



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

5:30 p.m. Sarah Mack - Tom & Joan Layzell

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8:15 a.m. DOMS - Jim Schwalbach

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 a.m. Ann Havey - Mary Clare Cummins

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:15 a.m. Fr. Robert Becker -
Mary Jo & Maureen Egizii

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

NO MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

4:30 p.m. Barb Morris - The Drake Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes
9:30 a.m. Bill Becker -
Don, Judy, & Doug Buckley
11:30 a.m. Joe Dold - Rosie Mayfield

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14;
Lk 17:5-10

ALTAR SERVERS

September 27, 29:

Tuesday, 8:15 a.m. Maxon Perkins,
Matthew Johnson

Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Massimo Polistina,
Jack Ramage

October 1-2:

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

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

9:30 a.m. Adam Kuchar, Grace Kuchar,
Isaac Vizral

11:30 a.m. Joe Kuhn, Ben Rogers, Emma White

READERS, OCTOBER 1-2

4:30 p.m. Ruth Lewis, Harry Mitchell

8:00 a.m. Tricia Hopkins-Price,
Shirley Cowles

9:30 a.m. Bill Snyder, Jamie Greenwald

11:30 a.m. Don Steinkamp, Bob Bussing

COMMUNION MINISTERS

OCTOBER 1-2

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, Elaine Arisman, James
Curtis, Jeff Enlow, Adrian Gandhi, Janice
Gandhi, Annette Nelson

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

OCTOBER 2

Pre K4 & K Michelle Blackburn

1st & 2nd Kathy Vizral

3rd Deanna 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

Diocesan White Mass: Physicians, nurses, administrators, allied health care providers and all others involved in the healing ministry are welcome to join Bishop Thomas John Paprocki on Saturday, October 15, 4:00 p.m., Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, Reception and program to follow. Guest speaker Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ. To RSVP: Bernadine Smith at bsmith@dio.org, call (217) 321-1139 or register online at www.dio.org/familylife/annual-masses.html by October 11.



BAPTISM

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

Thomas Jennings Mayland

Willa Rose Torricelli

Quinn Marguerite VonBehren

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

National Life Chain Sunday: Please join us on October 2 for the National Life Chain Prayer Witness from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. on the sidewalks of Springfield on MacArthur, Wabash, Sangamon Ave., and on Bruns Lane at the new Planned Parenthood abortion clinic. Life Chain is a Silent Prayer Witness of Repentance moved from the Sanctuary to the sidewalks. We silently pray to God while holding signs testifying to the truths that "Abortion Kills Children," "Adoption is the Loving Option," "Lord Forgive Us and our Nation," "Abortion Hurts Women," and "Jesus Forgives and Heals." You may pray for 1 hour during this time frame or for the entire 90 minutes. For more information or sign pick-up locations, please call Terri at 217-685-3413.



Our congratulations to those of our parish who were recently married:

Michael Frawley & Michelle Povse

May God smile graciously on them!

SPECIAL COLLECTION (Flood Victims in Louisiana)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The recent August storms in Louisiana may not have a name, but the names of those suffering in the wake of the worst flooding since Hurricane Katrina are our sisters and brothers. As the people of God, the bishops of the United States are encouraging us to come to their aid and Catholics across the United States are asked to respond generously. Our prayer and material support is urgently needed to help rebuild lives.

Recent severe weather has left as many as 60,000 homes damaged, with nearly 20,000 people being rescued from the floodwaters. More than 106,000 individuals and families have sought federal disaster aid. Immediate and long-term recovery needs place a tremendous burden on public and private resources. This is a burden we can help carry as the body of Christ. Faced with the loss of their worldly possessions and, in some cases, economic livelihood, the floodwaters have left thousands of families feeling isolated and fearful.

Bishop Paprocki has asked that all parishes in the diocese take up a special second collection for the relief of our sisters and brother in Louisiana.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Reverend Christopher House
Chancellor

This special collection will occur in our parish next weekend, October 1-2.

Annual Respect Life Mass, Rosary Walk and Luncheon, at Holy Family Parish in Granite City on Saturday, October 1. Mass starts at 9:00 a.m. and the luncheon ends about 1:30 p.m. Luncheon guest speaker – Brian Westbrook, Coalition for Life-St. Louis. Come and pray for an end to abortion. Flyer with more information is located at <http://dio.org/plasm/events.html>



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Tuesday, September 27

– A room parent meeting will be held in the school cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. This is an informational meeting for room parents who have volunteered to assist each classroom with parties and other needs throughout the year. The room parent coordinators are Elizabeth Johnson and Christa Zak. We are grateful to all of our parents who are willing to serve in this way.

