!**



**Parish Custodial/Janitorial Position Open:** Our parish of St. Agnes is in need of a full-time assistant custodial janitorial person. Individuals who would be interested in such a position, please contact our Parish Office at 217-793-1330 or email [sac245@comcast.net](mailto:sac245@comcast.net).



**WELCOME** to the following parishioners who registered at St. Agnes Parish in July:

**Katie Claussen Family**  
**Michael & Cara Kopec Family**  
**Jeremy & Jessica Steinkruger Family**  
**Frank Tieman Family**  
**Hannah Torricelli Family**  
**Steven & Elizabeth Vogt Family**  
**Ashley & Mike Walz Family**



**OUR SISTER PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS** in July totaled \$2,047. Thanks to everyone for your generosity every month to our Sister Parish in Guatemala!

**Holy Family Food Pantry** collection for St. Agnes is next weekend, August 13-14. Please bring your food donations to the Gathering Space. Cash donations are always appreciated. Please make checks payable to "Holy Family Food Pantry."

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** Let us turn our hearts back to God and allow him to lead and guide us so that we can fulfill God's plan and purpose for our lives and marriages. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is on September 23-25. To register or for more information, call 314-649-7317 or go online to [www.stl-wwme.org](http://www.stl-wwme.org).

**Save this date!** Tuesday, September 27, at St. Michael the Archangel – Sigel. Springfield in IL Diocesan Council of Catholic Women would like to invite all women from our diocese to our 88th Annual Convention. The day includes Speakers, Mass, Luncheon and many opportunities to enjoy fellowship and fun. Any questions, please contact Carolyn Munie, SDCCW President at 618-667-2317 or Joyce Knodle, Registration Chair at 217-825-5150.

**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](http://dio.org/catechesis/vlcff.html)

**In Her Cherished Heart Women's Conference:** Lessons from Lisa Hende's *The Grace of Yes: Eight Virtues for Generous Living*. Saturday, September 10, 8:00-3:30 p.m. at Christ the King Parish Center. Mass, goody bags, lunch, adoration, confession. \$30 before August 23, \$35 at the door. Register online at [www.CherishedHeartConference.com](http://www.CherishedHeartConference.com).



## 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 *It's 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).

## 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](mailto:mewv23@consolidated.net)

**An all-you-can-eat Breakfast Buffet** will be held on Sunday, August 14 from 8:00 a.m. 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 Brother James Court. For questions, call 787-2360.

**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.

**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.



## RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

**Springfield Right to Life's Annual Fundraiser** will be held Saturday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m., at the Crowne Plaza. Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life, is the keynote speaker. Please invite your friends and family, and join us for a dynamic presentation from a world-class pro-life advocate! Call the Right to Life Office: 523-2700 or email: [info@springfieldrtl.org](mailto:info@springfieldrtl.org) to sign up to be a Table Host and save your seat by August 12! There will be NO COST for this FUND-RAISING BANQUET. There will be an opportunity for financial giving and pledges of time, talent and finances. Please visit our website [www.springfieldrtl.org](http://www.springfieldrtl.org) for more information.

**State Fair Parking:** Saint Aloysius School PTO is hosting Illinois State Fair parking on Sangamon Ave at Elizabeth St.–½ block west of the Main Gate. It is a lighted lot with attendants on duty from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. and security from 8:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m. This is a HUGE all-volunteer effort by parishioners, parents, students, teachers, administration, staff, and even our pastors, deacons, and seminarians have been known to escort you to the best place to park at the fair! ALL proceeds benefit St. Aloysius School and its continued success in providing quality Catholic education on Springfield's Northend. We would greatly appreciate your patronage and prayers of support for good weather and a safe, successful event. God bless you and we look forward to seeing you at the 2016 Illinois State Fair!

**Legion of Mary Bus Trip:** Join us Sunday, September 11 for a bus trip to St. Joseph Shrine in St. Louis. Bus departs 8:30 a.m. from St. Al's School parking lot – 21st and Joles Street. Travel to shrine – Mass at 11:00 a.m. Tour of Shrine. Then travel to Our Lady of the Snows for lunch at your expense. Return to lot approximately 4:00 p.m. Cost for bus \$22.00. Reservations and money due by August 11. Send to: Rita Lesko, 3420 East Enos, Springfield, Illinois 62702. Phone 210-2331.

**Living in Love – Retreat Weekend** provides an opportunity for couples to reconnect. Designed to energize romance. August 20-21 at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Retreat Center. \$150 per couple. RSVP – [Bsmith@dio.org](mailto:Bsmith@dio.org) or (217) 321-1139.