Wednesday, September 28

– Fall picture day at St. Agnes School. Students may dress down for these pictures. Shirts or blouses must be appropriate clothing for school and for pictures. Please refer to the dress down rules in the school policy book.

– There will be a Gala Committee meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. Anyone wishing to help with the 2017 Gala is welcome to attend.

Thursday, September 29

– All School Liturgy at 8:15 a.m.

– Long range planning meeting at 3:30 p.m. in school office area.

Boy Scout Popcorn Sale: St. Agnes Boy Scout Troop 32 will be selling Popcorn after all Masses the weekends of October 1-2. Proceeds from the popcorn sale help fund troop activities and equipment maintenance. Thank you for your continued support! For more info, contact Chris Smudde at troop0032@gmail.com.

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.

SCHOOL STAFF, 2015-2016

| GRADE & TEACHER: | | CLASSROOM AIDE: |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| PK 3 | Rhonda Kon | Julie Johnson |
| PK 4 | Andrea Rupnik | Gina Pecori |
| | | Betsy Brands |
| | | Amanda Field |
| KA | Trish Penning | |
| KB | Karen Cummins | |
| 1A | Amy Alderman | Sr. Martha Marie Kirbach |
| 1B | Renee Osipov | “ “ “ |
| 2A | Jessica Steinkruger | Alison Otto |
| 2B | Kathi Keane | “ “ “ |
| 3A | Mary Ann Moyer | Stefanie Siwak |
| 3B | Joette Manning | “ “ “ |
| 4A | Denise Vogt | Tami Dillon |
| 4B | Kate West | “ “ “ |
| 5A | Rachel Cunningham | “ “ “ |
| 5B | Connie Tozer | “ “ “ |
| 6A | Rita Stuewe | “ “ “ |
| 6B | Sr. Margaret Joanne Grueter | “ “ |
| 7A | Diana Gautam | |
| 7B | Ashley Krzesinski | |
| 8A | Lara Parkes | |
| 8B | Ashley Rang | |
| Art | Kimberly Magowan | |
| Computer | Darcie Cullers | |
| Counselor | Beth LaFata | |
| Librarian | Dawn Caveny | |
| Music | Deborah Ferguson | |
| P. E. | Sue Mosher | |
| Resource | Mindy McMann | |
| Speech | Maria Twaddle | |
| Spanish | Marissa Hennessy | |
| Band | Melissa Blankestyn | |
| STAFF: | | |
| Principal | | Sr. M. Joan Sorge |
| Pastor | | Rev. Robert Jallas |
| Assistant Principal | | Linda Tusek |
| Administrative Assistant | | Karen White |
| Secretary | | Sharon Swehla |
| Office Aide | | Rosemary Gall |
| Development Director | | Nancy Peterson |
| Parish Admin. Assistant | | Kathy Vizral |
| Church Secretary | | Mary Stevens |
| Church Music Director | | Karen Ferguson |
| Cafeteria Staff | | Rhonda Adams |
| | | Kathy Heath |
| | | Joanne Smudde |
| Custodians | | Matt Lael |
| | | Matt Fitzgerald |
| | | Mike Mayfield |



CONTRIBUTIONS, SEPT. 17-18:

Regular Contributions: \$16,681

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$1,196

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!



Dear St. Agnes Parishioner,

This past week, hopefully you received from Bishop Paprocki information concerning the **2016 Annual Catholic Services Appeal**, yearly fundraiser finances the various ministries and services of our larger Diocesan Church. Please prayerfully consider what you can pledge or contribute. Help our parish by helping our diocese!

Also, a reminder of our parish mission that will take place from Saturday, October 8 through Wednesday, October 12 with the theme, **"Where is God These Days?"** Fr. John Ettensohn, a priest of the religious community The Oblates of Mary Immaculate (Belleville, IL) will be the presenter. See the schedule for the mission on this page of the bulletin.

Finally, Bishop Paprocki and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked that a special collection be taken up for the victims of the Mass flooding that took place last month in Louisiana. See the letter on page 2 of this bulletin.

Peace in Christ,
Fr. Bob

GREETERS - OCTOBER

4:30 p.m. Sergio & Angela Jimenez
8:00 a.m. Kevin & Kathy Vost
9:30 Richard & Meredith Koerper
11:30 Bob & Kathy Sherman

Parish Mission

"Where is God These Days?"

Mark your calendars for a time of some spiritual refreshment as we enter a parish mission from Saturday, October 8 through Wednesday, October 12.

Fr. John Ettensohn, O.M.I., a priest of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate of Belleville, IL, will be our mission presenter with the theme, "Where Is God These Days?" Fr. Ettensohn will preach at all Masses the weekend of October 8/9. There will be 4 evening presentations each evening at 7:00 p.m. from Sunday, October 9 through Wednesday, October 12. (See below). In addition, there will be 8:15 a.m. Mass, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, October 10 through the 12th with a presentation after each Mass in the parish hall. Refreshments served after all presentations. All are welcome!

Sunday, October 9

- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Meeting God on the Journey of Life"

Monday, October 10

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at Mass. After Mass Talk: "How on Earth do we live the Way, the Truth, and the Life of Jesus?"
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Not Just Existing, Fully Alive!"

Tuesday, October 11

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at Mass. After Mass Talk: "Visions, Locutions, and other Spiritual Experiences"
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "What Freedom Really Means"

Wednesday, October 12

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at all school Mass. After Mass Talk: "What can we do about Children who wander from the Church?"
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Back to the Future from the Heart"



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. Cost is \$5.00 per person for the entre and covers all drinks. Please bring a covered dish to share. Your friends are welcome. Sign-ups will be in the Gathering Space after all Masses on the weekends of September 17-18 and September 24-25. Our speaker will be one of our own parishioners, Dan Punzak, who will speak on “Near Death Experiences” which promises to be a very interesting topic. We hope to see you there.

* **Tuesday, October 4** – YAH planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space. We will discuss upcoming events for fall and winter. All are welcome and encouraged to come and provide their ideas.

* **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. Speaker to be announced.

* **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).

Octoberfest at St. Michael's Parish, Staunton, IL on Saturday, October 1 kicks off at 9:00 a.m. with a 5k Run and the Auction will begin at 10:30 a.m. Great food and refreshments, Games, Raffles, Country Store and music by the Robert Perry Band from 7 p.m. – 11 p.m. Sunday, October 2 begins with a Polka Mass at 10 a.m. Our famous Chicken Dinner from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. and entertainment all day including The Gary Moore Band from 1-4 p.m. and Doc Holiday from 5-9 p.m. Visit the website for a full schedule of events at www.stmichaelsoctoberfest.com.

St. Agnes Prayer Line: We are looking for parishioners who are willing to give a little time every day praying for our fellow parishioners and others in need. If this is something you would like to help with, please call Cinda Steinkamp at 787-6439.

Baby Bottle Boomerang, a community fundraising campaign for Lifetime Pregnancy Help Center, will run from October 1-23. Further details regarding the goals of this campaign will be forthcoming. During “Respect Life Month” you can make a difference by supporting this pro-life ministry. For information, contact Diane Blean 725-0065.



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

Springfield Right to Life is coordinating peaceful prayer vigils to be held every Thursday when surgical abortions are performed at Planned Parenthood, 601 N. Bruns Lane. We would like to provide prayer coverage throughout the day during the hours of 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. This is an opportunity to be a voice for the voiceless and take a stand to end abortion in our city. For more information and to sign up, please contact Angela Tranquilli who is coordinating our volunteers at 217-523-2700 or info@springfieldrtl.com. You may also sign up on our website: www.springfieldrtl.org.

September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month – The National Alliance on Mental Illness has resources available about suicide prevention, how you can help others, and how to discuss suicide without increasing the risk of harm. Suicidal thoughts can affect anyone regardless of age, gender or background. For more information on how you can help, go to: www.nami.org/suicideawarenessmonth/hp#sthash.MJVU6vNz.dpuf

Attention 7th and 8th Graders: Join the SHG student section at the SHG vs. Rochester football game Friday, October 7! Come out to Cyclone Stadium between 6:30-7:00 p.m. and cheer the Cyclones to victory. The reserved student section is on the northernmost part of the stands, on the SHG side, closest to the jumbotron. Wear your black and gold, get your friends together, and join the fun!

Fall Foliage Lunch Cruise: Join Butler Funeral Homes on October 12 for lunch on the Spirit of Peoria as we enjoy the beautiful fall colors on the Illinois River. A stop in Lincoln on the way home will be educational and tasty! We will leave Springfield at 9:00 a.m. and return by 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$65, all inclusive. Call 544-4646 to reserve a seat.

On-Line Giving: A reminder that we have begun on-line giving, using Give Central. You can go online through the parish website, www.stagnescatholicparish.org, click the “donate now” button and begin. The tool is safe and secure, and is a response to parishioners request to make it easier to give. We certainly welcome any gift in any form but for many this is the easiest way to give. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Parish Office at 793-1330. Thank you for your generosity.